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Demonstrators protest **Dakota Access** Pipeline at **BootJack Ranch**

By Terri House Staff Writer

Protesters demonstrated Sunday outside the gate of BootJack Ranch located east of Pagosa Springs.

The protest was held in objection to the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) by developer Energy Transfer Partners.

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

Warren purchased the approximately 3,500-acre ranch in 2010 for \$46.5 million, according to the Wall Street Journal.

"I'm here because I've been involved for seven months in the Dakota Access Pipeline struggle," said local protest organizer Tom Johnston. "I have faced the police and tear gas day after day after day up there. I'm trying to bring attention to the pipeline to stop its construction, ultimately, and put this black snake to its death.'

■ See Protest A8



5th Street Bridge meeting set for Dec. 5

- Construction stopped on 8th Street for winter
- Council urged to intervene in eminent domain issue

By Jim Garrett Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council spent most of its regular meeting last Thursday dealing with service organization requests for funding, as summarized in an accompanying article in this edition of The SUN, but council had time to address several other issues as well.

5th Street Bridge meeting

Among the other items, it was reiterated that a public meeting has been set for early next month, Monday, Dec. 5, to hear from the consultants hired to evaluate expected traffic and economic impacts of construction of a potential

■ See Council A8

Pagosa Charter School Initiative receives \$405,000 grant

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

On the heels of its Nov. 14 approval by the Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education to open the Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS), the Pagosa Charter School Initiative (PCSI) announced that it received a \$405,000 start-up grant through the Colorado Charter School Program (CCSP) on Nov. 17.

According to a PCSI press release, the funds will be distributed to PPOS over a three-year period, with \$135,000 received each year.

Right: Mineral County Sheriff Fred Hosselkus and Deputy

Chris Snell visit with protest organizer Tom Johnston

during the peaceful demonstration.

The Colorado Department of Education's Schools of Choice Office administers the Colorado Charter Schools Program through a federal Charter School Program grant to the state, the press release explains.

The release further explains, "The award will require PCSI to submit some clarifications to the Schools of Choice Office, concern-

■ See Charter A8

The Rotary dictionary giveaway is annual tradition for third-graders at Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Each year, the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club gives a dictionary to every third-grader at PSES, with the Rotarians then working with the students to become familiar with their new book, looking up words, countries, flags and presidents.

Ski area to open for season

Special to The SUN

Wolf Creek Ski Area will open Thursday, Nov. 24, seven days a week for the 2016-2017 ski season.

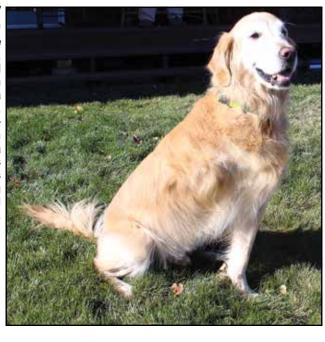
Fifty percent of the mountain will be open, with Raven, Bonanza, Nova, Treasure Stoke and Elma lifts operating from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ski School will be available for both adults and children, including the Wolf Pup Program.

As of Tuesday, Wolf Creek received 16 inches of fresh snow from this week's storm and has a midway depth of 24 inches. So far this winter, the ski area has received 30 inches of snow.

WolfCreekSki.com will be updated with more information as it becomes available.

SUN photo/ Marshall Dunham Riley, the 8-year-old, three-legged golden retriever, is a playful pooch. He was diagnosed with osteosarcoma earlier this year and is participating in a clinical



Local dog participates in cancer trial

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

Riley, the 8-year-old, three-legged golden retriever, acts like any other playful pooch. He's excited

and frolicsome, and gets around on three legs better than some dogs get around on four. By the looks of him, one wouldn't be able to tell

that Riley was diagnosed with osteosarcoma earlier in the year, or that the clinical trial that he's participating in has helped exceed his expected lifespan.

SUN staff interviewed Riley's owners, Joe and Sue Schmidt, and discussed the clinical trial and how it makes Riley's story remarkable.

Sue Schmidt began the conversation by explaining that Riley is 8 years old and was diagnosed with osteosarcoma when he was 7, back in January of

The Schmidts then told the tale of how Riley got

involved with the clinical trial.

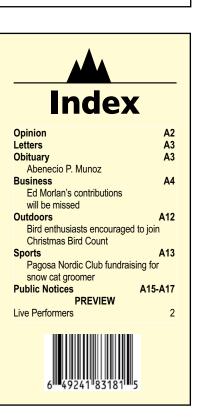
Joe Schmidt explained that, after Riley's initial diagnosis, they took Riley to Colorado State University's (CSU) Flint Animal Cancer Center, partly to confirm Riley's initial diagnosis and partly to explore treatment options from there.

'That was in January, and that's when we found out about the clinical trial," said Joe Schmidt. "The clinical trials they do are looking at different drugs and how it affects bone cancer in dogs, with the idea that, if it's successful with dogs, it'll be successful in treating humans."

Joe Schmidt added that there's a higher statistic of cancer being found in golden retrievers, and that osteosarcoma tends to be a large-breed problem.

"Riley's particular study was a drug," explained Sue Schmidt, explaining that, with the study, "The

■ See Riley A8



Opinion

EDITORIAL

On being thankful

There is a lot to be thankful for in Pagosa Country.

We asked SUN readers and Facebook friends what they were thankful for this Thanksgiving and the responses were overwhelming. The following is a sampling of what they had to share:

"A great wife and family." — Mike Alley "So Grateful for family & friends. Sometimes I feel guilty because we all here in this small town have beautiful clean crisp air, beautiful scenery to behold every single day. There are many people and Churches, who care and help the less fortunate. This is a wonderful place to live! Thankful to my Mom and Dad for bringing me here to this place when I was such a young child! We live here in what I call God's Country. For that I am Thankful!" — Michele Sweitzer

"Every day I get to spend with my husband, my family and friends."

"Friends that are close enough to be family, precious little ones, health, happiness and the fact that the election is over!!" — Michelle Lynn Clark "I am thankful that I am not a turkey." — BilliJo Lackey

"I'm thankful for the countless friends and relationships we have in Pagosa Springs!" — Nancy McGrath Rea

"I'm thankful Will likes your newspaper and you like our stations." - Christie Spears

"I am thankful that my girl is coming home from college and all she wants is a big family dinner." — Cheryl Ward-Bowdridge

"I am thankful my sister is hosting Thanksgiving this year!" — Becky Condon Jacobson

"I'm thankful for great neighbors that watch out for us, care for us, and are good friends. Thankful also, that they know when my cookie supply

gets low, and are prone to make more for us!" — Greg Pilgrim Apparently Greg's neighbors follow us on Facebook, too. Those of us at The SUN would like to test those cookies. "Greg, you and your family

are a gift in our lives! We are the ones that are truly spoiled just knowing 'ya'll'....not to mention the fantastic Texas cooking & baking you share.' — Debbie Whitehead-Goodrich "I am Thankful to still have my Mommy. Over the last year she has

had both of her legs amputated. Still she continues to amaze me. She has such strong will and determination. She continues to smile and joke around even if she is not feeling her best. I could only hope to be half as good as she is. I love my Mom!" - Renee Cordova

"Thankful that those of us Pagosa Pats can still be informed about a town we called Home through Terri & the Pagosa Sun as well as this forum. Nothing like being able to see the peaks frosted in snow or the golden aspens shimmering on the hillsides. Nothing quite like Pagosa Country & it's people, so wherever we all are in this wide world, it still speaks Home to our hearts. And for that I thank each & every one of you. Blessings this Holiday Season!" — Joy Cooper Willett

"I am thankful for my older brother Steve who was taken away way too soon in 1978 and my dad in 2008, mom in 2011 and then my brother Joe just last week. These are just 4 members of my incredible family." — Debbie Tully

"I'm thankful for the unconditional love and support from my family and friends and the comfort and strength I receive from my Lord Jesus Christ." — Cathy Rose

There were a lot more answers than what we had room for this week. We are thankful for your thoughtful responses. What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving?

Terri Lynn Oldham House

WHADDYA THINK?

Where do you plan to do most of your holiday shopping?



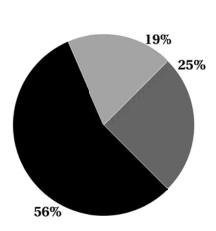
Laura Elquezabel "Probably online and locally especially for family out of town because they love stuff from Colorado.'



Angie Romine "Probably in Durango, and a little bit here now that we have a Walmart.'



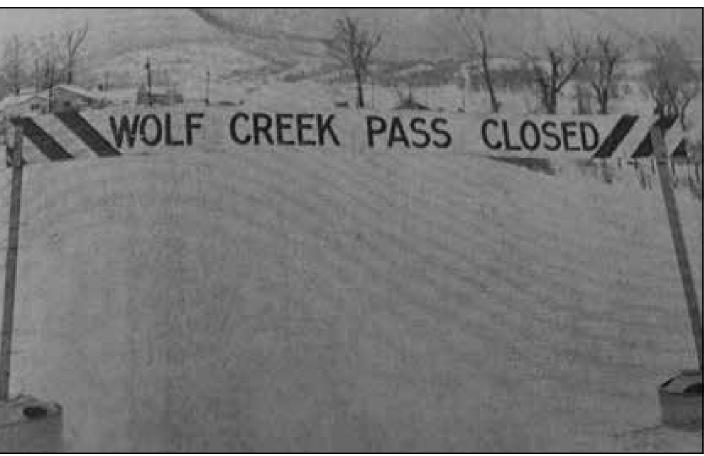
Jacque Aragon "I'll do some local and online. A combo, I would say.'



Poll results (147 Votes) Locally — 25 percent Online — 56 percent Larger cities — 19 percent

This week online: What is your favorite part of the holiday season? Vote at www.pagosasun.com

LOOKING BACK



From the **Pagosa Springs**

WINTER ARRIVAL This sign at the east edge of **Pagosa Springs** is pretty good evidence that winter has arrived. Despite the heavy snows of Wolf **Creek Pass the** sign is rarely used. This past week was an exception, though, as high winds, snow slides, and heavy snow made it necessary to close the Pass for a time so that the lives of travelers might not be endangered. **Ordinarily the Pass**

is closed for very short periods.

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

90 years ago
Taken from SUN files of November 19, 1926

Do you know that the San Juan National Forest has the highest rating for forest fires of any forest in Colorado? The fire season is nearly at an end for this vear and the San Juan Forest has a total of 25 fires with the Pike Forest second with 16.

Coal is now being hauled to Pagosa from the mine on the Leon Archuleta ranch on the lower San Juan, as well as from the Cox and Nossaman mines on Coal creek.

Ruby Sturgill found a shell six inches long. We suppose it is a shell used in earlier days. It is coated a quarter of an inch thick by water from the Hot Springs.

During the weekend snow storm, about two inches fell at Pagosa and vicinity, while on Wolf Creek pass there were about two feet.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of November 28, 1941

Fred Harman letters The Sun this week that Red Rvder went on the air last Tuesday on a national hook-up, being sponsored by the Lutual Broadcasting Company and the Santa Fe railroad. The broadcast will continue for the next five months and will highly publicize Pagosa Springs and the Red Ryder Ranch. The above broadcast includes a contest in which the two winners, a boy and a girl, will be entertained at the Red Ryder Ranch next summer, as well as being given a Hollywood try-out and film test for Little Beaver and Po-Ko in a movie production which is in the offing. Our own Fred Harman will go on the air in person next month in a program sponsored by the famous Uncle Don, who has a fifteen year old radio following of over two million youngsters.

50 years ago
Taken from SUN files of November 24, 1966

The streams in this area are very, very low, Unless some snow pack starts building in the high country one day soon they may well be low next summer. This year was an exception to that when extremely heavy snows fell in December and were sufficient to keep stream flow up most of the summer. Other than skiers no one is anxiously awaiting the snow just to

It is an extremely nice gesture on the part of the sororities to sponsor a Christmas lighting contest. It just doesn't seem possible that Christmas is so close. There is no snow on the ground and this doesn't make people Christmas minded. Nevertheless, the holiday season will soon be here.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of November 28, 1991

Availability of emergency medical services provided by physicians in Archuleta County will be reduced as of Jan. 1, 1992. The change will occur as a result of an agreement struck by the three physicians who practice medicine in Archuleta County and directors of the Upper San Juan Hospital District. On. Jan. 1, the physicians will reduce the amount of time they spend on-call for emergencies and will limit the type of emergency patients they see. In 1991, the Upper San Juan Hospital District paid Drs. Jim Pruitt, Matt Phillips, and Mark Wienpahl \$33,000 per year (split between the three doctors) to provide round-the-clock emergency medical care to anyone who requested it. "For the \$33,000," said Pruitt, "we are seeing all comers, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week."

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Letters

Considerate act

Dear Editor:

To the dear sweet woman who returned my purse that I left in the cart at Walmart on Tuesday, Nov. 15, my most heartfelt thank you. I had not been sleeping well and was anxious and distracted and so concerned about the hateful and hurtful rhetoric that has been going on in our country for what seems like a very long time.

When I realized I had left my purse in the shopping cart in the parking lot, I was hoping for the best, but fearing the worse. But, my guess is that when you found it, you did not give a second thought about doing the right thing and turning it in.

When I went back to see if anyone had turned it in, and it was indeed at the courtesy counter, I had one of those defining moments in that although we are headed for challenging times and uncharted waters, and a great deal of our country's citizens are at odds with one another, our community of

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Your considerate act made me a little more hopeful again and please be assured that I will pay it forward.

Caroline Brown

'Before the Flood' Dear Editor:

Please join us Dec. 1 at the Liberty Theatre at 7 p.m. for a free community viewing of Leonardo DiCaprio's climate change film, "Before the Flood," released earlier this month.

A half-hour discussion open to anyone attending will be held afterwards.

This remarkable film opens with DiCaprio's deconstruction of the famous painting "The Garden of Earthly Delights" painted by Hieronymus Bosch in 1505 in which a vision of Eden is depicted in triptych, an Eden that in adjoining panels falls and is lost into a frightening panorama of despoliation that DiCaprio wants us to realize is no

far-fetched allegory regarding what we face here and now on earth but a valid and appliable commentary illustrating present circumstances. Opening the film in this way he is pulling no punches and lets up not a bit to make unforgettable this much needed clarion call.

After shaking his audience with the facts and input from numerous convincing voices as well as jarring footage from numerous locations around the world to which he travels, he asks the question what would we do if we knew we could do something to keep our sacred earth from a parallel event — if we know indeed we can do something? And if we know that we must?

Hosted by FORE Pagosa. We hope to see you there.

Jonathan Dobson

The Pagosa way Dear Editor:

A blessed community, the Pagosa way. Veterans Day was just one example of how this com-

livestock producer. His love of

open space and the area kept him

in the Allison-Tiffany community.

Abenecio was a very kindhearted

individual with an abundance of

love for his wife of 59 years and his

four daughters and their families.

He loved life, riding horseback

and was extremely strong in

faith. He also enjoyed music and

mela Munoz; his daughters, Mar-

garet Munoz-Lucero (Jose), Lillie Munoz (Jack Smith), Krissy Munoz-

Baker (Myron), and Bernadette

Munoz-Conklin (Scott); and a

very dear niece, Kathy Trujillo

(Patricio), who was reared with his

daughters; grandchildren: Shan-

He is survived by his wife, Ra-

munity embraces everything that is good. The annual Veterans Day breakfast, as always, was a huge success — patriotic music, uplifting visits, everything that is good about life. Yes, it honors our veterans but more than that, provides the opportunity for our 13-yearold students to take the initiative to approach, visit, ask questions, listen and learn "in person" about the history of our country from many who have "lived it" through dangerous times.

In this high-tech world of today which discourages face-to-face engagement with others, this annual event provides the opportunity to experience the joy and fulfillment that comes from personal engagement of others.

I often write about our "exceptional" young people in this community and I firmly believe such events play an important part in their social development. Millions of thanks to the teachers and parents who devote their time to such as this. Please know you are greatly loved and appreciated.

Patty Tillerson

Memorial

Amanda Christensen

Amanda Christensen passed on Dec. 18 at the age of 33. There will be a viewing on Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 10 a.m. at the Restoration Fellowship Church, 264 Village Drive, Pagosa Springs, with funeral service to follow at 11 a.m. Interment will take place the following day, Dec. 1, in Manassa, Colo. at the New Manassa Cemetery.

Thanks

Alley

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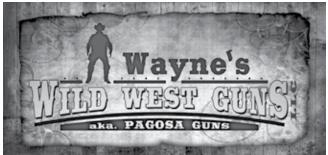
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Obituary



Abenecio P. Munoz

Abenecio P. Munoz passed away the morning of Nov. 15 at his family home. He was born in Largo, N.M., on Aug. 23, 1922, to Daniel and Adelina Munoz. From this area, he moved to the Martinez community, now known as Navajo Dam, N.M. He married Ramela Lucero on Jan. 7, 1957, and through this union four children were born.

Abenecio was a rancher and

telle Lucero-Rojo (Rudy), Jesscia Lucero-Cassaus (Jerome), Savanah Espinoza, Mariah, Sarah, and Nathaniel Baker, Raena, Abriana, and Vincent Conklin; great-grandchildren: Maddison Krass, Matthew Maestas and Jersey Cassaus. He has one surviving sister, Corine Ferguson (Gary). Recitation of the Rosary was held on Friday, Nov. 18, at 6:30 p.m.

dancing.

at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, Nov. 19, at 10 a.m., St. Ignatius Catholic Church.



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Business

Ed Morlan's contributions will be missed

CHAMBER NEWS

By Mary Jo Coulehan SUN Columnist

Only a month ago, I wrote about the "Changing of the Guard" at the offices of Region 9, which is the economic development umbrella for the southwest region. Ed Morlan retired after 27 years and Laura Lewis Marchino, who has been the deputy director for many years, stepped up to take the helm.

And, only a month later, I am writing now of the untimely death of Morlan, a crusader for economic development in our region. Some of the highlights will be a repetition of only a month ago, but they bear repeating.

When Morlan took over Region 9, it was \$30,000 in the hole. Now, the organization boasts a healthy revolving loan plan that assists businesses in our area to start up or expand.

Take Mercury Payment Systems, which started in a garage and grew to a company that employed over 400 people, is located in two cities and now has been bought out by another major company. Morlan mentored them.

He also started the Southwest Colorado Accelerator Program for Entrepreneurs (SCAPE) that has started 15 businesses in southwest Colorado. Think about the businesses, mentoring and financial assistance that Region 9, through Morlan, has given to Archuleta County.

He continued to stress to our government officials the need for economic development and the support of a dedicated organization in our community, he helped us through the various phases of our economic development struggles, worked to restructure the current organization, and stressed the

need for Region 9 to have a point of Marchino. She will take Region 9 contact for economic development here in Archuleta County. With the Chamber now as the administrative arm of the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC), for the first time in years, Region 9 can communicate with an individual to follow up on business leads, execute the work or information that Region 9 needs, and grow in Archuleta County some of the programs that Region 9 fosters, such as the business microloan program.

Morlan hated for economic development to be stagnant. I was lucky enough to be a part of the Region 9 board for the past sixplus years. I watched programs and nonprofit agencies obtain Enterprise Tax Zone credit status, watched successful (and not so successful) businesses develop. But, that was part of the risk that Morlan championed for. I watched Morlan research and recommend programs that perhaps Region 9 could participate in to gain more financial security or resources to assist businesses. I watched Region 9 undertake other programs that, on their own, were not strong enough, so Region 9 took them under their wing until they were strong enough to fly. I have watched the strong relationship develop with the Small **Business Development Center that** he fostered.

And the accolades could go on and on. He not only dedicated his life to economic development, but gave back to his own community by being a Bayfield town council member five times and representing southwest Colorado on numerous state boards. Gov. John Hickenlooper even declared June 28, 2016, as Ed Morlan Day.

Region 9 will continue its successful leadership under Lewis to new heights, new programs, and continue its stability and ingenuity.

There will be many hearts that will miss Morlan's humor, bantering, vocal frustrations and constant pushing for more success. I am one of those hearts and I will miss him pushing me to be better for my company, the businesses and my community. I promise Morlan that I will have meeting agendas out on time, make meetings relevant and always strive to move organizations and ideals forward for the betterment of the community. Thank you for the lessons learned and the friendship.

Economic Outlook Survey

Thank you to all the businesses that have completed the 2017 Economic Outlook Survey. The number of surveys that are coming back so far is beyond our expectations. We still want to hear from a large population of the business community.

If you would like to complete the survey, visit the Chamber or CDC websites and click on the link to the survey. The survey link is on the home page on the Chamber website, www.pagosachamber.com, and under the Blog tab on the CDC site, www.pagosaspringscdc.org.

Businesses have until Dec. 9 to fill out the questionnaire.

We will be compiling the information and then making presentations to various organizations and governmental agencies in early 2017. This is your time to help shape how we can work to make business better in our community, identify what might be some of the stumbling blocks for the business community and also give constructive suggestions on ways we can improve. Thank you for your input.

Upcoming holiday events

There are a number of holiday events coming up in the next couple of weeks. Here are just a few.

The Parade of Stores Shopping Extravaganza will take place Thursday, Dec. 1, through Sunday, Dec. 4. Shop at over 30 stores and enjoy restaurant discounts throughout the community over the first weekend in December.

The Festival of Trees will be held at the Ross Aragon Community Center on Dec. 2. The festivities begin with a cash bar, live music and hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 p.m., with the bidding on the trees beginning at 7 p.m. Help support a nonprofit agency, obtain a new tree for your home or business, or donate a tree to a needy family. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at the Community Center at 451 Hot Springs Blvd.

The Pagosa Springs Community Choir presents its free holiday concerts on Dec. 2 and 3 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. This concert will be filled with songs of the season as the melodic voices resound through the auditorium and raise your spirits. Donations are accepted.

Santa will make his yearly visits to the Visitor Center beginning Saturday, Nov. 26, from 5:30-7 p.m. He will take time then to come and listen to the children's wishes every Saturday in December from noon until 3 p.m. including Christmas Eve. Get the lists and cameras ready for some endearing memories.

On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce board and staff, we thank you for your membership, continued loyalty to our organization, and your engagement in the business community. Happy Thanksgiving, Pagosa Springs.

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Enhanced Money Smart for Small Business training curriculum for entrepreneurs announced

By Christopher Chavez Special to The SUN

(SBA) and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) recently announced enhancements to Money Smart for Small Business, a resource that provides practical guidance for starting and managing a small business.

"The enhanced Money Smart for Small Business curriculum has been improved to make entrepreneurship more accessible to everyone and to better meet the financial management needs of entrepreneurs," said Tameka Montgomery, associate administrator for SBA's Office of Entrepreneurial Development. "The FDIC has been an exceptional partner in providing small businesses and entrepreneurs with resources needed to help get their businesses off the ground."

Money Smart for Small Business, a free curriculum available on the SBA website, www. The U.S. Small Business Administration sba.gov/starting-business/business-financials/ your-business-fiscally-fit, was jointly developed by the SBA and FDIC in 2012. The agencies expanded the program in response to feedback from the small business community.

Three new modules were added, focusing on managing cash flow, planning for a healthy business and helping learners to determine if owning a business is a good fit, bringing the total number of modules to 13. The curriculum is available for download at no cost in both English and Spanish.

In addition, a Train-the-Trainer curriculum was created to help organizations train instructors to deliver the modules.

The agencies also simplified the process to ioin the Money Smart Alliance, a group of nonprofit, government and educational organizations that promotes and teaches Money Smart for Small Business. Organizations now can join the by completing a simple online form at www.cvent.com/events/join-the-fdic-moneysmart-alliance/event-summary-d78a64de6b-07498c8e6eb68e8a2fa9c7.aspx.

Training modules can be taught in any order or independently and typically run 60-90 minutes. Each module, and the Train-the-Trainer curriculum, includes a fully scripted instructor guide, participant workbook and PowerPoint slides that can be edited to meet the needs of any audience. These features and flexibility make Money Smart for Small Business a valuable resource for entrepreneurs.

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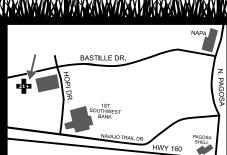
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Southwest Colorado Healthcare Sector Partnership think tank formed

Special to The SUN

On Nov. 3, The Southwest Colorado Healthcare Sector Partnership gathered regional health care leaders and community partners for an industry-led effort to strengthen the competitiveness of health care in the southwestern Colorado Four Corners region.

The sector partnership connects health care related businesses with workforce, education and economic development partners. In a collaborative effort, the Southwestern Colorado Area Health Education Center, The Colorado Workforce **Development Council and Region** 9 Economic Development District assembled health care industry leaders in a roundtable discussion to identify growth opportunities and seek innovative solutions to improve the economic viability of health care in the region.

Health care employers dis-

working with local partners, such as Southwest Colorado Community College, Fort Lewis College, La Plata County Human Services and Senior Center, Durango High School, Colorado Workforce Center, La Plata Family Centers Coalition and **Archuleta County Social Services** in solving challenges that impact the future of the health care sector.

Key opportunities include: • Attracting clinical staff (primary care providers, MAs and nurses) with adequate training, certification and expand the clinical job opportunities.

- Enhancing changes in payment structures.
- · Addressing social determinants of health: housing, transportation, patient transition of care and health literacy.
- Improving continuing education for care providers.

"This 'Single Table, Multiple Is-

cussed potential opportunities for sue' approach will address issues that greatly affect the future of our health care in the southwestern region," said Kathleen McInnis, executive director of the Southwestern Colorado Area Health Education Center. "Our hope is that we can engage industry leaders, cultivate a think tank and attract high quality health care professionals who enjoy living and working in the area."

> Industry leaders in attendance at the Durango meeting included: Bern Heath, CEO, Axis Health Systems; Bobbi Lock, director of Montezuma County Public Health; Dr. Rhonda Webb, chief medical officer, Pagosa Springs Medical Center; Cathy Roberts, vice president of mission integration, Mercy Regional Medical Center; Flannery O'Neil, deputy director, San Juan Basin Health Department; Haley Leonard, marketing and public relations director and public information

officer, Southwest Health System; Lesley Reeder, RN, representing Patrick Gordon, Rocky Mountain Health Plans RCCO-1.

Colorado has been modeling sector partnerships for over 11 years as a framework for industry-driven alignment across economic development, workforce development and education. The state has invested in regional, public-private partnerships targeting key industries that are vital to our regional economies.

The Southwestern Colorado Area Health Education Center (SWCAH-EC) is a regional nonprofit organization in southwestern Colorado that broadly focuses on improving access to quality health care in eight counties: Archuleta, Dolores, Hinsdale, La Plata, Montezuma, Ouray, San Juan and San Miguel. SWCAHEC provides support and coordinates programs for the community, health professionals and students interested in advancing health.

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Department of Revenue approves new regulations including rule to prohibit the consumption of marijuana at liquor-licensed establishments

By Lynn Granger Special to The SUN

Last week, the Colorado Department of Revenue (CDOR) approved a new regulation that prohibits liquor licensees from allowing the consumption of marijuana on their licensed premises.

The concept was raised by the liquor industry, which expressed concerns about the consumption of marijuana at licensed liquor establishments and the need to expressly prohibit it. This was also supported by health and safety officials during the state's annual rulemaking process this summer.

During the review and rulemaking process, the CDOR's Liquor Enforcement Division (LED) held five separate working group meetings beginning in June and concluding with a rulemaking hearing on Oct. 31.

At the work groups and hearing, liquor industry groups, including the Colorado Bar Owners Association, The Colorado Restaurant Association and the Tavern League of Colorado, and the public safety advocacy group, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, expressed support for the regulation prohibiting dual consumption.

After carefully considering all viewpoints and comments, LED is adopting rules addressing the topics discussed at the work groups; in particular, regulation 47-900, which prohibits its liquor licensees from permitting the consumption of marijuana and/or marijuana products at liquor licensed premises.

We take our obligation of pro tecting the public safety and public health of all Coloradans very seriously and we also view this issue as a matter of statewide concern," said Barbara Brohl, executive director of DOR and State Licensing Authority for both the Liquor Enforcement Division (LED) and the Marijuana Enforcement Division. "After carefully considering all impacts to Coloradans and industry, this rule is in the best interests of public health and safety resulting from public and dual consumption.'

The Retail Marijuana Public Health Advisory Committee, a volunteer committee at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) made up of scientists and doctors, found substantial evidence using alcohol and marijuana together increases impairment and the risk of a motor vehicle crash more than using either substance alone.

Dr. Larry Wolk, executive director and chief medical officer at CDPHE said, "We support the action of the Department of Revenue. There is substantial evidence that combined use of marijuana and alcohol increases impairment more than use of

Job training program offered for low-income seniors

By Judy Campbell Special to The SUN

The Senior Community Service Employment Program is seeking low-income unemployed seniors 55 years and older to participate in its paid job training program.

The program is committed to improving the quality of life for low-income seniors by providing job training and assisting them with their job searches.

Training is funded by the U.S. Department of Labor and takes place in various businesses

throughout southwest Colorado. To learn more and to get paid while training, call SER Jobs For Progress at 385-3995.

either substance alone. If marijuana working group meetings took into use is allowed in establishments that hold a liquor license, dual use certainly would occur regularly and

present a danger to public health

Other rulemaking topics considered by the working groups included such areas as implementation of SB 16-197 and the regulation of powdered alcohol. The work group consisted of representatives from the liquor industry, law enforcement, local government and alcohol abuse prevention advocates. These public

and safety."

account all stakeholder perspectives and written comments.

Among the other rules considered at the work group meetings that are being adopted by LED are:

- · Added and modified rules for liquor-licensed drugstores and retail stores to comply with SB 16-197;
- Granting suppliers the ability to give away sealed containers of malt liquor at a retail liquor store or liquor-licensed drugstore;
- A rule to give guidance to market research companies;
- Modified a rule to extend the number of days (from five to 30) a wholesaler could purchase alcohol back from a retailer within specific parameters; and
- Added and modified rules for the regulation of powdered alcohol.
- LED will continue working with its licensees, law enforcement and its partners across local government on education and responsible implementation of the new rules.

For more information, see LED's website at www.colorado.gov/pacific/enforcement/liquor.



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By Jim Garrett Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council has historically allocated funding to organizations providing vital services to the community. Requests for support are considered by council annually in the fall, in the process of approving a budget for the next year.

The town's budget for 2017 is scheduled for final approval by council at its meeting in just under two weeks, on Dec. 6. In anticipation of that final step in the budget process, council's annual session to hear requests for support from service organizations occurred during its regular meeting last Thursday,

According to Town Manager Greg Schulte, town policy has been that funding available to support service organizations is limited to 3 percent of the town's general fund regular revenue stream. One-time source-like grants are excluded from the computation.

For 2017, the town's proposed budget includes a total allocation for service organizations of \$77,378, computed under the policy.

However, during the service organization session last week, council considered requests in the amount of \$165,600. The total had been increased by \$25,000 from the previously announced sum of \$140,600 reported by The SUN in its Nov. 17 edition by a last-minute plea for financing from Habitat for Humanity.

Council began considering the many requests immediately following an announcement of a refund of some of the funds provided to an organization last year. Solarize Archuleta, a local program to encourage homeowners to install solar panels for electric power generation, sponsored by Four Corners Office for Resource Efficiency (4CORE), had received support of \$2,500 from the town in 2016.

The funding was to help in the group's effort to recruit participants. However, 4CORE Executive Director Laurie Dickson told council that while 13 local homeowners had been recruited, not all of the funds had been needed.

Dickson delivered a check to the town refunding the \$260 remainder, with the comment that perhaps the money could be redistributed to some other worthy organization.

The day after council's session. Schulte explained to The SUN that, despite Dickson's hopes, under budgetary practices, the refund of money allocated for 2016 could not be added directly to funds for service organizations available for

But, at the outset of council's consideration of the funding requests last Thursday, Schulte offered suggestions for two means of alleviating council's difficulty in dividing up the limited financial pie.

Axis Health System's Acute Treatment Unit

First, he suggested consideration of eliminating the request for funding of \$15,000 from the Axis Health System's Acute Treatment Unit (ATU) from the Service Organizations accounting category.

Schulte did not suggest rejecting the request, but instead redistributing it to another budgetary category.

The manager pointed out that the ATU is a facility used by the town police department, and other law enforcement agencies in southwest Colorado, to house mentally troubled arrestees. He compared the facility to the local combined dispatch organization, which handles 911 calls in required law enforcement services museum after the 2016 summer that the town would need to provide by other means if not for the existing arrangement.

Accordingly, Schulte proposed that council consider moving the funds for the ATU from a potential service organization allocation to a line item cost under the police department budget, similar to the annual support provided to combined dispatch.

Schulte advised council that the general fund in the town's proposed 2017 budget included \$30,000 of "wiggle room." (The general fund covers both the police department and service organizations.) Consequently, although causing an increase in the town's total expenditures, Schulte said the change would not affect the town's budgetary balance, or compromise its policy for maintaining cash

Seeds of Learning and **Habitat for Humanity**

In addition, Schulte suggested treating support for Seeds of Learning and Habitat for Humanity as expenditures under the separate category of Economic Development (also included in the general fund), rather than service organization allocations. The two organizations requested support in 2017 in the amounts, respectively, of \$10,000 and \$15,000.

Schulte's suggestion followed the precedent set last year in the budget process for 2016, when funding tor Seeds of Learning and Habitat for Humanity had been similarly redistributed. The move had actually been anticipated in the town's preliminary 2017 budget, with funds for the two organizations having already been included in the line item for council initiatives, in support of early childhood care and attainable housing.

As a result, while the change would help relieve the log jam in service organization funding requests, it would not affect the bottom line in the town's budget.

Council concurred on both of Schulte's suggestions.

Pagosa Springs History Museum

Additional relief in the log jam resulted from a decision by the San Juan Historical Society, operator of the Pagosa Springs History Museum, to reduce its request made prior to Thursday's meeting from \$30,000 to \$15,000.

Schulte and Jean Taylor, president of the society, reported to council that the change followed meetings between museum representatives and town stail. The town manager explained that the discussions concerned the organization's specific needs, and "things we can do internally on the [town] staff level to address some" of the problems.

The discussions established that the museum's needs concerned what Schulte called "capital" issues, referring to upgrades required to the museum facility at 1st Street and U.S. 160. These included a leaky roof, a deteriorating parking lot and inadequate restrooms that lack accommodations for individuals with disabilities.

The outcome of the discussions was that the town found it would be able to handle issues concerning the roof and the parking lot through existing means, leaving the restrooms as the remaining need. Schulte said town staff estimated a \$15,000 cost for correction of the restrooms' deficiencies. Thus, the request for support to the museum in 2017 was reduced to that sum.

The original, larger request for financial support for the museum had followed the announcement early this year of a decision by

season, due to lack of financial capacity to continue operations.

After hearing about the reduced request, and its scope, limited to capital improvements, Mayor Don Volger asked Taylor whether the society had concluded there were sufficient existing resources to sustain operations of the museum in the years to come.

Taylor confirmed that was the society's belief, and emphasized that tremendous progress had been made this year after the expected closing was announced. She reported that the society now has 77 members, compared to seven before the announcement.

The society's treasurer, Connie Schanzenbaker, commented that the earlier decision to close appeared to have been prompted by an inadequate understanding by board members at the time of the museum's financial picture. The decision occurred prior to her tenure. Schanzenbaker continued that after she had made a complete evaluation, she had been able to show the board "they are making enough money to operate."

That, she said, "helped everybody change their mind about closing."

She agreed, the museum "can support itself," and fund its annual budget.

The net effect of the reduction of the museum's request, and the accounting redistribution of the requests by ATU, Habitat for Humanity, and Seeds of Learning, was to reduce the pending service organization requests for support from \$165,600 to \$100,600.

Council then turned to the evaluation of each of the 11 remaining requests. No votes were taken, in view of the still-preliminary stage of proceedings progressing toward the anticipated adoption of the 2017 budget on Dec. 6, but consensus decisions were reached on each, as described below.

Several requests were approved with minimal discussion. These included three requests for support of county services for seniors dealing with nutrition, transportation, and specific programs involving health emergency monitoring and balance improvement. The three requests were for support in the total amount of \$20,000.

In addition, requests for \$2,000 to support Archuleta School District's provision of a crossing guard at Pagosa Springs Elementary School, and for \$600 to support Southwest Safehouse (according to its website, the Durango safehouse serves "women and children survivors of domestic violence" received approval with minimal discussion.

More discussion was devoted to others of the requests for support.

San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging

The San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging (AAA), an organization that supports programs for seniors (including those described, above, as county services for seniors) received \$500 direct support from the town for 2016, but asked for an increase to \$4,000 for 2017.

Based on the written application, the increase was understood by council to seek funding for dental, vision or hearing care for individual seniors.

Councilor Mat deGraaf commented that based on the application, reporting an average cost of \$500 per patient served, it appeared to be intended to provide care to eight seniors from a waiting list of 30.

But no representative of the agency was present to explain and justify the large increase, and council initially was of a mind to limit continued support to the level

Town Council evaluates service organization funding requests

provided in 2016. However, once council had rendered judgment on the full list of supplicants, it was found that \$2,280 remained of the total earmarked for service organizations.

From that remainder, funding to be allocated to AAA was raised to \$1,500, following councilor Nicole DeMarco's reference to the adage, that "a society is known by its treatment of its elders.'

Mountain Express

The bus service operated by Archuleta County, Mountain Express, was allocated \$20,000 from the town for 2016 as a service organization. For next year, it requested an increase to \$35,000 from the town, which was explained to council by a representative as support needed to help expand service, to include limited operations after 5 p.m. on weekdays and on Saturdays.

Councilor Tracy Bunning, describing himself as "a numbers guy," asked what Mountain Express' ridership levels have been. The bus service's representative reported, an average of 25 per day.

Council was not comfortable with the request for an increase, and chose to stick with renewal of support at the same level as in 2016.

Bunning added the comment, however, that a later, supplemental request might be worthy of consideration by council, if supported by a more detailed report on the bus line's level of business.

Axis Health Systems

Axis Health Systems, which offers a variety of health-related services, made a request for support separate from that for the ATU discussed previously, for help in providing outpatient counseling to local patients.

For 2016, Axis was allocated \$2,000 by the town to support its counseling, and the request for 2017 was in the same amount. A representative explained that the request was to help meet the cost of counseling for individuals in the community without health insurance, private means to pay, or eligibility for Medicare or Medicaid.

However, deGraaf noted that the town had already provided substantial financial support to Axis this year, by waiving a major portion of impact fees and building fees that otherwise would have been imposed on its new facility, currently under construction uptown on Village Drive. (The town's waiver of fees benefiting Axis in the total amount of \$37,000 was reported by The SUN in its article on impact fees appearing in the Oct. 20 edition.)

Council initially favored withholding any additional support in 2017 for Axis' counseling service. But in this instance, as well, Axis was ultimately allocated \$1,000 of the amount available for service organizations, out of the \$2,280 remaining after all requests had been considered.

Archuleta County Victim Assistance Program

The Archuleta County Victim Assistance Program (ACVAP) had also submitted a written request for support in 2017 in an amount equal to past support by the town,

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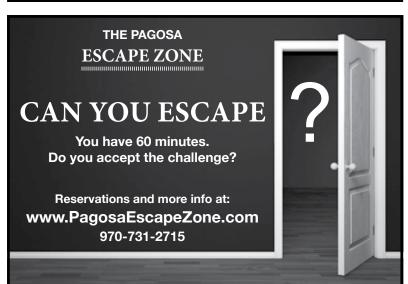
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leaving the library unable to take

council agreed to support the li-

After hearing from Wempe,

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tributed on Thursday to other

accounting categories, the final

amount approved by council for

service organizations in 2017 was

\$77,380. Added to that, in amounts

redistributed to other categories, is

the \$15,000 for Axis Health's ATU,

\$25,000 for Habitat for Humanity,

\$10,000 for Seeds of Learning and

\$5,000 for Thingamajig. The total

funding approved by council in all

categories was \$132,380.

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brary's request.

Students in J.D. Kurz's global science class tour of the Blanco Diversion Dam last Thursday. The dam is part of the San Juan-Chama Project. Carolyn Donnelly with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation drove up from Albuquerque, N.M., to lead the tour. The San Juan-Chama Project is a transmountain diversion that supplies New Mexico with about one-third of its water supply. The project diverts water from the Blanco and Navajo rivers (San Juan River Watershed) and into the Rio Grande Watershed through a series of tunnels beneath the Continental Divide. Prior to the tour, Val Valentine, retired Colorado water commissioner, explained the 1922 Colorado River Compact, which gives New Mexico the right to divert their share of water from the Colorado River Basin.

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a sum of \$7,000. But that written request was made before the fire in October, which totally destroyed The Adobe building, where ACVAP had its office.

Carmen Hubbs, ACVAP director, told council that although the organization carried insurance, that did not mean it would recover 100 percent of its loss. She urged the council to consider increasing the town's support, saying that any amount the town could afford to give would be appreciated.

Council decided to wait until reviewing all applications, before considering Hubb's request for an additional amount. As noted, a total of \$2,280 remained at the end of the review, but of that sum, \$1,000 each was approved for AAA and the Axis counseling service. Council then allocated the remaining \$280 to ACVAP, for a total allocation in 2017 of \$7,280.

Thingamajig Theatre

The Thingamajig Theatre Company also repeated a request for financial support from the town in 2017, equal to the funding allocated to it last year, \$10,000.

Bunning commented that the request constituted a significant part of the funds available from the town to support service organizations, and asked if the theater was a for-profit business.

Simon Fuger, a local resident and president of Friends of the Theater, a group that supports Thingamajig, responded it is a charity, eligible for tax-deductible donations. He acknowledged that the theater is housed in the Pagosa

Springs Center for the Arts, which ment organizations. That would is owned by a legal for-profit entity, but stated that no profit has actually been received.

Fuger continued with a strong summary of the "massive" benefit realized by the community from the existence of Thingamajig Theatre.

It puts on approximately 200 events a year, he said, is one of the few year-round theaters to be found in any small community, and greatly adds to the quality of life for a substantial portion of local residents with high-quality, professional performances.

He added that Thingamajig is also a substantial magnet for visitors, with 40 percent of its tickets being sold to "outsiders."

Fuger noted in addition that 60 percent of Thingamajig's budget is from donations, as ticket sales cover only 40 percent of costs. The town's support is important, he said, but overall is only a small part of the organization's budget.

The suggestion was made by De-Marco that Thingamajig be given the requested \$10,000 support, but that the sum be divided equally between the service organization and economic development organization categories. She noted the suggestion seemed appropriate in light of the significance of the theater to the community as both a service to residents, and an economic engine helping to attract visitors.

Schulte responded that suggestion could be accomplished through alteration of the proposed Economic Development budget by moving \$5,000 from Early Childhood Care/Attainable Housing Initiatives to Economic Develop-

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provide a total of \$30,000 to development organizations: \$25,000 for the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation, and \$5,000 for the theater.

The move would result in a total of \$45,000 remaining in the former category, under which Schulte noted funds had been proposed to be allocated only to Seeds of Learning and Habitat for Humanity, in the total of \$35,000. Even with the redistribution, he said, that category would still hold an unallocated balance of \$10,000 for any other initiatives that might be desired in 2017.

Council adopted DeMarco's suggestion.

Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library

The community's Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library made a request to the town for \$5,000 in new funding for 2017. No request was made for 2016.

Library Director Meg Wempe explained that the request was being made to obtain help in funding adult education, most significantly preparation for high school equivalency examinations.

Wempe added that although the library's adult education program had previously been supported by the Archuleta County Education Center, that support was no longer available. Also, the state of Colorado does not provide any funding for adult education, she reported, and programs in small communities are unable to meet the standards needed to qualify for federal grants.

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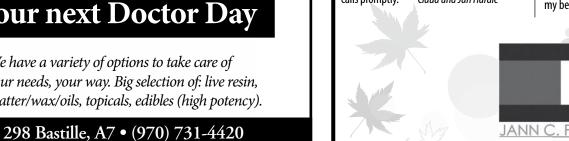
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Riley.

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first thing you do is amputate, the life expectancy if you don't is about 70 days. Then, he did the standard chemo, which has been a standard treatment for osteosarcoma in dogs for a long time. After that, he went on the trial drug."

Joe Schmidt explained that there were prerequisites for getting in the clinical trial, such as scans for additional cancerous areas and orthopedic evaluations, and that he suspected one of the reasons Riley was able to participate in the trial was due to his young age.

Sue Schmidt went on to explain that the drug that was used in this particular trial was called Rapamycin, which is found on Easter Island.

"From my understanding, it came into widespread use around the 1990s, in humans as an antirejection drug for kidney transplant patients. It has pretty substantial immunosuppressant properties," said Sue Schmidt. "Prior to that, it was used as an antifungal medication. Then, research found that it had huge immunosuppressant properties, which is why it was used as an anti-rejection drug. Now, they're looking at it for cancer research.'

universities in the northwest United States, research is being done on Rapamycin and its anti-aging properties as well.

"It's a really interesting drug," she said.

Sue Schmdit added that Riley was no longer on the trial drug, and had finished his cycle in late September.

Because the study is being conducted in several veterinary schools across the country, Riley was the second dog in the nation to complete this specific trial.

"The study is actually being sponsored by the National Institute of Health," explained Sue Schmidt, who went on to talk about CSU's One Cure Initiative program.

"One Cure is with Colorado State University and the University of Colorado Health Systems," she said. "It is one of many nationwide initiatives to use translational research where, instead of going from a rodent model to a human model, they're finding that it's very beneficial to do trials in dogs ... partly because they've done more genome sequencing in dogs as compared to other pet animals."

Sue Schmidt went on to explain that with rodent models, research-

Sue Schmidt added that, in other ers have to create the cancer in the

"With using pet animals, it's naturally occurring, just like it is with people," said Sue Schmidt. "It has the variables similar to what people have."

She went on to explain that a huge advantage with this is that, because dogs have much shorter lifespans than humans, researchers are able to find out answers much more quickly.

The Schmidts suspected that it could take as much as another year before the clinical trial yielded any results, as the trial is still in its early

They added that roughly 200 dogs participated in the trial.

"Even if they don't do the clinical trial, the mean survival time for just amputation and chemotherapy for most dogs is a year," said Joe Schmidt. "He's not even on a year yet in post treatment, so I don't know if they can say anything on how this is affecting him, because even if he didn't take the drug, he's still in that timeframe of survivability. I assume that what they're looking at is what happens after that."

He added that Riley hasn't been declared cancer free yet, and that, at his last appointment at CSU, re- I think we can honestly say we searchers found a spot on his lung that would require more supervi-

The Schmidts told of how a Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) program had been created regarding this trial and others similar to it that not only featured Riley, but individual humans who had been affected by the translational research that was procured because of the trials.

The program, which premiered in late September on Rocky Mountain PBS, may be featured nationwide or on separate PBS stations in

When asked how Riley reacted after having his leg amputated, Sue Schmidt stated that Riley seemed to have no problems adjusting to life on three paws.

"They do amazingly well. I think it was probably tougher on us than it was on him," said Sue Schmidt. "They're up and on three legs within a day after surgery."

She went on to say that Riley was on pain medications for a few weeks, which obviously subdued him. However, she said that he had his personality back within two weeks of the surgery.

"I have to say, Joe was probably a little bit more prepared than I was. Even though I had seen dogs amputated before and knew they did really well, to go through that immediate, post-surgical phase was tough," said Sue Schmidt. "For about a week and a half or so, I questioned whether we had made the right decision."

Continued Sue Schmidt, "Once he was weaned off the pain medications and started being himself again, I was really glad we did it.

wouldn't have done anything differently for him. We feel it gave him the best chance that we could give him."

"Even if we didn't do the clinical trial, the options were palliative therapy, which is basically treating the pain, and mean survival time with that was 70 days," said Joe Schmidt. "There was also amputation without chemotherapy, and the mean survival time on that was four months, and then there was amoutation with chemotherapy, and mean survival time for that was about a year."

He went on to say that the trial drug was an added perk and, at the time, the Schmidts didn't even know the trial was translational for humans.

"We thought it was just a trial for dogs," said Joe Schmidt, with his wife adding, "That was really enough, it wasn't just for him, but we felt it could benefit research for osteosarcoma dogs in general. When we found out it was translational for people, that was just the icing on

Joe Schmidt explained that trials involving humans with osteosarcoma and Rapamycin had yet to be conducted, as researchers are awaiting the results with animal subjects first.

When asked if, given their other choices, if the Schmidts thought they had made the best decision for Riley, they replied that they were positive they had.

"In hindsight, I wouldn't have done anything differently at all," said Sue Schmidt. "The chemo subdued him for a day or two, but the Rapamycin itself had no effect on him."

Said Joe Schmidt, "His biggest

side effect was recovering from

Sue Schmidt commented that the worst part of the Rapamycin doses, for Riley, was that it had to be administered first thing in the morning, which would then push Riley's breakfast back an hour.

When asked how else their lives had changed by entering this clinical trial, Joe Schmidt joked that, because participation in the trial required monthly commutes to Fort Collins, "We've put a lot more miles on the car."

Sue Schmidt said that, in addition to that, herself and her husband got to see their two sons in Denver more often, and also got to know the people of the CSU Flint Animal Cancer Center.

'They're great people," said Sue Schmidt. "We made friends and connections that we wouldn't have

The Schmidts said that, on top of all that, Riley had become a bit of a celebrity at this point.

They added that life for Riley hasn't changed too greatly, and that the biggest downside to having his front leg amputated is that he couldn't go hiking anymore.

"Other than that, he goes everywhere with us," said Sue Schmidt, with her husband adding that he jumps in trucks and cars with ease.

Riley may not have been given the most fortunate circumstances, but judging by his playful demeanor and the way he rolls around in the grass, he's still making the most of it: loving hard, playing hard and getting maximum enjoyment out life, the way that only a dog knows how to do.

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Council

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bridge across the San Juan River at 5th Street.

The bridge would provide access to a proposed development south of the river and west of Hot Springs Boulevard, and create a new artery connecting Hot Springs Boulevard to U.S. 160.

An agreement reached with the developer in 2012, if unchanged, would impose the cost of the potential bridge on the town.

The consultants were hired last summer to perform studies of the effects of the bridge under various development scenarios, by agreement between the town and the developer, Springs Partners LLC.

Representatives of the consultants will be present at the Dec. 5 meeting to discuss their findings. The meeting will be held in the South Conference Room of the Ross Aragon Community Center beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Following council's meeting, Pagosa Springs Town Manager Greg Schulte advised The SUN that the written reports of the consultants will be posted for public review on the town's website during the week of Nov. 28, prior to the Dec. 5 public

South 8th Street construction stopped for winter

In response to an inquiry by councilor Nicole DeMarco, Schulte reported to council that despite

good weather most of October and November continuing through last week, reconstruction of South 8th Street had ended for the winter. This will leave unpaved the blocks originally planned for paving this year in segment one of the two-year project.

Schulte explained that the decision to shut down the work without paving had resulted from excessive moisture in the ground following a heavy rainfall a few weeks ago.

The asphalt manufacturer, he said, had declined to warranty the quality of the finished surface.

Town Project Manager Scott Lewandowski explained to The SUN on Nov. 22 that the excessive moisture had prevented sufficient compaction of the roadway base to allow "a quality final road surface," which the town demanded. Therefore, it was necessary to defer paving to the 2017 construction season.

Lewandowski said that a gravel surface would be provided for the unpaved stretch of South 8th Street, and the road would be passable over the winter. However, he urged that motorists "should use caution," especially on that stretch.

Schulte also told council that work on the project to build a sidewalk/multiuse trail along the south side of U.S. 160 between 8th Street, 10th Street and Pagosa Springs Elementary School will be shut down for the winter and completed next

He said that both projects would be finished in 2017.

Public criticism voiced in use of eminent domain for justice center

As reported by The SUN last week, the Archuleta County Board of County of Commissioners decided at its meeting on Nov. 15 to use its powers of eminent domain to remove the deed restriction interfering with use of the property it owns on Hot Springs Boulevard to build a planned justice center. The existing restriction forbids use of the property for a jail and other related functions.

During public comment at council's meeting two days after the commissioners' decision, several local residents criticized the action. Mark Weiler suggested the action was dishonorable. Cappy White said it demeaned the memory of the former owner, Stanley Levine, and his vision for the property. And Bill Hudson said it was inappropriate because the property was not the last available resort for location of the justice center.

All three urged town council to express discomfort with the commissioners' decision.

Volger responded that the council was on the record with its support for a downtown location of the planned justice center.

However, he noted that council had not expressed any view whether a particular property would make a good or bad choice.

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Protest

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved the pipeline and granted final permits in July.

The 1,172-mile pipeline will stretch from the oil-rich Bakken Formation from North Dakota through South Dakota, Iowa and The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

sued the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, saying the pipeline "threatens the Tribe's environmental and economic well-being, and would damage and destroy sites of great historic, religious, and cultural significance to the Tribe."

According to the complaint, the "DAPL crosses hundreds if not thousands of federally regulated rivers, streams, and wetlands along its route. The discharge of any fill material in such waters is prohibited absent authorization from the Corps. Federal authorization under these statutes, in turn, triggers requirements under the National Historic Preservation Act ('NHPA'), intended to protect sites of historic and cultural significance to Tribes like Standing Rock. In issuing NWP 12, however, the Corps authorized discharges into federal waters without ensuring compliance with

the NHPA. In essence, in enacting NWP 12, the Corps pre-authorized construction of DAPL in all but a handful places requiring federal authorization without any oversight from the Corps. In so doing, the Corps abdicated its statutory responsibility to ensure that such undertakings do not harm historically and culturally significant sites. "Second, on July 25, 2016, the

Corps issued multiple federal authorizations needed to construct the pipeline in certain designated areas along the pipeline route. One such authorization allows DAPL to construct the pipeline underneath Lake Oahe, approximately half a mile upstream of the Tribe's reservation. Others authorize the DAPL to discharge into waters of the United States at multiple locations in the Tribe's ancestral lands. The Tribe brings this challenge because these authorizations were made in violation of the CWA and its governing regulations and without compliance with NHPA, and the National Environmental Policy Act ('NEPA')."

According to CNN, Energy Transfer Partners said, "The pipeline wouldn't just be an economic boon, it would also significantly decrease U.S. reliance on foreign oil. The pipeline would also help free up railways to transport 'crops and other commodities currently constrained by crude oil cargos."

Local protesters were joined by people from out of state at the entrance to BootJack Ranch to support the tribe's efforts to stop development of the pipeline.

While the protesters did not pull necessary permits from Colorado Department of Transportation for the event, Mineral County Sheriff Fred Hosselkus made arrangements with CDOT and the Colorado State Patrol to allow for the protest to be held for that one day.

If any future protests are planned, Hosselkus said they will need to have necessary permits.

The protest began around 11 a.m. and wrapped up by approximately 3:30 p.m. According to Hosselkus, he and Mineral County Deputy Chris Snell stayed for most of the protest to ensure things were peaceful and safe for all parties.

The SUN contacted Energy Transfer Partners and Warren with a request for comment on the protest, but no comment was received

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ing its proposed academic program, and may require some adjustments to the new school's proposed sixyear budget estimates. The grant funds are also dependent upon the signing of a charter contract between the Pagosa Peak Open School and the Archuleta School District within the next couple of months."

The grant funds can only be used for specific needs relating to the

start-up of the school. "The use of the grant funds are carefully circumscribed by the federal government, and can be for only select categories of startup needs," the PCSI release states, continuing, "For example, the funds cannot be used for the construction of school buildings or playgrounds, or for anything that will be attached to a school building — nor can the funds be used for the purchase of any type of food or drink.

"In the case of Pagosa Peak Open School, the start-up funds will be used to pay for a few months salary for our school director, who is yet to be hired, to oversee the process of setting up the new school and interviewing the teaching staff."

Too, the PCSI board is subject to "somewhat onerous" documentation requirements that accompany federal funding, with the board having already participated in a training session hosted by the Schools of Choice Office.

The PPOS aims to open a K-8 public, tuition-free charter school beginning in the fall of 2017 centered on a project-based learning (PBL) educational model.

On Nov. 14, the local school mented to "cover all the curricular

board approved the charter school's elements." application with conditions, setting into motion a 90-day negotiation period during which a contract between ASD and the PCSI will be created. Those conditions concern the school's first-year budget and finance, educational program and standards, governance and em-

Budget and finance

According to the resolution approving the charter school, the PCSI will increase its estimated total revenue the first year in its six-year budget by \$175,000 through inclusion of additional grants and/or

contributions.' The resolution includes the district's reasoning behind the condition, in part stating, "The reason for this condition is to ensure that there is a complete, realistic, and viable start-up and five-year budget that aligns with the educational and organizational needs of the Charter

Educational program and standards

The resolution calls for the PCSI to clarify its educational model to provide reassurance to the ASD board that the educational model will meet the needs of students.

The condition notes that the educational model is "actually a combination of three different learning models," including PBL, place-based learning and experiential learning.

The condition directs the PCSI board to clarify how the models will be "interwoven" and imple-

The condition also states that the professional development plan will require that all advisors and the school director take PBL training before the start of the first year, and take follow-up training before the start of the second year, and "develop a plan to sustain support visits from BIE (Buck Institute for Education) for subsequent years of operation."

Finally, the condition requires that the PCSI modify the required minimum qualifications of staff "to include the requirement that the school director have at least two (2) years of experience either as a PBL teacher or administrator, or that at least fifty (50) percent of advisors have at least one year of experience as a PBL teacher or administrator."

Governance

The resolution states that PCSI will require the board of directors for the charter school to have at least five members, with "at least one member with a background and expertise in education and at least one member with a background and expertise in finance."

Employees

According to the resolution, ASD will require that the PPOS director's qualifications include a "minimum of 5 years of experience as a classroom/school administrator with understanding of education theories, principles and techniques."

Too, the resolution states that the PPOS will require that at least one advisor be a Colorado-licensed teacher.

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School district enrollment, superintendent's salary see increases

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

At the same meeting it was announced that Archuleta School District's (ASD) enrollment is now up to 1,521 students, 23 additional students since the enrollment was announced in October, the ASD Board of Education voted to give ASD Superintendent Linda Reed a 2.05 percent raise.

The raise followed Reed's annual evaluation and was approved on Nov. 8.

the topic, "Per the superintendent's contract, the Board is to determine whether to increase the Superintendent's salary. During the evaluation process, the Board discussed giving Superintendent Reed a salary increase equivalent to the average salary increase received by teachers with a master's degree on step 9 this year.'

Teachers in that category received a 2.05 percent pay increase for the 2016-2017 school year. Reed became the permanent superintendent

in 2014 after serving as assistant superintendent and interim superintendent and, in August According to the agenda documentation on 2015, was granted a 10-percent raise, from

\$120,000 to \$132,000.

Later, as part of her superintendent's report, Reed announced that the enrollment in kindergarten through 12th grade rose by 23 students between the enrollment total that was announced at October's board meeting and Nov. 8.

The increased enrollment, she indicated, was spread out across many of the grades, with only two grades not seeing an increase.

The first grade lost one student, while third grade remained the same as in October.

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National Forest Christmas tree permits on sale

By Ann Bond Special to The SUN

Christmas tree permits, which allow you to cut your own holiday tree, are now on sale for \$8 at San Juan National Forest offices and selected retail outlets in southwestern Colorado.

A permit allows you to cut one tree up to 20 feet tall for personal

use until Dec. 31. Permits come good only at agency offices and the with a brochure with safety tips, information on which species of tree to harvest and the best places to find trees.

The Forest Service is also offering one free permit to fourth-grade students who hold a valid Every Kid in a Park pass or paper voucher downloaded from: www.Every-KidinaPark.gov. The free permit is

participating fourth-grader must be present.

National Forest permits are now on sale at the Pagosa Ranger District, 180 Pagosa St., from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; sometimes closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

National Forest roads are not

plowed for snow removal and icy or snow-packed conditions may exist. For information on road conditions and Christmas tree harvesting, go to: http://www. fs.usda.gov/sanjuan or call the National Forest office closest to your destination.

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Four Corners Air Quality Group to meet in Farmington

Special to The SUN

The Four Corners Air Quality Group will meet from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, in the Merrion Room at the San Juan College School of Energy in Farmington, N.M., to offer updates on a number of air quality issues affecting the region.

Members of the public are invited to participate and ask questions about air quality issues affecting the region.

Topics will range from monitoring trends analysis to ConocoPhillips Environmental Projects and the EPA Methane Challenge. Agencies will present program updates. The agenda for the upcoming meeting, information on previous meetings and a wide range of documents are available at http:// www.nmenv.state.nm.us/aqb/4C/. Information about the upcoming meeting also may be obtained by contacting Mark Jones with the New Mexico Environment Department at (505) 566-9746.

Originally convened as the Four

Corners Air Quality Task Force a decade ago, the group has met regularly since to provide updates on a wide range of topics relevant to the region. The task force produced an extensive report in November 2007 (available on the website) that included a compendium of options under consideration to address air quality concerns in the Four Corners.

LPEA board approves no increase to regular residential rate in 2017

By Indiana Reed Special to The SUN

During its regularly scheduled

meeting on Nov. 16, the La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) Board of Directors approved the rate structure for 2017, including no rate increase for its general residential member-customers.

The directors also approved an adjustment to its optional timeof-use (TOU) tariff, increasing the number of "off-peak" hours (those billed at the lower, 5.9-cent-perkilowatt-hour (kWh) rate) by 33 percent, and a base rate reduction of \$1.50 per month. To balance the increased off-peak hours, the TOU "on-peak" rate will increase to 23

cents per kWh. The new rates will go into effect Jan. 1, 2017.

The TOU rate enables LPEA to better manage the flow of electricity and purchase wholesale power more efficiently in lower demand periods. To encourage TOU participation, LPEA financially rewards members for shifting electricity consumption to off-peak periods. Members must opt-in to participate in the TOU program.

As approved, during a 24-hour period, 16 hours will be off-peak, with members using electricity during those off-peak hours charged the 5.9 cent per kWh rate. Eight hours will be on-peak, billed at the higher 23 cent per kWh rate.

All day every Sunday will be offpeak, as will all day Thanksgiving and Christmas.

"With this enhanced TOU program, we believe most members can save 5 percent before even trying to shift their energy usage to the off-peak time periods," said Dan Harms, manager of rates, technology and energy policy. "Members who make a concerted effort to use electricity in the off-peak periods could save up to 40 percent on

Harms added that members shifting to TOU is a win-win for both consumers and their electric cooperative, noting, "Ultimately we believe LPEA will look to timeof-use rate structures for our entire

residential membership."

A 30-day comment period now follows the board meeting. The complete rate tariffs are posted at www.lpea.coop. For additional information, contact LPEA at 247-5786.

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Fire page: Responding to the call

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

With the Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) responding to a variety of emergencies on a weekly basis, one may wonder what all goes into the time between when an emergency is reported and when responders actually arrive.

SUN staff sat down with PFPD Chief Randy Larson to discuss the duties and responsibilities of a volunteer fire department when emergencies are reported.

Larson began the interview by explaining how exactly the PFPD responds to emergencies.

'We have staffing here at Station 1 from 8 to 5 from Monday to Friday," said Larson. "We have a battalion officer, that is normally paid staff, but sometimes it's a volunteer lieutenant, that's on call 24/7.

Larson explained that the battalion officer duties are on a rotating basis between staff members, and that battalion officers are the "initial incident commander" of an accident or fire.

"They're the ones that are going to respond first," said Larson.

PFPD's Executive Administrative Assistant Shirley Brinkmann said that the PFPD has seven paid firefighters, with the hopes of bringing on an eighth soon. The PFPD also has two paid administration staff.

Additionally, Brinkmann stated that the PFPD had 51 volunteers on its latest roster, but also said that the roster is constantly changing.

Larson explained that the PFPD has one volunteer firefighter that lives in Station 1 and responds when he's available.

"Obviously you can't require a volunteer to stay here 24/7, he's got a life he has to live, too," said

First responders

Larson stated that, when an emergency is called in, most paid staff respond out of Station 1, located off of North Pagosa Boulevard.

If a member of the paid staff is away from the station when an emergency is called in, they typically respond from wherever they are at the time.

Larson explained that the PFPD tries to have at least three paid staff available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, but due to staff limitations, trainings, meetings and vacation time, this task can be difficult.

"It's not all of us here all the time," explained Larson. "From 5 at night to 8 in the morning, and on holidays and weekends, other than the one battalion officer, we're an all-volunteer fire department. We

have to rely on our volunteers to get up out of bed, or leave the dinner table, or leave the kids' softball game, respond to the station, and then pick up an apparatus and respond."

Adobe Building Fire

Larson went on to explain how this scenario worked with the Adobe Building Fire, a fire that began in the early morning of Oct. 22 and destroyed a historic downtown building that housed 14 businesses.

"It came in at 1 in the morning on a Saturday. We had a single volunteer on Engine 1 respond, a battalion officer, and because of the nature of the call I went ahead and responded as well," said Larson. "But the first on-scene was a battalion officer, one volunteer and an engine."

Larson went on to explain that, due to standards set by the National Fire Protection Association, fire departments cannot mount interior attacks on structure fires unless they have two firefighters inside the building and two firefighters outside the building.

"Two stay outside to cover their backs as a RIT, which is a Rapid Intervention Team," said Larson. "So, in case something happens, we've got crews that can go in and protect them. Our No. 1 priority is always the life and safety of our firefighters."

This means that, when the first volunteer and battalion officer arrived at the scene, they were unable to mount an interior attack.

Larson added that, if the responding department knows that there are individuals inside the building, there are ways around

"With the Adobe Fire, we had pretty solid confirmation that everyone was out of the bar, and there was nobody in the upstairs," said Larson. "Until I had extra personnel come from home, we couldn't make an interior attack."

Instead, Larson said the first responders on scene began setting up everything needed to execute an interior attack.

"Our firefighter that was there pulled a line to the front door and our battalion officer and him both put on self-contained breathing apparatus and made preparation to enter," said Larson. "I took pump operations for the first few minutes until we had additional people there."

As soon as the PFPD had enough personnel on scene, Larson said that they made an aggressive interior attack on the fire.



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Insurance companies continue routine investigations at the site of the Adobe Building Fire on Tuesday. Cleanup of the site is expected to begin in December.

ceiling and floorspace," said Larson. "We did the best we could, but eventually had to bring them out."

Larson put emphasis that this is what often happens for most late night or weekend incidents, with volunteers often having to go from their homes to the fire station to the scene of the accident, which can have an impact on response time.

He added that, in cases where volunteers know that all the needed fire equipment and apparatus are already at the emergency, the volunteers will usually just respond to the scene.

"The first responder might be there in five or six minutes, but it may take an hour for some of them to get here," said Larson. "We've got volunteers in the Chromo area. They respond, but obviously they're not going to be here in seven

Sizing up the fire

The conversation then turned to the priorities and duties of the firefighters first responding to the scene.

"The first arriving person is going to initiate command and give what we call a windshield size-up, which is basically telling everyone else that's responding, 'This is what I have,'" said Larson. "It's just a quick snapshot of 'This is what I see from the vehicle."

Larson said that, after that, the first arriving person does what the PFPD calls a "360 size up," where the individual walks all the way around an incident and updates the PFPD with any changes in information from their previous windshield size up.

"At that point in time, the incident commander will make the decision of whether it's going to be an offensive attack or a defensive attack," said Larson. "That depends on the conditions of the structure."

Larson then went into detail about the differences between offensive and defensive attacks.

"With offensive, we're going to be aggressive and fight the fire," said Larson. "We may knock it down from the outside, but to fully extinguish it we're going to have to get inside and fight the fire."

Larson said that, if the incident commander decides to go through with an offensive attack, the first thing firefighters do upon getting inside is a primary search of the

"Even if we're told there's no-"It was already into the walls and body in it, we're still going to make that search," said Larson. "We do that with a charged line, so as we go through it we can put the fire out as we go.'

With a defensive attack, Larson said, "We know we're not going to be able to save the structure and it's not safe to enter, so we're going to back out and protect exposures."

Larson explained that this doesn't mean the PFPD won't fight the fire, but that they will do so from a safe position outside.

He added that fires can often transition from offensive attacks to defensive attacks.

"That's exactly what the Adobe Fire did," said Larson. "We had a

Larson said that, when the firefighters opened the floors and

'The windows went black'

"I was able to watch them from the second floor," said Larson. "All ■ See Fire A11

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Special to The SUN

Americans who are planning to hit the malls after Thanksgiving should also remember to visit local merchants for their holiday shopping, said the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) this week.

"Small business represents 99.7 percent of all U.S. employers, and they provide jobs for 58 million Americans," said Juanita Duggan, NFIB president and CEO. "For many local retail businesses, the holiday shopping season is a

to support their communities and the economy should remember to shop small."

NFIB is a partner again this year with American Express in a national campaign to promote Small Business Saturday, the day after Black Friday and the traditional start of the holiday shopping season. For many small businesses, the four weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas are a crucial period that could deter-

mine whether they are profitable for the year. Last year, according to the post-holiday sur-

make-or-break time and Americans who want vey released by NFIB and American Express, 95 million Americans reported shopping at small businesses on Small Business Saturday and they spent more than \$16 billion, an increase of 14 percent from the previous year.

"Small Business Saturday has grown every year and we are very proud to sponsor the promotion," said Duggan. "Small Business Saturday is a very important day to recognize smallbusiness owners. We hope that more Americans participate on Saturday and they keep small businesses in mind throughout the year."

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The Blotter

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Archuleta County Sheriff's Office Nov. 15 — Information only, Railroad Court.

- Information only, West Nov. 15 Golf Place.

Nov. 16 — Criminal mischief, domestic violence, child abuse-continued repeated pattern, third-degree assaultsimple assault, harassment-strikes/ shoves/kicks, harassment-insults/ taunts/challenges, U.S. 160.

Nov. 16 — Unlawful ownership of dangerous dog-misdemeanor, Justin's Road

Nov. 17 — Second-degree burglary, theft, criminal mischief, Buttercup Drive

Nov. 17 — Information only, San Juan Street. Nov. 17 — Second-degree burglary,

East Golf Place.

Nov. 17 — Theft-from building, Park Avenue.

Nov. 18 — Unauthorized use of financial transaction device-misdemeanor, theft, Nutria Lane.

Nov. 18 — Violation of bail bond condition-misdemeanor, violation of restraining order, San Juan Street.

Nov. 19 — Criminal mischief, Highland Ave.

Nov. 20 — First-degree criminal

trespass-other intent, County Road 973. Nov. 20 — Information only, Twincreek Circle.

Nov. 21 — Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.

Nov. 21 - Warrant arrest, Back Swing Drive.

Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

Nov. 15 — Careless driving, U.S.

Nov. 15 — Traffic/insurance/regis-

tration, Village Drive.

Nov. 16 - Found property, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Nov. 17 — Information only, U.S.

Nov. 17 — Trespass warning, Eagle Drive. Nov. 19 — Criminal mischief, U.S.

Nov. 19 — Animal running at large,

U.S. 160. Nov. 21 — Trespass, San Juan

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court:

Judge William Anderson Nov. 10 — Juvenile, truancy, six

months probation, fines and fees -\$370 (\$135 suspended). Nov. 10 — Juvenile, truancy, 12

months probation, fines and fees -\$470 (\$135 suspended).

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Nov. 9 — Geralando P. Dennison, fishing without a license, fines and

Nov. 9 — Alexandra C. Johnson, fishing without a license, fines and costs - \$136.50

Nov. 10 — Daniel Dean Haines, driving while ability impaired, 15 days jail suspended imposition, 24 hours community service, fines and costs \$789.50

Nov. 10 - Bryce R. Bradford Mc-Combs, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$60.50.

Nov. 10 — Paula L. Jewell, seat belt not used, fines and costs - \$48.50. Nov. 10 — Chance W. Allen, license

plates-expired, fines and costs -\$185.50 Nov. 10 — Russell E. Berg, speed-

ing 10-19 over limit, fines and costs Nov. 10 — Aaron J. Buchanan, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and

costs — \$258.50. Nov. 10 — Jessie M. Elledge, seat belt not used, fines and costs -

Nov. 10 — Nathaniel C. Hodges, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines

and costs — \$191.50. Nov. 10 - Garrett M. Houston, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and

costs - \$258.50. Nov. 10 — Shawndris J. Hutcherson, license plates-expired, fines and costs - \$185.50.

Nov. 10 — Joey L. McGaugh Allen, license plates-expired, fines and costs ing 10-19 over limit, fines and costs \$258.50.

Nov. 10 — Noah N. Sullivan, speed-

Nov. 10 - Brian J. Wilkinson, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$185.50.

Nov. 16 — Greg R. Bullock, driving while ability impaired, 21 days jail suspended imposition, 36 hours community service. 12 months alcohol evaluation and supervision probation, fines and costs - \$769.50

Nov. 16 — Andrew J. Zoellner, driving while ability impaired, 30 days jail suspended imposition, 48 hours community service, one year probation, one year alcohol evaluation and supervision probation, fines and costs - \$1,394.50.

Nov. 16 — Bobby J. Williams, speeding 5-9 over limit, fines and costs \$134.50.

Nov. 17 — Brandon L. Gross, speeding 1-4 over limit, fines and costs — \$90.50

Nov. 17 — Brian J. Wilkinson, license plates-expired, fines and costs \$60.50.

Nov. 17 — Trenton A. Ybarra, driving under the influence, 90 days jail, 50 hours community service, 30 days electronic surveillance, two years probation, two years alcohol evaluation and supervision probation, fines and costs - \$2,568.50.

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

No report.

■ Continued from A10

of a sudden, the windows went black, which told me we had a smoke event and that the fire was getting out of hand. Then I evacuated the building. At that point in time, we went from offensive to

defensive." Larson explained that anytime the PFPD can mount an offensive attack, it will, "But we're going to do it as safely as we possibly can and as soon as conditions warrant or dictate, we're going to evacuate the

building and go defensive." Larson provided an interesting piece of information, explaining that the only reason firefighters were able to stay in Adobe Building for so long is due to the fact that it was a 100-year-old building, and was constructed differently than modern-day structures.

"Those old buildings are built with dimensional lumber and heavy beams, so it takes a while

for them to collapse," said Larson. "In today's structures, everything is lightweight and trusses, and they fail very rapidly. There are studies out there that show that modern buildings can collapse in as little as seven minutes.'

Vehicular accidents

The conversation then turned to vehicular accidents, with Larson explaining that the same two types of size ups are used, and that sometimes, a 360-degree size up can't be done due to the circumstance of the emergency.

"The first thing we look for, especially if it's a truck, is the possibility of hazardous materials," said Larson. "Then we're going to look for victims. Our priority is extrication and patient care. We work hand in hand with EMS, and they'll take care of patient care, and sometimes that means being inside the vehicle while we're taking it apart."

Said Larson, "In those situations, what we're taught is that if you have a patient who's trapped in a car, we don't take the person away from the car, we take the car away from the person."

Carbon monoxide and chimney fires

Larson stated that the PFPD also receives a lot of calls for carbon monoxide alarms, especially during this time of year when people begin to turn on their heating ap-

pliances. "We'll go out and run a gas monitor, and if there is a problem, we'll contact the proper authorities to deal with that," said Larson, adding that this is also the time of year when the PFPD responds to chimney fires after lighting a fireplace and not realizing an animal has made it its home in the summer months.

"We respond to a chimney fire with the same resources we would a

structure fire, just to be on the safe side," said Larson.

Funding a department

When asked what makes a fire department a volunteer department compared to an all-paid department, Larson explained that it was a funding issue.

"We're running at a very low mill levy, one of the lowest in the state," said Larson. "Our mill levy hasn't changed since 1998, when it actually dropped almost .6 mills.

Larson added he was unsure what caused the drop in mills, but speculated it may have had something to do with the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) that Colorado was initiating around the same time.

"Our last mill levy change was 1998 when it actually decreased," said Larson. "Also, the 2007 and 2008 property value decline really took a toll on our revenues."

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Outdoors

Bird enthusiasts encouraged to join Christmas Bird Count

By Keith Bruno

Special to The SUN

The Weminuche Audubon Society welcomes all local residents, visitors and bird enthusiasts to join the longest running citizen science survey in the world, the Christmas Bird Count (CBC).

The CBC is a 117-year-old program of the National Audubon Society. Each year, thousands of volunteers across the Western Hemisphere come together to participate in this early winter bird census.

The CBC provides critical data on bird population trends, with viewers logging what they see and hear within a 15-mile diameter. Individuals may submit counts from their backyard feeders (you will need to make arrangements with the count organizer) or join a team to traverse one of eight zones within Pagosa Springs' count circle.

The Pagosa Springs count will take place on Dec. 17.

Participants are invited to attend the wrap-up party and chili dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Archuleta County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, CSU Extension Building, 344 U.S. 84. In the event of foul weather on Dec. 17, proposed alternate dates include Dec. 18, or Jan. 1 or 2, 2017.

In order to prepare for the count, Audubon Rockies' Keith Bruno will host a bird identification class, "Winter Birds 101," on two evenings prior to the count — Dec. 7 and 14 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the West Conference Room of the Ross Aragon Community Center.

Join in on the fun, learning about birds and contributing to citizen science.

For more information, check the website, www.weminucheaudubon.org, or call Dottie George at 731-5759.



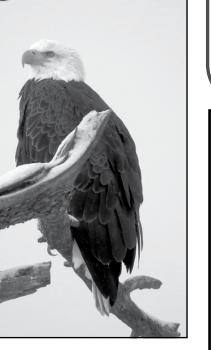


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By Ann Bond

Some roads may close than the below listed dates due to weather and road conditions; however, roads will not remain open beyond these dates.

Dec. 1 closures

Snowball No. 646.

middle gate.

Eight Mile Mesa No. 651.

Kenney Flats No. 006.

vate property.

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Creek)

West Monument No. 630.

Dec. 15 closures

Blanco River No. 656. Buckles Lake No. 663. Castle Creek No. 660 to Opal Lake Trailhead.

Lefthand Canyon No. 024. Price Lakes No. 731. Fawn Gulch Road No. 666. Mosca No. 631. Trail Ridge No. 639.

winter road closure dates

Special to The SUN

The San Juan National Forest Pagosa Ranger District will be closing (gating) most forest roads to motorized traffic based on a fixed schedule again this year.

Blue Creek No. 012/Big Branch

Echo Canyon No. 029. Turkey Springs No. 629 lower/

Valle Seco Upper No. 653 to pri-

Burns Canyon No. 649 (above

First Fork No. 622 (gate at Sheep

West Fork No. 648.

the fishing adventure. Free avalanche awareness presentation Dec. 1

Ray Stroup shows off a northern pike that he caught at Navajo Lake

earlier this month on his 69th birthday. Stroup said it was the biggest

northern pike he has ever boated, weighing in at 13 pounds and 37

inches long. Chuck Nyre, of Pagosa Springs, accompanied Stroup on

By Mark Mueller Special to The SUN

The Colorado Avalanche Information Center will present "Know Before You Go," a free avalanche awareness presentation on Thursday, Dec. 1, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library.

Topics will include avalanche hazard recognition, safety equipment and Internet resources.



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Sports



Pagosa Nordic Club fundraising for snow cat groomer

By James Dickhoff

Special to The SUN

With the 2016-2017 winter season upon us, the Pagosa Nordic Club (PNC) has exciting news to share.

To meet the growing demand for high-quality and frequently groomed cross-country ski trails in our area, PNC has structured a fundraising campaign to raise \$145,000 for a snow cat groomer and haul vehicle.

PNC currently grooms trails with snowmobiles, which have numerous limitations. Thus far, PNC has applied for a \$90,000 State Trails Grant, received \$25,000 from the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners from Conservation Trust Funds and has generated \$14,000 in local donations.

PNC is now asking to infill the remaining \$16,000 from the community before Dec. 21, when State Trails begins their very competitive application review process. PNC is hopeful the large local cash match and strong community support will provide the competitive edge for a successful grant award. Taxdeductible donations are now being excepted at PagosaNordic. com. Have you maximized your tax deductions for 2016? This is an excellent project that will result in big community benefits deserving your serious consideration.

Additionally, PNC has recently secured two new venues for grooming beginning this season. The new Cloman Park trail will provide a 2-3 km canine-friendly loop, and a 10

km non-canine loop that will enter the Davis Ranch. Also, the Laverty Ranch located just east of town has provided permission to groom a portion of their ranch, which will provide a minimum of 10 km as a start with additional expansions expected. Details are still being worked out, so PNC will report the final details in a future SUN newspaper article.

PNC can meet the future needs for quality grooming for our residents and visitors, as well as ensuring the establishment of Pagosa Springs as a destination cross-country ski town. PNC covers grooming expenses

Both the additional venues and

a snow cat groomer will ensure the

with annual club memberships. local business sponsorships and donations. Your memberships, sponsorships and donations are more important than ever as the PNC endeavors to bring more skiing options with better grooming for evolving our local classic crosscountry skiing and skate skiing experiences to the next level. Your contributions are now being accepted at PagosaNordic.com.

PNC advocates for cross-country skiing in the Pagosa Springs area and is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, 100 percent volunteer organization with a mission "To enhance winter recreational opportunities in Pagosa Springs by maintaining accessible groomed winter trails for skate skiing and classic crosscountry skiing for all ability levels and to encourage and promote the use of these winter trails through education, marketing and events."

RECREATION NEWS

Register now for youth basketball ages 9-12

By Darren Lewis

SUN Columnist

The Pagosa Springs Recreation Department is currently accepting registrations through Dec. 30 for youth basketball for ages 9-12.

The cost is \$35 and registration may be completed online or at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

Practice will start mid-January, with games beginning in February. Please call the recreation department with any questions at 264-4151, ext. 232.

Online registration

Through the use of Xpress Bill Pay, the Town of Pagosa Springs Recreation Department offers online registration for most youth programs, including tee ball, baseball, soccer, basketball and volleyball.

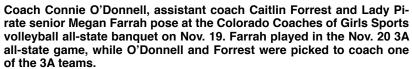
To register for programs online or learn more about Xpress Bill Pay, visit the parks and recreation department page at www.townofpagosasprings.com.

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





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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Monday, Dec. 5

Pagosa Springs Town Council 5th Street Bridge Public Presentation on Economic and Traffic Studies. 5:30 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Tuesday, Dec. 6

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

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

Lewis St. **Pagosa Springs Town Council** meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs

Friday, Dec. 9

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

Monday, Dec. 12

Pagosa Area Geothermal Water and Power Authority meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. or commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

San Juan Water Conservancy District regular bi-monthly meeting. 7 p.m., district offices, 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 5.

Tuesday, Dec. 13

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

Photo courtesy Kitzel Farrah

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 9:30 a.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 Planning Commission, Board of Adjustments and Design Review Board. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Upper San Juan Health Service District regular board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center main building conference room, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.

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

Pagosa Fire Protection District **Board of Directors meeting.** 6:30 p.m., Station No. 1 training room, 191 North Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, Dec. 14

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

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

Tuesday, Dec. 20

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 meetLewis St.

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

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

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Montroy: From Summitville to Pagosa Springs

By Shari Pierce Staff Writer

Editor's note: The Pagosa Springs SUN printed a special presentation of narrative profiles of Pagosa Springs pioneers in celebration of the town's centennial in 1991. The profiles were based on family records, earlier writings and remembered family lore, rather than historical research.

Those profiles are being reprinted as the town celebrates 125 years of incorporation.

Leon Montroy Sr. was a true pioneer of Archuleta County, having first arrived in Pagosa Springs in June of 1876. An article written about him by his daughter-in-law, Ila Reynolds Montroy, says that Leon Montroy Sr. came to Pagosa Springs from Summitville, Colo., via "Elwood Pass and down the middle fork of the San Juan River to Pagosa Springs with an ox team and a wagon load of supplies. Often they had to move large rocks, snub their wagons to trees, down steep grades, and cut roads through thick timber. Later (Welch) Nossaman and Holms transported supplies from Summitville to Fort Lewis over this road."

Leon was born at Les Cedres, Quebec, Canada, on March 12, 1846. His parents were Frank Montroy and Domithilde Senay. With his early years spent in Canada, he came to the United States at the age of 18. He spent eight years in the states of New York and Penn-

According to Anna, a daughter of Leon Montroy, he worked in the timber industry in New York and Pennsylvania: "He used to ride those large rafts of logs when they were floated down the rivers to mills, it was very dangerous work, if one's foot slipped, it was just too bad. From the East he drifted to Colorado in the mining camps and was superintendent of one of the richest gold mines in Colorado at Summitville. The mine was called the Little Annie — by the way that's where I got my name but I always hated the 'ie' so I chopped that off. Sen. Bowman owned the mine. When work in this area slowed up he (Leon) came to Pagosa, homesteaded, he often boasted he had used all his filing rights but a desert claim. While living in Summitville, he hired a school teacher to teach him English and to read and write English.

Daughter-in-law Ila Reynolds Montroy wrote a story about Summitville, a portion of which tells us a little more about the character of Leon Montroy: "The Little Annie was owned by Sen. Thomas Bowen. It was said that no white man could endure the winters there as they were so severe. In 1876, Leon Montroy, who was for several years foreman of the Little Annie, and several others secured adequate supplies, and spent the winter there. That winter they ran the tunnel that tapped the lead of the Little Annie Mine. The gold of the Little Annie Mine was so rich it could be seen in the cracks and crevices with the naked eye. Flake gold could be pried off the nuggets.'

The same story reports that Summitville in the early 1880s had a population of about 1,000 and 17 saloons.

While at Summitville, Leon also worked as manager of a saloon. He tended bar from time to time. Once he was visited at the bar by the Allison Gang, a notorious outlaw gang in these parts. Hearing them talking it up about robbing some place, Montroy reached behind the bar for his shotgun. The gang left.

The shotgun is still in the hands of family members.

Montroy sometimes worked as a mail carrier, hiking on snowshoes from Summitville to Pagosa Springs to get the mail through, even in the deep snows and avalanche danger of winter.

Homesteading at Pagosa **Springs**

In 1886, Leon Montroy came to Archuleta County to settle. After arriving, he began homesteading about 3 miles southeast of Pagosa Springs. Two years later, he met the lady who would become his wife.

Emma Louise Frederika Christiana Glatzau was born in Pennsyl-



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to Pagosa Springs in 1888 to visit her sister Linda (Melinda) Flaugh, wife of Rudy Flaugh, and their son, Lloyd. While on this trip, she met Leon Montroy.

House built on Montroy homestead around 1915.

Her daughter Anna recalls, "She returned to Pennsylvania and got her trousseau and came back to Colorado. Papa met her at Amargo and they were married there in the

They were married by a Methodist minster from Durango, the Rev. J.F. Collman, on June 4, 1889.

According to Anna, Leon Montroy was always interested in politics although he did not take an active part.

Leon Montroy and Welch Nossaman owned one of the first sawmills in Archuleta County. They bought it from E.T. Walker and eventually moved it to the north end of the Montroy homestead.

In addition to being a homesteader, farmer and rancher, Montroy also dealt successfully in real estate. All of these ventures led to a prosperous life.

Leon and Emma owned a house in town in which Mrs. Montroy resided part of the time, probably to make it easier for the children to attend school. She raised her children to be upstanding members of society. Emma Glatzau Montroy was a very proper lady.

Daughter Anna wrote the following about her mother's side of the family: "My grandmother's people were very high class, quite wealthy. They chose their own pattern to weave in table linens, etc. Also the servants washed (did the laundry) only twice a year as they had enough clothes to supply them for that length of time. My grandmother brought lovely table linens to the U.S. with her. My mother had several table cloths, that she inherited."

Leon and Emma Montroy had five children. First born were twins, a boy and a girl, in March 1890.

The boy died in infancy and, to the best of the family's knowledge, was not named. The girl was Annie, who we know as Anna. Other



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Leon Montroy was typical of the pioneers of this region. He was talented in many areas. Throughout his life he was a miner, businessman, rancher, farmer and family man. In addition, he was a prominent citizen of this area and was very much involved in the early progress of the county.

Leon Montroy Sr. passed away Sept. 13, 1920.

Mrs. Montroy passed away on Aug. 9, 1929. For 40 years she had called Archuleta County home. In her lifetime, Emma Montroy was a member of the German Reformed

children born to the Montroys were Church, the Pagosa Springs Order Louis, July 1891; Nina, October of the Eastern Star and was a very 1892; and Leon F. in March 1898. respected member of the community.

The Montroy Children

The oldest child of Leon and Emma Montroy was daughter Anna. She was born on March 6, 1890, at Pagosa Springs. She married Harry Armstrong and had one child, Emma Della. Anna made Pagosa Springs her home until 1945, at which time she moved to San Diego, Calif. She lived in San

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Diego until her death on April 22, 1971. A significant source of information about Leon and Emma Montroy was the memoirs of Anna. Her daughter, Emma Della, married Carl Bramwell and they had two children, Leon and Patsy.

Louis R. was a son of Leon and Emma Montroy. He was born in Pagosa Springs on Aug. 4, 1891. He attended high school in Pagosa Springs. He afterwards attended business college in San Diego. From 1918 until 1919, Louis served overseas in World War I.

He was a successful rancher and was active in county politics. He served as Archuleta County assessor from 1920 until 1926. In 1930, he was elected county commissioner. He served in this office until his death, June 23, 1936.

During his lifetime, Louis Montroy was a member of the San Juan Pioneer Association and the Pagosa Springs Order of the A.F & A.M.

On Jan. 16, 1929, he married Ila Reynolds. She was born in Kansas on April 29, 1895. She had lived in Pagosa Springs since 1919, where she was a school teacher. During her lifetime, she was a member of the Christian Church, Eastern Star, Rebekah Lodge, Piedra Grange and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Louis and Ila Montroy had one child, Twilah, who married Lowell (Mike) Bell. They had three sons, Dale, Michael and Ronald.

Nina M. was the second daughter born to Leon and Emma Montroy. She was born on Oct. 26, 1893. She passed away on April 15, 1904.

Leon F. Montroy

The youngest child born to Leon and Emma was Leon F. Montroy. He was born in Pagosa Springs on March 21, 1898. He attended school in Pagosa Springs.

Throughout his life, Leon was successful in the livestock and ranching business. Leon Montroy was a cowboy. If someone had a horse they couldn't ride, he would buy that horse and ride it. He also had a love of the rodeo.

In 1949, Leon provided Pagosa



Photo courtesy Schofield photo collection Former county commissioner Louis Montroy.

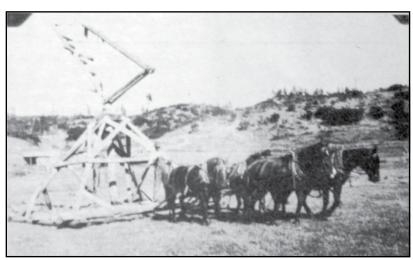


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Montroy's team and haystacker.

Springs Enterprises Inc. with the 40-acre site that became the home of the Red Ryder Roundup. For many years, he provided the livestock for the Fourth of July rodeo. He was also a member of the rodeo committee.

On Jan. 16, 1945, Leon married Margaret Bramwell in Tierra Amarilla, N.M.

Margaret Bramwell was born to Jake and Hattie Bramwell on Feb. 8, 1911, at Pagosa Springs. After her marriage to Leon Montroy, she devoted her life to her family and friends. She worked alongside her husband to make their ranch successful. Her family and friends remember Margaret as a very loving and caring person. She was a member of the Archuleta County Cowbelles and had many community interests.

Leon and Margaret Montroy had two children, Jake and Judy. Jake is married and he and wife, Leslie, have two children, Chelsea and Ryan. Judy married Bruce Schofield and also has two children, Jode and Cody Fahrion. Jake and Judy and their families live near their grandfather's homestead.

Mrs. Margaret Montroy passed away Nov. 20, 1987, at the age of 76. Her beloved husband, Leon, passed away Aug. 14, 1990, at the age of 92.

The Legend of Treasure Mountain

No story about the Montroy family would be complete without mentioning Treasure Mountain.

As legend goes, a French expedition came to America in the late 1700s to explore the mineral resources of the Louisiana Territory. The party numbered about 300 men when they arrived in the United States. They eventually made a permanent camp near Treasure Mountain (in the area of Wolf Creek Pass). It is said they mined around the Summitville area for several years.

They were fortunate because food was plentiful and, at first, the Indians accepted them. In time, the Indians came to dislike the Frenchmen. Disease took its toll and supplies began to run low. The French hid their fortune, estimated at some \$5 million, in three separate caches. They made maps to show the location of the caches and

the special markers they had left. They then set out for what is now Fort Leavenworth, Kan. This was the nearest settlement in French Territory. Only 17 men got out of the mountains alive and only two of those made it to Fort Leavenworth with the maps. They had the maps sent to France. Later, the maps were found in France and brought back to the United States by a Frenchman who was going to search for

A man by the name of William Yule acquired a tracing of the map. About the same time another man, Asa Poor, found an empty grave in the area of Treasure Mountain. By chance, the two men met. Yule told Poor he was looking for a marked stone, false grave and other markers. Poor told Yule of his findings. Yule, Poor, A.T. Stollsteimer and Leon Montroy Sr. formed a partnership to search for the gold. They destroyed the markers they had found to deter other treasure hunters from searching in the area. Montroy spent much time searching for the lost treasure. He always believed the treasure was hidden in the region and never found.

I would like to thank Montroy family members Bruce and Judy Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bramwell, Twilah Bell and Dale Bell for providing information for this story.



Public Notices

anyone concerned should take notice that the signature of Mark Wilsey was revoked, rescinded, cancelled, rendered invalid, and of no effect in regard to a certain Quit Claim Deed signed on November 24th, 1987 having Archuleta County Clerk and Recorder's Reception

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO. A COLORADO CORPORATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WESTERN GAS SUPPLY COMPANY, A COLORADO CORPORATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN A COLORADO CORPORATION, PAGOSA AREA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT, PAGOSA SPRINGS SANITATION GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, HARMAN PARK OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC., A COLORADO NON-PROFIT CORPORATION U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO FIRST TRUST OF NEW YORK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, BETTY DILLER IN HER CAPACITY AS ARCHULETA COUNTY PUBLIC TRUSTEE, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST N THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION,

Kenneth J. Miller, #32909 Attorney for Plaintiffs P.O. Box 1020 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Telephone: 970-264-2460 Electronic: kjmillerlaw@hotmail.com Case Number: 2015CV030085

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): 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. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained

rom the Clerk of the Court. If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered nst you by the Court for the relief de complaint without further notice

This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiffs in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows and by this reference made a part hereof:

A tract of land lying and being in the NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 15, Township 35 North, Range 2 West, N.M.P.M. Archuleta County, Colorado, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of said tract, whence Range 2 West, N.M.P.M. bears North 79 degrees 32 minutes East, 4860.0 feet; Thence running from said point of beginning South 33 degrees 58 minutes East, 208.0 feet, to the SE corner; Thence running South 56 degrees 02 minutes West

208.0 feet, to the SW corner: Thence running North 33 degrees 58 minutes West, 208.0 feet, to the NW corner, from said NW corner, a Colorado Department of Highways concrete R/W marker on the West boundary line of said Sec. 15 bears North 65 degrees 55 minutes West, 316.09 feet: Thence running from said NW corner North 56 Degrees 02 minutes East, 208.0 feet, to the NE corner, the point of beginning. DATED this 10th day of November, 2016. Published in the Pagosa Springs Sun.

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Kenneth J. Miller, #32909 Attorney for Plaintiffs

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Attorney for Plaintif niel L. Fiedler, #44915 PO Box 5633 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 970-317-4779 E-mail: danielfie Case Number: 2016CV30067

MARY STRADFORD

ALBERT P. THOMAS, III, and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action SUMMONS (BY PUBLICATION)
PLAINTIFF MARY STRADFORD

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS AND ALL IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the claims of the Complaint to Quiet Title Pursuant to Rule 105 filed with the Archuleta County District Court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this Court an Answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the last day of 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 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be entered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint without further notice.

This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 13 Lot: 8 AS 4 Sec: 11 Twn: 34 Rng: 3W

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of November, 2016 /s/ Daniel L. Fiedler Daniel L. Fiedler First Publication: November 17, 2016

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SHAREE GRAZDA

NATIONAL RECREATIONAL PROPERTIES OF PAGOSA SPRINGS, LLC; and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION.

Paul Kosnik, #38663 556 Main Ave

Durango, CO 81301 Phone Number: (970) 403-1580 E-mail: pkosnik@e-klaw.com Case Number: 2016CV30077
SUMMONS (BY PUBLICATION)

PLAINTIFF SHAREE GRAZDA TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST

IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the Clerk of this Court an answer or other response to the attached Complaint. If service of the Summons and Complaint was made upon you within the State of Colorado, you are required to file your answer or othe response within 21 days after such service upon you. It service of the summons and complaint was made upor you outside of the State of Colorado, you are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after such service upon you.

If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within the applicable time period judgment by default may be entered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint without

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

Lots 27 and 28. Chris Mountain Village at Pagosa Unit as Reception No. 77868, in the office of the Clerk and

Recorder, Archuleta County, Colorado.
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Paul Kosnik, #38663 Durango, CO 81301

ber 1, 8 and 15, 2016 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

NOTICE OF CONTRACTOR'S SETTLEMENT County of Archule State of Colorado

Notice is hereby given that on or after the 17th day of December, 2016, final settlement will be made by Archuleta County, for and on account of the contract

Reams Construction Company for the furnishing and installation of Improvements to the Archuleta County Airport - Stevens Field, Schedule(s)I, II, III, and IV, AIP Project No. 3-08-0066-022 and any person, co-partnership, association or corporation who has an unpaid lien against said Reams Construction Company for or on account of the furnishing of labor, materials, team hire, sustenance, provision, provender or other supplies used or consumed by such Contractor of said work, may at any time up to and including said time of final settlement on said 17th day of December 2016, file a verified statement in the amount due and unpaid on account of such claim with Archuleta County statement will relieve said Owner from all and any liability

for such claim. State of Colorado

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> Town of Pagosa Springs Archuleta County, Colorado Hot Springs Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project

The Town of Pagosa Springs is in the process of finalizing the above listed project constructed by Jita Contracting Inc., 1129 Narrow Gauge Lane, Durango, Colorado 81301. Any claims against this project by supp subcontractors, or others should be delivered to the project engineering firm of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. at 188 South 8th Street, P.O. Box 1208, Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147. All claims shall be delivered prior to December 5, 2016. Any claims received on or after December 5, 2016 shall not be considered. Claim forms can be obtained from Davis Engineering Service, Inc. (Phone 970-264-5055).

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF LIEN SALE PURSUANT TO STORAGE LIEN

Statutes Sections 38-21.5-101, et seg. (2014), a public sale will be held on November 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at 357 Park Ave, Pagosa Springs, Colorado. A list of the unit where property is stored, address of storage, name of occupant, last known address and a brief description of the contents follows. If no market value or if no hids are received the goods will be otherwise disposed of. #33 - 357 Park Ave. Pagosa Springs, Colorado - John Rivera, PO Box 3965, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Camping equipment, electronics, various boxes and totes, furniture and car doors.

#21 - 357 Park Ave, Pagosa Springs, Colorado – Michell Smith, PO Box 2673, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 -Various tools, totes, boxes and furnitu Published November 17 and 24, 2016 in *The Pagosa* Springs SUN.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT HEARING ON December

Pagosa Area Water & Sanitation District, represented by Justin Ramsey, District Engineer, has applied for the PAWSD Water Fill Station Variances from Paving and Setbacks, on property owned by Board of County Commissioners of Archuleta County, Lot 1M, Fairgrounds Minor Impact Subdivision, at 344A US Hwy 84, Pagosa Springs, CO (PLN16-090). The request is for Variance from Section 5.4.5.4 of the Archuleta County Land Use Regulations and Sections 27.1.7.3 and 27.1.7.4 of the Archuleta County Road and Bridge Design Standards requiring paving of access and parking, and Section 3.1.2 building setback in the Agricultural/Ranching (AR) zone PAWSD is planning to install a new 10'x16' public wate fill station along County Road 302 (Mill Creek Road). A public hearing will be held by the Archuleta County Board of Adjustment, on Tuesday December 6, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Administration Building Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs Public comment will be taken at the meeting, or may be submitted to Archuleta County Development Services anning Department, P.O. Box 1507, CO 81147-1507, telephone: (970) 264-1390, Planning archuletacounty.org.
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PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING ON December

Black & Veatch, representing Verizon Wireless, has applied for the Verizon Escobar Telecommunication Facility Conditional Use Permit (CUP), on property owned by Sydonia Poenish, the N½SE¼NW¼ S6 T35N R2W NMPM, at 3700 County Rd 600 (Piedra Road), Pagosa Springs, CO (PLN16-114). The proposal will permit a new Commercial Mobile Radio Systems (CMRS) wireless communication facility with a 65' monopole cell towe and antennas, approximately 1,000 feet west of the road Applicant has made a concurrent request for Variances from Development Standards which will be heard separately by the Board of Adjustment (PLN16-115). Comments may be submitted to the Archuleta County Development Services-Planning Department, P.O. Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1507, telephone: (970)

264-1390 or to Planning@archuletacounty.org prior to he public hearing by the Archuleta County Planning Commission on December 14, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the County Administration Office Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs. Public comment will be take Published November 17 and 24, 2016 in The Pagos

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Straight Stripe Painting, Inc.

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account of such claim with Archuleta County. Failure on the part of the claimant to file such final statement will relieve said Owner from all and any liability

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ARCHULETA SCHOOL DISTRICT 50 JT NOTICE OF CONTRACTOR'S SETTLEMENT PAGOSA SPRINGS 5-6 BUILDING ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of Decembe 2016 at Pagosa Springs, Colorado, final settlemen will be made by the ARCHULETA SCHOOL DISTRICT 50 JT, hereinafter called the "SCHOOL DISTRICT" with SKYLINE ROOFING, INC., hereinafter called the "CONTRACTOR", for and on account of the Agreemen dated May 2, 2016, pursuant to which the two parties agreed to have the CONTRACTOR replace the roof on he SCHOOL DISTRICT's 5/6 building

This Notice is provided pursuant to CRS 38-22-107. Any claims in connection with this project made pursuant to CRS 38-26-107 shall be filed with the Finance Director of the Archuleta School District 50 JT, P.O. Box 1498 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. Failure on the part o a creditor to file such statement prior to such fina settlement will relieve the SCHOOL DISTRICT from any and all liability for such clain

Dated at Pagosa Springs, Colorado this 16th day November 2016 Archuleta School District 50 JT, Acting by and through

By: Mike Hodgson, Finance Director Published November 24 and December 1, 2016 in The

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Pagosa Springs has received an application for a front yard setback variance located at 103 dmine Drive. The subject property is located requesting a variance to allow their front setback to be 10-feet from a secondary street instead of the currently required 20-feet. The Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing to consider the Variance Application a 5:30PM on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 to be he in the Town Hall Council Chambers located at 551 Ho Springs Blvd. Anyone wishing to receive more information or to provide written comments should contact the Tov Planning Department at 970-264-4151 x 221. Public Published November 24, 2016 in The Pagosa Springs

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You are hereby notified that the above named cooperative utility proposes to make the following changes in its rates, rules and regulations to become effective January 1, 2017.

Customer Category	Billing Units	Present Rate	New Rate
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Residential TOU	Base Charge per month	\$21.50	\$20.00
TOU-15	On Peak Energy per kWh	\$0.1680	\$0.230
	Off Peak Energy per kWh	\$0.0590	\$0.0590
Small Commercial Single Phase TOU	Base Charge per month	\$21.50	\$20.00
CTOU-24	On Peak Energy per kWh	\$0.1680	\$0.230
	Off Peak Energy per kWh	\$0.0590	\$0.0590
3 Phase TOU	Base Charge per month	\$50.00	\$50.00
B5-28	Demand per kW per month	\$8.00	\$5.25
	On Peak Energy per kWh	\$0.095	\$0.205
	Off Peak Energy per kWh	\$0.061	\$0.059
Transmission Service	Base Charge per month	\$450	\$450
LP-36	Coincident Demand per kW per month	\$18.76	\$19.34
	Energy per kWh	\$0.04370	\$0.0454

Copies of the proposed rate schedules and exact language of the proposed changes are available for review on the Cooperative's website at www.lpea.coop or at the below described business offices:

Durango Main Office 45 Stewart St. (Bodo Park) Durango, CO 81303

Pagosa Springs District Office 603 S. 8th. St. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Consumers who have questions concerning any of the proposed changes may call La Plata Electric at (970) 247-5786. Anyone who desires to complain about the proposed changes shall file a written complaint with La Plata Electric Association, P. O. Box 2750, Durango, Colorado 81302 at least fourteen (14) days before the proposed effective date.

The Cooperative may hold a hearing to determine what changes will be authorized. The changes ultimately authorized may or may not be the same as those proposed and may include changes different from those Rates, Rules, and Regulations proposed or currently in effect. Anyone who desires to receive notification of hearing, if any, shall make a written request therefore to the Cooperative, at the above address, at least fourteen (14) days before the proposed effective date.

Michael Dreyspring, Chief Executive Officer Published November 24, 2016 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

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APPLICABILITY For service to customer-generators where a part or all of the electrical requirements of the customer-generator can be supplied from a solar, wind,	NM 14	Continued Safety and reliability. The design and installation of the customer-generator's net metering system must comply with all applicable laws and regulations and shall	NM 14	AVAILABILITY Within the certificated service area of the Association.	CTOU 24	
biomass or hydropower generating facility. The net metering system must be located on premises that are owned or controlled by the customer-generator, and it must also be connected in parallel with the local distribution system of the Association. The system must be intended to offset part or all of the customer-generator's electrical requirements for electrical energy at the same location, and it must not be used to offset electric consumption at another location.	Rate	meet all current and future safety and performance standards established by the Association's Interconnection Standards, National Electric Code, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and Underwriters Laboratories, Incorporated and be approved by the Association. TERMS OF PAYMENT	APPLICABILITY For commercial and industrial customers, public buildings and authorities whose load requirement is less than 50 kVA of transformer capacity for all uses, subject to the established rules and regulations. This tariff is an optional tariff applicable to small commercial customer who would otherwise receive service under the General Service Single Phase (Schedule A, Rate 10) or General Service Demand			
AVAILABILITY To customer-generators described above who receive service from the Association under any rate schedule. This Net Metering Schedule will be available to customer-generators on a first-come, first-served basis until the rated generating capacity owned and operated by eligible customer-generators in the Association's service territory reaches 1% of the Association's aggregate customer peak demand, at which time the Association may elect not to offer this schedule to additional customer-generators (cap authorized by §40-9.5-302 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes). NET METERING Net metering is defined as measuring the difference in an applicable billing period between the electricity supplied by the Association to the customer-generator and the electricity generated by the customer-generator and delivered to the Association at the same point of interconnection.	Applicable rate tariff	Statement payable within twenty (20) days from statement date.	Applicable rate tariff	Single Phase (Schedule GSD, Rate 10) tariff. TYPE OF SERVICE Single phase, 60 cycles, at Association's standard secondary voltage. ENERGY CHARGE For all kilowatt-hours used during the hours of 2:00 p.m 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday (on peak rate) Per month per kWh	\$0.230 \$0.059 \$20.00	
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	NM 14	AVAILABILITY Within the certificated service area of the Association.	TOU 15	Continued	CTOU 24	
RATE A customer receiving service under this Net Metering Schedule is subject to the identical rate structure and rate components that would be assigned if the customer were not an eligible customer-generator. An eligible customer-generator served under this schedule is responsible for all charges from its otherwise-applicable rate schedule including monthly minimum charges, base charges, energy charges, demand charges, and surcharges. SPECIAL CONDITIONS 1. Metering Equipment. Net metering under this schedule shall be accomplished using a single meter capable of registering the flow of electricity in each direction. If the Association's electrical meter at the customer-generator's site is not capable of measuring the flow of electricity in two directions, the	Rate Applicable rate tariff	APPLICABILITY For farm or home uses, subject to the established rules and regulations. This tariff is an optional tariff applicable to residential customer who would otherwise receive service under the General Service Single Phase (Schedule A, Rate 10) or General Service Demand Single Phase (Schedule GSD, Rate 10) tariff. TYPE OF SERVICE Single phase, 60 cycles, at Association's standard secondary voltage. ENERGY CHARGE For all kilowatt-hours used during the hours of 6:00 a.m 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m 10:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday (on peak rate) Per month per kWh	Rate \$0.230	ASSOCIATION PROVIDED LOAD CONTROL SIGNAL The Association will provide a load control signal wire originating at the customer's meter at no charge to customers controlling ETS heaters, water heaters or other large electric loads. A charge, or close, signal will be active only during off peak hours. The charge, or close, signal will be active a minimum of 12 hours each day. There will be no more than 10 continuous hours of daily load curtailment with an open signal. If the customer requests to be taken off of the time of use rate, the General Services Single Phase (Schedule A, Rate 10) or General Service Demand Single Phase	24	
customer-generator may be responsible for expenses involved in purchasing and installing a meter that is capable of measuring electricity flow in two directions. The customer-generator shall pay the differential cost between any other additional metering requested or required and the metering normally provided by the Association to customers who do not receive service under this schedule.		For all kilowatt-hours used during the hours of 10:00 p.m 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, all kWh used on Sundays and the holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas (off peak rate) Per month per kWh MONTHLY BASE CHARGE Per service, per month	\$0.059 \$20.00	(Schedule GSD, Rate 10) tariff will be applied to the first complete billing cycle after receipt of the written request. The customer shall be allowed to change to the time of use rate once and to change back to a General Service rate once each during any twelve (12) month period. All electric service is subject to any applicable franchise fees and/or sales taxes. TERMS OF PAYMENT Statement payable within twenty (20) days from statement date.		
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SCHEDULE NM (Rate Title or Number)	Company Rate Code	(Rate Title or Number)	Rate Code	SCHEDULE B5 (Rate Title or Number)	Rate Code	
Continued 2. Engineering Review. All customer-generators must have an LPEA engineering	NM 14	Continued	TOU 15	AVAILABILITY Within the certificated service area of the Association.	B5 28	
review and approval for a net metered interconnection at the proposed location in LPEA's distribution system and shall be responsible for all expenses involved in the review as well as necessary system upgrades. Systems generating more than 120% of the customer's historic usage from the previous 12 months will not be approved. If 12 months of usage is not available, the average of the available months will be used (minimum of 4 months). If 4 months of historic usage is not available, a standardized calculation will be used to approximate the appropriate system size based on the home size, the source of space heating and the source of water heating. Other major electric usage greater than 2 kW will be considered with proof of purchase.	Rate Applicable rate tariff	ASSOCIATION PROVIDED LOAD CONTROL SIGNAL The Association will provide a load control signal wire originating at the customer's meter at no charge to customers controlling ETS heaters, water heaters or other large electric loads. A charge, or close, signal will be active only during off peak hours. The charge, or close, signal will be active a minimum of 12 hours each day. There will be no more than 7 continuous hours of daily load curtailment with an open signal.		APPLICABILITY For all farm, home, commercial and industrial customers, public buildings and authorities for all uses, subject to the established rules and regulations. This tariff is an optional tariff applicable to any customer who would otherwise receive service under the General Service Three Phase (Schedule B2, Rate 21) or Large General Service Three Phase (Schedule LP, Rate 30) tariff. TYPE OF SERVICE Three phase, 60 cycles, at Association's standard secondary voltage. ENERGY CHARGE	Rate	
3. <u>Billing</u> . The billing period to be used under this schedule shall be the customary billing period for ordinary residential or other service rate schedules. In any billing period where the electricity supplied to the customer-generator by the Association exceeds the electricity generated by the customer-generator, the Association will bill the customer-generator for the net electricity consumed per the terms of the rate schedule. In billing periods where the electricity generated by the customer-generator exceeds the electricity supplied by the Association, the customer-generator is required to pay only the base charges and minimums that the customer would have otherwise paid under the applicable rate schedule. On April 1st of each year, the Association shall pay a credit for excess generation to the customer-generator equal to the Association's avoided cost, which shall be the average cost per kilowatt hour to the Association for the immediately preceding calendar year times the excess kilowatt hours generated by the customer in the previous twelve months.		If the customer requests to be taken off of the time of use rate, the General Services Single Phase (Schedule A, Rate 10) or General Service Demand Single Phase (Schedule GSD, Rate 10) tariff will be applied to the first complete billing cycle after receipt of the written request. The customer shall be allowed to change to the time of use rate once and to change back to a General Service rate once each during any twelve (12) month period. All electric service is subject to any applicable franchise fees and/or sales taxes. TERMS OF PAYMENT Statement payable within twenty (20) days from statement date.		For all kilowatt-hours used during the hours of 2:00 p.m 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday (on peak rate) Per month per kWh	\$0.205 \$0.059 \$5.25 \$50.00	
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TRANSMISSION COINCIDENT PEAK SERVICE

(General Service Classification)	
SCHEDULE TCP (Rate Title or Number)	Company Rate Code
AVAILABILITY Within the certificated service area of the Association. APPLICABILITY	TCP 36
To industrial customers who take a minimum of 10 MW of electric service at transmission voltage from a wholesale power point of delivery to the Association or from a transmission network which has been completely provided by the customer under the terms of the Association's Service Extension Policy and which originates in one or more wholesale power delivery point(s) to the Association.	Rate
TYPE OF SERVICE Three phase, 60 cycles, at Association's available standard transmission voltage.	
MONTHLY RATES	
Demand Charge Coincident peak demand, per kW, per month	\$19.34
Energy Charge All kWh per month, per kWh	\$0.0454
Base Charge Per service, per month	\$450.00

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TRANSMISSION COINCIDENT PEAK SERVICE								
(General Service Classification)								
SCHEDULE TCP	Company Rate							
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MINIMUM CHARGE Minimum annual or monthly charges may be established by the Association during the term of a customer's contract for electrical service based upon the minimum cost of providing service. Payment of a minimum charge shall entitle the customer to the use of capacity and/or energy corresponding to the minimum charge in accordance with the foregoing rate. TERMS OF PAYMENT Statement payable within twenty (20) days from statement date.	Rate							

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Copies of the proposed rate schedules and exact language of the proposed changes are available for review on the Cooperative's website at www.lpea.coop or at the below described business

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offices:	
Durango Main Office	Pagosa Springs District Office
45 Stewart St. (Bodo Park)	603 S. 8th. St.
Durango, CO 81303	Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Consumers who have questions concerning any of the proposed changes may call La Plata Electric at (970) 247-5786. Anyone who desires to complain about the proposed changes shall file a written complaint with La Plata Electric Association, P. O. Box 2750, Durango, Colorado 81302 at least fourteen (14) days before the proposed effective date.

The Cooperative may hold a hearing to determine what changes will be authorized. The changes ultimately authorized may or may not be the same as those proposed and may include changes different from those Rates, Rules, and Regulations proposed or currently in effect. Anyone who desires to receive notification of hearing, if any, shall make a written request therefore to the Cooperative, at the above address, at least fourteen (14) days before the proposed effective date.

Michael Dreyspring,

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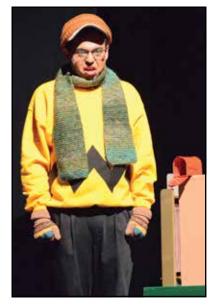
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United Way 'Play For The Way' CD and dining certificates great gifts for the holiday season

By Bill Hudgins
Special to The PREVIEW

United Way of Archuleta County is pleased to announce that the "Play For The Way" CD is now available, featuring 19 songs by 14 great local musicians: Steve Blechschmidt, George Clous, DC Duncan, Mark DeVoti, John Graves, Bob Hemenger, The High Rollers, Michael and Dianne Killen, Shane Lane, Brooks Lindner, Terry Rickard, Lisa Saunders, Debbee Tucker and Tim Sullivan.

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The popular dining certificates are also now available and may be purchased for \$25 at Seeds of Learning, ACVAP, the Pagosa Senior Center, Pagosa Lakes Recreation Center, Chamber of Commerce and the Visitor Center. The certificates may be redeemed for \$25 towards your restaurant tab, and the restaurants then donate \$5 for each certificate to United Way. If you are planning on dining out, why not help United Way and its 12 partner organizations at no additional cost to you?

All proceeds from the CD and certificate sales stay in Archuleta County and help support American Red Cross, ACVAP, Axis Health System, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Girl Scouts of Colorado, Habitat for Humanity, Housing Solutions for the Southwest, Pagosa Outreach Connection, San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging, Seeds of Learning, Southwest Conservation Corps and Volunteers of America, all providing much needed services to our community.



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Our Savior Lutheran School is holding a pair of fundraisers in time for the holidays — a cash raffle and selling Sees candy.

Our Savior Lutheran School fundraisers announced

By Pennie DeClark Special to The PREVIEW

Just in time for the holidays, we have two fun opportunities to help raise money to support Our Savior Lutheran School.

First, we are holding a cash raffle: tickets are \$50 each, maximum of 500 tickets to be sold, and we are giving away one-third of the "pot." If all of the tickets are sold, the prize will be over \$8,000. The drawing will be Dec. 15 at 5:30 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran School, located at 56 Meadows Drive.

This is a great chance to win some extra present money and support a wonderful school. Please call Pennie DeClark to purchase tickets at 903-3242 (they will also be sold along with the candy at the time and location listed below).

Additionally, we will be selling world-famous Sees candy to raise money for Our Savior Lutheran

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We will be selling Wednesday, Nov. 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. outside of City Market. If you have any questions or would like to place a large order, please contact Pennie DeClark at 903-3242.

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Community Choir to present annual Christmas concerts

By Betty Schwicker Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Community Choir will present its annual Christmas Concerts Dec. 2 and 3 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. in the high school auditorium. "We Need a Little Christmas" is the theme this year.

The concerts are filled with joyous and inspirational religious music that will bring Christmas to life in your minds and hearts. You will hear "Great is Our Joy" and "The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy" to remind you of Jesus' birth. An especially moving medley in

this year's concert is "Silent Night, Holy Night."

Music to lift your spirits and bring smiles to your faces will be sung by the jazz ensemble. They will help you celebrate the warmth and joy of the season as they offer their special harmony to "The Christmas Song."

You are invited to get your holiday season started right. All concerts are free and open to the public. However, the choir always welcomes donations to help them continue to provide their concerts, give vocal scholarships to talented students and support the music programs in our local schools.

11th annual World Craft Fair supports artisans around the world

By Carole Nasralla Special to The PREVIEW

Discover a world of difference. Immerse yourself in a world of colors, textures, aromas, flavors and sounds. A world of difference with exquisite home décor, personal accessories and gifts handcrafted by artisans from around the world. Artisans whose work isn't just their livelihood, but an expression of their culture.

From Dec. 2 through Dec. 4, the 11th annual World Craft Fair invites you to escape the ordinary.

You'll discover an exquisite collection of handmade gifts, home décor, Christmas decorations, musical instruments, toys, jewelry, personal accessories and more.

Located at Restoration Fellowship, the World Craft Fair will showcase handcrafted items marketed by Ten Thousand Villages, one of the oldest and largest nonprofit fair trade organizations in the world. Every item purchased at Ten Thousand Villages helps provide vital, fair income to artisans and their families. Artisans use the money they earn to improve their homes, educate themselves and their children, and put food on the table allowing them to live healthier lives of dignity. The artisans' work also improves the economic vitality of their communities.

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Founded in 1946 by the Mennonite Central Committee, Ten Thousand Villages is a nonprofit fair trade organization that markets handcrafted products made by artisans in more than 130 artisan groups in 38 countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. As one of the world's oldest and largest fair trade organizations, Ten Thousand Villages has spent almost 70 years cultivating long-term buying relationships in which artisans receive a fair wage for their work and consumers have access to unique gifts, accessories and home decor from around the

Fair trade is a growing worldwide movement. Ten Thousand Villages is a founding and active

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Photo courtesy Betty Schwicker

The Pagosa Springs Community Choir's annual Christmas concerts are being held Dec. 2 and 3 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. in the high school auditorium. All concerts are free and open to the





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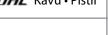
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Join the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir for "Sing with the Angels," a holiday concert, at 7 p.m. on Dec. 6 at the **Community United Methodist Church.**

Pagosa Springs Girls Choir Concert, 'Sing with the Angels,' to feature local musicians

Bv Linda Parker

Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Girls Choir (PSGC) will be presenting traditional holiday choral music at its concert on Dec. 6.

This concert, titled "Sing with the Angels," will be held at 7 p.m. at the Community United Methodist Church and will feature several Pagosa musicians. Darcy DeGuise

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member of the World Fair Trade Organization, a global network of fair trade organizations whose mission is to improve the livelihoods and well-being of disadvantaged producers by linking and promoting fair trade organizations, and speaking out for greater justice in world trade. Ten Thousand Villages has been nationally recognized for its commitment to social and environmental responsibility, and has

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The World Craft Fair will be held Dec. 2 and 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Dec. 4 from noon to 4 p.m. The sale is located at Restoration Fellowship, 264 Village Drive, behind City Market. For more information, contact Carole Nasralla at 731-0411.

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and Jeanette Hill will sing some Christmas favorites before performing a song with the PSGC.

DeGuise and Hill serve as vocal coaches for the PSGC. Each Monday during rehearsal time, each of the coaches takes one of the girls individually and teaches a minivoice lesson.

"Our vocal coaches began with us last year and they have made a huge difference in the girls' confidence as well as their vocal techniques. To have one-on-one time is very valuable, as the girls have an opportunity to work on any vocal issues they have and to improve in all musical areas," stated Linda Parker, director of the PSGC.

As one of the girls remarked, "It lets us hear how it's really supposed to sound!"

These ladies are exceptional vocalists and musicians, and Pagosa is in for a treat to hear them.

"It is also a wonderful opportunity for the girls to hear and work with outstanding musicians. We are very privileged in Pagosa to have adults who have continued their musical performance and who are willing to share their talent with the Girls Choir," Parker continued.

DeGuise started performing at the age of 13 as "Kim" in her high school's production of "Bye, Bye Birdie!" At that point, she was hooked and began taking voice lessons to improve her instrument.

She decided to major in vocal performance and English literature as her parents wanted her to have something to fall back on should music not suffice in paying the bills. After graduating college with a bachelor's of art and bachelor's in music from Ohio University, she apprenticed as a young artist with Cincinnati Opera.

During her three-year tenure,

DeGuise was a lead chorister for the mezzo soprano/alto section of the opera's chorus and she also understudied as Cherubino in "The Marriage of Figaro" and Amneris in "Aida." After leaving the opera company, DeGuise returned to college, working toward and receiving a master's degree in secondary education.

Now a high school English teacher, DeGuise fills what little free time she has when she isn't teaching with cross-country and downhill skiing, cooking, gardening, renovating her 75-year-old home and performing whenever she has the notion.

Two years ago, she began coaching singers within the PSGC. This group of young, impressionable girls are a true delight to work with and DeGuise has found a niche where she can aide in the development of their beautiful instruments. She is honored to have this opportunity to work with the talented, young ladies of the PSGC under the direction of Parker.

Hill holds the degrees bachelor of music education (voice) and master of music (vocal conducting). She taught for 12 years in the music department at John Brown University, a private university in Northwest Arkansas, instructing in private voice, class voice, visual and aural arts (team-taught), music appreciation, lyric diction, choral techniques, vocal pedagogy, vocal literature, and University Women's Chorus.

While with JBU, she also designed and built period costumes for numerous musical and dramatic productions, including "Gianni Schicchi," "The Marriage of Figaro," "The Magic Flute" and "A Man for All Seasons." For four years, she directed and produced the Opera and Music Theatre at JBU, mounting several scenes programs, the musical "You're a

ise was a lead chorister for ezzo soprano/alto section opera's chorus and she also studied as Cherubino in "The age of Figaro" and Amneris

Good Man, Charlie Brown," and the American opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

In addition to an ongoing private voice studio for most of the

In addition to an ongoing private voice studio for most of the years between 1993 and 2006, Hill taught public school music, choirs and drama (K-12), for a combined total of five years. She has served several churches as choir director for a total of 10 years, and has directed community choir and drama productions.

She has performed lead and supporting mezzo roles in college opera productions (Dinah in "Trouble in Tahiti," La Principessa in "Suor Angelica," Miss Todd in "The Old Maid and the Thief, Annina in "La Traviata, and Mother in "Hansel and Gretel"). She sang professionally as a member of the chorus in Tulsa Opera's productions of "La Boheme," "The Merry Widow" and "Eugene Onegin."

Hill is thoroughly enjoying her coaching with the PSGC, and is looking forward to the upcoming Christmas Concert on Dec. 6, which will feature the Christmas lullaby she composed last summer

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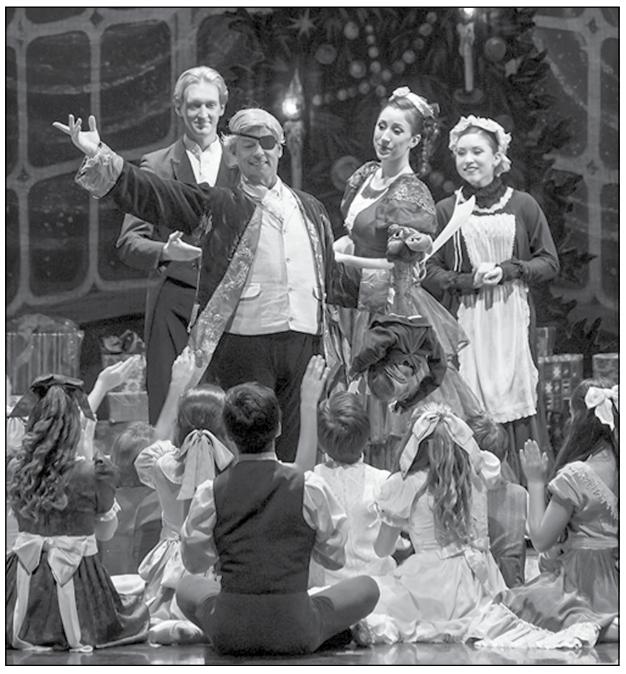


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State Street Ballet of Santa Barbara to perform classic 'Nutcracker' in Durango

Bv Indiana Reed Special to The PREVIEW

Nearly 50 local dancers will join the professionals of the State Street Ballet of Santa Barbara to present the magical holiday ballet "Nutcracker" at the Community

Concert Hall at Fort Lewis College.

For the 10th consecutive year, the ballet will charm Durango-area audiences with two matinee (2 p.m.) and two evening (7:30 p.m.) performances Dec. 9-11 and, for the second time, the ballet will

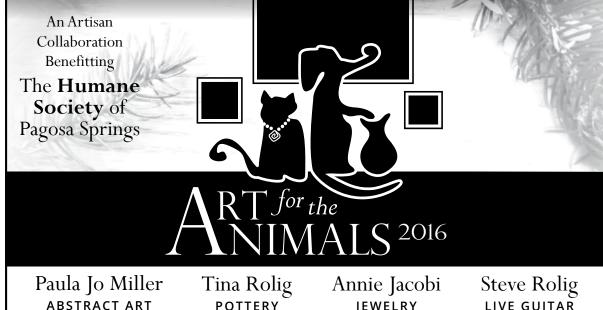
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So, dig out your favorite Christmas sweater, your Santa hat, get your jingle bells jingling and make plans to attend this wonderful concert of holiday music. Come spend an evening listening to the angelic voices of the PSGC and allow us the privilege of sharing this beautiful season with you.

Admission to the concert is free, but your donations will be gratefully accepted. You can also do a little Christmas shopping at the concert, as Rocky Mountain Chocolate candy bars will be available to purchase along with some special stocking stuffers. Additionally, the CD that features the PSGC, "Christmas in My Hometown," has been released and will be available for purchase. We hope to see you there.



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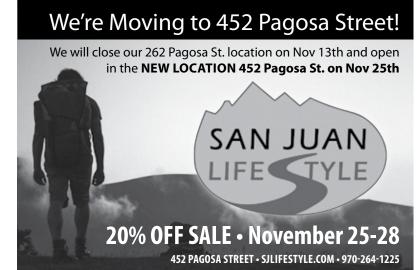
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The professionals of the State **Street Ballet** of Santa Barbara, alongside local children, will bring the "Nutcracker" to life Dec. 9-11 at the Community **Concert Hall** at Fort Lewis College.





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'Nutcracker'

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Artistic Director Rodney Gustafson holds true to the original classical ballet in this Tchaikovsky masterpiece, creating a traditional "Nutcracker" set in Victorian times and suited for all ages.

"Everyone should have the

opportunity to see this timeless and beautiful ballet during the holidays," noted Gustafson in a press release. "It's a story everyone can follow as it's brought to life through familiar music and timeless dance."

The "Nutcracker" is based on the book "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King" by E.T.A. Hoffman, and tells the story of a young German girl, Clara, whose godfather Drosselmeyer, a skilled clock and toy maker, presents her with a toy nutcracker during a holiday party. In Clara's dream, the toy comes to life and escorts her on a journey to a magical land, where a cast of unusual characters entertains her

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If a person should live so long

If a person should live so long, surely she has learned something and has something to say. After living 75 years, three-quarters of a century, it's my birthday week and I'm not sure what I've learned. I guess I'd have to say life is about change and having a sense of humor.

On my birthday I saw change in our nation's history. Our son came home for our granddaughter's wedding and I saw a changed life. If a person should live long enough, there should be some kind of change, but maybe not.

Every day I look in the mirror, I see my mother. Oh no, I've changed into my mother.

I was correcting My Sweet Al. Our son gave me a crooked grin and said, "Leave the poor man alone." I responded, "Oh no, I've changed into my grandmother. I remember as a little girl, she was always picking on my granddad. Surely, I haven't become my grandmother, too."

Ten years ago, I changed from artist to writer. Since then, I've written several books, and have been writing this column for nine years. I haven't missed a deadline, yet. I'm not sure how I've done it, since nothing changes on the Blanco.

If I was asked why people read these articles, I'd have to say, I'm as surprised as you are. I guess it's the humor that keeps people reading them.

I didn't know I wrote humor until a writer friend from Cortez asked me to teach a class on writing humor. I didn't have a clue as to how to write it, much less teach it. I had to Google it. I just knew humor was the way I dealt with life. After studying and preparing, I learned humor comes from angst

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



about something and has a twist and a surprise ending. Living with My Sweet Al pretty well wraps it up.

Our son said the funniest article I've ever written was "Traveling with Sweet Al." I remembered how embarrassed I was when Al brought a big family-size cooler and two large suitcases for an overnight stay into a five-star hotel, right through the lobby.

I searched through my "Artist's Lane" files and found it. I wrote this one early in 2011. Nothing has changed; it's like I wrote it yesterday. I don't know if you remember this article, but I'll post it again. Some of you weren't on board then.

Traveling with Sweet Al.

You would think if you lived with someone for 50 years, you would have learned how to travel together. My Sweet Al takes everything in his closet and I have learned to take just enough. Ten items were enough for a two-week stay with our daughter in California. One or two pair of shoes, which go with everything, colors I can interchange with several outfits; dressing up or dressing down. I took a separate suitcase for my study books and writing. But that's different. I travel with projects and I work on vacation.

Al has a shoe fetish. He takes at least three pairs of tennis shoes, dress shoes and just shoes for incidental reasons. I think it's a throw back from the years he traveled and lived on the road.

Our daughter won an overnight stay and a breakfast buffet for two at a very exclusive hotel in Reno, Nev. It had a living room with a television, a kitchen and a kingsize bed in a separate bedroom. She couldn't use it; her schedule wouldn't allow it. So she gave it to us to use on the way home from California. She called ahead and made reservations for us.

When we left California, I told Al, "We will each pack a small carryon with one change of clothes and one piece of reading material. We will leave everything else in the truck." I had my small Liz Claiborne and he had his. I thought he understood. We were staying at a very expensive hotel and it was important we looked like we belonged even if we were going comp.

The valet attendant looked dubious as I carried my small carryon and Al jumped out of the truck with two huge suitcases. He carried one pair of tennis shoes and he had another pair, tied together with shoelaces, around his neck. He had a sack of snacks, which he bought from the Dollar Tree in the other hand and four hunting magazines rolled up and tucked in the waist of his pants. When he opened the door of the truck, a big orange rolled out and he picked it up and put it in his shirt pocket.

I said to Al, "Absolutely not. We look like backwoods people. You don't need all that stuff."

"I don't care, I don't mind carrying it, I might need something. You might get hungry in the room. I'm

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'Nutcracker'.

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through dance.

State Street Ballet of Santa Barbara was founded in 1995 as a non-profit organization by Gustafson, who was formerly with Geneva Ballet, Cleveland Ballet and American Ballet Theatre.

The company combines the discipline and timeless elegance of classical ballet technique with updated, cutting-edge choreography that satisfies today's diverse audiences. A group praised for strong commitment to artistic and technical excellence, State Street Ballet is also applauded for the intelligently designed, versatile performances that have become the company's trademark.

Young local dancers will join the performances.

View a sampling of the State College.

Street Ballet's "Nutcracker" performance at www.youtube.com/watch?v=1loDPv61kzA.

Tickets for the State Street Ballet of Santa Barbara's "Nutcracker" — \$29/\$42 — are available by calling 247-7657, on the Web at www.durangoconcerts.com or by visiting the ticket office inside the Welcome Center at 8th Street and Main Avenue in downtown Durango. Ticket office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. On show days, the box office at the Concert Hall will be open one hour prior to curtain. All sales are final.

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continued from previous page thinking of you."

In humiliation, I stood at the registration desk. The woman took our comp certificate and looked at Al and all of his belongings, especially the big orange in his shirt pocket.

I looked straight ahead as if to say, "I don't belong to him. I don't know him." Al was huddling around me making small talk. I was thinking, Al, go away. I don't want to be seen with you right now.

We entered into this absolutely posh room with mirrors, fruit basket, fancy coffee maker and gourmet coffee. He left the room and showed up 10 minutes later with our family-size ice cooler.

"Al, did anyone see you?" Of course, everyone saw him, why would I ask? And I'm sure they all knew he was with me. "In Reno, we can get a prime rib dinner for \$5.95, what are you doing with that big cooler?"

"I was thinking of you, honey."

"Deliver me from this kind man who is always thinking of my comfort."

In the room, Al proceeded to pull out his shoeshine kit with his multiple colors of shoe polishes, brown, black and maroon. He decided to clean out his suitcase and he filled three trashcans full of stuff. "Great, now, even the housekeeper knows how we are."

He pulled out three bottles of aspirins and offered me an aspirin.

"I need more than an aspirin. I need a strong drink. You could drive me to drink and gamble. I am going to the swimming pool. I need some space."

After I got over myself, the stay was wonderful for one day. It was time to leave. Al had managed to bring three loads of belongings into the room. Now he was going to take them to the valet parking all in one load.

I sent him ahead and told him to take the back stairs, get the truck and load it. He didn't listen to me. (Now I understand why I have turned into my grandmother.) He went up and down the elevator with the load and came back for the ice cooler. I opted to take the backstairs with my one little overnight bag and slip out of the hotel.

He stopped at the ice machine to get ice for the big family cooler. I said, "Don't even think about it. We will go to a gas station and buy ice."

All in all, Al doesn't care what people think of him, and apparently I care too much. Believe me, the next time, I'm packing for Al.

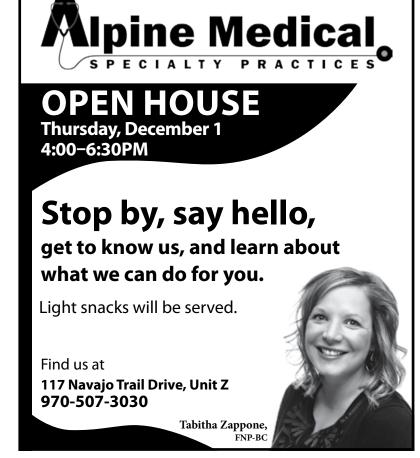
Our daughter excitedly called to see how the room was.

"You wouldn't believe it." I told

"Yes, I would, you are traveling with Daddy.'

Final brushstroke: One thing I know, My Sweet Al isn't going to change, even if I have changed into my grandmother. God forbid. If a person should live long enough, you'd think she'd have it figured out. I chased life all of my life. But, I'm learning life comes to you if you'll wait for it. That lesson has taken 75 years of living to learn.

All I know Al and I have tested time. Some things don't change and it has taken a lot of humor to get through life. I hope to live many more years and I'm waiting for a surprise ending. It should be a doozy and I hope I still have enough humor to laugh at it.





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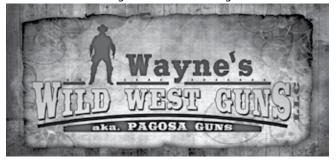
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Russ Hill Wreath Bazaar open for 53rd year

By Barb Draper

Special to The PREVIEW

The ever-popular Russ Hill Wreath Bazaar at Community United Methodist Church opened for business Nov. 16 and will continue though Dec. 4. Now in its 53rd year, this ever-growing event is one of the oldest and most worthwhile traditions in Pagosa Springs.

Fresh, local greenery has been harvested the last two weekends and the scents of our forests will greet you when you walk in to place your order. If you have not purchased a wreath or a table arrangement for yourself, a friend or a relative previously, you have missed a real treat.

Hundreds of these wreaths are proudly displayed throughout our area each Christmas season and many locals mail them to folks who do not live here and don't get to appreciate our local ponderosa pines. Can you imagine the thrill of opening a box and seeing one of these creations and getting a whiff of fresh pine? Former residents often phone or mail in their order requests as well, as they still love to send or receive a meaningful reminder of their time spent in Pagosa Springs.

The order desks will be staffed from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Friday between now and Dec. 4, with the exception of Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24 and 25. The church will be closed these two days for Thanksgiving. You may order in person at 434 Lewis St. or phone in your order to the designated bazaar phone line, 264-4538. Please do not call the church office number. You may pay by cash, check, Visa or MasterCard. A word of caution — you may not want to wait until the last minute to place your order, because a maximum of 500 wreaths will be made. You will not want to miss out.

There are two wreath sizes this year. A standard wreath has an outside diameter of about 25 inches. This wreath is \$35 and if you wish to have it shipped (by UPS in a specifically designed box), the shipping charge is \$18. UPS pickups are made daily, so the wreaths are very fresh when they arrive at their destinations. You may discuss approximate shipping dates when you place your order. An extralarge wreath measures about 40 inches in diameter and the cost is \$50. Regretfully, shipping is not available for an extra-large wreath.

The wreaths are adorned with several beautiful pine cones and your choice of bow in a variety of colors. If you would like a themed wreath, additional adornments or special personal touches, a wreath can be custom made for you. There is a large stock of specialty items to choose from in the workroom.

The final cost of a custom wreath will depend on your choices of additions. When you come in to place your order, you are welcome to visit the workroom to see how the wreaths and arrangements are created

Beautiful, one-of-a-kind fresh arrangements are also being offered. There will be a wide variety of Christmas arrangements made up that you may purchase on the spot when you come in. Custom arrangement orders are also welcome. Advent candles will also be available, but must be ordered in advance as well. Arrangements prices will vary from \$15 to \$40. Arrangements can also be shipped. This charge is \$17.

 $There\,are\,so\,many\,good\,reasons$ to purchase these wreaths. Perhaps foremost is the fact that all profits from the sales are distributed within the community to deserving nonprofit organizations through mini-grant applications. On a personal level, you can simplify your Christmas giving, avoid standing in long lines at the post office and send gifts that will be truly appreciated. There is no need to fret about sizes, styles, likes, dislikes or duplicates. As for your own wreath, you will not find one that is made from fresher materials or longer lasting. You will see many of these wreaths hanging well into February with normal winter conditions.



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Earth Community to discuss how to create a culture of good health

By Joan Mieritz

Special to The PREVIEW

The Earth Community in August had a wonderful lecture at the library given by Fran Korten, publisher of YES Magazine. It is scheduled in November and December for discussions of recent issues of the magazine. Current copies and back issues are available at the library.

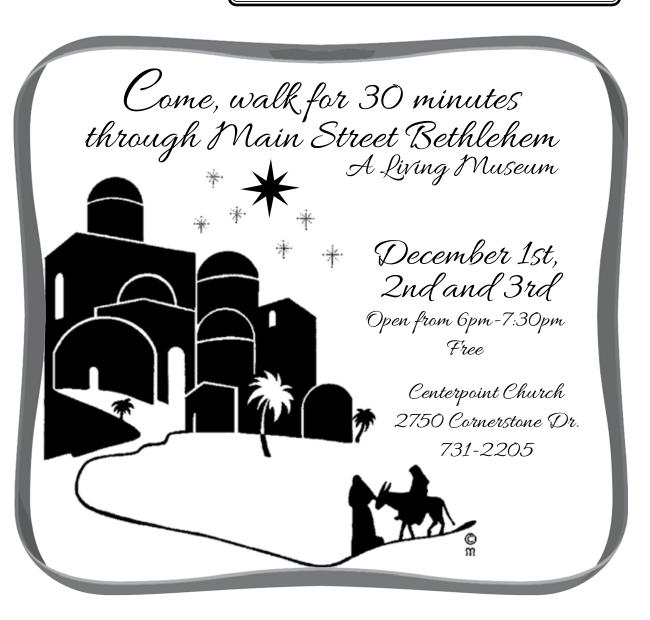
On Nov. 30 at the Pagosa Springs Visitor Center, at 3 and 6 p.m., will be discussions of the winter 2016 issue on "How to Create a Culture of Good Health—Mind+Body+Community." This issue is especially valuable for health conscious people or someone with health issues who is looking for alternative solutions.

The format of the sessions will be that as people arrive and enjoy healthy snacks, there will be copies of interesting articles from the winter 2016 issue to read or reread. Then we will select the most interesting topic to start our discussion. The entire time will be focused on the interests and concerns of the participants using this wonderful magazine as a tool.

On Monday, Dec. 12, at 2 and 6 p.m., there will be discussions of the fall 2015 issue of YES Magazine which is titled "The Debt Issue." We will discuss everything from our national debt, to student loans, to good and bad debt.

Hope to see you to benefit yourself and our community.

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Stewardship: Making every day Thanksgiving Day

By Andrew Packer

Special to The PREVIEW

In the autumn of 1621, the new settlers to our country gathered with some Native Americans for a three-day thanksgiving feast to celebrate a good harvest.

This is probably why pilgrims and turkeys have become inseparably connected to Thanksgiving

This event in 1621 was not thought of as a holiday, but simply a gathering to express thankfulness and share in the Lord's bounty. Thanksgiving as a holiday did not come about until 1863, when President Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday of November to be a national holiday on which Americans were encouraged to give thanks to God for His provision. Since then, Thanksgiving Day has remained a national holiday.

As Christians, we rightly rejoice that our nation observes a national day of thanksgiving. However, as Christians, we also might find ourselves concerned that the original purpose of the holiday has been lost among many Americans. I have heard people express concern that Thanksgiving Day, for some people, is no longer a day to pause and give thanks to God for His provision, but has been reduced to little more than an excuse to "pig out" and then laze around on the sofa watching football. There is certainly at least some truth to that.

Indeed, given our fallen nature, humanity has succeeded in corrupting every holiday that has ever been celebrated. For that matter, it should come as no surprise to us that holidays meant to honor God our creator and redeemer are not going to be respected as such by a society that is becoming increasingly secularized.

Rather than focus on that prob-

lem, I'd like to ask the question of whether we Christians have allowed the true purpose of Thanksgiving Day to fall by the wayside, in a different and far more critical way. Has Thanksgiving Day, for Christians, become nothing more than the one day each year that we pause to give thanks to God for all that he gives, and then get right back to our usual routines again for the next 364 days? Or is Thanksgiving for us a day we set aside to give thanks to God and to remind us that we ought to be living every day in thanksgiving to God for his gracious and bountiful gifts? If we take seriously our God given role as stewards of his creation, then I pray that our purpose for Thanksgiving Day is the latter.

As members of the one holy Christian and apostolic church, we confess that the first article of the Creed teaches that God 'made me and all creatures. He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears and all my limbs, my reason and all my senses, and still preserves them. He also has given me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals and all that I have. He provides me richly and daily with all that I need to support this body and life. He protects me from all danger and guards me and preserves me from all evil. He does all this out of pure, fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this, I ought to thank Him, praise Him, serve Him and obey Him. This is most certainly true." (From Luther's "Small Catechism.")

Additionally, Jesus taught us to pray "give us this day our daily bread.

Luther in his explanation of this petition teaches that daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body and that we as God's people receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

Since we hold to this confession, it is only natural that we should (to steal and adapt a phrase from Charles Dickens) keep Thanksgiving Day the whole year through. This is the attitude that motivates and undergirds proper Christian stewardship. Keeping this attitude alive is done by starting, developing and nurturing certain habits.

One very important such habit is to be regular and consistent in our prayers when we awake, at mealtimes and when we retire for the night. Luther provides prayers for these occasions in his "Small Catechism" or you might find other suitable prayers, or even Psalms. Truly, our Lord is good and His mercy endures forever. Saying prayers like this helps us remember that thanksgiving is a daily activity of God's people. Praying regularly each day (not only in thanks, but also bringing before God our needs and those of others) helps us practice thanksgiving as a daily way of life. It is a life of both repentance and thanksgiving that trusts God as the giver of all good gifts.

Indeed, it is only in trusting God as the giver of all good gifts that allows us in faith to develop another important habit — our regular offering to God of our time, talent and treasure. When developing our budgets, as we list our necessary expenses for house, food, clothing, etc., it is easy to save our offering

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- Add the onion and celery to the drip pan. Fill the pan with chicken broth, wine or water.
- Place the drip pan with turkey on the cooking grid.

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Life-changing: Taking out the trash

By April Adamson Holthaus Special to The PREVIEW

"You do that to annoy me, don't you?" I snapped at my husband.

"Well, I forgot, gimme a break."
"Do I have to remind you like I do the kids?" I taunted and turned my back on him.

This wasn't our first argument over the trash, or some other little thing he forgot. Why did it offend me? If not the trash, or his dirty laundry, often an errand he'd promised to do.

Now we wouldn't speak to each other for at least the whole day or maybe more. The conversation would be short, snapping quips. Tension would build and we'd explode over some other inconsequential thing. These insinuated hurts never seemed to be resolved. Our outside trash can, for heaven's sake, was in the garage, a few steps away. How big a deal is that?

I didn't come away squeaky clean either. I forgot to get his shirt ready for an important meeting. Or when he came home hungry I only felt like fixing cheese sandwiches and tomato soup.

One day, my life changed. I asked Jesus to show me how he wanted me to live. I looked for answers in my new Bible. I needed to change the responses that brought strife to our relationship. Psalm 15:1 says, "A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger."

Did I enjoy spewing angry words? Did I want a peaceful home? With God's truth I could stop this frustrating cycle. I found that a soft answer or request began to change these patterns. I also

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to the church until last, giving only what is "left over."

Let us be clear, no one ought to give out of guilty obligation, but out of a faith which trusts in God as the provider of all we need to live in this life He has given us to live. However, we must also be clear that giving in faith is giving not from our leftovers, but honoring the Lord with "your wealth and the firstfruits of all your yield" (Proverbs 3:9).

Christian stewards are people who live each day as a day of thanksgiving; who in faith acknowledge God's created gifts and his redemptive gifts in Christ Jesus, and in thankfulness receive them both for themselves and for sharing with their neighbor.

Let us pause as we gather this Nov. 24 and, as we give thanks, pray that it would be a reminder of our God's daily gracious and abundant gifts, and a prompting in us of a daily response for all that He so richly provides.

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realized our marriage was more important than who forgot what.

I realized the heart of the matter. I'd been stuffing my "trash," my anger, my negative responses, my selfishness. It was time to confess and take out the garbage. I asked God to forgive me and help me stop, pray and then give a kind response.

Peace reigns in my household most days now. We keep short accounts. We ask for forgiveness when we are not kind or jump to conclusions. We ask God to help us see our own trash before we toss it on each other. There is a nudge in my spirit to hesitate, to realize what could be said, then to extend grace instead.

Want to fuss or blame someone else for life's annoyances? Ask God to help you confess your "trash." His grace is life giving and brings harmony and peace to your home and relationships. You can extend His grace to others.

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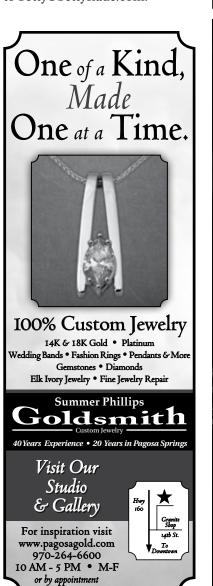
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Gifts of the Heart a wonderful way to reach out during the holidays

Special to The PREVIEW

Once Thanksgiving has passed, thoughts turn to other holiday giving. Greeting cards are wonderful ways to reach out to our friends and relatives, and we are fortunate in our community that there is a meaningful, helpful and simple solution to selecting just the right

Gifts of the Heart is in its eighth year of providing financial assistance through its extensive greeting card program. When you purchase and give a Gift of the Heart, you also give to one of four designated nonprofit organizations. You may choose for your contribution to be given to the Community Assistance Fund, the Methodist Church Food Pantry, Pagosa Programs for Youth or the After-School Tutoring Program. All of these programs have a huge impact on the lives of many residents and all the groups operate with a very limited budget. Most, if not all, of their funding comes from donations and programs such as Gifts of the Heart.

The cards are not limited to Christmas/holiday greetings. There is a card for any event that might come up throughout the year and new cards are continually being designed. These cards are created locally and feature artwork by local artists and photographers.

They are available for a donation of \$5 or more for a card. They are available daily (throughout the year, not just at this holiday season) at the Methodist Church between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. If you are purchasing wreaths or table arrangements at the church's annual wreath bazaar between now and Dec. 5, you may also select your cards while you are there. For your added convenience you will also find the cards for sale at Ace Hardware each Saturday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. through Dec. 17.

If you have not already participated in this program, this is the time to break from tradition. Think about the people in need of the above services, then think about those on your list who would be honored by your decision to give such a meaningful gift in their

Most of us can afford the luxury of sending out cards and gifts throughout the year. At the same time, many Pagosans cannot think in these terms. They are wondering if their children can receive

help they need with homework, whether they can pay for their heat this month or whether there will be food for tonight's family dinner. You have the opportunity to truly give gifts from your heart this year.



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a DVD presentation By Christine Robinson Special to The PREVIEW The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship invites you to attend

UU topic: 'Courage,'

a program titled "Courage," a DVD that features the Rev. Christine Robinson from Albuquerque, this Sunday, Nov. 27, for its regular service.

Robinson, of the First Unitarian Church of Albuquerque, illuminates in this presentation the different types of courage — fast, deliberate and enduring — using historical examples as well as current events. By understanding how courage presents itself, we more fully appreciate this trait that all humans are capable of expressing.

Robinson has been the senior minister of First Unitarian for 27 years, and for many of those years she has spent a winter weekend sharing her ministry with the Pagosa fellowship. She also visits through the DVD subscription program offered by First Unitarian.

A writer for the UU World magazine, Robinson speaks regularly at the Unitarian Universalist Association's (UUA) General Assembly. Under her leadership, First Unitarian has grown exponentially and was selected as a "Breakthrough Congregation" for 2009 by the UUA Growth Team. This growth has extended beyond Albuquerque to include three other New Mexico towns — Socorro, Edgewood and Carlsbad — all receiving live videoassisted services, pastoral care and leadership mentoring.

This presentation reflects the Unitarian Universalist principles of "The inherent worth and dignity of every person" and "The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all."

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship invites everyone into our faith community. We cherish diversity and foster a safe environment for all. Enjoy refreshments and conversation after services, which are held Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza. From North Pagosa Boulevard, turn onto Park Avenue; then turn into the Greenbriar Plaza, drive to the east side of the parking lot and look for the Unitarian Universalist sign, facing north. For further information, see pagosauu.org or call 731-7900.

Our thanks to special people at Thanksgiving

By Carole Howard

PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

The staff at your library are thankful all year around for so many people who make their jobs easier and their service better for you, our patrons.

On this Thanksgiving weekend, we want to publicly acknowledge some of the very special among them:

- We are thankful for the many volunteers who work every day to help us maintain the collection; shelve returned books, CDs and DVDs; and make sure all the books and materials are clean and in their proper place. In 2015, we had a total of 59 volunteers. They contributed 1,056 hours about half of a full-time employee. Because of our small staff, these volunteers are vital to our service to you.
- •We are grateful for the time and dedication of our library board. They also are unpaid volunteers who are committed to making the library an essential hub of our community.
- We also want to pay tribute to the Friends of the Library. Their generosity, enthusiasm and creativity result in so many benefits to your library, especially with the proceeds of their summer book sales.

If you're interested in becoming a library volunteer or joining the Friends, please contact Meg Wempe, library director, at 264-2208. You will be warmly welcomed.

Thanksgiving closing

Your library will be closed Nov. 24 and 25 for carpet cleaning and so our staff can celebrate Thanksgiving with their families and friends.

Pagosa postcards

We have some postcards with lovely Pagosa scene photos by Hannah R. Kuhn of downtown, the Springs area and the Pagosa skyrocket flower that would make good stocking stuffers at Christmas. We'll sell them in packages of 10 for \$1 until supplies run out.

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.

Role playing for teens

On Wednesday, Nov. 30 from 4 to 5:30 p.m., join us for a role-playing game for teens in the seventh through 12th grades. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters. Contact Claire if you have questions.

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Tech sessions

Rachael is available for Tech Tuesday sessions from 10 a.m. to noon. Drop in with your technology questions on Tuesday, Nov. 29. Also, Thursday Tech Times have resumed on Thursdays, but note the new time of 2 to 4 p.m.

Teen gaming

Teen gaming happens Tuesdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for teen gaming fans in the seventh through 12th grades. Enjoy X-box 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks.

Kids storytime

Every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m., join Michael for great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. This is an excellent way for kids of all ages to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers.

Baby storytime

Every Saturday from 9:05 to 9:25 a.m., join Michael for a short session of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little ones. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life.

Toddler storytime

Every Saturday from 9:30 to 10 a.m., join Michael for 30 minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays with open play afterwards. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life.

DVDs

"Safe Haven" is based on the Nicholas Sparks romance. "A Star is Born" stars Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson. "Amadeus: Director's Cut" celebrates Mozart's music and won eight Academy Awards. "My Fair Lady" stars Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison.

Mysteries and thrillers

"Missing" by James Patterson is the latest in the Private thriller series. "Order to Kill" by Kyle Mills is a Vince Flynn Mitch Rapp thriller. "The Obsidian Chamber" by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child is a Special Agent Pendergast thriller. "The Whistler" by John Grisham is a legal thriller.

Nonfiction

"Shaken" by former Broncos player Tim Tebow is a motivational guide to help you discover

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The Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Title setting in a 1982 Wes Craven flick
- 6 Gets on
- **10** Autocrat until 1917
- 14 Leg part
- **15** "Get ___!"
- 16 Mixed dish
- 17 Country album?
- 18 Send into a swoon
- 20 Light-dimming gadget
- 22 Guarded
- 23 Itty-bitty
- **24** Residence at Rice
- **25** Podded plant
- 28 O. Henry's "The ___ of Red Chief"
- 31 He was a rollin' stone, in song
- 35 Opinion
- 37 Back biter
- 38 Light bulb gas
- 39 Stable staple
- 40 Follow follower
- **41** Stocking material
- **42** Musical buildup
- 44 Deal (out)
- **45** File cabinet item
- **46** Absorb, as a cost
- 47 Game delayer
- 49 Pistol, slangily
- **51** Iberian nation
- **53** Keyboard feature
- **58** Operatic soprano
- 60 Drink garnish
- 61 Countess's husband
- **62** Aggravate
- **63** Mill output
- **64** Arborist's concern
- **65** Nostalgic time
- 66 Take the plunge

DOWN

- 1 "Shining __"
 (Earth, Wind and Fire hit)2 Word in a Gable
- movie title

 3 Willing follower?
- 4 Cat's cry (Var.)
- 5 Perching bird
- 6 Math computation
- 7 Chap
- 8 Spot for a stud
- **9** Go this way and that
- 10 Symbolic post
- 11 Bit of slander
- 12 Spacious
- 13 1973 Supreme Court decision name
- 19 Pricing word
- 21 Santa's reindeer, e.g.
- 24 Like some lines
- 25 Church song
- 26 Otherworldly27 Apprehensive
- feeling

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29 Former liberal, perhaps

30 Tie-up

32 "___ Again (Naturally)" (1972 #1 hit)

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one **34** Special lingo

36 Not too awful37 Universe

43 Blood fluids

45 Fancy duds

48 Go public with

50 Where the mouth is

by Margie E. Burke

51 Gain value, as stocks

52 100%

53 Ado

54 Brazilian soccer legend

55 Coffin stand

56 Profess

57 Trust, with "on"

58 Collector's goal59 Word before

little or late

Answer to Last Week's Crossword:



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your true identity to weather life's storms. "The Nine of Us" by Jean Kennedy Smith is a memoir of her siblings, the children of Rose and Joe Kennedy, growing up. "101 Law Forms for Personal Use" includes downloadable forms. "Speaking American" by Josh Katz is an illustrated guide to how Americans talk in various parts of the country.

Programmed Nooks

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Quotable quote

"Your feelings about getting older might determine how well you age — and even how well your brain holds up against Alzheimer's. When people who thought negatively about aging were simply primed to view it in a better light, they said they felt more positively about aging and even showed improvements in physical strength." -Yale University study.

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Timely tips for sending holiday mail to diplomatic citizens and deployed members of the military

By David Rupert Special to The PREVIEW

Ensuring those serving in the nation's armed forces and diplomatic service receive their holiday mail in time is a priority for the U.S. Postal Service. Here are a few tips to keep in mind:

• Deadlines for Christmas delivery to U.S. military and APO/FPO depend on the destination. For most destinations, the following cutoff dates apply:

Priority packages and first-class cards and letters: Dec. 9.

Priority express mail: Dec. 16.

• The Postal Service offers a \$2 discount on its largest flat rate priority box when sent to an APO/ FPO/DPO address.

• USPS offers a free Military Kit consisting of: two Priority Mail APO/FPO/DPO flat rate boxes; two Priority Mail medium flat rate boxes; Priority Mail tape; and Priority Mail address labels.

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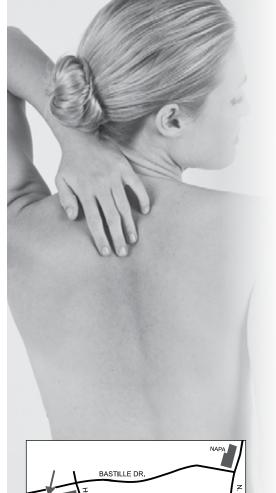
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Russ Hill Wreath Bazaar

Photos: Terri House, Peggy Andrews

Scene ... at the 53rd annual Russ Hill Wreath Bazaar at the Community United Methodist Church. The bazaar is open for the year and will run through Dec. 4, with workers hard at work making the everpopular wreaths and centerpieces.























Forcing bulbs for winter beauty

By Irene Shonle, CSU Extension director, Gilpin County

Special to The PREVIEW

The CSU Extension office will be closed Nov. 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving.

Although it's probably too late to plant bulbs outside for spring bloom, you can still plant them for indoor bloom. Even better, indoor bulbs will bloom earlier than they would outside - right when winter seems endless and you really need that pick-me-up. Unless you already bought bulbs and didn't get a chance to plant them, at this time of the year, your best bet for finding bulbs will be online retailers

Amaryllis bulb (Irene Shonle)

Paperwhites are the standard for indoor forcing because they are the easiest. They require no refrigeration and will bloom reliably about six weeks from planting. They don't even require soil — water will work fine. Amaryllis are the second most popular indoor bulb, and the ones you buy in the store have usually been prechilled or dried down to bloom after about six weeks as well.

However, other bulbs such as tulips, narcissus (daffodils), hyacinths, crocus and grape hyacinths will all come beautifully into bloom with

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just a little more effort. I particularly like planting tulips and crocuses indoors, since the critters eat them outdoors more often than not.

Hyacinths (Plant Talk Colorado)

In planting bulbs for indoor forcing, it is easiest to plant all the same variety in one pot so you don't have to worry about different chill and development requirements.

Loosely fill the bottom 2 inches of the container with potting soil. Plant the bulbs close together in the pot - typically they are planted much more closely together than bulbs planted in the ground. Plant six tulip bulbs, three hyacinths, six daffodils, or 15 crocus for a 6-inch pot.

Place the bulbs in the planting mix with the pointed side up. The soil under the bulbs should be loose so that the roots can grow freely. Add more loose soil, but don't bury the bulbs — leave the tops of the bulbs exposed.

With tulips, place the flat side

of the bulb next to the rim of the pot since the largest leaf will always emerge and grow on that side, producing a more attractive pot.

The bulbs should be watered immediately upon planting, and thereafter the soil should never be allowed to become dry.

After planting, immediately put the pot into a dark and cold spot. Bulbs (except paperwhites) must be given a dark and cold (35-48 degrees) temperature treatment for a minimum of 12-13 weeks. This cold treatment can be provided by an unheated garage, attic, basement or crawl space, as long as the bulbs don't freeze. Make sure to check that the soil doesn't dry out during this period; water if necessary. It is easy to forget about your bulbs, so mark your calendar to remind yourself when the first pots can be removed from storage for forcing to begin. For example, if you plant in early November, bring in the first pots in late January to early February. For a continuous supply of flowers, bring in a few pots at weekly intervals. On average, the bulbs will flower in three to four weeks; closer to spring, they flower more rapidly.

In the home, place the pots in a cool, bright location. A temperature of 50-60 degrees is preferred for the first week or until the shoots and

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When to keep your mouth shut

Special to The PREVIEW

Cyrus was an old farmer and had worked hard all of his life. He was independent, but he was getting older and everything was just a little bit harder. Still, he was determined to maintain his independence and

When the Boy Scouts came around wanting to rake his leaves, he shooed them away, telling them he was capable of doing his own yard work. When he hurt his back, the men of the community wanted to help him stack his wood, but Cyrus wouldn't hear of it. Even if he could only carry one small stick of wood at a time, he was determined to do it himself.

One fall day there was a big agriculture expo at the local university. Though Cyrus was retired from farming, the monotony was driving him crazy, so he decided to go.

"Take some food with you," his wife said as he was heading out the door. "You know how you get at those farm things, staying for hours. And since you get dizzy when you don't eat for a long time, you'll need something."

Cyrus didn't like the implication that he was old and feeble. He only pretended to take something, and then he slipped out and was on his

way. Once at the expo, Cyrus was in the world he loved. He knew half of the people walking around the big football field where the agriculture exhibits were displayed. New tractors, combines, hay equipment, and every sort of tillage machine was there.

The time went by quickly, and Cyrus started realizing he was beginning to feel that dizzy, low-bloodsugar feeling. He decided to visit one of the food booths. But they were on the far end of the football field, and there was a lot of things to stop and look at on his way.

He was getting fairly close to the hamburger stand he was aiming for when, suddenly, everything went black. When Cyrus came to, he was lying on the artificial turf with paramedics leaning over him. No matter how much Cyrus complained, they insisted he had to go to the hospital just to be safe. That made Cyrus mad, but he didn't have much choice. When he finally got to the hospital, they checked him over and felt he was OK to go home.

As he was reaching for the phone to call his wife, he was so mad that he mumbled, "I think I'm going to go home and shoot myself."

He, of course, didn't mean it, but the hospital staff was trained to take suicidal threats seriously. So they took him, hollering, back into the

legally had to watch him for 48 hours.

If he was mad before, it was nothing compared to his attitude now. He called his wife, and she hurried over. But he still had to stay for the full two days. He was upset, and for 48 hours he made everyone's life miserable until they were as happy as he was to have him leave. When he was finally told he could go home, he was about to march out when the hospital staff informed him that hospital policy required them to wheel him out in a wheelchair.

That was the last straw. He stormed out before they could stop him. But just after he stepped outside, he slipped on the newly snow-covered sidewalk, fell, and broke his hip. Back into the hospital he went, riding, not in a wheelchair, but on a gurney. This time he spent a couple of weeks. When he was finally released, he humbly accepted the wheelchair ride.

As his wife walked beside him, she asked, "Cyrus, have you learned anything from all of this?"

'Yes," Cyrus replied. "I have learned that there is a time to keep my mouth shut."



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leaves begin to expand. Then, they can be moved to warmer locations (or can stay in the cooler temperature, but they will not bloom as quickly).

Discard tulips, narcissus, crocus, paperwhites and hyacinths after flowering as they normally are "spent" and are not likely to ever flower satisfactorily again (although if you feel like gambling a little effort, you could dry down the tops of the bulbs and try planting them in the garden. They may bloom in a couple of years). Amaryllis, on the other hand, can be kept in a pot and brought to rebloom yearly: http://www.ext.colostate. edu/ptlk/1303.html.

CPR and First aid certification classes are now being offered monthly by the CSU Extension office on the second Monday and Wednesday of each month from 6-10 p.m. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling the Extension office at 264-5931.

We will also attempt to schedule classes on additional dates with five or more registrations. Cost for the classes is \$80 for combined CPR/ first aid and \$55 for CPR, first aid or recertification. The type of first aid information provided will vary by the needs of the audience.

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Tips for making the college application process less stressful

By John Lough Special to The PREVIEW

If you're parenting a high school junior or senior, then the stress of applying for a college is probably starting to escalate. While that first college class is still a ways off, there are lots of reasons for feeling

There are tests to take, applications to complete and essays to write. And, on top of all that is making a college decision that truly can be life-shaping. No wonder everyone is stressed.

One way to reduce this stress is simply to understand all the issues, decisions and steps necessary for college admission. An important starting point is sitting down for a family discussion about paying for college. Family contributions, scholarships and loans can all be discussed, but the bottom line for many families may be that certain schools will simply be too expensive. Now is the time to make that decision.

Next, understand the full college application process. A good starting place for understanding the process is the College Board site at https://bigfuture.collegeboard. org/get-in. Your high school counselor can also be a good source for information about deadlines, programs of study and college costs. The counselor can also help narrow down college possibilities based on your son's or daughter's interests, grades and overall school performance.

Most colleges still require ACT

or SAT testing. For high school seniors, now is the time to do that testing, but high school juniors can also benefit from taking one of those national tests for the practice it provides. Studies have shown that because these tests can produce fairly high anxiety levels, students who take the tests more than once almost always improve on the second go around if only because they are less anxious and now better understand the testing procedures.

This is also a good time to pick up one or more college guides, either at your local bookstore or library (or sometimes from your school's counselor). These guides will provide descriptions of the various colleges and universities, and also outline the requirements and costs for each of the schools. Virtually every school now has a fairly comprehensive website which will provide a great deal of information for prospective students and their parents.

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Toys for Tots drop-off locations announced

By Nancy Williams Special to The PREVIEW

The Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots has partnered with Justice Ministries of Pagosa Inc. and Vets For Vets for this year's campaign.

You may donate any new toys at these participating businesses through Dec. 11: Walmart, Goodman's, Rainbow Gifts, The Springs Resort, Wyndham Visitor Center and Community United Methodist Church.

Thank you for making this holiday season a little brighter for those less fortunate.

Contact Nancy Williams, coordinator for Pagosa's Toys for Tots and director for Justice Ministries of Pagosa Inc., P.O. Box 5262, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, 264-4483 (GIVE).

Deadlines*

Display advertising: Noon, Monday

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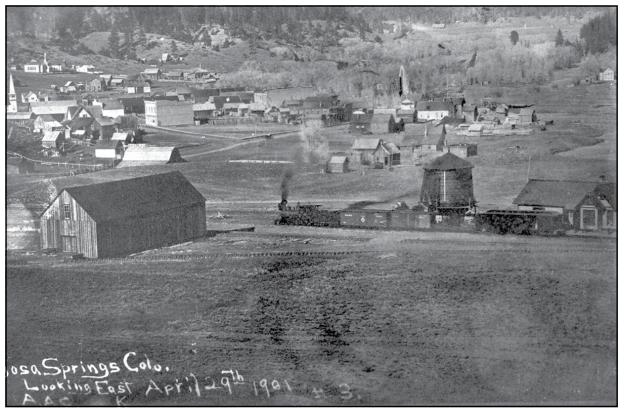
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Shown in the center of this photo is a plume of water shooting into the air. This was the first geothermal well in Pagosa Springs. The photo is dated in April of 1901.

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Natural resources and a glimmer of wealth

Back in the day, 1901 to be specific, Pagosa Country had its first glimmer of wealth when oil was presumably discovered. Local folks were excited because Pagosa never shared the gold and silver bonanzas enjoyed by many of the other San Juan Mountain communities.

We read the following article taken from the Pagosa "Weekly Times" published in July of 1901: "Last winter about February 1st, an oil company of Oregon called Archuleta began work on the Navajo about twelve miles from Edith ... numerous locations were made taking the land by placer claim."

Several other companies soon joined the search. The paper noted that several oil springs were discovered including one on the Navajo, one in the Blanco Basin and one on the West Fork (of the San Juan) " ... the one on the West Fork contained gas which has been known to burn, when lighted, for a period of three

From early historical society meetings I attended circa 1970, I listened to the old-timers talk about oil seeping from the ground in the upper Navajo River area and also from a seep on Engineer Mountain. Starting with pioneer times, settlers used oil from these seeps to lubricate their wagon wheels.

In 1936, oil in paying quantities was found on the Banded Peaks Ranch located near the headwaters of the Navajo River. Called the Gramps Field, considerable quantities were pumped and hauled



from this source before it closed in 1996.

Also in July, a franchise was granted to F.A. Collins to drill a hot water geothermal well and construct bathhouses and a hotel. Collin's well was drilled near the west bank of the San Juan River behind Town Hall. The successful well was the first geothermal well on record in Pagosa Springs. We find no record that Collins developed a spa or other bathing facility. His contract with the town granted him the exclusive right for 25 years to dig or bore for the development of artesian water, hot mineral water, agreed he must provide free drinking water for the public (he provided a drinking fountain of geothermal water from his well which remains to this day in the parking lot on the river side of Pagosa Street downtown), would pay the town \$100 per annum after three years, and could build stone or brick buildings in the northern

On Dec. 6, 1901, Collins tapped hot mineral water "at a depth of 162 feet ... pressure 55psi ... sufficient to be transported by pipes throughout the town of Pagosa Springs.'





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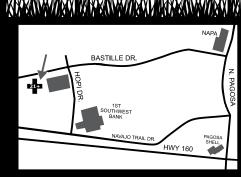
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Prepare vehicles for harsh weather

Special to The PREVIEW

As the seasons change, motorists must take steps to safeguard their vehicles, especially when the season changes from fall to winter.

Each winter, many vehicles are subjected to sub-zero temperatures, snowfall and icy roads, and such conditions can take their toll on vehicles over time. Taking steps to prepare vehicles for winter weather is a vital step that can make cars and trucks safer for drivers and their passengers.

Battery

Old batteries should be replaced before winter begins. Without a strong, properly functioning battery, engines cannot turn over. Most batteries last between three and five years. However, extreme cold can compromise batteries, especially those that have been around awhile. Batteries are made up of acid and water, and cold temperatures can freeze the water, thereby affecting battery performance.

According to AAA's Automotive Research Center, at 32 degrees, the average battery loses 35 percent of its strength.

Newer batteries can be protected by starting the vehicle each day to warm up and recharge the battery. Let the car run for at least 10 minutes if you cannot take an extended drive.

Exterior maintenance

Keeping a car waxed and sealed can help maintain a durable exterior finish. This includes not only the paint, but the rubber and vinyl parts of the car's exterior.

Winter is a good time to switch to a heavy-duty synthetic wax that can shield against water and road salts. High-quality sealants can be used on bumpers, trim and rubber door seals as added protection. Speak with an automotive retailer or even the car dealership if you are unsure which products will make your car's parts most durable for winter weather.

Do not stop washing your car just because the weather is cold. Slushy, wet roads and snow-melting salts can speed up the formation of rust or other decay on the undercarriage of the vehicle. These materials will need to be periodically cleaned off. Flush the underside of the vehicle whenever possible, taking advantage of any dry, slightly warmer days.

Tire pressure

According to a large automotive retailer, vehicle tires lose a pound of air pressure for every 10-degree drop in temperature. Many modern cars will alert to changes in air pressure, and drivers should be diligent in maintaining the proper tire pressure. Fuel economy as well as handling ability can decline when tires are not inflated properly. Tires can be refilled at many gas stations for little cost.

Wipers

Visibility is key in hazardous weather conditions, and keeping the windshield clean is a priority. This means ensuring there is enough windshield wiper fluid in the car and that it is a product that will not freeze.

Wiper blades can freeze and crack in the winter. Older blades may be more susceptible to damage. It's a worthy investment to replace existing wiper blades at the start of each winter. When vehicles are parked, pull the wipers off of the windshield to safeguard them from sticking and cracking.

Cold weather requires drivers to amp up their vehicle maintenance routines. Consult with a mechanic or automotive retailer for more ideas and products that can help your vehicles operate safely and efficiently this winter.

What's Cookin'

Cast Iron Asparagus with Pecans and Brown Sugar

Recipe courtesy: Colorado Department of Agriculture and Chef Jason K. Morse, C.E.C.

12 oz. applewood thick-cut bacon, cut into random-sized pieces

- 2 shallots, peeled, cut in half and cut into strips (julienne)
- 2 cloves fresh garlic, minced fine 2 bunches asparagus, cut off
- woody ends and leave as spears 3/4 cup dark brown sugar
 - 3/4 cup pecan pieces, toasted Kosher salt to taste
 - Black ground pepper to taste Red crushed pepper to taste

Heat a large cast iron skillet on high heat for 5 minutes; add the bacon and sauté for 5 minutes or until bacon starts to brown. Drain most of the fat off the bacon and place the pan back on the heat.

Add the garlic and shallots and cook until the shallots start to caramelize. Add the Asparagus and sauté until half cooked. Add the brown sugar and allow to melt, then add the toasted pecans and stir.

Turn heat down to medium. Allow the asparagus to become glazed with the sugar, about 4-5 minutes. Turn off the heat when glazed and season to taste.

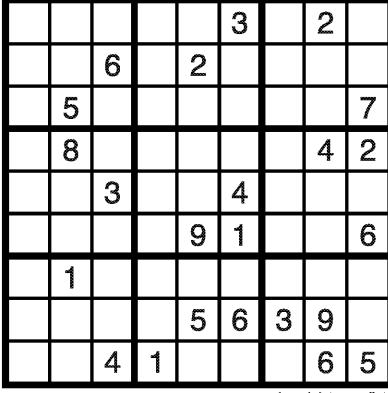
Remove the asparagus and place into serving dish then top with bacon, shallot, sugar and pecan mix.

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Community pet food drive gets underway

By Nancy Haines

Special to The PREVIEW

It's that time of year again, when money gets tight in our community for some families.

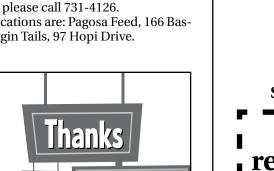
Pagosa Feed is holding its third annual pet food drive. In years past, the food has been available during Thanksgiving week. This year, with the help of four church pantries, food will be made available through all the holidays to the end of the year.

Last year, we were able to help many families with a record high donation collection of over 400 pounds of food. Let's work together to help those pets in need. Both wet and dry foods are needed and the churches would prefer small bags for the ease of distributing. Pets in our community play such an important role for our wonderful outdoor lifestyle as well as having a best friend to curl up by your feet. They thank you for your generous support.

Food will be made available starting Thanksgiving week at the food pantries of the following churches: St. Paul's Episcopal, John Paul II Catholic, Community United Methodist and Restoration Fellowship. For more information, please call 731-4126.

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

Wednesday, Nov. 23

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

Tapestry of Sound. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Jessica Peterson and Paul Roberts will perform a special concert for children and families on their array of instruments from around the world. Join the fun with sing-alongs, body percussion, dancing and drumming. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Free Blood Pressure Checks. 10 a.m., Senior Center.

Flow Yoga Class. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat and a towel. For more information, call Roz at (281) 435-0563.

Lutheran School Fundraiser. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., City Market. We will be selling Sees candy and tickets for a cash prize raffle. Contact Pennie DeClark with any questions at 903-3242.

Movie. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Popcorn and beverages provided. Coed Volleyball. 1-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Friendly, noncompetitive games open to all ages.

Learn to Square Dance. 7-8 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Carla Roberts will teach simple calls that are quick to learn in a fun, easygoing class open to families, couples and singles. For more information and to enroll, call Carla at 903-

Friday, Nov. 25

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

Pagosa Stitching Group. 9:30-11:30 a.m., second floor of the Pruitt building, Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.

Saturday, Nov. 26

Baby Storytime. 9:05-9:25 a.m., Sisson Library. Twenty minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Toddler Storytime. 9:30-10 a.m.,

Sisson Library. A half hour of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Yoga: Laugh and Let Go. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. This class explores the ancient technique of chi selfmassage followed by a lighter yoga asana practice. Call 2644152 for more information.

Sunday, Nov. 27

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

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

Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Call Beverly for information at 264-2064.

Medicare Mondays. 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Senior Center, Area Agency on Aging office. For benefits, explanation, questions and assistance for enrollment regarding Medicare parts A, B, D and supplemental policies. Call 264-0501, ext. 2 to make an appointment.

Caregiver Support Group. 10:30 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. The meeting is led by Elaine Stumpo, regional director of the Alzheimer's Association. For more information, call 259-0122.

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Bridge for Fun. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

High Country Squares. 6:30-8:30 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. First and third Mondays include Plus Fun workshop. Second and fourth Mondays regular club dances. Mainstream and Plus square dancing with Jim Park calling. Contact person: Steve, 731-0044.

Tuesday, Nov. 29

Dancin' and Movin' with Debbie. 9:30-10:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. What are you waiting for? Come have fun and get moving with us. For information, call Debbie Copple at 398-0606.

Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center.

Tech Time. 10 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Drop-in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Men's PTSD Group. Noon-1:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Focusing on resolving anger and conflict. Contact Dr. Kevin Kelly at (505)

Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Teen Gaming. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. X-box, Wii, board games and snacks. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Night Yoga: YoGain. 6:30-7:30 p.m., Community Center. YoGain is a fast-paced blend of yoga asana and body weight exercises designed to raise your heart rate and increase strength and flexibility. Open to all levels and abilities. Call 264-4152 for more information.

Terrific Tuesdays. 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Learn to dance. Let's Dance Club. We will be having a review of the past year classes and an open dance party. Call Wayne at 264-4792 or go to http:// www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa for more information.

Wednesday, Nov. 30

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

Library Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join Early Literacy Librarian Michael for great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Storytime is a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Flow Yoga Class. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat and a towel. For more information, call Roz at (281) 435-0563.

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699-0824 for more information. Wellness and Outreach Clinic. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Senior Center. The program will include wellness, blood pressure monitoring or allow individual area seniors to discuss two subjects of their choice.

> Movie. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Popcorn and beverages provided.

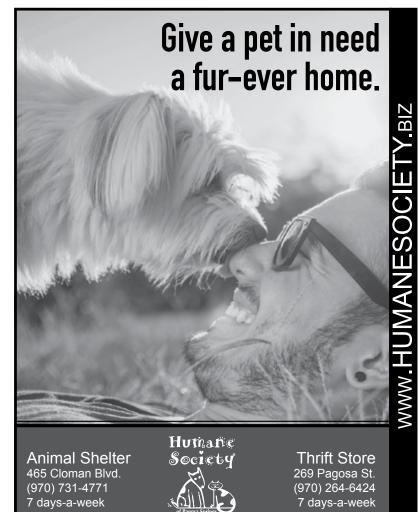
> CoedVolleyball. 1-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Friendly, noncompetitive games open to all

> Earth Community. 3 and 6 p.m., Visitor Center. We will be discussing the winter 2016 issue of YES Magazine.

Jelly Beans and Squiggly Things After-School Club. 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. For information, call 903-8104.

Role-Playing Game. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us for a role playing game. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters. For teens in the 7th-12th grades. Call 264-2209

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Thursday, Dec. 1

Dancin' and Movin' with Debbie. 9:30-10:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. What are you waiting for? Come have fun and get moving with us. For information, call Debbie Copple at 398-0606.

Overeaters Anonymous. 11 a.m., Centerpoint Church library. Open to everyone. For more information, call Leslie at 799-0775.

Festival of Trees. Noon-7 p.m., Community Center. Come down and enjoy listening to Christmas music as you wander through many unique Christmas trees. Hot chocolate, coffee and cookies will be offered. You will be able to vote for your favorite tree for \$1. Call 264-4152 for more information.

Duplicate Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Tech Time. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop-in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Main Street Bethlehem. 6-7:30 p.m., Centerpoint Church. Come and stroll through the town of Bethlehem, a living museum, for 30 minutes and hear the Christmas story. Call 731-2205 for more information.

San Juan Outdoor Club. 7 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Monthly meeting. Program speaker is Becky Herman from the Weminuche Audubon Society on bird counts and local birding. Light refreshments will be available starting at 6:30 p.m. Guests welcome. Go to www. sanjuanoutdoorclub.org for more information.

Friday, Dec. 2

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

11th Annual World Craft Fair. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Restoration Fellowship. A world of difference with exquisite home decor, personal accessories and gifts handcrafted from around the world.

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.

Festival of Trees. 5:30-7 p.m., Community Center. Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased in advance only. Table reservations are also available. Come out for a night of live and silent tree auction, live music, cash bar and hors d' oeuvres. Call 264-4152 for more information.

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Pagosa Springs Community Choir Christmas Concert. 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. A talented group of 60 singers, varying in ages from teenagers to seniors. This year's theme is "We Need a Little Christmas."

Saturday, Dec. 3

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- Pagosa Springs Community Choir Christmas Concert. 4 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. A talented group of 60 singers, varying in ages from teenagers to seniors. This year's theme is "We Need a Little Christmas."
- 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, Dec. 5

- Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.
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Pagosa Springs Girls Choir Presents 'Sing with the Angels.' 7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. In the annual holiday concert, the choir will provide the Pagosa community with a beautiful holiday program for this Christmas season.

Wednesday, Dec. 7

- Pickleball.8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.
- Flow Yoga Class. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat and a towel. For more information, call Roz at (281) 435-0563.
- Pi Beta Phi. 11:30 a.m., Home of Carole Howard. Special guests will be Thingamajig Theatre Company stars Jamie Finkenthal and James Scott. Dress in holiday attire. Bring a potluck dish, anonymous angel gift and 10 canned or packaged goods plus hotel size toiletries for the local food banks. RSVP to tailwinds1@ aol.com.
- Coed Volleyball. 1-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Friendly, noncompetitive games open to all
- Jelly Beans and Squiggly Things After-School Club. 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. For information, call 903-8104.
- The Spouses/Family of Veterans Group. 5:30-7 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Contact Sharon Carter, Ph.D., at 398-0883 or Charlotte at 731-1025 for further information.

Thursday, Dec. 8

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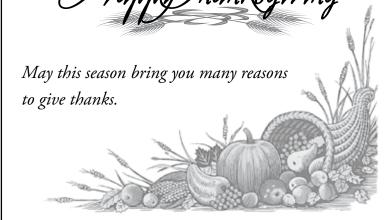
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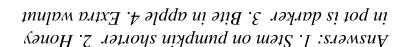
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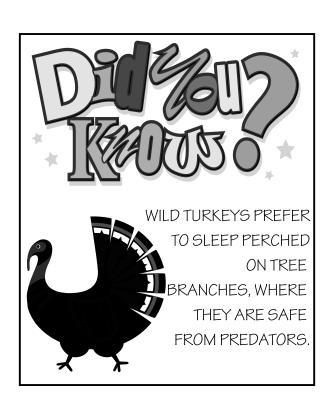
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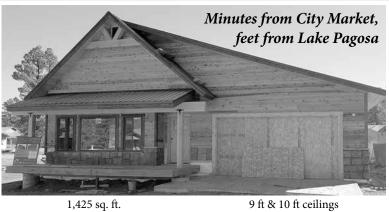
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Senior Center to hold health and wellness clinic Nov. 30

By Cheryl Wilkinson

PREVIEW Columnist

The Pagosa Senior Center is offering a wellness and outreach clinic on Wednesday, Nov. 30, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome.

Please bring your Medicare card and/or insurance card(s).

The Pagosa Senior Center has initiated a new pilot program expanding health and wellness services to Archuleta County seniors. The program will include wellness, blood pressure monitoring or allow individual area seniors to discuss two subjects of their choice.

There is no charge for Medicare enrollees. Participant IDs will include Medicare card, photo ID and, if necessary, any supplemental insurances. No Medicaid accepted at this time. Participants are encouraged to bring a list of their current medications.

Clinical assessment will be provided by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C. Zappone has been a nurse practitioner for six years and a longtime resident of Pagosa Springs. She understands the difficulties obtaining health care in a rural area and how these obstacles can be greater for seniors. The goal of the outreach clinic is to provide care to those who are not able to travel.

Computer center

The Pagosa Senior Center is now providing computer access to seniors who are members of the Discount Club. Computers stations are available by the hour. If no one has signed up for the next hour, seniors may continue to use the computer for an additional hour(s). Computer and Internet access is available during business hours when staff is in attendance and classes are not in session.

Medical alert system

Medical alert monitoring systems are available for seniors. We can help you get set up with a system and assist with the monthly service charges or if you already have a system in place, we can help supplement the monthly service fees. Please call 264-2167 for more information or to sign up.

Medicare Mondays

Are you turning 65? Do you need some help with Medicare?

Senior News

The San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging has openings every Monday at the Senior Center to help you with your Medicare enrollment questions.

Here are some quick tips: If you are collecting Social Security, you will be automatically enrolled in Medicare parts A and B. We can help you pick a Part D Prescription Drug Plan. If you don't enroll in a Part D plan, you could face penalties. If you are new to Medicare, you have an eight-month Special Enrollment Period to sign up for parts A, B and D around your 65th birthday. Medicare starts after your employment ends or the group health insurance plan based on your current employment ends, whichever happens first. You do not pay late penalties if you enroll within the eight-month Special Enrollment Period. COBRA and retiree health plans are not considered coverage based on current employment.

Important dates: General enrollment runs from Jan. 1 through March 31 each year and coverage starts July 1. Oct. 15 through Dec. 7 is open (or annual) enrollment for switching plans for Part D and a Medicare Cost Plan; coverage starts Jan. 1.

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

Memberships

Senior Discount Club memberships are offered Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Menu

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch. If you are a senior (60 years and older), for only a \$4 suggested donation, you are eligible for a hot meal, drink and a salad prepared by our kitchen staff.

The guest fee for those 59 and

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

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

Thursday, Nov. 24 — Closed for Thanksgiving.

Friday, Nov. 25 — Closed for the holiday.

Monday, Nov. 28 — Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes with

gravy, green beans and salad bar.

Tuesday Nov. 29 — Sliced ham, baked sweet potatoes, black-eyed peas, cornbread and salad bar.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 — Chicken with rice and broccoli casserole, yellow squash with red peppers and salad bar.

Thursday, Dec. 1 — Fish tacos, Mexicali corn, charro beans, salad bar and dessert.

Reservations and cancellations

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

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