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Voting set to begin in Archuleta County

General election ballots to be mailed this week
By Garrett Fevinger
Staff Writer

Registered voters in Archuleta County will soon have the chance to weigh in on November's general election as polling centers open and ballots begin arriving in mailboxes. The Archuleta County Clerk and Recorder's Office will begin mailing official ballots on Friday, Oct. 11, to all active Democratic, Republican and unaffiliated voters. For in-person voting, local polling centers are scheduled to open on

Monday, Oct. 21. To ensure your vote is counted, all ballots must be returned no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 5. Postmarks do not count.

Archuleta County election officials provided the following information.

Voter Service and Polling Center information

Beginning Oct. 21, the Archuleta County Election Office, located at 449 San Juan St. (at the rear of the courthouse) will serve as the official Voter ■ See Election A8

PAWSD takes steps towards selling Running Iron Ranch

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) Board of Directors has started the steps necessary to sell the Running Iron Ranch, which it jointly owns with the San Juan Water Conservancy District (SJWCD), leading to a series of special meetings and executive sessions by both boards. At its Sept. 12 special meeting, the PAWSD board voted unanimously to direct staff to notify and consult with the SJWCD and the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) on a potential sale of Running Iron Ranch.

The board continued discussion of the sale at a Sept. 27 special meeting. The ranch, which is the proposed site for a reservoir, is jointly owned by PAWSD and the SJWCD, and PAWSD is currently paying on loans from the CWCB that were used to purchase the property. The terms of the two district's involvement in the reservoir projects and the loans from CWCB are laid out in a three-way agreement between PAWSD, SJWCD and the CWCB signed in 2016. This agreement gives PAWSD the right to sell the property "in its sole discretion" following notification of ■ See PAWSD A8



SUN photo/Garrett Fevinger

Elizabeth Smart addresses a local audience Oct. 8 inside the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. During her talk, Smart recalled her 2002 abduction and her efforts since then to advocate for child safety awareness and sexual assault prevention. Afterward, representatives from the Archuleta County Public Health Department, Rise Above Violence and the Cornerstone Project joined Smart onstage to discuss local programs serving victims of domestic violence, sex trafficking and assault.

Coroner's office seeing increases in cases

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

Archuleta County Coroner Brad Hunt gave an update to the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) on Tuesday, Oct. 8, providing information on the cases his office has dealt with so far this year. Hunt explained that he originally set up the meeting with the BoCC to inform them that his office is looking into options for burying unclaimed persons who pass away in Archuleta County. Hunt mentioned that he had been in contact with representatives of the town's cemetery and the initial impression was that the Pagosa Springs Town Council would have to approve of lots being donated. However, Hunt explained that he was informed that the cemetery is able to donate lots without needing approval from the town council. "They have plenty of spaces," Hunt

said, explaining that the plots being donated are between family plots and "they don't suspect anybody's gonna want to purchase from them." He mentioned the cemetery is willing to allow two cremation burials per plot, "Which is good." Hunt noted that the only drawback will be getting plaques for the graves which will run about \$200 each, he indicated. Hunt explained that between his office, the Department of Human Services and the town, that they can "try to lower that cost to get that done." He noted that burials would not occur until the spring of 2025. Commissioner Veronica Medina asked how many unclaimed persons the coroner's office has had so far this year, with Hunt indicating they have dealt with three so far. There were no cases of unclaimed persons passing away in Archuleta County in 2023, Hunt explained. ■ See Coroner A6

Archuleta Seniors Inc. proposes new agreement with county

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) is considering absorbing Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) as a department to be run under the county. According to its website, ASI is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to serve the community by empowering those 60 and older. During a work session held by the BoCC on Oct. 1, the board heard from ASI Executive Director Rose Chavez in regard to a memorandum of understanding (MOU) being proposed which would have the county take ASI "under its wing." Chavez explained that she is proposing the MOU, along with two other budget requests, "in the event that the county does not necessarily think that you guys have the financial capacity to take on ASI as laid out in the proposed MOU." Chavez noted that ASI operates both countywide and in the Town of Pagosa Springs, adding that the major-

ity of senior facilities across the state of Colorado and within economic development Region 9 "are both county-funded and county-staffed." Chavez explained that ASI supports older adults to have them stay in their homes and remain independent while promoting and offering opportunities for physical and emotional wellness. Chavez mentioned that, according to data from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), 38 to 45 percent of Archuleta County's population is adults 55 or older — approximately 5,200 individuals. Of those who are 65 and older, 13 percent, or approximately 1,500 individuals, are living in poverty, she reported. She added that 23 percent of the community is mixed race/Hispanic and that "these individuals unfortunately bear a higher disease burden, higher than the rest of the community population." Chavez went on to mention that, over the past year, ASI has served 900 individuals, with approximately ■ See Seniors A6



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Fall colors descend from the mountains, reflecting the season despite the summer-like temperatures continuing in the area.



Photo courtesy Allen Domingo

Emmanuel Domingo shows off an 18-inch fall brook trout he caught from a high country creek Sunday.

Town releases draft 2025 budget

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

On Oct. 1, Town Manager David Harris revealed the town's budget proposal for fiscal year 2025 at the regular meeting of the Pagosa Springs Town Council. A transmittal letter on the matter, written by Harris, states that the council will be holding several workshops and one public hearing on the budget proposal before its final adoption on Nov. 21, with the council's first workshop scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 10. The letter states, "The annual budget is fiscally conservative and utilizes

Town resources to maintain economic development, sustain Town service levels across all funds, and address long-term infrastructure needs ... all accomplished within available resources." It has been stated at previous meetings that the town's budget is a statement about its goals and priorities. This latest budget proposal lists the town's sanitation district, staffing, and workforce housing as the town's top three priorities. On the town's top priority — its sanitation system, governed by the board of Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District (PSS-

■ See Budget A5

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OUR VIEW

Election Day is looming

Unless you've been living under a rock, you've probably noticed Election Day is looming.

If you haven't been living under a rock, you might wish you were at this point.

A few good books, cups of chai, sports and some good movies sound like a much better way to spend the coming weeks than to continue to listen to the political rhetoric being bandied about.

But, as good as that sounds right now, we know that the upcoming election is incredibly important on multiple levels, and there are a lot of details involved with the decisions we'll make via the ballot.

So, beside our books and chai is the state's voter information booklet, which will hopefully help us make responsible decisions that are for the best. And, next week, beside that will be The SUN's election tracker for the contested commissioner race.

The SUN hopes to time running our tracker, featuring questions asked of each commissioner candidate in the contested District 1 race, to help voters — especially

undecided voters — have up-to-date information in hand shortly after their ballots arrive in the mail.

We know this ballot means a lot, top to bottom, locally to federally.

Locally, it means determining the future direction of the county with the election of two county commissioners.

At the state level, it means a number of possible changes to the state constitution and state statutes that will affect local organizations and the state as a whole, and it also means deciding who will represent us in the Colorado General Assembly.

Decisions at the federal level, both the presidential election and who will represent us in Congress, could greatly impact the direction our country is heading.

If you're not already a registered voter but are eligible, we urge you to register so you can join us in voicing your opinion for the direction we want to go in.

We also want to note that, in accordance with SUN policy, no letters to the editor relating to the Nov. 5 election will be printed

after the Oct. 17 issue. If you'd like to get your letter to the editor in for next week's issue to share your views on issues included in the upcoming election, please email it to editor@pagosasun.com by noon on Tuesday, Oct. 15, or submit it via www.PagosaSUN.com by the same time and date. Note that letters must be accompanied by the author's name, address and phone number to be considered for print. No anonymous letters will be accepted, nor will letters sent from a group of individuals. Due to space and other considerations, we cannot guarantee that all letters will be printed.

Voting is one of the great privileges we have by living in this country, and we encourage everyone eligible to vote and have a say.

We also encourage everyone to remember that, while we may not all agree at the ballot box, there is much more to life than politics.

There's a lot more to agree on than disagree on, and a lot more that can and should bring us together than divides us.

Randi Pierce

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 10, 1924

Wm. Macht, treasurer of the M.E. Board of Trustees, who during the past summer has been securing subscriptions towards liquidating the indebtedness on the M.E. parsonage, announces that his task is completed, the sum of \$990 has been pledged and paid in and all church property is now clear of debt. He desires to take this means of extending thanks and appreciation on behalf of himself and the church to all who participated in the cause. Those who contributed to the \$990 fund are as follows: Chas. F. Betts Estate, Will Macht, G.S. Hatcher, H.A. Bryant, M.E. Centenary, E.N. Edgertop, Harry Sparks, Harry Macht, Mrs. Fred Catchpole, Rev. McK. DeMotte, Mrs. Walter Zabriskie, Miss Lottie Bean, Philip Johnson, Max Mickey, Mrs. U.A. Peters, Mrs. A.T. Sullenberger, Geo. Snook, Louis Montroy, David Hersch, Ray Smith, Welch Hyler, J.T. Morgan, Earl Sparks, Emery Hollowell, Jessie Hayden, J.B. Joy, W.E. Colton, Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Houser, Leon Flaugh, Chas. Day, Mrs. Minnie Mote, J.S. Hatcher, Jule Macht, Joe Macht.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 7, 1949

The past week a new epoch began for a landmark known to many oldtimers in the country. The "Old Gas Well" is a familiar term to any rancher or cowboy in the upper San Juan. Clee Woods, owner of the Double Quill Ranch, has piped the gas 1150 feet from the well to his summer home on the opposite side of the San Juan River.

Ample for several homes, the gas turns out to be perfect for domestic use without the least refining. It burns a beautiful blue flame in a stove, leaves no odor in the room.

The well was drilled in 1902-03, marking the first hunt for oil in the upper end of the Basin. The promoters abandoned the well in discouragement at a depth of over 900 feet, but they had found a small amount of gas. In fact gas seeped from the earth nearby in a natural leak. The drillers left the eight inch casing in the well. Mr. Woods found it comparatively simple to run heavy pipe from the well to his house.

Cowboys and hunters have used the warmth of the gas numerous times in past years. Art Yerby said recently, "One time I got to that well about nine o'clock at night, on skis. I was wet to the waist, worn out and hungry. I kicked the snow away, lit the gas, warmed and dried myself before pushing on to the old Warr place."

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 10, 1974

Big game hunters are pouring into town this week and from all indications a record crowd of red hats will be in the hills by sunrise Saturday morning. Vehicles of all kinds from just about everywhere can be seen in town and on the roads to the high country. Game is reported as plentiful, widely scattered, and still way back on summer range.

The Town Board will consider final adoption of its 1975 budget at a special meeting October 15 at 8 p.m. The proposed budget is on file at the Town Hall and may be examined there.

While the total amount of the budget is down slightly it is proposed that the mill levy go from 9.50 mills to 11.50 mills. This raise in mill levy is brought about by the fact that revenue sharing funds used in the 1974 budget will not be available in 1975. In 1974 revenue sharing funds brought in \$11,985 and it is estimated that only \$3,478 will be available from that source in 1975. Total town budget in 1974 is \$227,013 and \$199,947 is estimated for 1975.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 7, 1999

Many residents living near the Blanco River in the southeastern section of Archuleta County noticed a dramatic decrease in the flow of water in the river on Sept. 26.

The change in the amount of water flowing through the river channel began at approximately 4:30 p.m., and some observers related stories of a river with no perceptible flow during the evening hours.

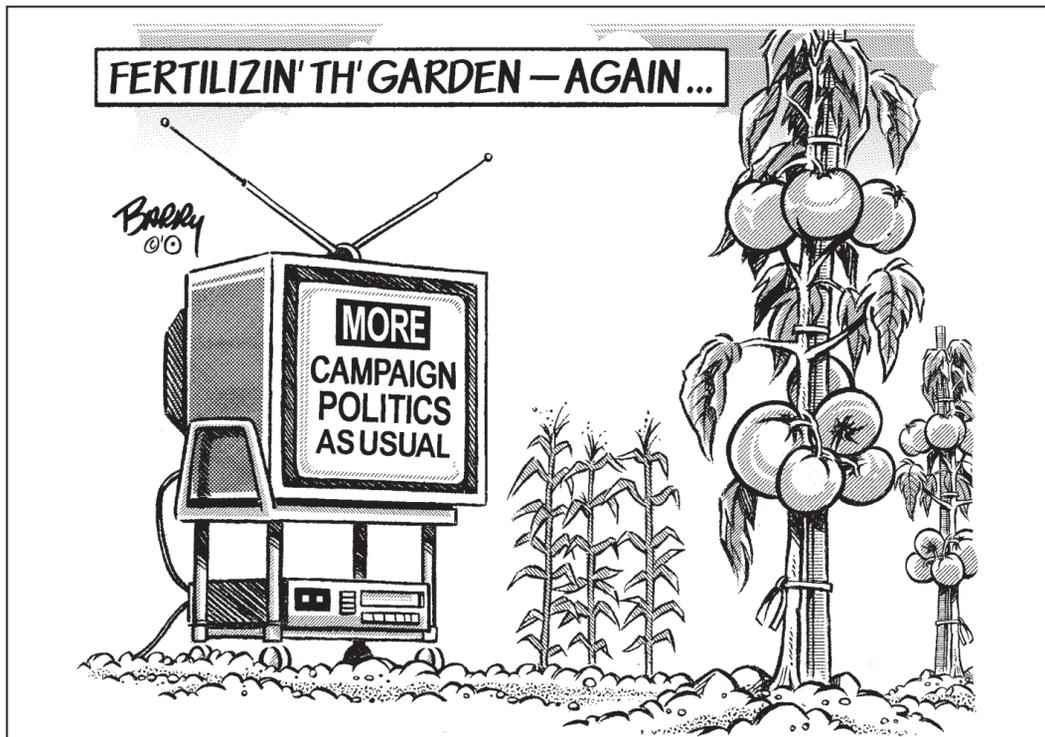
That situation did not change until the morning of Sept. 17 when water again made its way down the river from the diversion dam.

Bruce Whitehead, Durango-based assistant diversion engineer for the Colorado Water Resources Diversion, said he and his fellow employees at the diversion "do not know exactly what happened. All we know," he said, "is that there was some kind of problem with the (Blanco River) diversion tunnel and the water went into the tunnel and down to New Mexico instead into the river. One of our local commissioners notified the Bureau of Reclamation, which operates the diversion project out of New Mexico."



From the Oct. 10, 1974, Pagosa SUN — CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT — A group of Odd Fellows met at the cemetery last Saturday to work on an improvement project there. A new fence is being constructed along the north and west boundaries of the cemetery. The town is furnishing the materials and the Odd Fellows and other public spirited citizens are doing the work. The project got a good start Saturday but much more work is needed.

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10/6	78	39	-	NA	NA
10/7	75	38	-	NA	NA

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Letters

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The opinions of letter writers do not necessarily represent those of the paper.

Shooting range

Dear Editor:

As a firearms trainer in Archuleta County, I would like to respond to the Keyah Grande permit issue. First of all, let me say that Keyah Grande has been very gracious in allowing approved trainers to use their range for firearms training in the past several years. Concealed carry training for Archuleta County residents has been the most sought-after type of training to date. The Keyah Grande range is about 200 yards north of Highway 160. I seriously doubt the firearms noise is any louder than the traffic noise from the highway! Keyah Grande is located on private property and they should be able to have a say on what they do on their own land. That being said, the Keyah Grande management has recently increased their range fees making it impractical for instructors to provide a service to our community and keep training fees reasonable.

The reality of the matter is this: Archuleta County needs a public firearms range for its residents and visitors to use for training, youth education, hunting preparation, and recreational use. A dedicated range would offer a safe training environment and reduce trash and fire danger in our National Forests.

I have traveled all over Archuleta County to locate a suitable piece of land for a range. This is a difficult task as there are many hills and valleys not suitable for a range, not to mention houses that would be impacted by the noise. Then, there is the cost. A decent

range would incorporate pistol bays, rifle bays of various distances, and a shotgun range for trap and skeet. A good estimate would be at minimal 80 to 120 acres depending on the layout. As you can imagine the cost of that much property in Archuleta County would be high.

So, what about taxpayer-owned land that is not being used? Like the San Juan Headwaters Project? This piece of land, over 600 acres, was supposed to be used for a reservoir for future water supply to our community. As of late, this property is a bone of contention for the overseers who don't seem to agree on much. It does not appear that a reservoir will ever happen on this land. The current mining operation on the east end of the property creates a lot of noise and dust, and very little, if any income for our community. A firearms range could be constructed at the very west end of the property away from the Fawn Gulch subdivision, at the bottom of the property. The community would benefit from having a safe and contained environment for firearms training, youth education, and recreational use. It certainly would not be any noisier than the mining operation and it could even co-exist with it. Why not let the taxpayers vote on it?

Greg Dykstra

Presidential election

Dear Editor:

"You Don't Need a Weatherman to Know Which Way the Wind Blows..." Bob Dylan

When it comes to the Presidential Election in just a few weeks. Dylan's line from "Subterranean Homesick Blues" sums up where we are with the slate. You can spend endless days arguing over the dangerous shenanigans perpetrated by Donald Trump on January 6th, 2021, but to quote Republican Vice Presidential Candidate J. D. Vance at the CBS Vice Presidential Debate the other night, when asked if he could say Ex-president Trump actually lost the 2020 election, wouldn't answer the question saying "I'm thinking about the future," a very clumsy attempt to dodge the question.

Well folks, I am thinking of the future, too, and what I see is an opportunity to 'turn the page' as Vice President Kamala Harris wants to do and refocus our energy on the urgent needs of our nation. We have been caught up in the drama of the MAGA Republican's dismal histrionics for far too long. It really is time to get beyond this dark past, way beyond it.

Our country needs genuine leadership that will propel us into civil, effective and forward-thinking government making our people its first priority, government that will tell the truth even when it's not good news. The Harris Administration will respond to the needs of all our people regardless of class without race, creed or gender bias as a factor.

Vice President Kamala Harris and Governor Tim Wals will provide us with steady, even-handed, fair and impartial governance that will move our nation toward peaceful, but strong, compassionate fortitude while returning decorous civility to our country and to the world.

Looking back, remember what the last Republican Administration under Ex-president Trump provided us, dangerous chaos that nearly upended our 250 year old Democracy. That scheme didn't work and benefited a very small group of crazily wealthy people only. Isn't it time to try something different, a plan for all Americans already showing signs of success?

Yup, Dylan was right again when he also said, "...the times they are changing!" Please join in helping to make those changes and support our country by voting for like-minded

candidates up and down the ticket who will embrace this new era in our country.

Thank you,

John Egan
Durango, Colo.

Choose Warren Brown

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to express my enthusiastic endorsement for the re-election of Warren Brown for Archuleta County Commissioner, District 1.

Warren is the best candidate for this position not only because of his extensive experience but also because he genuinely cares about all residents of Archuleta County. I can attest to his exceptional work ethic, professionalism, and his dedication to doing the right thing. He will ensure, to the best of his ability, that transparency and equality are the foundation of our County government.

What sets Warren apart is his ability to work collaboratively with others, his exceptional communication skills and his willingness to take on new challenges in service to his constituents. He always approaches his work with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn.

Warren will continue to make valuable contributions and lead the way as Archuleta County continues to grow. The challenges will increase, and we need a leader who will respect others but push to make our home a better place to live for all residents, not just a few.

Tina Heffner

Politicians

Dear Editor:

The Merriam Webster Dictionary defines "politician as:

- a person experienced in the art or science of government especially one actively engaged in conducting the business of a government
- a person engaged in party politics as a profession
- a person primarily interested in political office for selfish or other narrow usually short-sighted reasons

I think many of us can agree that, of late, the second and third definitions run true and should serve as a warning for us all. Many of our politicians are quite glib and can spin almost anything in their favor - to

make themselves look good. Too often, the voting public takes what they say at face value without following Ronald Reagan's sage advice - Trust, but verify. That, however, has difficult these days because the media, once practicing true journalism in which both sides of the story were often presented, has now become a propaganda machine. Judge an elected official by their actions and not their words.

I would hope that our elected officials see themselves as public servants and their job as working for the people. That politics plays any part in a Commissioner's roll or decisions is counter to what they were hired to do. Think about that as you vote.

According to the Archuleta County website, the county's mission statement reads: To enhance the Archuleta County community through excellent service and accountability with maximum transparency. The core values listed are teamwork, service, accountability, and balance. Of interest here is that in describing what accountability refers to it says, "we hold ourselves to high standards and act with transparency, responsibility, and integrity." This statement runs counter to how politicians conduct business.

Let's hold the Commissioners to the county's mission and core values and avoid voting in anyone who considers themselves a politician.

Sally Kennedy

Support Proposition KK

Dear Editor:

As Coloradans, we are facing a crisis in mental health, gun violence, and victim services. Domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse calls for help are on the rise, yet funding for critical support programs has been cut drastically. Since 2018, federal funding for victim services has dropped by over 75%, leaving shelters and crisis centers underfunded and overwhelmed. Proposition KK is a modest but essential solution to these challenges.

Prop KK, on the November ballot, would create a 6.5% excise tax on gun manufacturers and retailers, raising an estimated \$39 million annually. These funds will go directly toward supporting services for veterans, at-risk youth, and survivors of violent

■ See Letters A4

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crime. This includes \$5 million each year for expanding veterans' mental health services, ensuring that those who have served our country receive the care and support they need to heal from trauma. Another \$3 million would go to increasing access to behavioral crisis response for youth. Additionally, \$30 million will stabilize the network of victim support services to ensure a call for help is answered, a shelter bed is available, and a counselor can help them heal. Proposition KK also funds crime and gun violence prevention programs to address the root causes of violence.

This measure is about saving lives, supporting our veterans, and creating a safer future for all of us. I urge everyone to vote YES on Proposition KK this November. Together, we can make a difference.

Learn more at www.yesonpropkk.com.

Carmen Lewis
CO Coalition for Prop KK

Keyah Grande range

Dear Editor:

In response to the article about the Keyah Grande range, I wish to express the high demand and need for a public, NON-PROFIT firearms range in the Pagosa Springs area. I fully support Keyah Grande's for-profit range on their private property. However, I don't have high hopes that I could afford their membership.

The Wolf Creek Gun and Bow Association (WCGBA) was created four years ago and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The mission of WCGBA is to provide a safe and enjoyable environment to promote the use, training, and education for all shooting disciplines in the Pagosa Springs area. WCGBA qualified as a 501(c)(3) non-profit due to its priority of having a safe location to teach firearms' use and to hold competitions.

Based on surveys we collected approximately 3 years ago, we have overwhelming support for a local firearms range. Unfortunately, locating sufficient, affordable property for this is extremely challenging. In addition, there will always be someone unhappy about a range location for varying reasons. Most of the concerns can be addressed through proper engineering.

Yes, firearms make noise. If you live outside of a populated area or an HOA, chances are you hear firearms on a regular basis. Wouldn't you prefer to know it is coming from a location designed for safety? When planning new ranges, legitimate concerns (primarily noise, contamination and safety) need to be a priority. There are resources available through the EPA and other organizations with guidelines to address these concerns.

A well-planned range provides:

1) Safety - Ensures projectile containment with appropriate boundaries, backstops and/or bullet traps. Reduces potential conflicts on public lands with other users. Helps to protect wildlife.

2) Environmental Benefits - cleaner forests and reduced soil, water and forest fire hazards. Noise and lead mitigation design would be put in place.

3) Local Economic Benefits - With a proper facility, the range could support competitive shooting. In turn, other local businesses would benefit from competitors and vendors.

A destination firearms range in the Pagosa Springs area would provide a great service for local full- and part-time residents, as well as visitors. Basic range offerings for shotgun, rifle and handguns would be provided, but, with sufficient land, consideration for unique shooting opportunities such as mounted shooting and archery; a biathlon course, and/or; a "shoot house" for law enforcement and advanced training could be provided. In addition, a shooter's/hunter's campground in conjunction with the range could also provide

additional economic benefits. All of this "fits" in our rural, mountain community.

We need the community's support to make it happen!

Unfortunately, developing any range is very expensive. However, I believe that having a "destination" range in the Pagosa Springs area would benefit the community as a whole. Please visit www.wolfcreek-gunandbow.org for more information about our organization.

JoAnn Pogreba-Dykstra

'So what?'

Dear Editor:

We have new revelations in Trump's January 6 prosecution. When told that his Vice President, who had served him faithfully, was in serious peril at the capital, Trump replied "So What?" Can anyone imagine Jesus saying "So What" if told that his disciples were facing execution? Yet, some of Trump's disciples think he is a messenger of God and a reincarnation of Jesus. No, he is a mean-spirited, vengeful, and faithless egomaniac who is lacking any shred of human compassion.

Trump's lack of compassion and pathological dishonesty was also on full display this week in his response to Hurricane Helene. His first impulse was not to sympathize with the victims and survivors. Rather, he immediately began lying about the response from President Biden and Vice President Harris. First, he falsely claimed that the Governor of Georgia couldn't reach the President by phone. The Governor refuted this claim, saying that he spoke to the President on the day the storm struck. "He (Biden) just said, 'Hey, what do you need?' And I told him, you know, we got what we need. We will work through the federal process. He offered that if there's other things we need, just to call him directly, which, I appreciate that. But we've had FEMA embedded with us since, you know, a day or two before the storm hit."

Republican South Carolina Gov. McMaster said at a press conference that federal assistance had "been superb," noting that Biden and Transportation Secretary Buttigieg had both called and told him to let them know whatever the state needed. Republican Virginia Governor Youngkin said, "I'm incredibly appreciative of the rapid response and the cooperation from the federal team at FEMA." Younkin specifically thanked President Biden for his personal concern. Other state and local officials from both parties gave similar accolades. Clearly, the Biden-Harris administration's skillful management of the response was extraordinary in the face of historic destruction. And let's remember that Trump tried to withhold relief funding from Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria and California after historic wildfires for political reasons.

Trump also declared. "The Harris-Biden administration says they don't have any money [for hurricane relief]. ... They spent it all on illegal migrants. ... They stole the FEMA money just like they stole it from a bank, so they could give it to their illegal immigrants that they want to have vote for them." This is false, and he knows it. FEMA Disaster Relief Funds come from a dedicated appropriation that can't be tapped for other purposes. FEMA has advised that they have sufficient funds for Hurricane Helene support but might face a shortfall if additional hurricanes strike this fiscal year.

Trump deceitfully blames everything on migrants, doesn't he? Odd for someone who is married to a migrant, was previously married to another migrant and whose mother was a migrant. Yet, his MAGA followers believe every dishonest word he says. A letter last week said we have an "obvious" choice for President. Amen, folks!

John Porco

PLPOA rules

Dear Editor:

The HOA rules in the agricultural section of PLPOA are unfair and inhibit people from using animals to farm and regenerate their land. The PLPOA HOA rules say that you can have only two goats and sheep per parcel of land but unlimited cattle and 25 horses per 10 acres. Goats and sheep can be used to regenerate the land, but only two are allowed to be kept on one parcel of land. On the other hand, cows and horses can be destructive to the land if they are not grazed properly which will destroy soil quality and ground cover. In my opinion there should be a stricter limit on cows and horses and people should be allowed to have more livestock like goats and sheep. If animals are grazed correctly, they can help improve the land and build soil, making it prettier and more productive over the long term.

Goats and sheep are not very obnoxious or loud. On the contrary, donkeys are very loud, and the HOA does not say anything about them. We have neighbors who have at least one donkey and from our house we can hear the donkey braying. We personally do not mind, but other neighbors around us might. If PLPOA has a problem with noise then enforce a limit on donkeys and other loud animals instead of goats and sheep.

Many people think that goats destroy the land, but this is only if the land is improperly grazed. When grazed correctly, goats can build soil, reduce noxious weeds, and generally make the land better. When you rotationally graze animals, you graze animals on small sections of land and move them frequently. By grazing them for a day or two on one section of land and moving them frequently, rotations enable brush control and weed reduction without overgrazing, thereby preserving and improving the natural ecology.

In order for property owners to continue to improve their land and make it more valuable, some changes need to be made in the HOA rules. Without responsible livestock management, improvement of fertility is a much harder, slower process. PLPOA should reconsider some of the rules made in the past and change them to enable landowners to use modern regenerative agriculture practices to make a more beautiful community for Pagosa Meadows property owners.

Xavier Rittermann

Vote for democracy

Dear Editor:

As we approach this election, I feel the need to make a final plea to my Republican brothers and sisters to take a big dose of courage from Liz and Dick Cheney (and hundreds of other Republican leaders), and help us end this long national nightmare called MAGA. I hate to break it to MAGA, but America is already great. No matter how much Trump, Vance and their ilk trash talk our country, they cannot make it so — unless, inexplicably, majorities of Americans decide to vote them into office. Ironically, their stated plans would put us on the road to third world-ism and autocracy.

I haven't enough space to review all the lies and crimes, but a brief review of outstanding highlights and individuals is in order. One constant in autocratic third world countries is leadership corruption and crime. The "law and order" GOP has a presidential nominee who is an adjudicated rapist, is convicted of 34 felonies and is awaiting trial for: attempting a coup, stealing top secret documents (which he has probably already monetized as some are still missing), and coercing state officials to alter votes in the 2020 election. This felonious nominee is also losing it mentally. Do not rely on the sane-washed reporting of the main stream media — please listen to Trump at one of his rallies and try to figure out what

he is talking about. If your spouse or parent started talking like that, you would probably start looking into memory care units. Such a hue and cry about Biden's fitness for office and crickets when this dotard serves up a word salad including sharks vs batteries, Hannibal Lecter, pet eating immigrants and more.

Some say Vance won the VP debate because of his smooth affect. What about his words — a stream of lies and this whiner when a moderator corrected him: "Margaret, the rules were that you guys weren't going to fact check?" He would not commit to honor the results of the election.

Mike Johnson, Republican House Speaker, has joined Trump in lying that the federal response to hurricane Helene has been inept. Republican governors of affected states have said the response has been excellent. Extremists Lauren Boebert, Matt Gaetz, Marjorie Taylor Green, Anna Paulina Luna — Luna's district is directly in the path of Hurricane Milton — voted against stop gap funding of FEMA's disaster relief fund right before hurricane Helene. Project 2025, the GOP plan for the presidency, recommends cutting FEMA entirely.

Trump promised to build a wall and didn't. He demanded the House kill the bipartisan border bill so he could continue to run on that issue. He bragged about killing the right to legal abortion and solicited a billion dollar bribe from the fossil fuel industry. Republican majority states have enacted hundreds of voter suppression bills.

Please, Republicans, take back your party from the extremists. Suck it up and lance the boil. Vote country over party to help save our American democracy. Vote Harris/Walz.

Lee Stopher

Giving credit where it's due

Dear Editor:

Being the parent of two school-aged children, I get connected with our local school district on several levels. There are parent-teacher conferences, athletic events, chatting with other families during intermission at band concerts, and bringing food for team potlucks. I also help to coach one of the middle school athletic teams. And I sit on one of the School Accountability Committees (state-mandated entities with parent representation).

Through all of these lenses I get a view of the hard and loving work that our teachers and administrators put into our kids. I see the hours they put in the classroom. I see the extra hours they're putting on the field, in the locker room, setting up for band concerts, and arranging field trips. I know all the unpaid time that goes into thinking about and planning for all of the above. And when our kids need even more--because they're excelling or because they're having a hard time--they give even more.

And I have seen that our school district has made significant progress in the realm of academic achievement (ask your teacher and principal about the School Performance Framework). As a team, our local educators are providing an immense blessing to our kids. So take a moment this week--or maybe every week--to tell them Thank You. Send them cards, send them texts. Buy them donuts or a gift certificate to your favorite restaurant. Make your appreciation known. They deserve it.

And the next time our local government asks for an increase to our taxes in order to improve the conditions and tools they have to serve our kids, vote Yes. They have earned it.

Emrys Tyler

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Obituaries

Sandra Jean Smith-Miller

In the early morning hours of Oct. 4, 2024, Sandra Jean Smith-Miller, 67, better known as Sandy or Mrs. Sandy, of Pagosa Springs, Colo., broke free from her earthly bonds of suffering and walked into the arms of her Lord and Savior. The heavens are rejoicing at her homecoming.



Sandy was born in South Carolina on Oct. 27, 1956, to Joseph and Shirley Smith. She spent her childhood in Franktown, Colo., and Montrose, Colo., where she graduated from Montrose High School in 1975 and where she met the love of her life, Robert "Bob" Miller, in 1977. They settled down in Pagosa Springs, Colo., in 1978, where they spent 46 years together.

Sandy enjoyed gardening, sewing, thrift shopping, and she could never resist a yard sale. She loved the Lord and believed in the power of prayer. Her faith was unshakeable and she walked by faith, not by sight. She earned a master's degree from Fort Lewis College in early childhood education. Later on in her battle with multiple sclerosis, which she fought courageously and on her terms, she enjoyed going to lunch and visits from her friends.

One of Sandy's greatest passions was shaping young lives as a teacher

for Head Start for more than 30 years. The love, compassion and understanding she had for Pagosa's children is a light that will shine on.

Sandy's greatest accomplishment, the one she was proudest of, was being the most wonderful mother to Robyn DeLisle (Miller) and Adam Miller, as well as a grandmother to her greatest treasures, Kayleigh, Kayden, Katie and Tiffany.

Sandy was preceded in death by her father, Joseph Smith; mother Shirley Smith (Stewart); and brothers Michael Smith and Edward Smith.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Miller; daughter Robyn (Jeremiah) DeLisle; son Adam (Linnea) Miller; grandchildren Kayleigh Barnett, Kayden Sandoval, Katherine (Dylan) Fulton and Tiffany Miller; along with many beloved extended family and friends.

There will be no services per Sandy's request except for a private memorial with family and friends at a later date.

"Through many dangers, toils and snares

"I have already come:
"tis grace has brought me safe thus far,

"and grace will lead me home."

I fully and wholeheartedly believe I will see you again someday, Momma. Everybody we have ever loved, whose souls are intertwined with ours have always been, from the beginning of time. Death is not the end.

In memory of Sandy, please consider a donation in her name to one of the following: the National MS Society, Multiple Sclerosis Association of America, Multiple Sclerosis Foundation or National Head Start

Association.

Joshua Trujillo

Joshua Trujillo, 42, of Greeley, formerly of Pagosa Springs, passed away on Sept. 29, 2024, in Greeley, Colo. He was born on March 29, 1982, in Durango, Colo., to Joel and Theresa (Cordova) Trujillo.



Joshua grew up and attended school in Pagosa Springs. He participated in football, wrestling and baseball for Pagosa Springs High School. After graduating high school, he attended and received his bachelor's degree from Fort Lewis College in Durango. He then attended and received his master's degree from Colorado State University in chemistry. Due to his commitment and achievements, he was honored with a doctorate certificate.

Joshua loved the outdoors and spending time with his family and friends. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and cooking. Joshua especially had a passion for hunting, where he was able to spend quality time with not only his dad, mom, brother and his nephew Joe, but many other friends and members of the community as well. Cooking, along with entertaining family and friends, made his heart happy and life full. He had a heart of gold and a soft spot for those in need, especially when it came to children. Joshua's generosity was never-ending and unmatched. He was a member

and financial advisor for LULAC (the League of United Latin American Citizens).

Joshua is survived by his parents, Joel and Theresa Trujillo; brother Jesse Trujillo; nephew Joe; bonus kids Lily and Arya Sunt; Mason Backer; and a large extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Joela Trujillo.

Lighthouse Family Mortuary is entrusted with funeral arrangements. To leave condolences for Joshua's family, visit www.lighthousefamilylflm.com.

Joshua will have two services. The first service was held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2024, at Generations Church in Greeley. The second service will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Pagosa Springs on Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024, at 10 a.m.

Services

Steven E. Orr

Celebration of life services for Steven Orr will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19, at the Pagosa Lakes Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. in Pagosa Springs, Colo.

In Memoriam

Marcel Barel

Oct. 15, I remember Marcel Barel with deep love and gratitude. It's been five years since his fatal bicycle accident on U.S. 160. His spirit fills my heart with warmth and I find comfort in the legacy he left behind.

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Budget

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GID) — the town is currently moving forward with \$4.5 million worth of revenue bonds to finance critical repairs to the district's most urgent problem — failing sewer lines.

The budget proposal states, "The sewer collection system is in significant need of repair or replacement and has approximately one-third of its lines listed as Category 4 or 5 (on a scale from 1 to 5, with 5 being the worst)."

The sewer pipe rehabilitation project has been described as Phase 1 of upgrading the system's infrastructure and will cost about \$4 million, but other repairs and upgrades will be necessary.

"Staff and the Town's new Municipal Financial Advisor are discussing alternative revenue sources" and "once a budget plan is in place over the next month or two, details will be added to the fiscal year 2025 budget," the budget proposal states.

On the issue of staffing, the proposal looks to continue with the pay increases for town staff that it started with the 2024 budget, making "the Town of Pagosa Springs a more competitive employer and aid in recruiting and retaining employees," the proposal states.

This staffing initiative has largely been successful, the proposal explains, stating, "For the first time in six or seven years, we have — or have had — fully staffed Police, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works Departments."

The 2025 budget proposes a 2.7 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) "to keep salaries competitive," with the price of this increase costing \$130,378 across all funds.

However, compared to 2025, money will be saved by the town "changing its insurance provider for health, life, dental, and disability beginning in November 2024, the proposal states, adding, "By making this change, the Town will save approximately \$220,000 across all funds in 2025."

Harris explained that the projected total revenue that the town will collect in 2025 would amount to about \$16.8 million and that the total expenditures projected for the fiscal year would amount to about \$16.7

million, with about \$117,659 leftover that would go into reserves.

By the end of the year, the town would have about \$11.6 million in reserves, and by the end of 2025, the projected reserves would grow to \$11.7 million, leaving the town in "a healthy situation," Harris said.

Concerning revenues, he noted that "sales tax makes up the vast majority" of the revenues for the town's General Fund, "to the tune of about 75 to 76 percent."

"Revenues for the fiscal year (FY) 2025 proposed budget are expected to increase 3.24% compared with FY 2024 year-end estimates," the proposal states, with "the largest contributor of this increase coming from a [projected] 1.27% increase in Sales Tax and reallocation of Town and Archuleta County state Marijuana Tax revenue."

But, Harris said, "Sales tax is a particularly fickle number ... that is not as predictable as property tax or other forms" of revenue.

"That being said, understanding this — we monitor it monthly," he said.

Some of the capital improvement projects proposed for 2025 include:

- Town Hall security upgrades, with a total project cost of \$142,775.
- The design, engineering and construction of the 1st Street pedestrian bridge over the San Juan River, with a cost "just shy of \$1 million."
- The Gateway River Improvement Project and the Yamaguchi South River Improvement Project.

During public comment, resident Bill Hudson suggested that he appreciates the strategic goals being a part of the budget, but he didn't see "anything about housing, your third most important priority," in the budget proposal.

Hudson added that all he heard in the presentation about housing was that "you are going to take money out of where you're putting it now from your fees from [short-term rentals] to help pay for the housing coordinator," adding that he was under the impression that the position was going to be paid for by a \$200,000 state grant. "I saw a big hole in your budget. You've got at least three parcels that you could put housing on and I didn't see

anything in the budget that was gonna make that happen, so I hope you can get this fixed, because we are in a desperate state here in our community."

A budget workshop is scheduled for the council at 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at Town Hall.

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Seniors

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20 percent of those individuals living within town limits and approximately 80 percent living in the county outside of the town limits.

ASI currently has six board members, six full-time employees and four part-time employees, Chavez noted.

She explained that ASI also engages with more than 55 essential volunteers in order to provide services five days a week.

Some of those services include serving home-cooked meals, at-home wellness checks and providing transportation services through a partnership with the county's Mountain Express Transit.

Chavez provided more information on the number of people served by ASI this past year, noting ASI has served more than 25,000 meals to more than 70 individuals through its weekly meal service.

She noted that ASI provides wellness checks for 40 to 45 individuals, along with medical monitoring provided for about 10 to 15 individuals.

She added that about 50 percent of clients are located outside of "the core downtown area."

ASI also offered educational and social activities such as tax support, yoga and fall-prevention classes to more than 500 people over the past year, Chavez mentioned.

Chavez spoke more about the organization's volunteers, mentioning that they put in more than 2,400 hours of in-kind support at the Pagosa Senior Center "and they really are the heart of ASI that is able to help implement our services."

She added ASI is making a concerted effort at being more "integrated in the community through the offering of various generational and family-friendly fundraisers" like the Spanish Fiesta, a Dia de los Muertos event, Earth Day, the Festival of Trees and the upcoming Archuleta Health Fair and Expo.

Chavez explained that ASI created a strategic planning committee to look at the organization's vision alongside the community through 2027 and conducted a community-level study that gathered feedback from 130 individuals via survey response.

She noted the strategic planning committee has been put on pause barring the county's decision to take on ASI or not.

She noted that one of the preliminary goals set for 2025 through 2027 is to look into the long-term challenge of operating entirely out of the town's community center and moving into or building its own building.

"Really, the tenancy at the community center is quite expensive," she said, explaining that ASI is interested in acquiring its own facility by creating a capital campaign and construction budget.

Chavez provided more detail on ASI's budget from this year, noting that the number she wanted to address the most was the increase in wages and benefits.

She explained that expenses for wages and benefits increased by almost \$65,000 compared to 2023, "mainly because we have a more robust staff in the kitchen."

She also mentioned that performance raises, cost-of-living adjustments and a health benefit stipend were also added in 2024.

According to Chavez's presentation, ASI increased wages by \$35,356.81, benefits increased by \$23,528.45 and performance raises and cost-of-living adjustments increased by \$16,143.05.

She mentioned that the county increased its funding contribution to ASI last year.

"It has made an incredible difference, and the impact it has made on the quality of the lives of the staff is really incredible," she said.

Chavez noted that ASI has had less turnover in its staff and the overall morale of staff members is more positive.

She noted that the town currently contributes almost \$52,000 to ASI as an in-kind contribution, later indicating that the town contributes \$51,921 as an in-kind amount for leasing the community center space.

Chavez also mentioned ASI has received ongoing support from the San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging, but funding has been flat over the past two years "and the governing board has advised us that that is supposed to also decrease in 2026 by 18 percent and that we need to pursue additional funding streams in other places."

Chavez also noted there is a "slate" of private grants that ASI pursues that help contribute to the organization's funding.

She noted that, in 2014, the county provided enough funds to cover 49 percent of ASI's expenses, and in 2024 the county contributed enough money to cover 37 percent of ASI's expenses, which are projected to total around \$750,000.

Chavez explained that ASI is looking at the trend of increasing needs within the county, noting that 1,500 older adults are expected to come into the county over the next 10 years.

Chavez also provided more information regarding ASI's lease agreement with the town to utilize the community center, mentioning the lease has stayed the same for the past 10 years.

She explained that standard real estate practice is to increase lease price by 3 to 5 percent annually, and that the town has not done that.

ASI's current lease with the town is listed at 80 cents per square foot, "where in reality, the majority of the rest of the real estate retail in the county is closer to 1.31 per square foot," she

said, noting that would put the rent cost closer to \$4,500 per month.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez commented that a lot of seniors live in the downtown area and that those, along with previous seniors in the community, helped fundraise to have the community center built.

Maez stated that he has a "little problem" with seniors having to pay to rent a space they helped get built.

Maez also expressed that the seniors need support and that today's youth will become tomorrow's seniors.

Chavez explained that ASI is requesting that the town maintain the current lease rate, with additional in-kind contributions for extra space "that is not really used a lot."

Maez commented that the county has increased funding for ASI multiple times since 2016.

"We all gotta share the burden," Maez said.

County Finance Director Chad Eaton indicated that the BoCC increased funding to ASI in 2023 by 48 percent, or approximately an additional \$75,000 on top of the \$155,000 given in 2022.

Eaton also noted that the BoCC increased funding for ASI in 2024 by 30 percent, or approximately an additional \$50,000.

He mentioned that from 2014 to 2017, the county contributed \$145,000 to ASI.

Maez added that as the number of seniors increase in the community, the needs will increase, as well.

Commissioner Warren Brown commented, "I have to agree with that," stating that a previous iteration of the BoCC acknowledged that by deciding to contribute funding to renovate housing units for seniors.

Chavez explained that ASI is proposing an MOU that would have the county assume responsibility of the paid staff of ASI.

According to the MOU, this means that as employees of Archuleta County, the county will be responsible for payroll, benefits, sick leave, holiday pay and paid time off.

The MOU also states that ASI will cover expenses associated with the daily operations of the office and kitchen, such as rent for the community center.

Chavez explained that Eaton indicated to her that if the BoCC approves the MOU, the county will contribute close to \$576,000, nearly a 200 percent increase in funding from 2024.

Chavez stated that she realizes it is a "big ask," but that it would help address a lot of uncertainty for ASI and provide financial stability.

Chavez explained that ASI is also proposing two other funding requests, if the BoCC decides it cannot approve the MOU.

Chavez mentioned that one of the other requests is for the county to keep funding levels for ASI at the current

amount, and the other request is to increase funding by \$50,000 for a total of \$330,000, which she noted is "also a significant stretch."

Commissioner Veronica Medina commented that the commissioners will need to review the MOU and potentially have another discussion on the matter.

"That's definitely something that we need to discuss and vet out if there's any concerns there," Medina said.

Chavez commented that it would be a "unique partnership," explaining that ASI would keep its status as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and could leverage private funds along with state and other government funds.

Maez asked how many counties in Colorado let their seniors "be out on their own."

Chavez replied that the majority of senior centers are a part of the county and that there are only a couple in the state that are not.

"Most of them are under county infrastructure," she said.

Maez expressed there might be other ways that the county and ASI could raise funds, mentioning Dolores County passed a sales tax that helped fund the construction of a new senior center for its community.

"We need to think hard and put a lot of effort into it," Maez said.

Medina asked if there are any other counties in the state that have a similar MOU with a senior center like the one being proposed by ASI.

Chavez indicated that the only other county with a similar MOU that she is aware of is Summit County.



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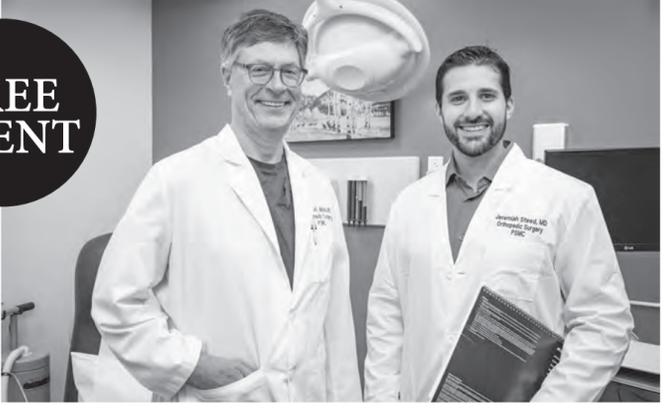
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Coroner

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Hunt also provided more information in regard to the amount and types of cases his office has dealt with so far this year.

"Right now, we got 51 persons that we've taken care of — cases," he said, noting that his office dealt with a total of 54 cases in 2023.

Hunt also mentioned that his office has had 23 autopsies performed so far this year, compared to a total of 17 in 2023.

"We're already up to 23 this year," he said.

Hunt explained he believes that there has only been one drug overdose death, which he noted to be "quite recent."

"We have had six suicides, which is devastating," Hunt said, explaining there were five deaths by suicide in the county in 2023.

"So, we are up a little bit this year," he added, mentioning that hopefully there aren't any more.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez expressed concern about the workload the coroner's office is dealing with.

"It's progressively increasing, all the numbers are, every year, and it's increasing quite a bit," Maez said. "I'm more concerned about the overall workload."

Hunt commented that the workload is more than he anticipated when he first started in May 2023.

"It's different than what I thought it was going to be," he said. "It does take more time."

Hunt explained that he spent about six to eight hours with each unclaimed person case, attempting to contact and convince family members to take care of the situation.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked what the average cost of each autopsy is, to which Hunt explained that Archuleta County uses La Plata County's facility to perform autopsies, and that each one cost \$1,500, plus a

\$100 fee charged by La Plata County, "and that is so cheap."

"Very gracious," Brown commented.

Hunt explained that La Plata County has not increased its fee for using its facility over the past 10 years.

He noted that the price for the autopsy increased from \$1,300 to

\$1,500 this year, and that La Plata County was already being charged \$1,500.

Hunt mentioned that, unfortunately, Archuleta County has been giving them a lot of business, due to cases that legally required an autopsy or where the cause of death is unexplained.

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ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO

To the Electors of Archuleta County, Colorado, in accordance with the provisions of Section §1-5-205 C.R.S., notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in Archuleta County, on Tuesday, the 5th day of November, 2024.

Eligible Voters: All Active registered voters.

Mail Ballots: Beginning on October 11, 2024 the Archuleta County Clerk & Recorder will send a mail ballot packet to every active voter who is registered in Archuleta County. To be counted, mail ballots must be returned to and in the hands of the Archuleta County Clerk & Recorder no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 5, 2024. **Postmarks do not count.**

Polling Locations: Beginning Monday, October 21, 2024 the Election Office located at 449 San Juan St. (behind the old Courthouse), will serve as the official Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC). The VSPC hours are October 21 through November 4, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., November 2nd, Saturday, 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. and November 5, 2024, Tuesday, Election Day, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. ELECTION DAY ONLY – PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave., Pagosa Springs, CO and the Archuleta County Extension Office at 344 Hwy 84, Pagosa Springs, CO, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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Federal Offices

Presidential Electors

(Vote for One Pair)

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| (01) Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz
Democratic | (02) Donald J. Trump / JD Vance
Republican |
| (03) Blake Huber / Andrea Denault
Approval Voting | (04) Chase Russell Oliver / Mike ter Maat
Libertarian |
| (05) Jill Stein / Rudolph Ware
Green | (06) Randall Terry / Stephen E Broden
American Constitution |
| (07) Cornel West / Melina Abdullah
Unity | (08) Robert F. Kennedy Jr. / Nicole Shanahan
Unaffiliated |
| (09) Write-In | |

Representative to the 119th United States Congress – District 3

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Adam Frisch
Democratic | (02) Jeff Hurd
Republican |
| (03) James Wiley
Libertarian
(Signed declaration to limit service to no more than 3 terms) | (04) Adam Withrow
Unity |

State Offices

State Board of Education Member – Congressional District 3

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Sherri M Wright
Republican | (02) Ellen Angeles
Democratic |
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Regent of the University of Colorado – At Large

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Eric Rinard
Republican | (02) Elliott Hood
Democratic |
| (03) Thomas Reasoner
Approval Voting | (04) T.J. Cole
Unity |

Regent of the University of Colorado – Congressional District 3

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Ray Scott
Republican | (02) Robert B. Logan
Democratic |
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State Senator – District 6

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Vivian Smotherman
Democratic | (02) Cleave Alan Simpson
Republican |
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State Representative – District 59

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Katie Stewart
Democratic | (02) Clark Craig
Republican |
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District Attorney – 6th Judicial District

(Vote for One)

- (01) Sean Murray
Democratic

County Offices

County Commissioner - District 1

(Vote for One)

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| (01) Warren M. Brown
Republican | (02) Wayne Hooper
Unaffiliated |
| (03) Ken Bowles
Unaffiliated | |

County Commissioner - District 2

(Vote for One)

- (01) John Ranson
Republican

County Coroner

(Vote for One)

- (01) Brad Hunt
Republican

Judicial Retention Questions

(Vote YES or NO)

Colorado Supreme Court Justice

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| (01) Shall Justice Maria E. Berkenkotter of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office? | (02) Shall Justice Brian D. Boatright of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office? |
| (03) Shall Justice Monica M. Márquez of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office? | |

Colorado Court of Appeals Judge

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| (01) Shall Judge Stephanie Dunn of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? | (02) Shall Judge Jerry N. Jones of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? |
| (03) Shall Judge W. Eric Kuhn of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? | (04) Shall Judge Gilbert M. Román of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? |
| (05) Shall Judge Timothy J. Schutz of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office? | |

District Court Judge – 6th Judicial District

- (01) Shall Judge Kim Soon Shropshire of the 6th Judicial District be retained in office?

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The following are the official offices and ballot measures that will be voted on at the Archuleta County, November 5, 2024 General Election. Depending on your physical address, you may not be voting on all referred ballot issues.

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Ballot questions referred by the general assembly or any political subdivision are listed by letter, and ballot questions initiated by the people are listed numerically. A ballot question listed as an "amendment" proposes a change to the Colorado constitution, and a ballot question listed as a "proposition" proposes a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes. A "yes/for" vote on any ballot question is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances, and a "no/against" vote on any ballot question is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances.

State Ballot Measures

Amendment G (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the expansion of eligibility for the property tax exemption for veterans with a disability to include a veteran who does not have a service-connected disability rated as a one hundred percent permanent disability but does have individual unemployability status?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Amendment H (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning judicial discipline, and, in connection therewith, establishing an independent judicial discipline adjudicative board, setting standards for judicial review of a discipline case, and clarifying when discipline proceedings become public?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Amendment I (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning creating an exception to the right to bail for cases of murder in the first degree when proof is evident or presumption is great?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Amendment J (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution removing the ban on same-sex marriage?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Amendment K (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the modification of certain deadlines in connection with specified elections?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Amendment 79 (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be a change to the Colorado constitution recognizing the right to abortion, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the state and local governments from denying, impeding, or discriminating against the exercise of that right, allowing abortion to be a covered service under health insurance plans for Colorado state and local government employees and for enrollees in state and local governmental insurance programs?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Amendment 80 (CONSTITUTIONAL)

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution establishing the right to school choice for children in kindergarten through 12th grade, and, in connection therewith, declaring that school choice includes neighborhood, charter, and private schools; home schooling; open enrollment options; and future innovations in education?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition JJ (STATUTORY)

Without raising taxes, may the state keep and spend all sports betting tax revenue above voter-approved limits to fund water conservation and protection projects instead of refunding revenue to casinos?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition KK (STATUTORY)

SHALL STATE TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$39,000,000 ANNUALLY TO FUND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INCLUDING FOR MILITARY VETERANS AND AT-RISK YOUTH, SCHOOL SAFETY

Certified Write-In Candidates for the General Election

Below is a list of the certified write-in candidates who have filed the required paperwork with the Secretary of State. These candidates may not be listed on the ballot; however, voters may write the candidate's name on the ballot in the appropriate space provided in order to cast a vote for that candidate. As a result, any ballot containing the districts below must contain a write-in line.

A write-in vote should be counted if the write-in line on the ballot includes at least a reasonably correct interpretation of the candidate's last name and the voter fills in the target area next to the write-in line. For more information, please review sections 1-4-1103, 1-5-407(3), 1-7-114, and 1-7-304, C.R.S., SOS Rule 18, and the Voter Intent Guide.

Presidential Electors

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| (01) Chris Garrity / Cody Ballard
No Party Affiliation | (02) Claudia De la Cruz / Karina García
Socialism and Libertarian |
| (03) Shiva Ayyadurai / Crystal Ellis
Independent | (04) Peter Sonski / Lauren Onak
American Solidarity |
| (05) Bill Frankel / Steve Jenkins
Unaffiliated / Republican | (06) Brian Anthony Perry / Mark Sbani
Democratic |

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YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition 127 (STATUTORY)

Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning a prohibition on the hunting of mountain lions, lynx, and bobcats, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the intentional killing, wounding, pursuing, entrapping, or discharging or releasing of a deadly weapon at a mountain lion, lynx, or bobcat; creating eight exceptions to this prohibition including for the protection of human life, property, and livestock; establishing a violation of this prohibition as a class 1 misdemeanor; and increasing fines and limiting wildlife license privileges for persons convicted of this crime?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition 128 (STATUTORY)

Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning parole eligibility for an offender convicted of certain crimes, and, in connection therewith, requiring an offender who is convicted of second degree murder; first degree assault; class 2 felony kidnapping; sexual assault; first degree arson; first degree burglary; or aggravated robbery committed on or after January 1, 2025, to serve 85 percent of the sentence imposed before being eligible for parole, and requiring an offender convicted of any such crime committed on or after January 1, 2025, who was previously convicted of any two crimes of violence, not just those crimes enumerated in this measure, to serve the full sentence imposed before beginning to serve parole?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition 129 (STATUTORY)

Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes creating a new veterinary professional associate profession, and, in connection therewith, establishing qualifications including a master's degree in veterinary clinical care or the equivalent as determined by the state board of veterinary medicine to be a veterinary professional associate; requiring registration with the state board; allowing a registered veterinary professional associate to practice veterinary medicine under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian; and making it a misdemeanor to practice as a veterinary professional associate without an active registration?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition 130 (STATUTORY)

Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning state funding for peace officer training and support, and, in connection therewith, directing the legislature to appropriate 350 million dollars to the peace officer training and support fund for municipal and county law enforcement agencies to hire and retain peace officers; allowing the fund to be used for pay, bonuses, initial and continuing education and training, and a death benefit for a peace officer, police, fire and first responder killed in the line of duty; and requiring the funding to supplement existing appropriations?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Proposition 131 (STATUTORY)

Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes creating new election processes for certain federal and state offices, and, in connection therewith, creating a new all-candidate primary election for U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, governor, attorney general, secretary of state, treasurer, CU board of regents, state board of education, and the Colorado state legislature; allowing voters to vote for any one candidate per office, regardless of the voter's or candidate's political party affiliation; providing that the four candidates for each office who receive the most votes advance to the general election; and in the general election, allowing voters to rank candidates for each office on their ballot, adopting a process for how the ranked votes are tallied, and determining the winner to be the candidate with the highest number of votes in the final tally?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

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Election

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Service and Polling Center, or VSPC. From Oct. 21 through Nov. 4, the VSPC will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

On Saturday, Nov. 2, the VSPC will be open from 8 a.m. to noon.

On Election Day, Nov. 5, the VSPC will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Two additional polling centers will be open on Election Day only. The Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse, located at 230 Port Ave., and the Archuleta County Extension Office, located at 344 U.S. 84, will both be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Nov. 5.

Ballot drop-off

Completed ballots may be dropped off at the elections office or deposited in one of the county's secure drop boxes.

Drop boxes are stationed at the old courthouse, located at 449 San Juan St., and at the TARA Community Center located at 333 Milton Lane in Arboles. Boxes will remain open around the clock and under 24-hour video surveillance beginning Oct. 15 until 7 p.m. on Election Day.

Voters wishing to drop off their ballots at the county elections office, located at 449 San Juan St., can do so during the following periods:

- 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday from Oct. 14 to Oct. 17.
- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday from Oct. 21 to Nov. 4.
- 8 a.m. to noon on Nov. 2.
- 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Nov. 5.

What's on the ballot?

In addition to the presidential election, voters this fall will also decide several races for federal, state and local offices.

Candidates for the 119th U.S. Congress, Colorado congressional and judicial districts, Colorado courts, and the Archuleta Board of County Com-

missioners will all appear on ballots.

In county commissioner races, District 1 incumbent Warren Brown, a Republican, will face off against unaffiliated candidates Ken Bowles and Wayne Hooper. District 2 commissioner John Ranson, a Republican, is running unopposed.

Republican Brad Hunt is unopposed in his bid for Archuleta County coroner, as is 6th Judicial District Attorney Sean Murray, who serves La Plata, Archuleta and San Juan counties.

U.S. congressional candidates running to fill the seat left by Lauren Boebert in District 3 are Democrat Adam Frisch, Republican Jeff Hurd, James Wiley of the Libertarian Party and Unity Party candidate Adam Withrow.

Republican Sherri M. Wright and Democrat Ellen Angeles are both running for a seat representing District 3 on the State Board of Education.

In the Colorado Senate race for District 6, encompassing the southwest corner of the state, Democrat Vivian Smotherman is challenging incumbent Republican Cleave Alan Simpson.

Voters will also be asked to choose between Democrat Katie Stewart and Republican Clark Craig to as state representative for District 59 in the state's General Assembly.

In the courts, the retention of three Colorado Supreme Court justices, as well as five Colorado Court of Appeals judges, are on the ballot. In the 6th Judicial District, the retention of Judge Kim Soon Shropshire is also on the ballot.

Several state ballot measures are up for vote this November, with implications to the state constitution, tax revenues, mental health services and more.

Proposed amendments to the state constitution will ask voters to weigh in on questions including whether or not to remove language banning same-sex marriages and if the Colorado Constitution should formally recognize a right to abortion.

Amendment G asks about the expansion of eligibility for the property tax exemption for veterans with a disability.

Amendment H asks about amending the Colorado Constitution concerning judicial discipline and establishing an independent judicial discipline adjudicative board.

Amendment I asks about an amendment to the Colorado Constitution creating an exemption to the right to bail "for cases of murder in the first degree when proof is evident or presumption is great."

If approved, Amendment J would remove language in the Colorado Constitution banning same-sex marriage.

Amendment K would, if approved, amend the Colorado Constitution concerning the modification of certain deadlines in connection with specific elections.

Amendment 79 seeks to change the Colorado Constitution to recognize the right to abortion, and further stipulates that the government "shall not" deny, impede or discriminate against the exercise of that right, including prohibiting health insurance coverage for abortion.

Amendment 80 asks if the Colorado Constitution should be amended to establish the right for school choice for children in kindergarten through 12th grade.

A supermajority, or 55 percent, of votes is needed for a constitutional amendment to pass in Colorado.

Proposition JJ asks if, without raising taxes, the state can keep and spend all sports betting tax revenue above voter-approved limits to fund water conservation and protection projects instead of refunding revenue to casinos.

Proposition KK asks for state taxes to be increased by \$39 million annually to help fund mental health services — including for military veterans, at-risk youth and "school

safety and gun violence prevention, and support services for victims of domestic violence" — by taxing gun manufacturers and retailers, as well as ammunition vendors.

Proposition 127 seeks to prohibit the hunting of mountain lions, lynx and bobcats.

Proposition 128 proposes new guidelines for parole eligibility for offenders of certain crimes.

Proposition 129 asks if there should be a statutory change creating a new veterinary professional associate profession and, in connection therewith, establish the qualifications.

In Proposition 130, voters are asked if state statute should direct legislators to appropriate \$350 million for local peace officer training, support and retention.

Proposition 131 asks if there should be a change to state statute creating new election processes for certain federal and state offices that would allow voters to vote for one candidate per office regardless of party affiliation, with the four candidates for each office advancing to the general election. The general election would use ranked-choice voting.

For additional voter resources and information—including a sample ballot and 2024 judicial performance evaluations, visit <https://www.archuletacounty.org/796/2024-General-Election>.

Tracking your ballot

Colorado voters can track their general election ballot using BallotTrax, according to the Colorado Secretary of State's Office.

Implemented statewide in 2020, BallotTrax allows voters to track their ballot as it is sent, received and counted.

To learn more or enroll, visit www.GoVoteColorado.gov and select "Sign up for BallotTrax."

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PAWSD

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the other two parties and consultation with them.

The agreement also lays out that CWCB holds a right of first refusal on the property.

PAWSD staff have previously estimated at PAWSD board meetings that the district's debts for the purchase of the property are approximately \$10 million.

Following an executive session at the special meeting, PAWSD board member Glenn Walsh moved to direct staff to comply with the consultation obligations with the CWCB and the SJWCD included in the three-way agreement.

The motion passed unanimously.

In response to a Colorado Open Records Act (CORA) request for documents pertaining to the decision, PAWSD provided a Sept. 10 letter of intent (LOI) given to the district that outlines terms for a buyer, whose name was redacted, to purchase the Running Iron Ranch for a price which was also redacted.

PAWSD legal council Marcus Lock explains in an email that CORA requires that the district redact commercial or financial information submitted to it by a third party that would harm the district's ability to gather information in the future or that would damage the competitive position of the person providing the information.

He adds that the redacted information qualified for redaction under these criteria.

The LOI also states that the offer contained within it would expire if it were not signed by Sept. 13.

In an interview, PAWSD District Engineer/Manager Justin Ramsey explained that PAWSD spoke with the individual making the offer about the timeline, with the result that the timeline for accepting the offer was extended and the offer remains open.

Later, at a regular meeting directly following the special meeting, the PAWSD board discussed authorizing the district's Running Iron Ranch

subcommittee to meet with real estate agents with clients potentially interested in purchasing the ranch.

Board member Bill Hudson commented that Ramsey is "tired of meeting with Realtors who might have or might not have clients interested in the Running Iron Ranch and asked if the subcommittee could take over the job of meeting with future clients."

Hudson added that he and Walsh, who both serve on the subcommittee, are "comfortable" with this arrangement and asked the rest of the board if it would approve of him and Walsh meeting with and giving a tour of the ranch to a local real estate agent who has a client potentially interested in purchasing the ranch.

PAWSD chairman Jim Smith stated that he approved of this approach.

The remaining PAWSD board member, Gene Tautges, was absent for this portion of the meeting.

The board also agreed that PAWSD staff should direct those interested in purchasing the ranch to speak with Hudson.

According to notes written by SJWCD president Candace Jones contained in the board packet for a SJWCD Oct. 2 special meeting, PAWSD, SJWCD and CWCB representatives met on Sept. 24 to hold the consultation required by the three-way agreement.

According to these notes, Lock repeatedly emphasized that PAWSD has the right to sell the property in its sole discretion and asked if there was agreement between SJWCD and PAWSD on this right and SJWCD's obligations to comply with it.

According to the notes, Jones responded that the SJWCD is opposed to the sale of the property and that both parties have obligations under the agreement.

Lock countered that PAWSD's position is that it has a sole right to sell the property and that any actions by the other parties in the agreement to interfere with this process besides making public statements on the issue would be a violation of the agreement, the

notes relay.

At the meeting, the notes suggest, CWCB representatives also questioned if PAWSD has other plans for ensuring sufficient water supply if the reservoir project does not move forward.

PAWSD representatives stated that the district has other, more cost-effective approaches to increasing its water supply but has not pursued them due to the work on the reservoir project, according to the notes.

PAWSD representatives also confirmed that they expect to get a sale price for the property that would cover the loans on the parcel and that they would not oppose CWCB exercising its right of first refusal granted in the three-way agreement, the notes state.

They add CWCB Finance Section Chief Kirk Russell also asked if PAWSD is opposed to a reservoir as a matter of policy or if its sale of the property is an effort to eliminate the debt it carries on the property.

PAWSD representatives reportedly replied that they do not oppose the creation of a reservoir.

At the Sept. 27 meeting, the PAWSD board entered executive session to discuss the ranch and the three-way agreement.

Following the executive session, Walsh commented that the board received advice from its legal counsel and directed its negotiators and staff to act on this advice.

On Sept. 27, Lock sent a letter to SJWCD legal counsel Jeffrey Kane requesting assurances that the SJWCD accepts that selling the ranch is within PAWSD's sole discretion, that it has no right to prevent a sale, and that it has and will honor its contractual obligation to execute the deeds that would convey the ranch to a buyer.

In the letter, Lock expresses concerns about Jones' comments at the Sept. 24 consultation meeting that the SJWCD opposes the sale and "would use every tactic available to prevent Running Iron Ranch from being sold."

He then requests assurances in writing no later than Oct. 11.

Coroner

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plainable.

"We've had a lot of cases that are just, either required by the state, or there is just no reason," he said, mentioning the case of a "healthy" 84-year-old man who passed away who had no existing health conditions.

Brown indicated that with the county having 23 autopsies performed so far this year, that equates to \$34,500, not including the facility fee.

Hunt noted that the facility fees equate to an additional \$2,300.

Hunt also explained that blood and urine toxicology tests cost \$156 each, but that the state will reimburse

for toxicology tests.

"Expensive," Medina commented.

"It does get expensive," Hunt said. He explained that he requested an additional \$15,000 in last year's budget so that his department would not end up over spending.

Hunt noted that those additional funds were used up in January with the department handling 10 cases, eight of which required autopsies.

Hunt also explained that he is applying for a suicide prevention grant for \$1,500 to \$2,500 from the state.

In order to approved for the grant, he is required to submit a nine-page suicide questionnaire, he explained.

Hunt mentioned that requires

talking to families in order to obtain the necessary information, and that the families have been gracious in speaking with him, "so that we can try to collect this information to help prevent suicides. And that's what the program's about."

Hunt noted that he has not had to deal with any child suicide cases in the county.

In a later interview, Hunt indicated that from 2013 to 2019 the coroner's office had anywhere from 30 to 39 cases per year.

In 2020, the coroner's office had 44 cases, in 2021 it had 47 cases and in 2022 it dealt with 50 total cases.

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Sports

GOLF



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Pirate Johnathon Smith lines up a shot during the 3A state golf tournament. The tournament took place Monday and Tuesday in Pueblo, with Smith tying for 10th and earning all-state honors.

Pirate Tyler Dimond watches a shot during the 3A state golf tournament that took place Monday and Tuesday in Pueblo. The freshman tied for 72nd at the event.

Smith, Dimond compete at state golf tournament

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Pirates Johnathon Smith and Tyler Dimond had “two really good days” at the 3A state golf tournament in Pueblo Monday and Tuesday, according to coach Mark Faber.

Smith ended the tournament with his second all-state designation in as many years after tying for 10th, while Dimond shot below 90 both days at his first state tournament appearance, Faber highlighted.

“I’m very proud of them, very proud of them, how they did,” Faber said.

Smith ended the two-day tournament in a three-way tie for 10th with a two-day score of 147.

He ended day one in a three-way tie for ninth after shooting a 73 on the par-72 course.

Smith logged an eagle on one hole, birdie on two, par on 11 holes and bogeys on three holes.

He shot a 74 on day two, shooting birdie on two holes, par on 13 holes and bogeys on two holes.

Faber noted Smith didn’t play as well as he can, but he stayed after it and played really well for the most part and is still an all-state golfer.

“He was in it the whole time, going

after it,” he said.

Dimond ended the two-day tournament tied for 72nd with a 178.

He ended day one as part of a four-way tie for 72nd with an 89.

Dimond shot par on eight holes and bogey six.

Smith ended the tournament with his second all-state designation in as many years after tying for 10th, while Dimond shot below 90 both days at his first state tournament appearance, Faber highlighted.

He also shot an 89 on the second day, logging a birdie on one hole, par on four holes and bogeys on nine holes.

“Tyler played well,” Faber said. “First time ever to go to state tourna-

ment and break 90 both days. ... Parts of the round were really good, some of it were a little bit of a struggle, but for first time and a freshman, I think he did awesome. I really do.”

Faber added was “really proud of how he stayed with it and stayed after it.”

Faber added Walking Stick was a great golf course and handled the tournament well.

Faber also indicated the team had a great season.

“Johnathon had an amazing season. I mean, he won some tournaments and played really, really well. I still feel sad for Cedar [Liverett] who played well, but just didn’t quite get it done. Isabel [Galloway] ... I just can’t say enough about her competing for the last two years against the guys and just staying after it, which was pretty amazing. To have Tyler do as well as he did as a freshman — really, really good stuff,” Faber said, adding, “As a whole, I’m proud of them and appreciate their work ethic and all.”

Faber noted that while the team will lose Galloway and Liverett, both seniors, the team will have a strong core coming back next year in Smith and Dimond.

“I’m excited for it,” he said. randi@pagosasun.com

VOLLEYBALL

Lady Pirates to host Wolverines Oct. 15

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates fell prey to the Alamosa Mean Moose and Durango Demons over the last week, dropping to a 7-8 overall record.

But, coach Katie Lorenzen indicated, both matchups featured highlights for the Lady Pirates.

On Saturday, the team traveled to Alamosa to take on the top-10-ranked Mean Moose.

Lorenzen noted it was a long day for the Lady Pirates, with a scheduling mix-up putting the team there hours before the scheduled game.

“So, we had to wait a long time,” she said, adding, “That kind of threw off the day just having to sit in the gym. We were there before 10 and the C team didn’t start until 1, so [it] just made for an extra long day.”

The Lady Pirates fell in three sets: 25-19, 25-13 and 25-14.

“In the first set we were hanging in there,” Lorenzen said, “and then I think just kind of fizzled after that.”

Alamosa picked up their serving, also, she relayed.

“And they are a really great team,” Lorenzen said, noting there’s a reason Alamosa is one of the top-ranked teams in the state. “I think our middles did a good job with the assignment they were just supposed to basically face guard their top middle,

and so ... she didn’t destroy our side as much as I think she did at the beginning of the year. ... And we also had lots of lineup switches happening and trying find something that would gain some traction, but we just couldn’t quite gain some traction against a really good team, so kudos to them.”

The coach indicated it was tough for the team to get into a rhythm.

“Our passing was definitely struggling and then we weren’t able to get into an offensive rhythm, so we hit ... negative,” she said, adding the team also had more errors than kills as a team.

The Lady Pirates had 11 kills against the Mean Moose, led by five from Aspen Pitcher.

Pagosa logged two aces — both by Dawson Iverson.

The team had seven serving errors.

The Lady Pirates had six total blocks, which included one solo block each from Pitcher and Cadence Kerns. The team notched eight assisted blocks. Kerns led the team with four total blocks.

Pagosa had 28 digs in the affair, with Kerns leading the team with seven.

Sophia Sottek had all of the team’s 11 assists.

The team had 52 serve receptions and five serve receive errors.

Kerns led the team with 18 of the serve receptions.

The Mean Moose are the No. 4 team in the 3A Selection and Seeding

Index, with the Lady Pirates ranked 31st.

On Tuesday, the team traveled to Durango to face the 5A Demons.

“We went in really strong against Durango,” Lorenzen said. “I think the girls were really hyped up playing against some players they have played club with and kind of knowing some of their tendencies and just fired up to play at a high level against

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FOOTBALL

Pirates notch first league win of the season against Salida

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate football team earned its first league win of the season last week, defeating the Salida Spartans 36-20 in Salida.

The Pirates now boast an overall record of 4-1, including a league mark of 1-0, which puts them atop of the 2A Intermountain league and fifth in the state, according to the 2A Selection and Seeding Index.

"It was a good game. It was a close game," coach Nathan Morales said.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Pirates were first to get on the scoreboard with an 11-yard rushing touchdown by Colton Lucero.

The Spartans were able to strike back on their next offensive possession with a 40-yard touchdown pass.

The Pirates converted their first extra-point attempt and the Spartans failed theirs, bringing the score to 7-6 going into halftime.

Both teams would score again in the third quarter, with Salida taking the lead from a 4-yard rushing touchdown. Another failed extra-point attempt brought the score to 12-7.

The Pirates were able to hit back with a 1-yard rushing touchdown by Creede Dozier. A successful two-point attempt put the Pirates up 15-12.

The Pirates scored again in the fourth quarter with another rushing touchdown from Dozier for 5 yards, and a 50-yard rushing touchdown by Lucero.

An unsuccessful two-point attempt and a successful extra-point attempt brought the score to 29-12 in favor of the Pirates.

The Spartans were then able to score one more time on a 10-yard rushing touchdown. A successful two-point attempt brought the score to 29-20.

Following the Spartans scoring drive, the Pirates returned the kickoff for a touchdown, with Alex Pacheco going 97 yards for the touchdown.

A failed extra-point attempt brought the final score of the game to 35-20.

Morales explained that the Pirates had to make some adjustments in order to get their running game going, and that the team kept grinding, which eventually led to more success.

He mentioned that Salida did a good job of loading the box on defense, making it difficult for the Pirates' running game at first.

"We had to change some stuff up, but we found a way to win, and that's what matters," Morales said.

He explained that the Spartans were lining up in some formations that the Pirates hadn't seen up until that point.

"But, we weathered the storm and we were able to win the game, and that's what matters," Morales added.

Morales also mentioned the Pirates did a good job of taking care of the football and not giving up any turnovers.

"I think being able to take care of the football helps, and I think that's part of why we ended up winning," he said.

Morales explained that the Spartans were able to move the ball against the Pirates, but Pagosa was able to get stops in its own red zone and keep Salida from scoring.

"So, proud of our defense and the way they battled," Morales added.

The Spartans ended the game with a total of 476 yards on offense, while the Pirates racked up a total of 281 yards on offense.

Morales mentioned the Pirates found a way to win offensively, noting Pacheco's kickoff return for a touchdown was a big boost for the Pirates to end the game strong and not let



Photo courtesy Pagosa Springs High School

Pirates' defensive linemen Aven Cole and Jesus Serratos break into the Spartans' backfield disrupting the play. Cole led the Pirates in tackles on the night, recording nine solo tackles.

Salida back into it.

Morales praised both Dozier and Lucero for their efforts in running the ball.

Dozier ended the night with a total of 73 rushing yards and two touchdowns on nine carries. He also had a total of 55 passing yards, completing five out of 10 attempts.

Lucero ended the night with a total of 150 rushing yards and two touchdowns on 22 carries.

He also had three receptions for a total of 32 receiving yards.

Jayton Ross had one rushing attempt for 3 yards and one reception for a 1-yard loss on the night.

Seth Ziegler had one reception for 23 yards.

The Pirates defense tallied a total of 58 tackles on the night, with Aven Cole leading the team with nine solo tackles.

Ross recorded eight solo tackles and Tommaso Nigro logged the Pirates' only sack of the game for a 6-yard loss.

"It takes all 11 guys doing their job," Morales said in regard to seeing the success on the defensive side of the ball.

The Pirates' defense came up with three turnovers on the night, with Nigro recovering two fumbles and Aidan Vega recovering one.

Morales mentioned Salida was able to catch the Pirates off guard a couple of times, "but, for the most part, we rallied to the football and tackled well."

He added, "We got out of there with a win, so that's what matters."

Morales commented that the Spartans are a tough team and that they are coached well.

"Salida's a good team," he said, "For us not firing on all cylinders, to get out of there with a win, we were

happy."

Morales explained that the Intermountain League is competitive, with four out of six teams currently boasting winning records.

"Our league is pretty tough. There's not ever an off-week for us in our league," he said.

He indicated that means the team has to work hard every week.

"We gotta work our tails off each week," Morales added, stating there are no "gifts" in the Intermountain league.

He mentioned that Salida was able to come out and test the Pirates by making it a close, hard-fought game.

Morales added that he would like for the Pirates to "get back to what we do," explaining that the team's effort "has got to ramp up for these league games."

He noted that the win against Salida was a big win for the team, especially after coming off of an intense win the week before against the Elizabeth Cardinals — a top-10 team.

"Salida came out and hit us in the mouth," he said, adding that he was pleased with the way the Pirates recouped and fought back to come away with the win.

"That's what you want to see in a team — find a way you win when things aren't clicking — and they did. So, that's a testament to this team and their effort," Morales said.

Morales also took accountability for the Pirates not being as prepared as he'd liked against the Spartans.

"I gotta do a better job being prepared for everything," he said, explaining that he needs to be more prepared for teams trying to take away the Pirates' running game.

Morales added that he doesn't expect the Pirates to play perfectly, but that he wants them to be getting

better every week so that they are playing their best football at the end of the year.

He mentioned the game against Salida was good for the Pirates, and that Salida came at the Pirates with a good game plan.

"That's good for us, we want to play meaningful games like that, and I think our league will give us that and that's important," he said.

The Pirates have had a short week this week, with their game against Bayfield scheduled for Thursday this week.

The Pirates will be at home tonight, Oct. 10, taking on the Bayfield Wolverines at Golden Peaks Stadium at 7 p.m.

Morales spoke about how the Pirates are dealing with the short turnaround, mentioning they are still practicing hard, but only getting two days to prepare.

"Funky week for us," Morales said. "We got a lot to do in a short amount of time."

He commented that playing against their rivals adds a little more intensity to this week's matchup, and that the Wolverines have been playing good football so far this season.

"They're playing tough defense, so we gotta make sure we get it going," Morales said of Bayfield.

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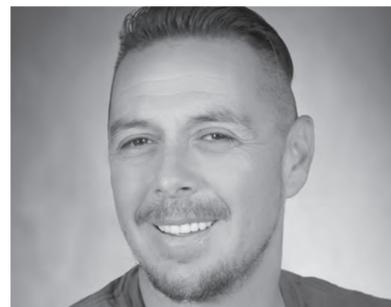
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SOCCER

Pirates defeat Montezuma-Cortez, improve to 5-2-3

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate soccer team traveled to Cortez on Oct. 4 to take on the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers for the second time this season, winning by a score of 2-0.

The Pirates first played the Panthers this season in September, winning that game by a score of 3-2.

The Pirates now have an overall record of 5-2-3, including a league mark of 2-1-1, which puts them in second place of the 3A Intermountain League.

Coach Trevor Gian mentioned the Pirates did a good job of creating quality scoring chances and were able to convert on two of them, though he would've liked to see the Pirates put up a few more goals.

"We've got to get better at [finishing], and they recognize that," Gian said.

The Pirates put up 12 shots on goal throughout the game, with Gavin Carter leading the team with four shots on goal. Christopher Young-Martinez had three shots on goal and Angel Ramirez put up two shots on goal. Angelo Medina, Elmer Castillo and Alexander Pham each had one shot on goal.

Gian explained that the Pirates had to make some adjustments due to a few players being unavailable for various reasons, noting Hudson Davis and Jacob Castaneda were unavailable.

Gian spoke last week about how the Pirates have done a good job shutting teams down defensively and maintaining possession, but have lacked quality in the final third and have been unable to convert numer-

ous scoring chances.

With players being absent and the need to be more clinical in the attacking third, Gian chose to play Young-Martinez as an attacker against the Panthers.

Young-Martinez has played most of this season in his primary position as goalkeeper for the Pirates, but Gian explained that he wanted the team to build some offensive confidence.

"What I've seen from Chris on the field, pace and control and finishing has been awesome," Gian said.

The match was scoreless through the first half as the Pirates weren't able to find their breakthrough until there were almost 20 minutes left in the second half.

Gian explained that Carter scored with a quality left-foot shot that beat the Panthers' goalkeeper low and to the side of the net.

"That got us on the board there," Gian said.

He mentioned Carter was "extremely effective" in the offensive third, creating multiple chances and winning free kicks.

After Carter's goal, Gian explained that the Pirates started pushing for another one to give themselves some breathing room and to make it harder for the Panthers to strike back.

With about 10 minutes left in the second half, Young-Martinez was able to run onto a through ball played down the left flank "and he was physical winning the ball against the defender," Gian said.

Young-Martinez was able to take the ball down to the touch line and work his way inside and "finished back post," Gian explained.

Gian mentioned it was an important goal for the Pirates that helped

them leave with the win.

He also mentioned the Pirates had enough chances throughout the game to put up four or five goals, noting the Pirates are putting themselves in good positions and just need to convert a higher percentage of shots.

"It really came down to, once again, putting away some opportunities," Gian said.

He noted that the Panthers were able to create a couple of scoring chances and that they are a quality team that seems to be improving throughout the year.

"It stayed pretty tight with some misses offensively that probably could've gone in," Gian added.

He mentioned that the Panthers played with confidence and that they made it a tough game for the Pirates.

"They were coming at us," Gian said. "They're a very improved team from last year. I think Cortez has done a great job over there."

Gian mentioned the Pirates still need to work on shutting down lanes defensively to not allow teams to get in behind and have a clear look on goal.

"It was by no means a walk in the park," Gian said of the match.

Gian also commented on Taylor Wells getting the chance to start in goal for the Pirates.

"Taylor got the chance to start at goalie and did a great job standing in there," he said.

Wells recorded seven saves on the day, playing 60 minutes in goal.

Gian explained that once the Pirates went up 2-0, he made the decision to put Young-Martinez in as goalie to finish out the game.

The Pirates will play two more league matches over the next week,

starting on Saturday, Oct. 12, when they will take on the Alamosa Mean Moose in Alamosa at 11:30 a.m.

On Tuesday, Oct. 15, the Pirates will face off against the Bayfield Wolverines at 5:30 p.m. in Bayfield.

The Pirates tied against the Mean Moose 1-1 earlier this season at home and lost against the Wolverines 2-0, also at home.

Gian explained that the Pirates have been focusing on finishing in practice and have been working on "dynamic finishing."

He mentioned the Pirates will need to continue to ramp up their effort and try to get on the board early against Alamosa.

"Alamosa's a good defensive team," he said, "If we can find early opportunities, it'll be nice to put those away."

He added, "I think the last time we played Alamosa, the game got pulled apart," explaining that the Pirates previously found success with long balls behind the Alamosa back line.

Gian explained that the Pirates did well controlling possession throughout the game last time against the Mean Moose, but will need to take advantage of their scoring opportunities to be able to come away with a win.

"I anticipate it being a physical game," he added.

Gian mentioned the next two league games on the road are going to be crucial for the Pirates and that they have the chance to win the league if they're able to get positive results.

"It's gonna be a big test," he said, "We need to go get a result"

He mentioned the Pirates have worked hard to put themselves in a position to win the league.

"We should have that opportunity because of the team we have, and we've been resilient with players stepping up due to injury," he said.

He explained that the Pirates can't settle for ties in these next two games in order to put themselves atop the Intermountain League.

"We put ourselves in a position to be successful," he said, "I still feel like it's awesome to have the opportunity now."

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Photo courtesy Mat Wolford

The Pagosa Springs Middle School boys' cross-country team celebrates another first-place finish and its biggest win of the season so far at the McGinn Memorial Cross Country Challenge Saturday on Reservoir Hill. Coach Mat Wolford highlighted the community support on the day, as well as standout performances by Olivia Diffe and Miles Dempster.

Volleyball

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a very good team."

The Lady Pirates fell in three sets: 25-23, 25-17 and 25-10.

"We really were neck and neck quite a while in the first and second sets against Durango," the coach described, adding, "The final set we had a long rut against a tough server."

The coach noted the Lady Pirates had some "really great energy and hustle play" in the close first set, making it fun to watch.

"We were looking for a matchup to have Cadence against their big middle hitter and both of us coaches just kept flip-flopping our lineup, so then it wasn't ... working to line up, but we ended up doing so well. I mean, either of our middles when they go with the assignment they do really well, and we are getting a lot of great block touches."

She also highlighted the Lady Pirates' hustle plays in the back row with defenders "diving all over the place."

"So, it was great to have a high-energy game and, even though we lost in three, we battled, and that's all you can ask for."

The Lady Pirates notched 21 kills against the Demons, including eight by Pitcher.

Lorenzen highlighted Pitcher's hitting percentage of .304, saying, "She's always a go-to hitter and takes a lot of swings for us. And, she was swinging big against a very big block."

The coach added she told the Lady Pirates in the locker room that she was really impressed with the team's hitting percentage despite the fact the team had a pretty low passing average.

"We either passed pretty well or we were getting aced against some really good servicers, so even with that, to have a high hitting percentage

was pretty good," she said.

Lexi Campbell had the team's only ace, with the team committing six service errors.

The Lady Pirates had five total blocks, with Campbell putting up a solo block and the squad having eight assisted blocks. Pitcher and Kerns each had three total blocks.

The team logged 45 total digs, led by Pitcher's 11.

Sottek tallied 17 of the team's 18 assists.

Pitcher led the team in service receptions with 20 of the team's total

of 55. The team had 11 reception errors.

Next, the Lady Pirates will return to their home court and try to even their season series with the Bayfield Wolverines at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 15.

The Wolverines sit second in the Intermountain League behind Alamosa and own a league record of 3-2 and overall record of 8-6.

The Lady Pirates, who are fourth in the league with a 2-4 league mark, previously fell to the Wolverines 3-0 in Bayfield on Sept. 17.

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Pirate Connor Thomas runs near a Bayfield Wolverine during Saturday's McGinn Memorial Cross Country Challenge on Reservoir Hill. Thomas was named to the all-conference first team after finishing fifth among league runners.

Lady Pirates Sienna Rose and Kaiya Lyons eye the finish line at Saturday's meet atop Reservoir Hill. The pair finished within a fraction of a second of each other and were named to the all-conference second team.

Three Pirates earn all-conference honors at home meet

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Three Pagosa Springs High School Pirate harriers earned all-conference honors at Saturday's McGinn Memorial Cross Country Challenge on Reservoir Hill, which also served as the season's Intermountain League (IML) meet.

The meet followed days of prescribed burns in the area, with coach Rachael Christiansen writing in the team's newsletter, "The smoke-filled days leading up to the meet had us quite worried, and we were so glad to see that conditions improved and we were able to host our meet on our scheduled times!"

The Lady Pirates raced first on the day, taking fourth overall out of nine teams and third in the IML.

Sienna Rose was the top Lady Pirate finisher on the day, taking 12th out of 71 runners overall with a time of 24 minutes, 46.58 seconds.

Kaiya Lyons finished a fraction of a second later to finish 13th with a time of 24:46.65.

Rose and Lyons finished eighth and ninth among IML runners, landing them on the all-conference second team.

Madisen Stretton finished 22nd with a time of 26:27.85.

"Madi Stretton had a great day, looking strong the entire race," Christiansen wrote.

The coach notes Bella Jackson ran most of the race with Stretton and finished 24th with a time of 26:37.76.

"She is starting to realize how good she can be and we are excited to see her continue to grow," Christiansen wrote.

Hailey Sams finished 40th with a time of 28:07.18, with the coach stating, "She has been working her way through a hip injury and looked good on the course!"

With a time of 28:29.97, Vivy DavRem finished 42nd.

"Vivy is another one of our freshmen who are starting to figure out their potential and we are excited to see what she can accomplish on a flat, fast course," Christiansen notes.

Gwendolyn Tyler finished 63rd with a time of 35:05.51, with the coach noting, "She has been battling a cold for weeks now and showed up and ran a really great race. We are very proud of the effort put forth by every single one of these Lady Pirates!"

The Pirate boys' race followed, with the coach noting the team had some "strong showings."

The Pirates finished eighth out of 10 teams overall and fourth in the IML.

"While this is not where we would like to be, we are seeing a lot of improvement from the majority of the team," Christiansen notes. "We have a few more weeks to continue to get better and faster and then see where we line up in regards to regionals at the end of the month!"

Connor Thomas was the lead runner for the Pirates, with the coach

highlighting he ran "likely his best race yet" on his way to finishing 16th overall and fifth among IML runners with a time of 21:16.03.

"He was strong and confident from the start and only improved throughout the race," the coach wrote.

Thomas earned first-team all-conference honors with the finish.

Dylan Dempster finished 36th with a time of 22:58.42, with the coach noting he had "never finished this high on our team, and we believe he has just started realizing his own potential in the sport."

She adds, "Just like some of our other runners, we are looking forward to him running a flat, fast course in Monte Vista!"

The coach notes Merrick Tudor, Eli Nehring and Jesse Beck were a pack of three, finishing 43rd, 44th and 45th respectively.

Tudor finished with a time of 23:27.75, followed by Nehring with a time of 23:33.17 and Beck with a time of 23:41.61.

"This was a solid performance by both Merrick and Eli! Jesse was much

further back than we would have liked, but he has been battling illness for the past few weeks and has missed out on some key speed workouts," the coach explains. "Hopefully he can get a few more hard practices in and make up some of that lost time before the end of the season."

With a time of 24:12.83, Peyton Jackson finished 51st.

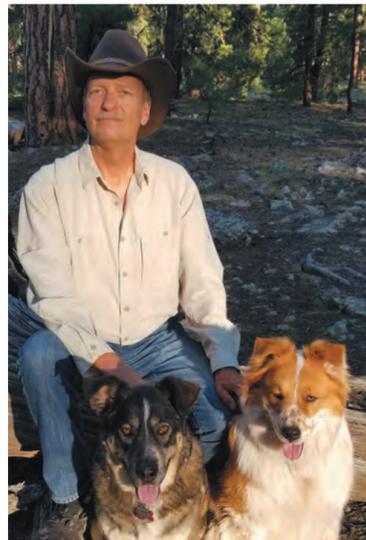
Isaac Hanto followed in 53rd with a time of 24:22.49.

Jacen Easling, who finished 56th with a time of 24:40.08, and Weston Sweet, who finished 60th with a time of 25:03.34, had good days, according to the coach, with Easling consistent in terms of time throughout the season and Sweet starting to figure out racing.

Asher Kurz finished 79th with a time of 28:20.78 despite dealing with a knee issue, with the coach noting he was "able to run a solid race."

On Saturday, the Pirate teams will race at the Chicken Creek Challenge in Mancos, with the Lady Pirates slated to run at 11 a.m. and the Pirates following at 11:45 a.m.

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County re-lists properties for auction

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) voted unanimously to relist 11 properties for auction during a regular meeting held on Tuesday, Oct. 1.

The 11 properties are all located on Bonita Drive in the Trails subdivision.

The matter was initially listed as part of the meeting's consent agenda, but Commissioner Ronnie Maez motioned to move the item to the old business portion of the agenda, which was approved unanimously.

The BoCC heard public comment on the matter from Bill Hudson, who stated he was "a little concerned" to see the item initially listed as part of the meeting's consent agenda, which would not have allowed for any conversation on the matter before voting.

Hudson also claimed that according to the minutes from the BoCC's Sept. 17 meeting, Maez motioned to table the decision on the properties until the affordable housing study is rendered to the BoCC and to reject all bids on these parcels.

"That sounds to me like a decision to move to table the decision ... until

the affordable housing study is done," Hudson said.

Maez stated that during the Sept. 17 meeting he motioned to relist the properties, to which County Attorney Todd Weaver advised that the motion be amended to first include denying the bids the county had received for the parcels.

Commissioner Veronica Medina explained that after she reviewed the Sept. 17 meeting minutes, she found that Maez's motion only included denying the bids on the parcels, and that there is no mention of relisting the properties.

"Honestly it's my bad; I should've jumped on it right then and there because my intent was to go back out for advertising on it, but I missed that window of opportunity and now at this next business meeting, I want to correct that oversight on my part," Maez said.

Medina also explained that she noticed the item was listed under the consent agenda and that Maez felt he did not complete his motion at the previous meeting.

The item was moved into the old business portion of the agenda.

Maez commented that his intent at the Sept 17 and the Oct. 1 meetings

was consistent in that he would like to relist the properties for auction for another 45 days.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked if there was a discrepancy on how the Sept. 17 meeting minutes read, if that would change the way Maez felt about the situation.

"My intent then was to go out and relist these properties," Maez said, adding that the Sept. 17 meeting minutes had not been approved or "set in stone."

He added, "I didn't catch it quick enough, to be honest."

Weaver reminded the BoCC that the board has the sole discretion in approving or denying any bids received for the properties.

"I don't have any trouble at all relisting these properties," Brown stated, adding that he originally wanted to see if there was a nonprofit organization in the community that currently has the bandwidth to take on new properties to provide affordable or workforce housing.

Medina explained that the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (PSCDC), Habitat for Humanity and Aspen House were all invited to the previous BoCC meeting to provide input, and that the consensus

among the three groups was that none of them currently have the bandwidth to take on additional properties.

"And, personally, I don't think it's [the PSCDC's] job to do housing," Medina added, noting that the PSCDC has done a great job with its housing projects, but that she "would like for [the PSCDC] to focus on creating economic development in our community."

Brown also stated that he wanted to wait until after the presidential election to relist the properties, in the hope that the county would receive more appetizing bids for the properties.

"Just my speculation," he added. Maez commented that he understood Brown's concern, but noted that relisting the properties now for 45 days, will extend past the presidential election.

Weaver indicated that the properties would be listed until Nov. 15.

"I'm not going to stand in the way in getting something done in light of a few days," Brown said.

Medina also addressed Hudson's concern for the need of housing in the community, explaining there are potentially other developers in the community that could develop these 11 properties to create more workforce or affordable housing, "cause that's what we need."

The 11 properties can be bid on through GovDeals.com until Nov.15. clayton@pagosahun.com



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County approves new tourism board member

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

During a regular meeting held by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) on Tuesday, Oct. 1, the board unanimously approved its consent agenda, which included the approval of Resolution 2024-74, appointing Shane Lucero to an at-large seat on the Pagosa Springs Area Tourism Board.

Tourism board members are appointed by the BoCC and the Pagosa Springs Town Council.

The tourism board approved the appointment of Lucero during its regular meeting on Aug. 20, after interviewing three applicants.

The town council also approved the recommendation of the tourism board during a regular meeting held in September.

Lucero previously served on the tourism board prior to this appointment.

The resolution notes that board members are appointed to two-year

terms. During a work session held by the BoCC on Sept. 24, Tourism Director Jennifer Green explained that the tourism board opted for a "different type of voting during the meeting."

She explained that this was at the direction of the acting board chair Dallas Weaver, as he requested a paper ballot vote.

Green mentioned that Weaver expressed concern with the voting process after finding the previous process to be uncomfortable.

Green indicated that Weaver shared he lost friends and customers as a result of previous votes.

Green explained that the town attorney advised the tourism board on the paper ballot voting process, saying it was permissible as the tourism board does not have the final say in approving tourism board members and that power rests with the town council and the BoCC.

Green also expressed that the town council "didn't love that approach" but still honored the tourism

board's recommendation, adding that the town council suggested the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between the town and county governing the tourism board may need to be adjusted.

During the work session, Commissioner Ronnie Maez expressed concern with changing the IGA, commenting that advisory boards and committees are made of volunteers and elected officials.

Maez noted that changing the IGA to prohibit paper ballot voting "would be not good."

He mentioned it might be a struggle to get business volunteers to want to join the advisory board if paper ballot voting is not an option, "because they lose business because of it."

Maez indicated that volunteers donate time and effort to be on these boards and that changing the IGA "to make it all open and public for volunteer people, we're gonna lose volunteers."

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2025 Business Happy Hour lottery now open

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce

The annual Business Happy Hour lottery is now open to all Chamber members throughout the month of October.

These networking events occur almost every month on the fourth Friday of the month and are co-hosted by a Chamber member business and the Chamber of Commerce.

New businesses, businesses interested in showing off new products or services, or any that would like to gain more exposure are perfect candidates. Businesses can host a Business Happy Hour on their own, partner with neighboring businesses or collaborate with a business that may not have a storefront presence or

a nonprofit agency that does not have much office space.

Hosting businesses provide light appetizers or other food, and the Chamber provides the beverages. You can plan fun activities, provide discounts or giveaways, and generally make it a fun evening for the attendees. With the event occurring on a Friday evening, make the most of the upcoming weekend by attending a Happy Hour, finding out more about the host business and networking with other business owners.

The process to enter your business into the lottery is simple. Choose the top three months that you would like to host a Business Happy Hour and contact Anna Deering, membership coordinator, at info@pagosachamber.com with your interest by Nov. 1 with your preferred months. The lottery

drawing will take place the following Monday and businesses will then be notified.

If you have questions or for more information about hosting a Business Happy Hour, contact the Chamber at (970) 264-2360.

Archuleta Health Fair and Expo

The second annual Archuleta Health Fair and Expo will take place on Saturday, Oct. 19, at Pagosa Springs High School.

The morning will begin with inexpensive blood draws that cover a range of panels. It is highly encouraged to book your appointment in advance so that you know the correct time to come into the fair and you will not have to wait around to have your blood drawn.

However, once you are at the health fair, there will be a number of vendors and community organizations that you can visit with or get tested. Walk around and visit the vendors, fill out your wellness pass and turn it in for a free soaking pass.

There will also be a farm-to-table lunch beginning at 11 a.m. for only \$10. Guest speaker Dr. Julie Buchner will give the keynote lunch talk.

Interested attendees can register for the blood draw or the lunch at www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org. The tab to register is at the top of the home page.

Don't miss this opportunity to receive some inexpensive blood tests, find out more about health care providers and insurance, and look to improve your health.

Natural gas prices drop

By Garrett Fevinger
Staff Writer

Black Hills Energy announced Tuesday that Archuleta County residents can expect to see a nearly 27 percent reduction to their natural gas bills this month thanks to a rate adjustment that will lower residential energy costs throughout the state.

The new rates, part of a gas cost adjustment that Black Hills filed with the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, went into effect Oct. 1.

Jason Auslander, public affairs officer for Black Hills, confirmed the state's utilities commission approved the new rates.

In Archuleta County, that means the average residential bill will decrease from \$117.74 to \$86.32 a month — a 26.6 percent reduction, according to information provided by Black Hills.

Rates were anticipated to dip across Colorado, with Larimer and Weld counties seeing the biggest changes to their average monthly bills, which saw a 30 percent reduction.

"The price of natural gas is a 'pass

through cost," the corporation writes, "meaning Black Hills Energy makes no money on it and our customers pay market rates and no more."

For households struggling with energy costs as colder weather approaches, Black Hills reports to have multiple assistance programs that include extended payment arrangements, budget billing and payment assistance.

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Outdoors

Weminuche Audubon Society to meet Oct. 16

By Jean Zirnhelt
Weminuche Audubon Society

If you are interested in learning about native medicinal plants, we invite you to join us on Wednesday evening, Oct. 16, for a presentation by Lake McCullough.

On her summer plant walks, she opens our eyes to the bounty of medicinal and edible plants growing locally. During this presentation she

will focus on native medicinal plants that are harvested in autumn.

There will be plant samples to look at and details concerning the uses and preparations of these herbs. Included will be recipes to make simple tinctures, salves and syrups at home.

McCullough is a native of Pagosa Springs. She developed an interest in the healing properties of plants at a young age and furthered her education to become certified as an

herbalist.

Judging from the popularity of her plant walks and presentations, the home uses of plants is of interest to many in our community. We appreciate her willingness to share her knowledge with us.

The public is invited to join us on Oct. 16 for this fun event.

We meet at the Community United Methodist Church on Lewis Street. Enter through the side door closest to the

parking lot or let us know to open the main doors for handicap entry. Enjoy refreshments with us starting at 6 p.m. prior to a short business meeting at 6:30 p.m. preceding the presentation.

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Federal agencies meet with tribes for periodic review of Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act

U.S. Forest Service

The Rio Grande National Forest jointly organized and hosted a well-attended meeting in September with numerous Native American tribes.

Working with the San Luis Valley Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management, Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, and the San Luis Valley National Wildlife Refuge Complex, the purpose of this event was to review, update and re-commit to a locally special agreement aimed at enhancing the intent of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

The tribes attending the meeting (alphabetically in English) include the Jicarilla Apache Nation, Northern Arapaho Tribe, Pueblo of Acoma, Pueblo de San Ildefonso, Pueblo of Nambe, Pueblo of Santa Clara, Pueblo of Tesuque, Pueblo of Zia, Pueblo of Zuni, Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

The meeting took place Sept. 17-19 at Adams State College in Alamosa and included several field site visits.

The federal agencies have signed onto a memorandum of understanding with numerous tribes that outlines specific actions that will be taken when human remains and other associated cultural items, that could potentially be Native American, are discovered on public lands.

The memorandum specifies the process that federal agencies will take under those circumstances. The meeting is an example of government-to-government tribal consultation, and this local memorandum bolsters the effectiveness of the act while enhancing the agencies' commitment to tribal sovereignty and their unique cultural needs.

Some of the actions that were addressed at the meeting include a summary of revisions to the 2022 memorandum of understanding; a discussion of recent changes to NAGPRA



Photo courtesy U.S. Forest Service

Attendees of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act meeting gather for a photo at Adams State University. The purpose of the September meeting was to review, update and re-commit to a locally special agreement aimed at enhancing the intent of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

rules, including new deadlines, lists of associated funerary items and objects, and tighter procedures; as well as how tribes want agencies to coordinate these new changes.

Three notable results of the meeting were:

- Additional tribes have committed to the memorandum of understanding.
- Enhanced our government-to-government trust responsibilities with federally recognized tribes.
- Numerous personal connections were made with federal agency personnel and tribal leadership.

A healthy discussion about com-

municating tribal knowledge and culture was a key element of the second day. Tribal representatives expressed their desire to allow them to tell their own stories and reminded agency representatives that the tribal stories are as much about current issues as they are historical.

The local NAGPRA meeting showcases how the four federal agencies and Native American tribes have been working in close collaboration over the last 18 years. The memorandum of understanding is nationally recognized and is being used as an example to guide similar activities in areas across the nation.

Commissioners give go-ahead for gazebo at Veterans Memorial Park

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

A new gazebo is in the works to be installed at the Veterans Memorial Park located on Vista Boulevard.

Representatives of the Veterans Memorial Park gave a presentation during a work session held by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) on Oct. 1, at which Jim Van Liere explained the estimated costs for the gazebo is approximately \$30,000.

He indicated that the gazebo can be fabricated and constructed by a local steel worker.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez asked how much the county currently has left in its Conservation Trust Fund account.

County Manager Jack Harper explained that once the county pays out

what it approved for the construction of two bronze sheep statues, there will be \$375,000 left in the county's conservation trust fund account.

Harper also indicated the cost of the gazebo is estimated to be \$29,378.

Commissioner Veronica Medina asked if the BoCC had any questions in regard to Van Liere's presentation.

Maez indicated that he did not have any questions and stated, "I've always supported the Veterans Memorial Park, and I'll continue to support it until I'm gone."

Commissioner Warren Brown also commented on the support that the BoCC has given to Veterans Memorial Park, noting that the current and previous BoCC's have done a "great job" in supporting the park.

Van Liere explained there is already a 24-foot-by-24-foot concrete pad near the entrance to the park

that is closest to U.S. 160 where the gazebo will be constructed, noting there are currently two tables set up at the location.

He mentioned the intent of the gazebo is to provide shade and shelter from rain and snow.

Medina also commented on the support that the BoCC has given to the Veterans Memorial Park, mentioning this year's 9/11 memorial at the park was a success.

"To see so many people out there enjoying it from our community was really a testament to all the hard work that you all have put into it," she said.

Medina indicated that the BoCC will direct staff to move forward with getting the matter taken care of.

Maez noted that the request is within Harper's spending limit as county manager.

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Jicarilla Apache Nation earns grant to help plug orphaned oil and gas wells

U.S. Department of the Interior

The Department of the Interior recently announced a \$16.73 million investment to assist five tribal nations in cleaning up orphaned oil and gas wells on their homelands, including the Jicarilla Apache Nation.

This investment will support economic opportunities to address legacy pollution, reduce harmful methane leaks and tackle environmental hazards that threaten tribal communities. This builds on \$12 million in grants announced last month by the department and \$40 million allocated last year.

"Ensuring that tribal leaders have the opportunity to invest federal resources as needed is key to honoring tribal sovereignty. Our administration is committed to reducing legacy pollution on tribal lands, improving

public health and creating economic opportunities," said Secretary Deb Haaland.

Funding awarded may be utilized to plug, remediate or reclaim orphaned wells on tribal lands, restore soil and habitat in areas degraded due to orphaned wells, decommission or remove associated infrastructure, identify and characterize additional undocumented wells on tribal land, and set up well-plugging capacity where not already established.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides a total of \$4.7 billion to address orphaned wells across the country, including \$150 million specifically for tribal communities. Additional phase two tribal grants will be awarded and announced on a rolling basis.

Tribes may also request direct assistance from the Department,

through "In Lieu of Grant" funding, to administer and carry out plugging, remediation and reclamation activities on the tribe's behalf.

Orphaned oil and gas wells have the potential to jeopardize public health and safety by contaminating groundwater, seeping toxic chemicals, polluting drinking water sources, emitting dangerous pollutants and harming wildlife. Methane leaking from many of these unplugged wells is a severe safety hazard, a significant cause of climate change and more than 25 times as potent as carbon dioxide at trapping heat in the atmosphere.

The awards fund two categories of activities. Implementation grants support plugging, remediation and reclamation activities at orphaned well sites on tribal lands, including

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Sophomore Adelyn Hittle and Sophia Alexander took third and fourth, respectively, in the JV girls' race at last weekend's North Fruita Desert Classic.

DUST2 team takes sixth at North Fruita Desert Classic

By Adelyn Hittle
DUST2

To end an exciting and fantastic regular season for the Pagosa Springs DUST2 mountain bike team, the team attended its fourth race of the year in Fruita, Colo. (5,073 feet) last Saturday.

This was the first time that the Colorado High School Cycling League used the North Fruita Desert Classic course for a race venue, and all of the riders were excited to ride something new.

Starting and finishing in the campground of 18 Road, north of Fruita, many parts of the course were visible for spectators to view riders throughout races. The course started on a gravel road and quickly funneled into a windy singletrack with fun rollers and berms. Punchy uphill were spread throughout the 5.9-mile loop, adding up to 335 feet of climbing per lap.

With dusty conditions, the racers made sure to maintain control and strategize in order to maximize their energy. The temperatures reached the high 80s on Saturday, so the riders also made sure to hydrate really well, stay out of the sun as much as possible and soak themselves with cold water before, during and after their races to stay cool.

Thirteen DUST2 riders raced last weekend.

Thrilled to race first in the coolest

part of the day, the JV girls, totaling 23 participants, started off the day of racing at 8:30 a.m., with three DUST2 racers.

Racing two laps in the smoke and dust, Adelyn Hittle (sophomore) raced through the finish first for the team with a time of 55:02. Placing third in the JV girls category, Hittle contributed 521 points to the team score. Sophia Alexander (sophomore) charged across the finish line shortly after in fourth with a time of 55:22. Alexander raced with a cast on her right wrist and added 512 points to the team. Kaylee Hensle (junior) sprinted in next for the team in 16th position with a time of 1:04:40 and contributed 430 points to the team.

The freshmen girls started 10 minutes after the JV girls at 8:40 with 23 total participants. DUST2's lone racer in this category, Gianna Shaeffer, raced across the finish line with a time of 1:02:48, and placed 10th. Shaeffer added another 427 points to the team total.

In between races, the Colorado High School Cycling League honored all of the seniors racing with a senior sendoff in the middle of the venue. DUST2 honored the two seniors present: Rylie Carr, considered a legacy rider for racing all four years of high school, and James Jolley.

The next category to roll out were the sophomore boys at 11:20 a.m., with DUST2's largest representation of six riders.

Racing two laps in the increasing heat, Eric Smith finished first for the team in 21st with a time of 53:47 (365 points). Next to come in was Aaron Sowle in 30th position with a time of 55:56 (329 points). Sowle is recovering from a shoulder injury. Racing in shortly after was Justin Sewell in 34th position with a time of 56:33 (317 points). Van Halterman took 35th right after Sewell with a time of 56:45 (314 points). With a hard push, Heath Leentjes came in 59th position, timing 1:04:43 (277 points). Jackson Chaney pulled himself from the race after one lap because of an injury, but continued to support the team the whole day. There were 66 riders in the sophomore boys' category.

With conditions increasingly becoming warmer and more dusty, JV boys started next at 12:45 p.m.

DUST2 had two racers in this category of 96 participants. Also racing two laps, Weston Phillips (junior) finished first for the team, placing 18th with a time of 51:05, even with a shin injury. He added 420 points to the team total. Jolley finished his last race of high school strongly in 67th position with a time of 58:54. Jolley added 309 points to the team.

The last and hottest race of the day was the varsity girls' category. Racing at 2:10 with three dusty laps, Carr came in 11th position with a time of 1:25:22. Carr is the team's only varsity rider and was awarded the slingshot award for her performance at this

race. This means that Carr increased her placement from the last race more than any other girl at the race. Carr increased seven spots from her previous placement.

With it being the last race of the regular season, and the racer's last chance to qualify for state, everyone raced hard and did their best, with fantastic results.

Also, since it was the last race, regional awards were presented for the season. Hittle placed third overall for the season in the JV girls' category.

The team ended the day with 4,130 points, placing sixth in Division 2 for the day and fifth overall for the season.

All of the team is thrilled to compete at state in Glenwood Springs on Oct. 19-20.

Grant

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preplugging assessments; removal of contaminants from soil, groundwater, surface water and sediment; and restoring resources degraded by orphaned wells or associated pipelines, facilities and infrastructure. Program development grants support capacity-building activities that help tribal recipients prepare for future plugging, remediation and reclamation activities. Program development funding assists tribes in locating, inventorying and assessing orphaned wells, and in amplifying

tribal capacity and expertise through job creation, training and administrative support.

Tribal phase two projects

The Jicarilla Apache Nation received a \$3,162,500 implementation grant.

This project will evaluate and prioritize identified orphaned wells, inspect each location to estimate current contamination of surface water, groundwater, and measure current emissions of methane and other gases, and plug, remediate,

reclaim up to 19 orphaned well sites and adjacent lands.

Other tribal nations receiving funding include:

- The Chickasaw Nation received a \$499,993 implementation grant.
- The Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy Reservation received a \$2,006,533 implementation grant.
- The Comanche Nation received a \$1 million program development grant.
- The Osage Nation received a \$10,059,548 implementation grant.

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The Blotter

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Archuleta County Sheriff's Office
 Sept. 5 — Information only, Forest Service Road 649.

Sept. 7 — Rabies vaccination required, vicious dog without injury, Perry Drive.

Sept. 7 — Death investigation, U.S. 84.

Sept. 7 — Information only, Lakewood Street.

Sept. 7 — Second-degree assault-aggravated assault-weapon, second-degree assault, assault in the third degree, felony menacing-real/simulated weapon, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, Pebble Circle.

Sept. 7 — Information only, Beucler Place.

Sept. 8 — Warrant arrest, Doc Adams Road.

Sept. 8 — Second-degree assault on detention employee, menacing-misdemeanor, obstructing peace officer/police animal/fireman, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 8 — Assault in the third degree, violation of protection order-criminal, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, U.S. 160.

Sept. 9 — Unlawful possession of a controlled substance, criminal attempt second-degree murder-willful-nonfamily-weapon, first-degree assault-aggravated-nonfamily-weapon, resisting arrest, Solomon Drive.

Sept. 9 — Information only, Beaver Circle.

Sept. 9 — Warrant arrest, South

Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 10 — Improper driving in center lane, driving under the influence of alcohol, careless driving, Aspenglow Boulevard.

Sept. 10 — Trespass warning, Eagle's Loft Circle.

Sept. 10 — Information only, North 8th Street.

Sept. 10 — Information only, Ironwood Drive.

Sept. 11 — Information only, North Black Bear Place.

Sept. 11 — Warrant arrest, Turkey Lane.

Sept. 11 — Information only, Bravo taxiway Stevens Field Airport.

Sept. 11 — Driving under restraint, careless driving, County Road 700.

Sept. 11 — Information only, County Road 917.

Sept. 12 — Child abuse-negligence, South 8th Street.

Sept. 12 — Violation of protection order-criminal, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 12 — DUI per se, careless driving, Brook Drive.

Sept. 13 — Reckless driving, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 13 — Unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful distribution/manufacture/sale/possession of Schedule IV controlled substance, second-degree burglary-forced entry-residence, theft-less than \$300, criminal mischief \$300 to \$1,000 private, first-degree criminal trespass, criminal possession of a financial device, criminal possession of an identification document, trespass warning, Capulin Court.

Sept. 14 — Information only, Justin Road.

Sept. 14 — Death investigation, Fireside Street.

Sept. 14 — Information only, Indian Land Road.

Sept. 15 — Assault in the third

degree, felony-menacing-real/simulated weapon, harassment, Hilltop Drive.

Sept. 15 — Information only, Oakridge Drive.

Sept. 15 — Information only, Pinon Hills Drive.

Sept. 15 — Dog at large, Heritage Drive.

Sept. 15 — Agency assist, Weminuche Road.

Sept. 15 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 15 — Domestic violence, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, Forest Service Road 667.

Sept. 16 — Information only, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 17 — Agency assist, Forest Service Road 613.

Sept. 17 — Warrant arrest, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 17 — Violation of protection order-criminal, driving under restraint, driving after revocation prohibited (HTO), North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 17 — Warrant arrest, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 18 — Information only, Ace Court.

Sept. 18 — Driver's license-driving without, failure to display proof of insurance, Lakewood Street.

Sept. 18 — Warrant arrest, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 18 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, Paradise Drive.

Sept. 18 — Dog at large, Brook Drive.

Sept. 18 — Death investigation, Nutria Circle.

Sept. 19 — Criminal mischief \$300 to \$1,000 business, Frontier Avenue.

Sept. 19 — Warrant arrest, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 19 — Driver's license-driving without, driver's license-evade In-

terlock, failed to display valid registration, failure to display proof of insurance, U.S. 160.

Sept. 20 — Criminal mischief under \$300 public, domestic violence, Canyon Circle.

Sept. 20 — Warrant arrest, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 20 — Information only, Ranchland Drive.

Sept. 20 — Vicious dog without injury, Lakeside Drive.

Sept. 21 — Warrant arrest, County Road 982.

Sept. 21 — Agency assist, San Juan Street.

Sept. 21 — Under the influence of alcohol, turning improperly, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 21 — Dog at large, Cloman Boulevard.

Sept. 23 — Harassment-calls repeatedly, obstruction of telephone or telegraph service, Crooked Road.

Sept. 23 — Information only, Bastille Drive.

Sept. 23 — Information only, County Road 977.

Sept. 23 — Operated vehicle with expired license plates, no insurance-driver, U.S. 160.

Sept. 24 — Information only, Cactus Drive.

Sept. 24 — Theft-\$300 to \$750 from building, criminal mischief, County Road 119.

Sept. 24 — Disorderly conduct-petty, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 24 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 24 — Information only, Holiday Avenue.

Sept. 24 — Lane usage violation, reckless driving, Davidson Place.

Sept. 25 — Information only, Har-

man Park Drive.

Sept. 25 — Warrant arrest, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 25 — Nuisance/vicious animal, Pinon Causeway.

Sept. 25 — Driving under the influence of alcohol, DUI per se, careless driving, Piedra Road.

Sept. 26 — Obstructing peace officer/police animal/fireman, disobey police officer, driving under the influence of drugs (all other), U.S. 160.

Sept. 26 — Theft-\$300 to \$1,000, Highland Avenue.

Sept. 26 — Theft-\$300 to \$1,000, Bristlecone Drive.

Sept. 27 — Electronic mail fraud, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 27 — Warrant arrest, County Road 500.

Sept. 27 — Driving under the influence of alcohol, DUI per se, Red light-fail to stop, Majestic Drive.

Sept. 27 — Information only, County Road 631.

Sept. 28 — Death investigation, Leisure Court.

Pagosa Springs Police Department

Sept. 15 — Trespass warning, East Pagosa Street.

Sept. 15 — Dog at large, South 8th Street.

Sept. 17 — Information only, Eagle Drive.

Sept. 17 — Violation of protection order, San Juan Street.

Sept. 17 — Domestic violence, harassment-follows in public place DV, Trinity Lane.

Sept. 18 — Driving under restraint-alcohol/drug-related, Great West Avenue.

Sept. 18 — Harbored vicious animals prohibited, rabies vaccination required, Eaton Drive.

Sept. 19 — Warrant arrest-other jurisdiction, County Road 500.

Sept. 19 — Harassment, Aspen Village Drive.

Sept. 20 — Follow-up, South 8th Street.

Sept. 20 — Second-degree assault, South 5th Street.

Sept. 21 — Driver operated vehicle without insurance, San Juan Street.

Sept. 21 — Careless driving-cause death, San Juan Street.

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

Sept. 21 — Traffic stop, Florida Street.

Sept. 21 — Assault in the third degree, domestic violence, Eagle Drive.

Sept. 21 — Traffic stop, U.S. 160.

Sept. 23 — Second-degree burglary, motor vehicle theft, Goldmine Drive.

Sept. 23 — Assault in the third degree, North 8th Street.

Sept. 24 — Public buildings trespass, San Juan Street.

Sept. 24 — Drug paraphernalia-possession, assault in the third degree, menacing-misdemeanor, North 8th Street.

Sept. 25 — Theft-\$1,000 to \$2,000, North 8th Street.

Sept. 25 — Warrant arrest, 15th Place.

Sept. 25 — Violation of protection order-criminal, Pagosa Street.

Sept. 26 — Menacing, Hermosa Street.

Sept. 26 — Harassment/following person in a public place, Aspen Village Drive.

Sept. 26 — Careless driving causing injury, North Pagosa Boulevard.

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Steering wheel lock program expands into Archuleta County

By Mike Le Roux
 Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

The Archuleta County Sheriff's Office is excited to announce the expansion of the popular steering wheel lock program in partnership with the Colorado Auto Theft Prevention Authority.

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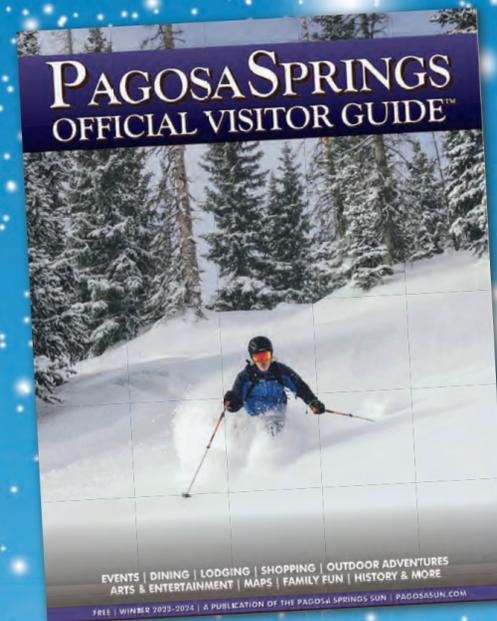
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Sept. 26 — Menacing-felony-aggravated-nonfamily-gun, South 10th Street.

Sept. 27 — Theft-\$2,000 to \$20,000-from yard, Pagosa Street.

Sept. 27 — Hit and run failed to remain on scene of accident-damage only, San Juan Street.

Sept. 27 — Disturbance, 8th Street.

Sept. 27 — Alcohol-under-21-possession/consumption, lane usage violation, driving under the influence of alcohol, DUI per se, turning without signaling, Pagosa Street.

Sept. 27 — Possess/consume alcohol by person under 21 years old, East Pagosa Street.

Sept. 28 — Driving under the influence of alcohol, Piedra Road.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Anthony D. Edwards

Sept. 23 — David Valdez, operated vehicle without muffler, fine, surcharge and costs — \$57.

Sept. 23 — Christopher Westen, vehicle not equipped with turn signals as required, fine and surcharge — \$22.

Sept. 23 — Evan Massaro, careless driving, four points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$202.

Sept. 23 — Jacob Carter, careless driving, four points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$202.

Sept. 23 — Bradley Davis, unsafe backing, two points off, fine and surcharge — \$37.

Sept. 23 — Larry Ross, failed to yield to oncoming traffic when making a left turn, three points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$116.

Sept. 24 — Hattie Chavez, harassment, fine and costs — \$135.

Sept. 24 — Falena Puerto, shoplifting, 10 days incarceration.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Sept. 3 — Leah Dianne Rocha,

speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.

Sept. 11 — Eric Ford, failed to use turn signal, weaving from traffic lane, fines and costs — \$216.

Sept. 12 — Jared Todd New, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.

Sept. 12 — Dustin Wayne Fiorenza, obstructing a peace officer, two days jail, fines and costs — \$199.50.

Sept. 12 — Brandy Alexa Shields, obstructing a peace officer, 12 months unsupervised probation, fines and costs — \$219.50.

Sept. 12 — Thomas Audetat, careless driving resulting in death, careless driving resulting in death, 200 hours community service, four years unsupervised probation, \$2,000 donation to Biker's Down in the name of Chad and Melissa White, fines and costs — \$201.50.

Sept. 18 — Adrian R. Harrison, no insurance-driver, fines and costs — \$519.50.

Sept. 18 — Reyes Behavente, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

Sept. 18 — Jose A. Real Hernandez, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

Sept. 18 — Noah J. Swartout, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

Sept. 18 — Jaime Orlando Naranjo, off-highway vehicle operated on street, fines and costs — \$118.50.

Sept. 18 — Brian Garcia, resisting arrest, 30 days jail, fines and costs — \$199.50.

Sept. 25 — Arvel Paul Chavez, driving under the influence-with prior conviction, 48 hours community service, 24 months probation updated sentence, 30 days electronic surveillance, fines and costs — \$1,920.50.

Sept. 25 — Allison K. Drucker, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and

costs — \$210.50.

Sept. 25 — Emma Anne Rice, drug paraphernalia-possess, 16 hours community service, fines and costs — \$91.

Sept. 25 — David A. Bowman, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$82.50.

Sept. 25 — Chelsea E. Serrano, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs — \$255.

Sept. 25 — Robert Leonard Lujan Jr., speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.

Sept. 25 — Jacob R. Carter, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

Sept. 25 — Christopher M. Cornett, speeding 10-19 over limit, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$327.50.

Sept. 25 — Mark R. Coughlin, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$133.50.

Sept. 25 — Elizabeth Koethler Fehr, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs — \$290.

Sept. 25 — Gonzalez Emilio Gastelum, obedience to official traffic control device, fines and costs — \$170.

Sept. 25 — Antonio Herrera, driving under restraint, fines and costs — \$177.50.

Sept. 25 — Hannah Helena Mill, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.

Sept. 25 — Ariany S. Pereira-Bruschi, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

Sept. 26 — Jonathan Kenneth Payne, driving under the influence, 10 days electronic surveillance, 48 hours community service, 12 months probation, fines and costs — \$1,468.50.

Sept. 26 — Maverick Martinez, driving under restraint-alcohol-related, 12 months unsupervised deferred

sentence revoked, 30 days jail, fines and costs — \$329.50.

Sept. 26 — Maverick D. Martinez, driving under restraint-alcohol-related, 30 days jail, fines and costs — \$826.50.

Sept. 26 — Kristina Costa, criminal mischief-under \$300, fines and costs — \$125.99.

Sept. 26 — Daniel T. Reichman, leaving scene/accident-unattended vehicle, 30 days jail, fines and costs — \$301.50.

Sept. 27 — Cody Mitchell Gorbea, speeding 5-9 over, fines and costs — \$160.

Sept. 27 — Matthew Stephen Lloyd Wolford, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs — \$85.

Sept. 27 — Ashlyn Deyapp, speeding 5-9 over limit, fines and costs — \$127.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Sept. 26 — Donald Jesus Nunez, menacing, one year probation, fines and costs — \$903.50.

Sept. 26 — Daniel Thomas Reichman, menacing, weapon-prohibited use-aim firearm, 180 days jail, 180 days jail, fines and costs — \$336.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

Sept. 6 — Christopher Ross Maez, murder 1-after deliberation, one life Department of Corrections, fines and costs — \$456.50.

Sept. 23 — Spencer Lee Buckingham, burglary 2-of building, three years Department of Corrections, fines and costs — \$428.50.

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Archuleta County, Colorado

Light Plant Road Resurfacing
Archuleta County, Colorado is in the process of finalizing the above listed project constructed by PAP, LLC, P.O. Box 758, Bayfield, Colorado 81122. Any claims against this project by suppliers, subcontractors, or others should be delivered to the project engineering firm of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. at 188 S. 8th Street, P.O. Box 1208, Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147. All claims shall be delivered prior to November 4, 2024. Any claims received on or after November 4, 2024 shall not be considered. Claim forms can be obtained from Davis Engineering Service, Inc. (Phone 970-264-5055). Published October 10 and 24, 2024 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*. (247808)

District Court
Archuleta County, Colorado
Court Address: 109 Harman Park Dr.
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

In the Interest of: Pasha Namin
Case Number: 24PR8

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION

PURSUANT TO § 15-10-401, C.R.S.

To: Farhad Namin
Last Known Address, if any: n/a
A hearing on Petition for Appointment of Guardian for Minor for best interest of minor will be served by the appointment of a guardian as parents are unwilling or unable to exercise their parental rights due to mental, physical or financial ability to provide for the child will be held at the following or at a later date to which the hearing may be continued:

Date: November 12, 2024
Time: 11:00 am
Courtroom or Division: 1
Address: 109 Harman Park Dr. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

The hearing will take approximately 1 hours.
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District Court
Archuleta County, Colorado
Court Address: 109 Harman Park Dr.
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

In the Interest of: Xander Perez
Case Number: 24PR9

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION

PURSUANT TO § 15-10-401, C.R.S.

To: Ricky Perez
Last Known Address, if any: n/a
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District Court
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Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

In the Matter of the Estate of: Chrystal Marie Snow
Case Number: 24PR30046

Matthew Campbell, Attorney for Laura Stewart
170 E 12th St. Ste. 9
Durango, CO 81301
Phone number: (970) 422-4270
E-mail: matthew@cslegal.com
Atty. Reg. 42713

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION

PURSUANT TO § 15-10-401, C.R.S.

To: John Martinez
Last Known Address, if any: n/a
A hearing on Formal Petition For Probate of Will and appointment of Personal Representative will be held at the following or at a later date to which the hearing may be continued:

Date: 10/28/2024
Time: 1:30
Courtroom or Division: 1
Address: 109 Harman Park Dr. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

The hearing will take approximately 2 hours.
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District Court
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Court Address: 109 Harman Park Dr.
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

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Last Known Address, if any: n/a
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NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION

PURSUANT TO § 15-10-401, C.R.S.

To: Angela Garcia
Last Known Address, if any: n/a
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Archuleta County, Colorado
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Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

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FOR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ON October 15, 2024

HOLLY PRATT has applied for a GENERAL VARIANCE on the Parcel in SEC 12, TWN 32, RNG 6W, at 1868 County Road 975, Arboles, CO (PLN24-140). The property is zoned AGRICULTURAL RANCHING (AR).

Comments regarding this case may be submitted to 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 the public hearing by the Archuleta County Planning Commission on October 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs and via Zoom Link.

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NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED

To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and to Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:

DIANE CHONOS
496 CALLE CANELA
SAN DIMAS, CA 91773
RONALD CHONOS
2612 EAST GARVEY AVE S
WEST COVINA, CA 91791

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 4th day of November 2021, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to JACOB J BERKE the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:

LOT 413, LAKE FOREST ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JUNE 4, 1973, AS RECEPTION NO. 77869, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO

Account Number: R009165
Schedule Number: 569918307046
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2021-05257
and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to JACOB J BERKE.

That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2020:

That said property was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of RONALD CHONOS and DIANE CHONOS for said year 2020:

That said JACOB J BERKE on the 3rd day of September 2024, the present holder of said certificate (who has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to JACOB J BERKE on the 12th day of February 2025, unless the same has been redeemed;

That said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.

Witness my hand this 11th day of September 2024
Elsa P. White

The Archuleta County Treasurer's department will be holding a live Public Auction for the property described above on January 22, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at the Treasurer's Office 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, CO. If interested, please contact our office for details about the requirements to participate in this auction. (970) 264-8325.

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The Town of Pagosa Springs has received an application for "Final Major Design Review" for a 4,932 square foot multi story dental facility building to be located 2737 Cornerstone Drive.

The Design Review Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. to consider the Final Major Design Review Application at 551 Hot Springs Blvd and available for remote attendance via the Zoom meeting platform. To access the meeting agendas and staff reports, click the round **Minutes** and **Agendas** tab located along the bottom of the photo on the Town's website home page at pagosaprices.com. You may also view the application at mypagosa.org/proposed-development/20240925.

We encourage interested parties to contact the Planning Division prior to the public hearing dates, with any questions at either (970) 585-8633 or jdickhoff@pagosaprices.com. Written comments received 7 days prior to the meeting or public hearing will be forwarded to the Design Review Board for their consideration. Public comments will be accepted at the public hearing.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

PURSUANT TO § 15-12-801, C.R.S.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Britney Christine Chaisson
Case Number 2024 PR 30054
All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to the District Court of Archuleta, County, Colorado on or before February 10, 2025, or

the claims may be forever barred.

Daniel L. Fiedler, Attorney at Law
190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

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R010298 ARMENTA ABEALARDO REAZA
Parcel:569919429003
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot:556 PV Sec:19
Twn:35 Rng:2W
40 PORT AVE
Total Due:\$586.44

R003173 BACA KAITLIN
Parcel:56931110001
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:10 Lot:13
AS 4 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W
56 NUTRIA CIR
Total Due:\$464.17

Parcel:569919207013
Subdivision: LAKE FOREST EST Lot:558 LFE Sec:19
Twn:35 Rng:2W
192 STEVENS CIR
Total Due:\$2,120.22

R003728 BUTLER KELLY COWAN
Parcel:569313206002
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:1 Lot:2 AS 4
Sec:13 Twn:34 Rng:3W MBL HOME TITLE:PURGE
AD VALOREM 1/1/00 SERIAL:KM1G9898K183221ABC
YEAR:1998 MAKE:KIT/GOLDEN STATE SIZE:40X64
88 BLUE JAY CIR
Total Due:\$904.07

R015346 DENOMME SHAY W
Parcel:589315302016
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:632 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
1766 CROOKED RD
Total Due:\$1,481.51

R016780 DERMODY TREEHOUSE TRUST DATED
7/15/2022
Parcel:597335301001
Subdivision: NAVAJO PEAK RANCH Lot:5 NPR Sec:35
Twn:33 Rng:2E
7860 COUNTY RD 382
Total Due:\$485.51

R016831 DITTER STEVEN J
Parcel:614706201006
Subdivision: NAVAJO RIVER RANCH UNIT 2 Lot:27
NRR 2 Sec:6 Twn:32 Rng:2E
2816 RUNNING HORSE PL
Total Due:\$62.26

R019027 GADDIS JAMES WILLIAM
Parcel:569315202078
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:285 AS 5
Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:3W
X DAVE'S PL
Total Due:\$722.58

R013755 GALLEGOS CHRIS J
Parcel:588705201014
Subdivision: PAGOSA PINES 4 Lot:5 PAG PINES 4
Sec:5 Twn:34 Rng:1W
186 ECHO CREEK DR
Total Due:\$1,263.49

R014282 GALLEGOS STEVE R
Parcel:588728102002
Subdivision: RIO BL SUB A Block:2 Lot:2 RBV A Sec:28
Twn:34 Rng:1W
56 THUNDER BASIN CT
Total Due:\$1,403.23

Rng:2W MBL HOME TITLE:PURGED AD VALOREM
1/1/22 SERIAL:15700PHAO01817A YEAR:2017
MAKE:CHAMPION SIZE:15X56
384 BONANZA AVE
Total Due:\$682.01

R017975 HERRERA JOSEPH ERNEST
Parcel:616313100001
RURAL Sec:13 Twn:32 Rng:6W A TRACT OF LAND
LYING IN THE E2 OF
762 COUNTY RD 975
Total Due:\$363.75

R015311 HERRERA VICTORIA HELEN
Parcel:589315202024
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:624 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
201 DOC ADAMS RD
Total Due:\$528.96

R015591 KREBS JESSICA
Parcel:589316203056
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:163 AS 6
Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W
52 RYAN'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R015595 KREBS JESSICA
Parcel:589316203060
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:161 AS 6
Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W
77 RYAN'S CT
Total Due:\$861.30

R015286 KRISINTU NANTIA
Parcel:589315201068
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:699 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
118 GUN BARREL RD
Total Due:\$285.22

R020605 BARNAS KATHERINE
Parcel:569915310013
Subdivision: OLD WEST LANDING Lot:22 OWL Sec:15
Twn:35 Rng:2W
18 ACE CT
Total Due:\$1,186.19

R015229 BUTTERFIELD CAROLINE E
Parcel:589315201006
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:730 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
73 BUTZKE CT
Total Due:\$285.22

R015229 BUTTERFIELD CAROLINE E
Parcel:589315201006
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:730 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
73 BUTZKE CT
Total Due:\$285.22

R003121 HERRMANN ANDREW
Parcel:569911100006
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:11 Lot:34
AS 4 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W
89 E STOLLSTEIMER RD
Total Due:\$890.23

R009460 HIER JAMES & GEORGIA & SCOTT
Parcel:569919134026
Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot:55 LWV Sec:19
Twn:35 Rng:2W
237 SANDLEWOOD DR
Total Due:\$372.74

R015287 KRISINTU NANTIA
Parcel:589315201068
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:700 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
144 GUN BARREL RD
Total Due:\$285.96

R020604 BARNAS KATHERINE
Parcel:569915310012
Subdivision: OLD WEST LANDING Lot:20 AND:- Lot:21
OWL Sec:15 Twn:35 Rng:2W
120 COUNTY RD 600
Total Due:\$2,782.46

R010971 CARRANZA MARLON V
Parcel:569922014011
Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot:289 LWV Sec:20
Twn:35 Rng:2W
359 OAKWOOD CIR
Total Due:\$1,454.85

R013249 DITTER STEVEN J
Parcel:570128300083
RURAL Sec:28 Twn:35 Rng:1W 35-1W SEC 28
NW4SW4; 28-35-1W #20405806
X TERRY ROBINSON RD
Total Due:\$7,824.39

R005774 GARCIA ANGELICA M
Parcel:569920010010
Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:19 Lot:10 LPP
Sec:8 Twn:35 Rng:2W
28 E RADIANT CT
Total Due:\$999.37

R009461 HIER JAMES A & GEORGIA MAE
Parcel:569919134027
Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot:54 LWV Sec:19
Twn:35 Rng:2W
223 SANDLEWOOD DR
Total Due:\$372.74

R013772 L & D TRUST DATED 11/28/14
Parcel:588705301021
Subdivision: PAGOSA PINES 4 Lot:1 PAG PINES 4
Sec:5 Twn:34 Rng:1W
163 ECHO CREEK DR
Total Due:\$1,832.47

R011261 BATTS R BRUCE
Parcel:569921101051
Subdivision: COTTAGES ASPEN VILLAGE Lot:51 CAAV
Sec:21 Twn:35 Rng:2W
35 LITTLE PINE LN
Total Due:\$342.99

R014222 CAWLEY WALTER A
Parcel:588727200004
RURAL Sec:27 Twn:34 Rng:1W A TRACT OF LAND
IN THE W2M4 OF
9363 US HWY 64
Total Due:\$3,974.61

R013248 DITTER STEVEN J
Parcel:570128300077
RURAL Sec:28 Twn:35 Rng:1W 35-1W SEC 28
NW4SW4; 28-35-1W #20408120
X TERRY ROBINSON RD
Total Due:\$7,824.39

R020214 GARDNER ALLEN
Parcel:616117211027
Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Block:1 Lot:14, PP
1 Sec:17 Twn:32 Rng:5W
X LAKE VIEW DR
Total Due:\$274.00

R009461 HIER JAMES A & GEORGIA MAE
Parcel:569919134027
Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot:54 LWV Sec:19
Twn:35 Rng:2W
223 SANDLEWOOD DR
Total Due:\$372.74

R017981 LA TIENDA DE ROSA LLC
Parcel:616313100117
RURAL Sec:13 Twn:32 Rng:6W TRACT IN N2NE4
1648 COUNTY RD 975
Total Due:\$511.00

R011260 BATTS R BRUCE
Parcel:569921101050
Subdivision: COTTAGES ASPEN VILLAGE Lot:50 CAAV
Sec:21 Twn:35 Rng:2W
49 LITTLE PINE LN
Total Due:\$342.99

R011752 CERVIO ORION
Parcel:569924203002
Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block:49
Lot:13 PS Sec:13 Twn:35 Rng:2W
358 S 8TH ST
Total Due:\$1,408.75

R015274 DORSEY DAWN
Parcel:589315201054
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:688 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
138 HARRY'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R020212 GARDNER ALLEN
Parcel:616117211025
Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Block:1 Lot:6, PP
1 Sec:17 Twn:32 Rng:5W
X LAKE VIEW DR
Total Due:\$274.00

R015426 HILL AARON R
Parcel:589315404093
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:769 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
2617 CROOKED RD
Total Due:\$285.96

R006402 LANDER LENA
Parcel:569913305009
Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block:18
Lot:14 PS Sec:13 Twn:35 Rng:2W
226 N 6TH ST
Total Due:\$1,771.78

R01468 BEARCE JONATHAN
Parcel:558351010114
Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot:490 PHE
Sec:35 Twn:36 Rng:2SW
401 MONTE VISTA DR
Total Due:\$931.92

R014540 CHAISSON BRITNEY
Parcel:588735201007
Subdivision: HUDSON RIO BLANCO S Lot:18 HRB 5
Sec:35 Twn:34 Rng:1W DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H
990012350970;
177 DARCIE PL
Total Due:\$485.77

R015273 DORSEY DAWN
Parcel:589315201053
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:688 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
134 HARRY'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R020210 GARDNER ALLEN
Parcel:616117211023
Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Block:1 Lot:4 PP
1 Sec:17 Twn:32 Rng:5W
X LAKE VIEW DR
Total Due:\$274.00

R015424 HILL AARON R
Parcel:589315404091
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:767 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
75 PIT CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R003349 LANE WILLIAM
Parcel:569311321007
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:18 Lot:11
AS 4 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W
124 HAYSTACK PL
Total Due:\$922.16

R015399 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304162
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:516 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
90 GEORGE'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R014487 CHILDS JOHN STEVEN PHD
Parcel:588734100014
RURAL Sec:24 Twn:34 Rng:1W A TRACT OF LAND
LOCATED IN AKA HUDSONS RIO BLANCO 2A LOTS
8A, 9A
285 GERHARD CIR
Total Due:\$1,367.62

R017179 DOWNEY RODNEY
Parcel:615112101019
Subdivision: ALR ELK RDG 1 Tract:11 ALR ER 1 Sec:12
Twn:35 Rng:1W
509 S BLACK BEAR PL
Total Due:\$63.17

R01065 GARZORIA ENRIQUE & CONSUELO V
Parcel:588325302155
Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot:295 PHE
Sec:25 Twn:36 Rng:2SW
1450 HILLS CIR
Total Due:\$1,376.14

R015427 HILL AARON R
Parcel:589315404094
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:770 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
74 5TH CT
Total Due:\$1,631.35

R006112 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569908311025
Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:7 W2
AND:- Lot:8 AND:- Lot:9 LPP Sec:8 Twn:35 Rng:2W
LPP LPP
565 CLOUD CAP AVE
Total Due:\$1,909.04

R015400 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304163
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:506 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
131 IVAN'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R010229 CLARK KAREN L
Parcel:569919425036
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot:592 AND:- Lot:593 PV
Sec:19 Twn:35 Rng:2W PV DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H
#990012350892
506 VISTA BLVD
Total Due:\$1,026.25

R014826 DUTTON CHERYL D
Parcel:589115202003
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot:322 PM 4
Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:2W
1433 HARVARD AVE
Total Due:\$2,020.41

R012407 GB HOLMES FAMILY TRUST
Parcel:569930201028
Subdivision: PAGOSA TRAILS Lot:22-23 PT Sec:30
Twn:35 Rng:2W
168 SAM HOUSTON AVE
Total Due:\$1,474.19

R015169 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204002
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:64 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
247 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$416.43

R006112 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569912201002
Subdivision: LEEPER MINOR Lot:2 LEEPR MIN Sec:12
Twn:35 Rng:2W TRACT IN SW4NW4
1390 COUNTY RD 400
Total Due:\$3,079.11

R015377 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304047
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:507 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
107 IVAN'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R017217 CHURCH OF TETRAHEDRONGRAMTON
Parcel:615518400004
Subdivision: RURAL NOT IN SUBD RURAL Sec:18-19
Twn:32 Rng:2W S2SE4; 18-32-2W N2NE4; 19-32-2W
#20012224 DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H# 990012351982
4200 COUNTY RD 551
Total Due:\$3,115.51

R015410 EDENFIELD COLIN F
Parcel:589315404077
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:753 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
58 LAZY CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R010859 GERMOND KELLIE
Parcel:569920208031
Subdivision: LAKEVIEW ESTATES Lot:86 LVE Sec:20
Twn:35 Rng:2W
146 DRIFTWOOD DR
Total Due:\$2,283.28

R017933 HITTI MICHAEL J & KRISTY L
Parcel:616310100007
Subdivision: POWDERKEG RANCH Lot:2 PORTION
OF RURAL Sec:10 Twn:32 Rng:6W A TRACT OF LAND
IN THE NE4
1934 COUNTY RD 988
Total Due:\$402.92

R006112 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569912201002
Subdivision: LEEPER MINOR Lot:2 LEEPR MIN Sec:12
Twn:35 Rng:2W TRACT IN SW4NW4
1390 COUNTY RD 400
Total Due:\$3,079.11

R015374 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304044
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:519 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
101 GEORGE'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R014902 CLARK DW
Parcel:589304405002
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:161 AND:-
Lot:162 AS 5 Sec:4 Twn:34U Rng:3W AS 5
99 TOM'S PL
Total Due:\$1,408.79

R012851 EDWARDS FAMILY HOLDINGS LLC
Parcel:569936103008
Subdivision: HOLIDAY ACRES 2 Block:4 Lot:26 HA 2
Sec:36 Twn:35 Rng:2W
1885 SHENANDOAH DR
Total Due:\$2,463.26

R015168 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204002
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:64 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
295 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$453.28

R015170 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204004
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:66 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
163 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$423.14

R005637 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569908311025
Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:7 W2
AND:- Lot:8 AND:- Lot:9 LPP Sec:8 Twn:35 Rng:2W
LPP LPP
565 CLOUD CAP AVE
Total Due:\$1,909.04

R015376 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304046
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:517 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
108 GEORGE'S CT
Total Due:\$528.96

R010229 CLARK KAREN L
Parcel:569919425036
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot:592 AND:- Lot:593 PV
Sec:19 Twn:35 Rng:2W PV DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H
#990012350892
506 VISTA BLVD
Total Due:\$1,026.25

R015529 ELLIS DEBORAH ANNE
Parcel:589316103011
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:595 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
149 ENGINEER POINT
Total Due:\$528.96

R015167 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204003
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:65 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
199 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$451.02

R015171 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204007
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:76 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
143 RETREAT CT
Total Due:\$553.44

R006112 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569912201002
Subdivision: LEEPER MINOR Lot:2 LEEPR MIN Sec:12
Twn:35 Rng:2W TRACT IN SW4NW4
1390 COUNTY RD 400
Total Due:\$3,079.11

R010127 BECHARD THOMAS L
Parcel:569919421040
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot:426 PV Sec:19
Twn:35 Rng:2W MBL HOME TITLE:PURGE AD-
VALOREM 1/1/99 SERIAL:12327532A/B YEAR:1998
MAKE:REDMAN/SOUTHWOOD SIZE:28X40
391 LAKE ST
Total Due:\$962.58

R003731 CONNOLLY MICHAEL P
Parcel:569313206008
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:1 Lot:6 AS
4 Sec:13 Twn:34 Rng:3W
232 BLUE JAY CIR
Total Due:\$386.52

R015528 ELLIS DEBORAH ANNE
Parcel:589316103011
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:594 AS 6
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
154 ENGINEER POINT
Total Due:\$528.96

R015169 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204003
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:65 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
199 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$451.02

R015170 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204004
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:66 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
163 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$423.14

R005637 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569908311025
Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:10 LPP
Sec:8 Twn:35 Rng:2W
573 CLOUD CAP AVE
Total Due:\$528.96

R004137 BENNETT BRANDON
Parcel:569522401014
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:1 Lot:6 AS
1 Sec:22 Twn:35 Rng:2.5W
1253 OAK DR
Total Due:\$1,049.75

R010229 CLARK KAREN L
Parcel:569919425036
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot:592 AND:- Lot:593 PV
Sec:19 Twn:35 Rng:2W PV DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H
#990012350892
506 VISTA BLVD
Total Due:\$1,026.25

R015528 ELLIS DEBORAH ANNE
Parcel:589316103011
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:594 AS 6
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
154 ENGINEER POINT
Total Due:\$528.96

R015167 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204003
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:65 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
199 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$451.02

R015170 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204004
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:66 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
163 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$423.14

R005637 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569908311025
Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:10 LPP
Sec:8 Twn:35 Rng:2W
573 CLOUD CAP AVE
Total Due:\$528.96

R011569 BERMEA CAROL R
Parcel:569922203003
Subdivision: PAGOSA ALPHA Lot:22-5N & 5 MID PA
Sec:22 Twn:35 Rng:2W NW4NW4NE4NW4 AND THE
SW4NW4NE4NW4
482 E MCCABE ST
Total Due:\$3,966.35

R010863 COOK JEFFREY STEPHEN
Parcel:569920208036
Subdivision: LAKEVIEW ESTATES Lot:90 LVE Sec:20
Twn:35 Rng:2W
37 CATTAIL CT
Total Due:\$1,096.23

R015529 ELLIS DEBORAH ANNE
Parcel:589316103011
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:595 AS 6
Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W
149 ENGINEER POINT
Total Due:\$528.96

R015169 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204003
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:65 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
199 GULLY PL
Total Due:\$451.02

R015170 GHOREISHI ALI
Parcel:589310204007
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:76 AS 5
Sec:10 Twn:34U Rng:3W
143 RETREAT CT
Total Due:\$553.44

R006112 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST
Parcel:569912201002
Subdivision: LEEPER MINOR Lot:2 LEEPR MIN Sec:12
Twn:35 Rng:2W TRACT IN SW4NW4
1390 COUNTY RD 400
Total Due:\$3,079.11

R015668 BEVAN BROOKE C
Parcel:589316208091
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:260 AS 6
Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W
195 CROOKED RD
Total Due:\$213.33

R015452 COUNTRY MILE LAND LLC
Parcel

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Total Due:\$212.56	Total Due:\$464.17	R003982 OSTAPOWICZ MICHAEL REVOCABLE TRUST ESTABLISHED 8/17/2017 Parcel:569303402021 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:293 AS 5 Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:3W 623 CAROL'S CURVES Total Due:\$722.58	R003002 ROMINE ROBERT R Parcel:569303402021 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:16 Lot:6 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W DOES NOT INCLUDE MH 990012351821 239 BADGER PL Total Due:\$209.97	R017940 SOLECKI WILLIAM W Parcel:616310400006 RURAL Sec:10 Twn:32 Rng:6W 32-6W SEC 10 3/4 IN SE4SE4; 10-32-6W #20700399 21065 STATE HWY 151 Total Due:\$331.86	Parcel:569302109021 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:7 Lot:21 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 844 RACCOON DR Total Due:\$120.17
R015969 LUGO KAREN Parcel:569252100028 RURAL Sec:29 Twn:34U Rng:4W SE4NW4 5055 STATE HWY 151 Total Due:\$2,129.89	R002339 MARTIN LEON MATTHEW Parcel:569302204027 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:4 Lot:6 AS 1 1 Sec:1 Twn:34 Rng:3W 1170 OAK DR Total Due:\$1,049.75	R013975 PACK CODY W Parcel:588715100032 RURAL Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:1W W2NE4NE4E4 X CATCHPOLE DR Total Due:\$1,149.17	R003366 ROUSSEAU MICHAEL Parcel:569311323016 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:20 Lot:7 AS 4 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W 135 HAYSTACK CIR Total Due:\$1,557.91	R017295 SONIAT DU FOSSAT JOSHUA LEIGH Parcel:615916400008 RURAL Sec:16 Twn:32 Rng:4W TRACT IN SE4SE4; 16-32-4W #20709322; DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H 990012351253; 32865 COUNTY RD 500 Total Due:\$213.48	Parcel:5692109018 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:7 Lot:18 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 716 RACCOON DR Total Due:\$120.17
R015256 LUTZ PERRY ALEXANDER Parcel:589315201033 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:671 AS 6 Sec:15 Twn:34U Rng:3W 72 JANS CT Total Due:\$528.96	R015375 MARTINDALE SHAWN Parcel:589315304045 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:518 AS 6 Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:3W 107 GEORGE'S CT Total Due:\$528.96	R013955 PACK DIANE F Parcel:588714200019 RURAL Sec:14 Twn:34 Rng:1W W2W2NW4N4W4 DOES NOT INCLUDE MH 990012351908; TAXABLE 2002 701 CATCHPOLE DR Total Due:\$512.22	R000771 SABATINO SAGAN Parcel:558324300072 Subdivision: RESERVE PAG PEAK PH3 Lot:72 RPP 3 Sec:24 Twn:36 Rng:2.5W 72 SANTINO PL Total Due:\$1,702.87	R002562 SPROWLE DAVID H Parcel:569302109006 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:7 Lot:6 AS 1 1 Sec:1 Twn:34 Rng:3W 461 ELK DR Total Due:\$543.18	R002704 WALLIS PAMELA J Parcel:569302109019 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:7 Lot:19 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 762 RACCOON DR Total Due:\$120.17
R002786 LUX JASON Parcel:569302204027 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:5 Lot:33 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 396 BOBCAT LN Total Due:\$893.23	R017193 MARTINEZ MATTHEW Parcel:615113400056 RURAL Sec:13 Twn:32 Rng:1W A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SE4 3701 COUNTY RD 391 Total Due:\$2,082.25	R018988 PAGOSA LODGING LLC Parcel:569921226035 Sec:21 Twn:35 Rng:2W A TRACT OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF PARCEL A OF THE PAGOSA LODGE MINOR IMPACT SUBDIVISION X W US HWY 160 Total Due:\$83.84	R003387 SAINTE JOHN TAE Parcel:569311411027 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:8 Lot:45 AND - Lot:53 AS 4 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W AS 4 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W 65 STARBRIGHT CT Total Due:\$3,312.41	R013980 STANFIELD ROBERT O 3RD Parcel:588715100100 RURAL Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:2.5W A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN W2SW4SW4NE4E4 X CATCHPOLE DR Total Due:\$390.58	R002707 WALLIS PAMELA J Parcel:569302109022 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:7 Lot:22 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W DOES NOT INCLUDE MH 990012352071; 229 DOWN AND OUT RD Total Due:\$385.79
R002787 LUX JASON Parcel:569302204028 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:5 Lot:34 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 340 BOBCAT LN Total Due:\$1,263.40	R013353 MARTINEZ RYAN L Parcel:570131100023 RURAL Sec:31 Twn:35 Rng:1W TRACT IN NW4NE4 RURAL Sec:32 Twn:35 Rng:1W TRACT IN NW4NW4 DOES NOT INCLUDE MH 990012351106 44 PEAK VIEW CT Total Due:\$4,100.14	R006576 PANTER ADRIENNE J Parcel:569913325004 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block:47 Lot:6 PS Sec:13 Twn:35 Rng:2W 343 S 9TH ST Total Due:\$51.00	R014968 SALMANSOHN WILLIAM RAFAEL Parcel:589309103004 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:74 AS 5 Sec:9 Twn:34U Rng:3W 84 RETREAT CT Total Due:\$82.74	R002579 STANFIELD ROBERT O 3RD Parcel:569301409023 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:7 Lot:25 AS 1 Sec:1 Twn:34 Rng:3W 9893 W US HWY 160 Total Due:\$586.82	R003203 WALLIS PAMELA JEAN Parcel:569311202019 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:2 Lot:1 AS 2 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W 43 BUTTERCUP DR Total Due:\$1,192.18
R002382 LYNK HARRY ABE II Parcel:569301100002 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:11 Lot:2 AND - Lot:3 AS 1 Sec:1 Twn:34 Rng:3W AS 1 194 SPURCE CIR Total Due:\$1,207.76	R01367 MARTINEZ STANLEY J & ANNETTE A Parcel:569921211032 Subdivision: PAGOSA ALPHA Lot:21-11A PA Sec:21 Twn:35 Rng:2W SZNW4SE4NW4 77 W MCCABE ST Total Due:\$2,697.20	R013530 PARGIN KAREN E Parcel:570132303016 Subdivision: PAGOSA PINES 2 Lot:14 - Subdivision: PAGOSA PINES 4 Lot:19 PAG PINES 2 Sec:32 Twn:35 Rng:1W 379 TERRY ROBINSON RD Total Due:\$1,527.86	R014967 SALMANSOHN WILLIAM RAFAEL Parcel:589309103003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:73 AS 5 Sec:6 Twn:34U Rng:3W 32 RETREAT CT Total Due:\$733.16	R017579 STANFIELD ROBERT O III Parcel:616117204010 Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A PP 2A Sec:17 Twn:32 Rng:5W PLANTING AREA X PIEDRA PKWY Total Due:\$58.36	R002708 WALLIS PAMELA J Parcel:569302109023 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:7 Lot:23 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 167 DOWN AND OUT RD Total Due:\$729.26
R011688 MAKISH STEPHEN S & MAKISH DIANE L LAPPAMAN Parcel:569922920949 Subdivision: PAGOSA ALPHA Lot:23-12 S2 PA Sec:23 Twn:35 Rng:2W SZNW4SW4NW4 914 OAKBRUSH ST Total Due:\$2,697.20	R010994 MBT PROPERTIES LLC Parcel:569920321006 Subdivision: SOUTH VILLAGE LAKE Lot:6 SVL Sec:20 Twn:35 Rng:2W 425 LAKESIDE DR Total Due:\$2,804.54	R016187 PAYNE PEGGY Parcel:569501201015 Subdivision: RIO BL CAB SITE 1 Lot:60 RBCS 1 Sec:1 Twn:33 Rng:2W DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H 990012350997; 284 PIPER PL Total Due:\$188.27	R014967 SALMANSOHN WILLIAM RAFAEL Parcel:589309103003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:73 AS 5 Sec:6 Twn:34U Rng:3W 32 RETREAT CT Total Due:\$733.16	R017578 STANFIELD ROBERT O III Parcel:616117204010 Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A Block:2 Lot:13 PP 2A Sec:17 Twn:32 Rng:5W 180 COUNTY RD 982 Total Due:\$120.77	R003204 WALLIS RANDALL N & PAMELA J Parcel:569311202017 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:2 Lot:3 AS 2 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W DOES NOT INCLUDE MH 990012351016; 87 BUTTERCUP DR Total Due:\$120.17
R004510 MANDY DAVID G Parcel:569525203019 Subdivision: CHRIS MTN VILLAGE 2 Lot:232-233 CMV 2 Sec:25 Twn:35 Rng:2.5W 127 YEOMAN DR Total Due:\$595.17	R003505 MEDLIN GABRIEL AUGUST Parcel:569312107007 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block:9 Lot:7 AS 3 Sec:12 Twn:34 Rng:3W 183 ECHO LN Total Due:\$894.68	R015497 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel:56991316101003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:658 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 657 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due:\$528.96	R016939 SALTZMANN DEANDRIA Parcel:614907203003 Subdivision: AL ELK RDG 1 Tract:15 ALR ER 1 Sec:7 Twn:32 Rng:1E 1112 S BLACK BEAR PL Total Due:\$505.84	R015567 STAVANO ERIC Parcel:589316103095 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:96 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 212 WITS END PL Total Due:\$528.96	R003202 WALLIS RANDALL N & PAMELA J Parcel:569311202018 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:2 Lot:2 AS 2 Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:3W 1193 W US HWY 160 Total Due:\$586.82
R004509 MANDY DAVID G Parcel:569525203018 Subdivision: CHRIS MTN VILLAGE 2 Lot:234-235 CMV 2 Sec:25 Twn:35 Rng:2.5W 105 YEOMAN DR Total Due:\$595.17	R003505 MEDLIN GABRIEL AUGUST Parcel:569312107007 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block:9 Lot:7 AS 3 Sec:12 Twn:34 Rng:3W 183 ECHO LN Total Due:\$894.68	R015497 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel:56991316101003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:658 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 657 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due:\$528.96	R016939 SALTZMANN DEANDRIA Parcel:614907203003 Subdivision: AL ELK RDG 1 Tract:15 ALR ER 1 Sec:7 Twn:32 Rng:1E 1112 S BLACK BEAR PL Total Due:\$505.84	R015567 STAVANO ERIC Parcel:589316103096 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:95 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 226 WITS END PL Total Due:\$528.96	R002627 WALLIS RANDALL N & PAMELA J Parcel:569302101010 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:11 Lot:18 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 37 SPARROW CIR Total Due:\$729.26
R004479 MANDY DAVID G INVESTMENT TRUST Parcel:569525110009 Subdivision: CHRIS MTN VILLAGE 2 Lot:181 CMV 2 Sec:25 Twn:35 Rng:2.5W 1408 TRAILS BLVD Total Due:\$485.21	R012173 MILLER MICHAEL A Parcel:569928332010 Subdivision: COLO TIMBER RIDGE #2 Lot:120 CTR 2 Sec:34 Twn:33 Rng:1W 729 MARIPOSA DR Total Due:\$4,869.05	R015497 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel:56991316101003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:658 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 657 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due:\$528.96	R016939 SALTZMANN DEANDRIA Parcel:614907203003 Subdivision: AL ELK RDG 1 Tract:15 ALR ER 1 Sec:7 Twn:32 Rng:1E 1112 S BLACK BEAR PL Total Due:\$505.84	R015567 STAVANO ERIC Parcel:589316103096 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:95 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 226 WITS END PL Total Due:\$528.96	R002627 WALLIS RANDALL N & PAMELA J Parcel:569302101010 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:11 Lot:18 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 37 SPARROW CIR Total Due:\$729.26
R004510 MANDY DAVID G INVESTMENT TRUST Parcel:569525203019 Subdivision: CHRIS MTN VILLAGE 2 Lot:201-202 CMV 2 Sec:25 Twn:35 Rng:2.5W 1590 TRAILS BLVD Total Due:\$595.17	R01839 MILLER PATRICIA G Parcel:569924213011 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block:60 Lot:14 PS DOES NOT INCLUDE M/H 990012352051 550 S 7TH ST Total Due:\$431.54	R015497 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel:56991316101003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:658 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 657 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due:\$528.96	R016939 SALTZMANN DEANDRIA Parcel:614907203003 Subdivision: AL ELK RDG 1 Tract:15 ALR ER 1 Sec:7 Twn:32 Rng:1E 1112 S BLACK BEAR PL Total Due:\$505.84	R015567 STAVANO ERIC Parcel:589316103096 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:95 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 226 WITS END PL Total Due:\$528.96	R002627 WALLIS RANDALL N & PAMELA J Parcel:569302101010 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:11 Lot:18 AS 2 Sec:2 Twn:34 Rng:3W 37 SPARROW CIR Total Due:\$729.26
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New office trailer approved for county landfill

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

Archuleta County Public Works Director Mike Torres approached the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) during a work session held on Oct. 1, proposing the county purchase an office trailer to be put in at the county's landfill on County Road 500.

Torres explained that there are currently no restroom facilities for employees to use other than portable toilets, mentioning the county spends approximately \$3,500 per month to have those serviced.

Torres proposed the county purchase an office trailer that has restroom facilities, office space and a kitchenette area.

"Right now, as you guys know, they have basically a shed that we have converted into somewhat of an ... office space," Torres said.

He indicated that the current space is often dirty and dysfunctional.

"I'd like to get them an office space," Torres said, mentioning a clean and organized space will make it easier to locate and provide documents when needed.

Torres explained that the department originally budgeted \$100,000 this year for a new pole barn building to be put in at the landfill.

"However, I think this is more of an essential need than a pole barn," Torres said.

He mentioned the trailer will cost approximately \$74,000, and that the county would purchase the trailer outright, and not lease it.

Torres noted the trailer will have one restroom, an office space and a kitchenette area.

Torres also mentioned that the restroom will have a cistern and a vault toilet, which will cost approximately \$10,000.

He explained that setting of the foundation, plumbing and trenching utilities will be performed by the county.

"I think we need to take care of our employees down there who are having to work in harsh conditions," Torres said, "give some kind of benefit down there."

Road and Bridge Manager Eric McRae confirmed that the Public Works Department can perform the work needed to install the office trailer, which will help keep the costs down.

Later that day, during the regular meeting held by the BoCC, it voted unanimously to approve the purchase of a 10-foot-by-44-foot office trailer in the amount of \$73,716, to be placed at the county's landfill station.

New equipment

During the Oct. 1 meeting, the BoCC also voted unanimously to approve the purchase of two pieces of equipment for the Road and Bridge Department.

The two pieces of equipment include a Cat 306 Excavator in the amount of \$105,600 and a hydrovac truck in the amount of \$625,000.

McRae briefed the BoCC on the two requests during the work session held earlier in the day.

He explained that the department has been struggling to cover ground

in cleaning up ditches and maintaining drainage systems across the county.

He explained the county has been renting a 306 excavator for two months, at a cost estimated around \$7,000.

"We've been struggling to send it back because we can't stop using it," he said.

County Manager Jack Harper indicated that the cost to rent the excavator is listed at \$5,500 per month.

McRae explained that the county's only excavator it owns weighs about 40,000 pounds and that a 306 excavator weighs closer to 4,000 pounds.

He explained that the 306 excavator allows the county to broaden its service area.

"We're struggling to keep up with our ditches and culverts," McRae said, noting the 306 excavator has rubber tracks, making it easier to use on roads without causing damage.

The other item approved by the BoCC for purchase is a new hydrovac truck, which is "geared towards fixing and maintaining our drainage systems," McRae said.

He explained during the work session that his proposal is for the county to enter a lease-purchase agreement for the hydrovac truck, paying \$140,000 a year for five years, totaling at \$625,000.

McRae also explained that the county contracted a company this summer to excavate culverts with a hydrovac truck, indicating that the purchase order was submitted for \$30,000 and 20 culverts were maintained over a three-week period.

McRae mentioned that the county was also able to demo the truck and was able to clean three small-diameter culverts with a county crew in one day.

"We believe we can manage five or six a day on average," he added.

McRae explained that the hydrovac truck has a wide range of uses, and can help crews locate and avoid utility lines when digging trenches.

He also explained that the hydrovac truck allows crews to pump and push water in one spot, instead of filling a tank and having to haul it off.

"So, hydrovac system is another item we can't seem to live without," he said.

Commissioner Warren Brown questioned if the item is within the department's budget.

McRae and Torres both responded that it is and that they had met with the county's finance director to confirm.

Harper explained that the county will take possession of the truck immediately, and that payments won't start until January 2025.

McRae explained the county will be purchasing a demo unit, and that he feels this is the best option for the county, given that quotes on having a unit built are running about a year out.

McRae mentioned that the department is looking into exactly how many culverts there are within the county, estimating there are about 500, suggesting that more than 200 of the culverts are 100 percent plugged.

He noted there are more than 76 culverts on County Road 500 alone.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez mentioned those estimates do not include private driveway culverts, which are the responsibility of the property owners.

"We're trying to spread the word about that," McRae added.

He mentioned that approximately 50 percent of the complaints and calls received by the department are in regard to water on roadways.

"It's the biggest problem we have with deteriorating roads," McRae said, mentioning heavy rains and flooding that occurred in the area over the spring and summer. "It's pretty evident that if we don't manage our culverts and drainage systems, we can't build new roads overtop of 'em."

Additional milling

The BoCC also unanimously approved the spending of \$55,395.50 for additional milling performed on County Road 200 and County Road 175.

McRae explained that the Road and Bridge Department was able to budget for two additional roads in its chip seal project.

"Because we chose to do some extra roads, it costs us a little more to do some extra milling," he said.

Payouts

During the Oct. 1 BoCC meeting, the board also voted unanimously to approve two payments outside of its consent agenda — one for the Light Plant Road construction project and one for work at the new transit facility.

Torres explained at the work session earlier in the day that pay app three for the Light Plant Road project includes a credit of \$92,000, coming from the materials itself.

He noted that the whole road is approximately one-16th of an inch less in depth than what was bid out.

The pay app was approved for the amount of \$429,967.15, and it was noted there will be one more pay app for the project.

The other pay app approved at the Oct. 1 budget for work done at the transit facility was in the amount of \$311,032.85.

During the meeting, Commissioner Veronica Medina asked if the funds were coming from a grant or within the county's budget.

Torres explained that the pay app would come from the county, but that the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) will reimburse the county.

"But, we have had issues with CDOT reimbursing," he said, noting other counties in the area have experienced the same issue.

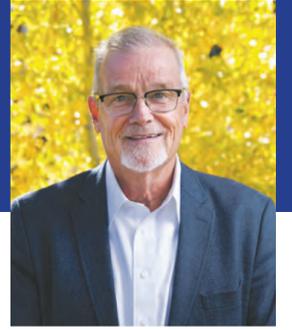
Torres mentioned that he is working with CDOT and other individuals to make sure the county gets reimbursed and that "this is all just part of the basic work" and not a change order.

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John and Angie have been married for eight years. Both are long-term residents of Archuleta County: John since 1996 and Angie since 1986. Both raised their children in Pagosa Springs and the Archuleta School District. Together, they have 4 grandchildren, all living in Archuleta County.

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Musical star KT Sullivan, sister of popular local singer-songwriter Tim Sullivan, will come from New York City to perform at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 2 in a cabaret-style benefit concert in the ballroom of the DoubleTree Hotel in Durango. The concert also will showcase the impressive musical skills of their mother, Elizabeth Sullivan, plus special guests Jon Weber on piano and singer Natalie Douglas. Tickets are \$100, available online at jesullivanfoundation.com. All seats are reserved. All proceeds go to the Jim and Elizabeth Sullivan Foundation for the Arts to provide scholarships for music lessons, instruments and performance opportunities for local youth.

Live Performers



- Thursday**
Coyote Moon Lounge: Karaoke with DJ Marcus, 6 p.m.
The Pagosa Bar: Karaoke, 7 p.m.
- Friday**
Coyote Moon Lounge: Romaine Wheeler, 3 p.m.
Coyote Moon Lounge: Roll Away, 7 p.m.
Meltdown on Main: The Status Crowes, 5:30 p.m.
Mountain Pizza and Taproom: Dan Evans, 5:30 p.m.
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Bluegrass Cadillac, 5 p.m.
- Saturday**
Coyote Moon Lounge: Vincent Koehl, 6 p.m.
Mountain Pizza and Taproom: Dan Evans, 5:30 p.m.
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Bob Hemenger, 5 p.m.
- Sunday**
Coyote Moon Lounge: Rock n Rebels, 5 p.m.
Mountain Pizza and Taproom: Dan Evans, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday**
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Tickets selling fast for Tim Sullivan family scholarships concert

By Carole Howard
Special to The PREVIEW

Tickets are selling fast for a cabaret-style benefit concert the evening of Nov. 2 in Durango showcasing the musical talents of country singer-songwriter Tim Sullivan and his hugely skilled musical family, including sister KT Sullivan and mother Elizabeth Sullivan, as well as other special guests.

The theme of the event is Broadway in the Rockies.

All concert proceeds will go to the Jim and Elizabeth Sullivan Foundation for the Arts to provide scholarships for music lessons, instruments and performance opportunities for local area youth.

The event will take place in the ballroom of the DoubleTree Hotel at 7:30 p.m.

After the concert there will be an informal reception and jam session with the artists in the DoubleTree's Animas Lounge. This event is included in the ticket price and all attendees are welcome.

Local scholarship winners

Multiple Pagosa Springs youth have benefited from scholarships from the Sullivan Foundation over the years.

They have included the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir, Kathleen Isberg's piano student Jovanka Ponce de Leon, and Venita Burch's voice and piano students Gus Palma, Mark Holladay, Regina Sikes, Connor Thomas and Rachel Berndt.

Concert performers

Tim Sullivan's sister KT Sullivan will return to Durango from New York City to perform as the headliner for the concert. She is the star of numerous Broadway productions and an internationally acclaimed singer and recording artist.

KT Sullivan has sung in several venues in the U.S., including Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the Spoleto Festival and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., as well as in London, China and Australia. Her theater credits include Broadway, where she starred in Marilyn Monroe's role of Lorelei in "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes." She also performed and danced the tango with Sting in "Threepenny Opera."

Tim Sullivan is well known in Pagosa Springs for his many local performances where the dance floor is jammed with people doing the Texas two-step and line dances to his music, both original and covers of such greats as George Jones and the Eagles. Tim Sullivan has performed in seven countries. He also has played with the Los Angeles

Philharmonic and in Carnegie Hall, and been a featured performer with country stars such as Alan Jackson, Willie Nelson, Vince Gill, Glen Campbell and Tammy Wynette.

In addition to Tim Sullivan and KT Sullivan, their mother, Elizabeth Sullivan, will return to Durango from Oklahoma to perform. A brilliant

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Concert

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vocalist, songwriter and piano player, Elizabeth Sullivan is the matriarch of this accomplished musical family.

When they were young, her eight children formed the Sullivan Family Gospel Singers with their mother, from whom they learned classical piano and voice as youngsters.

Elizabeth Sullivan would be a star at any age, but her fans across the country marvel that she still inspires audiences at age 94. The family has reserved Carnegie Hall for her 95th birthday celebration next May.

Also on stage will be award-winning singer and recording artist Natalie Douglas, as well as jazz pianist and music director Jon Weber, former host of "Piano Jazz" on NPR. Both Douglas and Weber have impressive U.S. and international performing credits and have wowed

fans in Durango at previous Sullivan family benefit concerts.

Tickets available

Nov. 3 marks the 13th Sullivan family scholarship concert.

Tickets are \$100. Half-sponsor or full-sponsor tables with premium seating are available as well.

Purchases may be made online at jesullivanfoundation.com or by emailing jesullivanfoundation@gmail.com or phoning Tim Sullivan at (970) 749-5531 for assistance.

All seats are reserved. Seating is cabaret style and a cash bar will be available.

Master classes available

While here, the gifted musicians from New York will follow their past tradition by hosting a vocal performance master class for local high school and college-age performers

who want to take advantage of their experience and expertise.

The sessions will take place at the DoubleTree Animas Room on Nov. 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. and Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The cost is \$25 and scholarships are available through the Sullivan Foundation by emailing j.e.sullivanfoundation@gmail.com.

One of the master class participants will be chosen to receive a scholarship from the Sullivan Foundation to perform next year in New York City. Three talented Pagosa musicians have won this prestigious honor: Palma, Allora Leonard and Berndt. They enjoyed the privilege of singing at the International Cabaret Convention at Lincoln Center.

As well, some of the master class participants will perform at the Nov. 2 concert.

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End-of-Life Education to hear from hospice physician

By Joan Mieritz
End-of-Life Education

End-of-Life Education has a new meeting location and a regular time to meet each month.

We have a new "home" the third Thursday of every month from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Community United Methodist Church fellowship hall on Lewis Street.

Please use the side door that is right off the parking lot which enters the kitchen and then goes into fellowship hall. We will most likely have the main doors into the church locked, so keep looking for us.

In 2024 we will meet Thursdays, Oct. 17, Nov. 21 and Dec. 19. Programs are pretty well planned, but if you have something you want to learn about or have other suggestions, mention it at the Oct. 17 meeting or, better yet, write a short note with details for the planning committee to read.

We realize that November and December are considered the holiday season, and we know that some people do not want to meet. But, it is also noteworthy that death never takes a holiday and this may be a time that people need our help, extra support and loving care. We will probably have some films that those missing the meetings can view at a different time. But, we may also have a guest speaker who will be visiting her family in Pagosa for the holidays (if it works out). There are many people involved in this group with extremely complicated lives and this is a hard topic, pleasing few.

We will be able to see more films at the church. There are so many good ones available. Each will be followed by a group discussion. Please also make film suggestions to the planning committee with a one- to four-star rating and tell us how they can be accessed.

On Thursday, Oct. 17, we will have a remarkable guest speaker, Dr. Erin Clarkin, who was born and raised in Durango, Colo., and is proud to be back home serving the community.

She attended medical school at the Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine at Midwestern University.

Osteopathic medical training provides traditional medical training (MD training) as well as an additional focus on holistic care, including the mind, body and spirit, and the teachings of the body's innate wisdom.

During her clinical training, Dr. Clarkin found that she enjoyed taking care of the most complex and seriously ill patients. This informed her decision to pursue residency training in internal medicine in Washington State.

She remained in Washington for a number of years following residency working as an intensivist (adult intensive care unit doctor) at a large tertiary care hospital. Later, she pursued subspecialty fellowship training in palliative medicine and hospice at the University of New Mexico (UNM).

She remained at the UNM School of Medicine as an inpatient palliative medicine faculty physician and later transitioned into community hospice care as a medical director.

And now she is available to us.

Clarkin is working to identify unique ways to serve patients in the community who are struggling with serious and potentially life-limiting illness.

She enjoys helping patients and their families navigate end-of-life options and care. Clarkin believes in supporting and empowering patients with knowledge and confidence to advocate for the best medical care — whatever that means to them.

She is board certified in internal medicine and specializes in palliative

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Archuleta Health Fair and Expo seeking volunteers

Healthy Archuleta

Early in the morning on Oct. 19, Healthy Archuleta team members and volunteers will gather and prepare for an event that supports the health and wellness of our community.

Folks will be setting up tables, preparing the lab spaces, chopping up vegetables for lunch, and preparing for a day filled with friends, community, and learning.

The Archuleta Health Fair and Expo will bring people together for a farm-to-table lunch and provide access to information and services that can improve your health. Available this year are:

1. Low-cost wellness labs.
2. Health care providers on-site to meet and make appointments with.
3. Educational booths focused on health, wellness, and nutrition.
4. Vendors.
5. A keynote speaker on cardiovascular health.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Pagosa Springs High School.

Volunteers are what make community events possible in Pagosa Springs. We are still in need of help this year. Please come out and support this event, as well as the community we live in. We have some great volunteer opportunities available for you. Please consider volunteering at this health-promoting event. Volunteer opportunities include lab support, registration/cashier, navigation, bilingual navigation, lunch set-up and support, and lunch preparation on Tuesday and Friday.

Volunteering can be a great way to meet new people, gain experience and build a stronger community.

We spoke to Cheryl, who volunteered at the 2023 health fair, and she shared, "It helps so much to have people who can speak both Spanish and English. The mood was positive, people seemed to enjoy all of the learning opportunities and chances to connect with healthcare providers. And, of course, they enjoyed the lunch. Having people available to guide traffic and answer questions was helpful."



Photo courtesy Healthy Archuleta

Preparations are underway for the Oct. 19 Archuleta Health Fair and Expo. Registration is open for the event, and volunteer opportunities are available.

We are grateful for Cheryl and others in our community like her. As a volunteer, you will be provided with our popular farm-to-table lunch.

What can you do to support the health of your community other than attending and/or volunteering for the health fair? We need help getting the word out. Please share our website and details of the event, bring a friend, or follow and share our social media posts. We have 20 volunteer spots filled and less than 20 more to fill. Please consider Oct. 19 as a day to share your time for the health of our community.

Registration is open now. Secure

the best time slot for labs. All registered will have the option to earn a wellness passport. This passport can be redeemed at the fair for a free day pass to soak at The Springs. Make sure to secure your spot for labs (lab participants will be entered into a drawing to win an annual soaking pass).

Reserve your meal for our farm-to-table lunch — it is going to be delicious. We hope to see you there.

For more information, visit our website and access the link to the preregistration form <https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/archuleta-health-fair-and-expo.html> or email us at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com.

Physician

■ continued from previous page medicine and is a hospice physician.

She will be telling us what Dignity Care Colorado is about and she will take time for many questions. This is going to be a long, deep, serious meeting and discussion. Please come prepared to slow down and relax as much as possible, to hear the talk, take notes and formulate questions.

Please bring cookies or a snack because coffee and teas will definitely be available, and comfort

foods work.

Our last session in August left much to be desired, which is often called "life." We learned that it is extra difficult when a doctor becomes suddenly and unexpectedly ill. Fortunately, Dr. Joanna Estes was able, at the last minute, to bring her co-worker, Dr. Amber Reiss-Holt. But, everyone's plans did not happen as we had hoped. We will have a do-over in 2025 for both doctors, most likely with each one speaking individually.

Both August and September had their difficulties, but some great things happened, too. Sounds like "life" to me.

I hope to see you on Thursday, Oct. 17, at 1 p.m. in the new location for End-of-Life Education. It is very convenient and has air-conditioning for summer and October in Colorado and it has heat, nearby parking and hot beverages in the winter. Unfortunately, there is no fireplace — for now.

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Photo courtesy Robin Davis Duo

The Robin Davis Duo will perform on Oct. 18 for the the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership's annual fall fundraiser. Tickets will be \$20 at the gate.

Robin Davis Duo to perform at GGP fundraiser

By Sherry Murphy
Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership

Come support the continued work of the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP).

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On Oct. 18 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., the GGP invites our community to a concert at the amphitheater. Tickets will be \$20 at the gate.

The Robin Davis Duo will treat us all to a nice blend of bluegrass and folk music. Robin and Jimi are Pagosa locals that blend old-time bluegrass

with relatable originals.

Currently, the duo resides in Pagosa Springs, building their home recording studio and touring the mountains of Colorado and beyond. Come to the domes for a little foot stompin' with friends and family.

This is the GGP's annual fall fundraiser and a precursor to a more elaborate series of concerts along the San Juan River in the future. Don't miss the first one. There will be beer and wine for sale, with all proceeds going directly to the GGP.

This event is definitely a family friendly-affair.

Schedule change announced for Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts' production of 'A Walk in the Woods'

By Tim Moore
Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts

The Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts (PSCA) has announced a schedule change for its upcoming production of "A Walk in the Woods."

Originally slated to open on Oct. 11, the production will now be performed Jan. 17-26, 2025.

"As a close-knit theatre company, we occasionally need to shift our timing to prioritize the well-being of our team," said Tim Moore, artistic director of Thingamajig Theatre Company. "This adjustment allows us to maintain the high standard of quality our patrons expect, and we're excited to bring this powerful production to the

stage in January."

The theater is reaching out to patrons who have already purchased tickets for the October performances, assisting with ticket transfers or other accommodations if requested.

PSCA extends its appreciation for the community's understanding and continued support.

In addition to "A Walk in the Woods," the theater's 2024-2025 season offers a lineup of exciting productions, with season tickets becoming available soon. The PSCA team will provide updates once the new ticketing system is fully operational.

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Lifelong Learning Lectures to start Oct. 10, Friends book sale set for Oct. 12

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Our new free weekly Lifelong Learning Lecture series begins today, Thursday, Oct. 10, with six interesting presentations, all from 6 to 7:15 p.m. on Thursdays through Nov. 14:

- Today's talk features Arleen Prochazka of Pagosa Weather discussing the snow outlook for our forthcoming winter, and how she and her colleagues forecast it.

- On Oct. 17, Cindi Galabota, library foundation director, and Barb Brattin, our new library director, will review the status of our library expansion, and share the architectural drawings and fundraising plans. We have raised more than \$2.2 million of our \$4.5 million goal.

- On Oct. 24, Bill Trimarco from the Wildfire Adapted Partnership will share tips on how you can make your property fire safe by creating defensible space, planning evacuations and preparing well.

- Oct. 31 will showcase Dayton Romero on Zoom discussing the many opportunities the Senior Planet social media platform offers you via their OATS (Older Adults Technology Services) program. Senior Planet is an AARP nonprofit offering many free classes for seniors.

- On Nov. 7, Matt Huber from the Colorado Avalanche Information Center will explain the power of avalanches and give you practical advice on how you can have safe fun in the mountains during the winter.

- On Nov. 14 Doug Coombs, a member of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club, will share his remarkable photos from four different trips to Africa and describe options for traveling to Africa.

Pick up a brochure at the library for more details on each of these presenters and their informative talks. No registration is required to attend.

Friends book sale

The Friends of the Library will host a popup book fair at your library this Saturday, Oct. 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This special event is the ideal way for you to purchase books for your personal library and for gifts to family and friends at discounted prices while at the same time helping the Friends raise money for your library's programs and services.

Members of Friends of the Library, teachers and responders will receive a special buy-one-get-one-free discount. You can join now if you are not already a Friend.

Online author talks

Our highly popular free online author talks continue with one more opportunity in October for you to interact with New York Times best-selling authors and ask questions. For details and to register go to

Library News

<https://library.org/pagosalibrary/> upcoming.

Tuesday, Oct. 22, at noon will feature Lori Gottlieb examining the truths and fiction we tell ourselves.

All-ages playdough tomorrow

Join us for free playdough exploration and fun tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 11, from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Escape Room adventure tomorrow

Teens and tweens are invited to solve puzzles and find clues quickly to get out of the room before the deadline on Friday, Oct. 11, at this free Escape Room session from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Chess Club Saturday

Learn how to play chess with free quick lessons and game time to practice your skills on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. All ages and abilities are welcome.

Adult knitting Saturday

Join new and experienced knitters Saturday, Oct. 12, for our free Knitters Circle from 1 to 3 p.m. It is aimed at anyone over the age of 18 who would like to knit together or get some help if you are stuck on your project.

Shakespeare read-aloud returns

Shakespeare fans of all ages are invited to join in reading aloud "Romeo and Juliet" Mondays, Oct. 14, 21 and 28, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. as the free Shakespeare Read Aloud Club restarts. This is an all-ages program.

Call Jenny at (240) 426-7887 for more information.

Spanish conversation

Practice your Spanish in a free group setting on Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. There is no minimum skill level needed.

Note this group meets twice a month, on the first and third Tuesdays.

Teen/tween crafts and games

Middle school students are invited to join us at PS Froyo, the frozen yogurt shop on Lewis Street, for fun free crafts and activities on Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Therapy dog visit

Next Wednesday, Oct. 16, from 11 to 11:45 a.m., all ages are invited to a free visit with, Kate, a certified therapy dog. The visits will be limited

to 10-15 minutes — just the right amount of time to pet the dog, read to the dog or just say "Hi."

Elementary tutoring resumes

Children ages 6-11 are welcome at these free sessions on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. starting Oct. 16 where they will build essential skills in core subjects. Preregistration is required.

Dungeons and Dragons

Next Thursday, Oct. 17, from 4 to 5:30 p.m., join our Dungeons and Dragons game free for teens and young adults. Create a character and join the adventure. Preregistration is required because space is limited. Contact Josie@pagosalibrary.org to join.

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Family storytime

Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m., join a free educational hour of reading, singing and free play to build early literacy skills.

Teen/tween activity

Join us in the teen area every Wednesday after school from 4 to 4:30 p.m. this month for a fun craft or challenge. Activities will range from taste tests to art challenges to minute-to-win-it-style games.

Writers Guild

Every Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m., the Ruby's Writers Guild welcomes writers looking for opportunities, support, resources and camaraderie with other writers at this free gathering.

The guild has published a new anthology, "Tales from the San Juans," which the members say includes "life musings, creative short fiction, retrospectives, poetry, novellas and short observations — all inspired by the beauty that surrounds us."

The book is available at the library, with net proceeds going to the library's building campaign.

Tech Time

Free in-person slots are available from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and 2 to 4 p.m. Thursdays. Judy helps you with basic questions relating to computers, smartphones and tablets, and also provides assistance in accessing the library's online resources.

No appointment is needed for these drop-in sessions, but please bring your device's charger and passwords with you. Note there will be no Tech time Oct. 10 or 15.

Pagosa Adult Learning Services (PALS)

Join Mark or Sally for free PALS sessions Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 8 p.m. to help with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more.

Downloadable books

CloudLibrary has a wide variety of downloadable e-books and audiobooks for all ages. To access this free digital collection, download the cloudLibrary app, answer a few simple questions, select AspenCat Union Catalog for the name of your library, then enter your library card number and four-digit PIN. Library staff are happy to help you set up your device if you need assistance.

Spanish-language autobiography

"Gracias!" ("Thank you!") by Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador is a memoir by the outgoing president of Mexico covering his six years in office.

DVDs

"The Crown" is the complete final

season. "Ride" features a bullfighter who steals to pay for his daughter's cancer treatment. "Horizon" is the Kevin Costner western saga movie. "Knuckles" is a collection of the comedy episodes. "Inside Out 2" is a Disney and Pixar animated movie. "Reacher" is season two.

Short stories

"Safe Enough" by Lee Child is a collection of 20 fictional crime stories by the creator of Jack Reacher.

Mysteries, suspense and thrillers

"Capture or Kill" by Vince Flynn is a thriller featuring CIA operative Mitch Rapp. "On the Hunt" by Iris Johansen introduces Kira Drake, a new heroine, and her search and rescue dog. "Paws to Remember" by Sofie Kelly tells of the involvement of a librarian and her cats in solving a cold case.

Other novels

"We'll Prescribe You a Cat" by Syou Ishida is a celebration of the healing power of cats. "Madwoman" by Chelsea Bieker begins when a woman's life is upended after receiving a letter from a women's prison. "The Fallen Fruit" by Shawntelle Madison follows a Black woman searching for land she inherited from her father's family. "The Life Impossible" by Matt Haig tells of a retired math teacher who is left a Mediterranean house by a long-lost friend. "Elaine" by Will Shelf is a portrait of a 1950s housewife based on the restricted life of the author's mother. "The Fragile Threads of Power" by V.E. Schwab is a fantasy set in the three worlds of London.

Nonfiction

"Rethinking College" by Karin Klein is a guide to thriving without a degree. "Take It Easy" by Gaby Dalkin offers no-stress, easy recipes for you to make.

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Quotable quote

"A problem is a chance for you to do your best." — Duke Ellington (1899-1974), American jazz pianist, composer and leader of his world-famous jazz orchestra from 1923

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RUNWAY FOR RISE RECYCLED FASHION GALA

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Scene ... taking part in a fabulous night of fashion fundraising at the Runway for Rise Recycled Fashion Gala on Saturday, Oct. 5. The sold-out show was deemed a huge success, grossing over \$103,000 for Rise Above Violence.



Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Charles Martinez

This week's Bird of the Week, compliments of the Weminuche Audubon Society and Audubon Rockies, is the pine grosbeak.

These northern finches are permanent residents of boreal forests and western mountains in North America, and are also found in forests from eastern Asia to Scandinavia. Across this wide range they exhibit differences in size and in the amount of red in males.

In the Rocky Mountains, they are most abundant in open forests of spruce, pine and fir near treeline at elevations above 9,000 feet. They need to drink water or eat snow daily, so preferred habitats include wet, high drainages. Often living far from humans, they are not as wary as many birds.

For a finch, these birds are large and plump. Males are rosy-red and gray, and females are gray with tints of yellow on the head and rump. Both have two white wingbars on dark wings.

Nearly all of their diet is vegetarian and varies with what is available. Using their thick, stubby bills, they can nip off the fresh buds and needles of conifers in spring and extract seeds from cones. Seeds and fruits of aspen, birch, mountain ash, crabapple and other trees are added in season. In winter, they eat salt and grit from roadways.

Their deliberate feeding style, slowly hopping between tree branches, sets them apart from other birds that are constantly in motion while feeding in conifers. They do add some insects and spiders to their diet during breeding season. Adults regurgitate a palatable paste of insects and vegetable matter to nestlings.

When seed crops fail, these finches are forced to wander in search of food and may show up south of their normal breeding ranges or at lower elevations in population irruptions. This may bring them to fruit trees in towns and to backyard sunflower feeders, a treat for people who don't otherwise see these forest birds.

For information on events, visit www.weminucheaudubon.org and www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/.

TARA chili cook-off, silent auction slated for Saturday

By Norma Conley
TARA Community Center

The TARA chili cook-off and silent auction will be held on Oct. 12 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the TARA Community Center, located at 333 Milton Lane in Arboles.

Everyone is welcome. Adults are \$10, children 6-12 \$5, and under 6 are free.

If you wish to enter the cook-off, please email TARACommunityCenter101@gmail.com by Oct. 10.

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Fall prevention presentation slated for Oct. 16

By Rose Chavez
PREVIEW Columnist

Do you want to reduce your risk of falling and learn how to minimize the severity of a fall?

There will be a free fall prevention and safer falling presentation using the Kupuna Method on Wednesday, Oct. 16, at 10 a.m. at the Pagosa Senior Center (451 Hot Springs Blvd).

Kupuna, in the language of Hawaii, are revered elders, grandparents and older community members. This method was developed by Kupuna Aikido.

Presenter Lisa Jensen is a fourth-degree black belt in aikido. She began training in 1988, and has been teaching aikido in Pagosa Springs for 21 years.

She recently learned the Kupuna Method of fall safety from Kupuna Aikido. Consider attending the Aikido presentation and then joining us for lunch or take it to go.

If you are interested in a meal that day, please remember to make your reservation by 9 a.m. by calling or texting Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) at (970) 264-2167. Advance reservations are welcome.

Seasonal art class

Learn the easy process of styrofoam printing.

Participants will be given a piece of styrofoam where they can indent the foam with a pencil, creating a relief image. The theme is autumn leaves. Markers will be used to color the image. Dampened printmaking paper will be placed over the styrofoam and rubbed to transfer the image onto the paper.

Make one print or make multiple prints.

The class will be offered Oct. 24 at 1:15 p.m. in the Senior Center dining hall.

The instructor for the class is Becky Crowe, a former art teacher. She is also a printmaker who has had her work published.

Fall fundraiser

Let the doubled donations pile up like the leaves in autumn.

Jump into the pile: As the seasons change, so too do ASI's need to reach out again to our caring community for support.

Thanks to the kind donation of a matching grant provided by an anonymous benefactor, your generous donation during our fall fundraiser will be doubled up to \$5,000 through the end of October.

Although we are very grateful to our current funding partners, Archuleta County, San Juan Basin Area on Aging, Town of Pagosa Springs and grants from private foundations, still, it is not enough.

Thirty-seven percent of our funds are dependent on our ability to fundraise, via fundraising campaigns, community events and the generosity of people like you. Unfortunately, we have been informed that we can



expect an 18 percent decrease in funding this next fiscal year even while our operation costs and need for services continue to increase.

But, with your help, we can make a difference and enhance the lives of our 60+ community and those who care about them. Please jump in today with your 100 percent matched donation and join in our ongoing efforts to provide our cherished elders, who have given so much to this community, with nutritional, health and social programming that will continue to enrich their lives.

Donations can be made directly to ASI, located in the Ross Aragon Community Center, at 451 Hot Springs Blvd., or by mail to P.O. Box 3444, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

We also take donations by phone, (970) 264-2167, or online donations via our Colorado Gives fall fundraising page: <https://www.coloradogives.org/story/Asifallfundraiser>.

Healthy aging and yoga therapy classes series

The Healthy Aging Yoga Series continues to be offered in person at the Pagosa Senior Center on Mondays from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

It is structured by therapeutic yoga tools and techniques with chair movement, standing stretches, gentle postures, breathing practices and reflective meditative moments.

Monthly themes for the series include topics such as sustainable strength for healthy aging individuals, brain health, heart and cardiovascular health, mental and emotional well-being, community connections, and stress management, to name a few.

Classes will be educational for participants to utilize practices in daily life and are meant for all levels of experience with yoga.

Mats and chairs will be provided at the Senior Center. Some blocks and Therabands are available, too. The addition of yoga props is always welcomed.

We request that individuals new to the series arrive early for intake inquiries and to please communicate with our new instructor, Kimberly Anderson, directly by email at zinkgraf@gmail.com.

Stretching and mobility class

Community members are invited to attend new free weekly classes every Tuesday this fall and winter from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Pagosa Senior Center (located at 451 Hot Springs Blvd., in the back of the Ross Aragon Community Center).

The stretching and mobility classes for older adults (age 55 and up) are designed to help build balance in the body through functional exercises that aim to improve mobility and flexibility.

Participants will have the opportunity to enjoy a variety of techniques that can help enhance overall movement efficiency.

Though not necessary, a mat is recommended for this class.

The program is instructed by local ballet dance instructor Dee Pitchon,

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who will provide modifications to ensure the safety and effectiveness of the exercises.

Bingo

The Senior Center will be hosting bingo twice a month on Friday afternoons from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Bingo will be on Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Nov. 22, Dec. 6 and Dec. 20.

Participation is free, and we ask you bring yourself and a friend for joyful fellowship. We will provide prizes from local businesses for all winners, and snacks will also be provided.

No RSVP is required; just show up. All ages are welcome, but we ask those 18 and younger to come with an adult chaperone.

For more information, contact us at (970) 264-2167.

T'ai Chi Chih

The Senior Center offers T'ai Chi Chih with accredited instructor Patti Popovich each Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. to support older adults who want to discover purpose and fulfillment in this transitional phase of life. Meet at the gazebo in Yamaguchi Park, 684 S. 5th St.

T'ai Chi Chih is not a martial art, but rather a tool for self-healing. Softness, flow and effortlessness are the guiding principles in this practice.

All classes will be free for older adults (age 60 and better) and will last approximately one hour in the dining hall.

No special clothing or equipment is required.

For more information, call (970) 264-2167.

Senior Conversations

Join us Mondays at 1:15 p.m. for a series of "Senior Conversations" with local Bill Salmansohn.

He will lead the group through mindfulness exercises and discussion of various topics pertaining to aging in Archuleta County. Explore and discover for yourself answers to your questions and concerns.

The meeting will be held in the Senior Center in the dining hall. Snacks will be provided.

Scrapbooking Club

The Pagosa Springs Scrapbooking Club holds monthly meetings the second Saturday of each month at the Senior Center.

It meets each month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to be creative, share ideas, connect with friends, learn new techniques, share supplies and indulge in a potluck lunch together.

Bring your scrapbooking projects — or any crafting project that you may want to work on with the group. If you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive notifications each month of the upcoming meeting along with handy tips and tricks for scrapbooking, please send your request to copenhavercreative@gmail.com.

Share lunch Monday through Friday

Join us at the Silver Fox's Den, aka the Community Cafe, in person for daily hot/cold meals Mondays through Thursdays at the Community Center between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. It is open to all. Pickup is available all week, including Fridays.

Our dining hall is open to all ages and welcomes you all with kindness and warmth. We provide hot/cold meals for anyone in the community interested in a nutritious and delicious meal. For those 60 or older we request a suggested donation of \$6, but no one will be turned away. There is a \$10.50 charge for guests under the age of 60.

Meals include a main course, side dish, fruit/dessert, garden salad plus beverage. Some popular menu items include Frito chili pie, pork tenderloin with harvest chutney, Singaporean pork ribs, vegetarian lasagna, Hawaiian shrimp with coconut rice and always a beautiful green salad. Many of our items are locally sourced and organic.

Our chef works with a team of local food professionals to hand-prepare your meal for dine-in service in our cozy dining room (with an amazing view of the San Juans) or for takeout (via our convenient drive-through). Our menu changes daily.

To reserve your meal for the day, please make your reservation via text or phone call to (970) 264-2167 by 9 a.m. weekdays.

Community Cafe menu

Thursday, Oct. 10 — Beef fajitas with onions and peppers, flour tortillas, guacamole, sour cream, salsa, garden salad, fruit, and milk.

Friday, Oct. 11 — Navy bean and bacon soup, focaccia bread, blueberry cobbler, beet salad with feta and walnuts, fruit and milk.

Monday, Oct. 14 — Closed in celebration of Indigenous People's Day.

Tuesday, Oct. 15 — Pasta primavera with basil pesto and olive oil, garlic bread, garden salad, vanilla yogurt, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Oct. 16 — Pork tenderloin with apricot sauce, roasted butternut squash and beets, quinoa rice pilaf, garden salad, fruit, lemon cookies and milk.

Thursday, Oct. 17 — Dover sole in orange beurre-blanc sauce, broccoli romanesco, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Friday, Oct. 18 — Salisbury steak with mashed potatoes, mushroom gravy, sauteed greens, dinner roll, garden salad, fruit, brownie and milk.

Grab-N-Go meals

Dine-in and Grab-N-Go meal reservations and cancellations are required. Please call or text by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you want to pick up a meal. A suggested donation of \$6 helps to sustain our program. For ages 59 and younger, the cost is \$10.50. No one will be turned away

for their inability to donate. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to make a reservation.

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The effects of vitamin D on bone metabolism are the best established. Besides increasing the circulating levels of calcium and phosphorus and promoting the mineralization process, this vitamin controls osteoblast and osteoclast function/differentiation and promotes bone formation, possibly by mechanisms to combat parathyroid hormone hypersecretion.

These effects are evident in most intervention studies, especially in those that have evaluated the effects of vitamin doses equal to or higher than 800 IU/day on bone mineral density and that include calcium. Individual characteristics influence the response to the vitamin, such as the presence of obesity, which can increase the vitamin D demand, and the type of polymorphism of the vitamin D receptor.

However, the use of megadoses of vitamin D with large intervals between administrations should be avoided, as they impair bone health. Vitamin D seems to contribute to obesity and type 2 diabetes control by several mechanisms, including the regulation of adipogenesis during adipocyte differentiation, the stimulation of insulin synthesis and protection of pancreatic β -cells, and reducing insulin resistance in muscles. This vitamin may also contribute indirectly to combat these diseases through its action on bone tissue and the immune system, which liberates mediators that influence body weight gain and the inflammatory state.

Source: "Vitamin D: Link between Osteoporosis, Obesity, and Diabetes?" By Flávia Galvão Cândido and Josefina Bressan. International Journal of Molecular Science. doi:10.3390/ijms15046569

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Forty years of living with wolves

By Ben Long
PREVIEW Columnist

Biologist Diane K. Boyd has had a front-row seat to 40 years of wolf recovery in the West, but her new memoir reveals that entanglements with humans in Montana were often tougher than dealing with the four-legged predators.



Photo courtesy Diane K. Boyd

Diane Boyd with a tranquilized wolf in northwestern Montana in the early 1990s.

Opinion: Writers on the Range

There's a proud literary canon of women telling their stories of studying wildlife in remote places — Mardy Murie in Alaska, Jane Goodall in Tanzania, Dian Fossey in Rwanda. Now, Boyd's memoir, "A Woman Among Wolves—My Journey Through Forty Years of Wolf Recovery," runs in that pack on the strength of her personality and the drama she documents in both the natural and human worlds.

Boyd was raised in Minneapolis, where her suburban upbringing included regular escapes to local swamps and a zoo. At the zoo, alarmingly, one of the caged wolves bit her dog. Nonetheless, Boyd emerged enamored with both wolves and the wildness they represent.

After becoming a biologist, Boyd

found a mentor in the famed wolf researcher David Mech, working with him in the upper Midwest. A woman of statuesque frame and Nordic features, Boyd stood out in a field dominated by burly alpha males, all studying wolves that were then an

endangered species.

Her career gained momentum when she moved to Montana in the 1980s, just as wolves were trickling into Glacier National Park from Canada. These wolves would reset the ecology of the American West and,

along with it, set a course for her life.

The main setting of Boyd's book is Montana's North Fork of the Flathead River, which remains a remote valley flanked by fir forest and glacier-sculpted mountains. This is one of the only places south of Canada that still has all the native predators it had before settlers arrived — grizzlies, mountain lions, wolverines, lynx

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Mobile food pantry service

Older adults needing a ride to a local food pantry should contact the MET to schedule a ride with its paratransit service. For more information, contact Lavonne at (970) 264-2250.

Text reservations

Don't forget that we offer a convenient texting service for you to communicate with us. Text us at (970) 264-2167. When texting, please include your name, phone number and the days you want a meal. If you are canceling a reservation, please include your name, phone number and the days you want to cancel.

Texting services are available for dine-in meal reservations, Grab-n-Go meals and Meals on Wheels recipients.

Mahjong

Mahjong is a 19th century Chinese tile-based game that is commonly played with four players. Each player receives 13 tiles with a goal to make matching sets and pairs (like poker). To win, a player must form four sets

and one pair.

Come to the Senior Center to learn or play every Tuesday at 1:15 p.m.

Medicare call by appointment

For anyone who needs help enrolling and navigating Medicare plans, the San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging helps with parts A, B and D. They can also help you with fraud concerns and troubleshooting any billing issues you may be having. By appointment only. Please call the Medicare line at (970) 264-0501, ext 2.

Mindful drawing

Mindful drawing is an easy-to-learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Join our friendly instructor, Roberta Strickland.

Classes are every Wednesday at 1:15 p.m. in the Senior Center. This activity is open to all ages. Help us create an intergenerational community. For those under 18 and/or with disabilities, you are welcome to join us, but we kindly ask you to please bring an adult chaperone with you.

Bridge

The longest-played bridge game

in Archuleta County takes place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 1:15 p.m.

Bridge is a four-player card game with partners sitting opposite each other around a table. It is a trick-taking card game using a standard 52-card deck. Come alone or bring a partner.

Hand and foot card game

Whether you are new to hand and foot or interested in learning, please join us most Tuesdays at 1:15 at the Senior Center.

This card game involves four rounds of playing until the final round is reached — some two to three hours later. Plan to stay and meet some new friends or catch up with those you have missed over the last couple of years.

No experience is necessary, so come willing to learn.

Board vacancies

The ASI Board of Directors has multiple vacant positions open. The terms are three years with an option to renew for an additional term.

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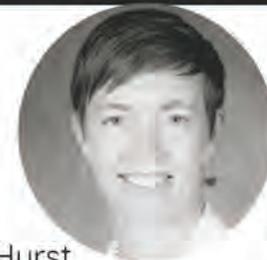
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and more. It's so spectacularly scenic that Hollywood westerns have been filmed there, yet so remote it still lacks electric power, pavement and phone lines.

In the 1980s and '90s, the North Fork of the Flathead was also a unique natural laboratory. A decade before the Clinton administration and Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt began relocating wolves into Yellowstone National Park, in 1995, the animals recolonized the North Fork on their own. Boyd and her cohorts were there to document their dispersal, compiling data while force-feeding wood stoves to heat drafty cabins in subzero winters.

Boyd's memoir vividly paints that place and time, spiced by tales of derring-do — trapping wolves for radio-collar research, surviving close calls with grizzly bears, crossing icy rivers and flying small planes low over dangerous terrain. It also paints colorful portraits of fellow scientists along with neighboring hermits and poachers, outfitters and loggers.

In those early days, scientists weren't sure that wolves would regain a toehold in the American West. By the end of Boyd's career in 2019, the population of wolves had grown from a rumored few to thousands of animals.

The wolves proved resilient, reproducing faster than the rigors of the wild and the hand of man could limit them. From a conservationist's perspective, recovery of the animals has been a remarkable success of the Endangered Species Act.

Yet Boyd also illustrates the dark side of that story. Some of it is personal — a man who grabbed her leg and tried to assault her in the backwoods of Minnesota; two pursuing men she scared off with a hunting rifle at a remote cabin.

Nearly as unsettling is her more recent tale of representing the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks at contentious public meetings in rural Montana.

Elk and deer numbers go up and down like the stock market, but when numbers of game animals seem low, wolves are the favorite scapegoat.

At times, Boyd and her colleagues had to stand before a crowd of armed and angry men, fueled both by alcohol and politically driven disinformation.

Such can be the reality of being a public servant in today's West.

"Wolf management is people management. Period," Boyd concludes. "My hope is for a more tolerant world, with wolves living out their lives as a valued wildlife species."

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Thursday, Oct. 10

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

Ruby's Writers Guild. 9-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Ruby's Writers Guild welcomes writers who are looking for opportunities, support and camaraderie with other writers. Members will provide support, resources and guidance for each other.

Geology Hike: Piedra River Nature Hike. 9 a.m., San Juan National Forest. A free hike led by geologist Dave Bouquet. Preregistration is required at sjma.org.

Guided Great House Tour. 10:30 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This guided tour takes visitors 1/3 mile up the Great Pueblo Trail. Tickets are \$12 for ages 13 and up and \$6 for ages 5-12. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

T'ai Chi Chih. 1:30-2:30, Yamaguchi Park. Free for those 60 and better.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate students from 5-6 p.m. and advanced students from 6-7 p.m.

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series. 6-7:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Arleen Prochazka of Pagosa Weather will discuss the snow outlook and how Pagosa Weather forecasts it.

Encounter Night (Answering God's Call). 6-7:30 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. What is God calling you to do? How is God calling you? Experience a moment from the National Eucharist Congress through the eyes of Deacon Mark. Light refreshments will be served. No registration required.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Football. 7 p.m., Golden Peaks Stadium. Pagosa Springs High School vs. Bayfield.

Friday, Oct. 11

Writers

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We can live without wolves, but the world is a much richer place with wolves in it."

Reading Boyd's memoir, it seems we've come a long way, though wolves still have a lot of enemies who wish they'd disappear.

Ben Long is a contributor to Writ-

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Community Coffee. 1-3 p.m., TARA Historical Society Community Center. For more information, email TARACommunityCenter101@gmail.com.

Bingo. 1:30-2:30 p.m., Senior Center. Free. Those under 18 must have an adult chaperone. For more information, contact (970) 264-2167.

Adventures in Playdough. 2-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Join for playdough exploration and fun.

Escape Room. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Solve puzzles and find clues, but hurry because you don't have long to escape.

Pagosa Springs Community Band Fall Concert. 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium.

Saturday, Oct. 12

Geology Tour. 8 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour explores local geology and its relationship to the daily lives of the Ancestral Puebloans. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up, \$10 for ages 5-15, and under 5 are free. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Friends of the Library Book Sale. 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy bargain prices. Teacher, first responders and Friends of the Library members can buy one, get

one free.

Chess Club. 9:30-11:30 a.m., Sisson Library. Learn how to play chess with quick lessons and game time or practice your skills. All ages and abilities are welcome.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A 13-week program to assist with the healing process, regardless of how long it is since your loved one passed. For more information, call Marie Rasco at (970) 946-9379 or Centerpoint Church at (970) 731-2205. You can also register and learn more at www.griefshare.org.

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Rosary Rally. Noon, bell tower. Part of a 17-year public gathering focused on praying for our country, children and families.

Knitters Circle. 1-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Join new or experienced knitters to get help with your project, or sit and knit.

DivorceCare/DivorceCare for Kids. 4-5:30 p.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A 13-week program that provides a safe environment for people who have gone through, are going through or are considering divorce and features experts on divorce and recovery topics. DivorceCare for Kids is for kids 5-12, with topics mirroring the adult sessions. For more information, email Jim Shook at jshookup@gmail.com or the church at admin@centerpointpagosa.com. You can

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Trinity Anglican Church

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register online at www.divorcecare.org. There is a \$20 fee for the workbook. Scholarships are available.

TARA Chili Cook-off and Silent Auction. 5-7 p.m., TARA Community Center, 333 Milton Lane, Arboles. Everyone is welcome. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12, and free for those under 6. If you wish to enter the cook-off, email TARACommunityCenter101@gmail.com by Oct. 10.

Flute Music at Twilight. 6 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up, \$10 for ages 5-12, and under 5 are free. Recommended for ages 4 and up. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Jewels and Jeans Barn Dance. 7-10 p.m., CSU Extension building, 344 U.S. 84. Tickets are \$30 per person in advance and \$35 at the door. A chuckwagon dinner is available for those who have purchased a food ticket for \$15. Tickets may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce and from Exit Realty Home and Ranch, or from members of the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs.

Sunday, Oct. 13

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs. 1 p.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join for an uplifting discussion on "Beyond Life - A Spiritual Transition."

Monday, Oct. 14

Mysteries of Chimney Rock Tour. 8-10:15 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour spotlights topics aimed at interpreting the history and significance of Chimney Rock and the Ancestral Puebloans. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up, \$10 for ages 5-15, and under 5 are free. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Indoor Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Ross Aragon Community Center.

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

Pickleball Beginner Lessons. 8:30-11 a.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Register on the Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation page at <https://secure.rec1.com/CO/pagosa-springs-co/catalog>.

Women's Fellowship. 9 a.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church classrooms.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Clothing Collection. 9 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Lightly used, clean winter clothing and boots for all ages will be accepted.

Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners meet at 9:30 a.m. and the advance group meets at 10:15 a.m. If you haven't attended before, please call Beverly at (970) 264-2064 for more information.

Senior Conversations. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Healthy Aging and Yoga Therapy Class. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Senior Center.

Shakespeare Read Aloud Club. 3:30-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Join in reading aloud "Romeo and Juliet" together. For more information, call Jenny at (240) 426-7887.

Deepening the Faith Classes. 6-8 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church classrooms.

Tuesday, Oct. 15

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Clothing Collection. 9 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Lightly used, clean winter clothing and boots for all ages will be accepted.

Stretching and Mobility Class. 9:30-10:30 a.m., Senior Center. A stretching and mobility class for those age 55 and up.

Pagosa Springs Stitchers. 10 a.m.-noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Bring your current stitching project and a snack/drink if you wish, and enjoy the fellowship of other stitchers. All are welcome.

Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County. 10 a.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. Veterans and family members are invited to share experiences with vets of all ages. Find out about the latest in vets benefits, vets news and community-focused events. Contact (970) 880-8387 for more details.

Guided Great House Tour. 10:30 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This guided tour takes visitors 1/3 mile up the Great Pueblo Trail. Tickets are \$12 for ages 13 and up and \$6 for ages 5-12. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Bridge. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Hand and Foot Card Game. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center. No experience is necessary, so come willing to learn.

Mahjong. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Fun at PS Froyo. 3:30-4:30 p.m., PS Froyo. Tweens and teens can join Sisson Library staff for crafts and games.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email

for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate students from 5-6 p.m. and advanced students from 6-7 p.m.

Conversational Spanish. 4:30-5:30

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1001 Soaring Eagle Court
\$925,000

MLS # 813551
2 Bed, 2 Bath, 2,073 sq foot house on 36.44 acres. Navajo River Ranch has 2 private entrances into the forest. This home has wonderful views of the San Juan Mountain Range and great decks. 2 tributaries come together to form a seasonal creek called Oil Well Creek on the property.
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Cloman Industrial Park
\$380,000

MLS # 807337
.68 Acre, 1500 sq. ft. commercial building located in Cloman Industrial Park. There is enough property to build another building or make a large wrap around parking lot. There is a 3000 BYU gas heater and a 40 gallon hot water heater.



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2453 Running Horse Place
\$2,250,000

MLS # 813104
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247 Davis Cup Drive, Unit 4258
\$355,000

MLS # 811750
Great condo with the primary bedroom on the main level and a second spacious bedroom on the second level. Updated kitchen with granite countertops and newer appliances. 2 beds/3 baths with 1,345 sq. ft.
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p.m., Sisson Library. Practice your Spanish conversation skills in a group setting. No minimum skill level required.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Volleyball. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa Springs High School vs. Bayfield.

Men's Fellowship. 6 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church classrooms.

Wednesday, Oct. 16

Indoor Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Ross Aragon Community Center.

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

Pagosa Catholic Quilters. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., John Paul II Catholic Church classrooms. For more information, contact Maxine Everaert at quilters@ihmjp2.org.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Clothing Collection. 9 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Lightly used, clean winter clothing and boots for all ages will be accepted.

Kids Kare. 9:30-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. A weekly club for 3- to 5-year-olds where the Bible is taught with songs, stories, object lessons, games and more. For more information, email Frank and Connie Porter at cefflitttlekids@gmail.com.

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for great stories, fun songs, and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. All ages. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Fall Prevention and Safer Falling Presentation. 10 a.m., Senior Center.

Therapy Dog Visit. 11-11:45 a.m., Sisson Library. Stop by and visit with Kate, a certified therapy dog.

Elementary Tutoring. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. After-school tutoring in reading and math for grades 1-3. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information or to sign up.

Teen/Tween Activity. 4-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Head to the teen area every Wednesday after school for a fun craft or challenge. Activities will range from taste tests to art challenges and minute-to-win-it-style games.

Pagosa Springs High School Booster Club. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School.

Thursday, Oct. 17

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Clothing Collection. 9 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Lightly used, clean winter cloth-

ing and boots for all ages will be accepted.

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End-of-Life Education. 1 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

T'ai Chi Chih. 1:30-2:30, Yamaguchi Park. Free for those 60 and better.

Tech Time. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Basic questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets, etc. Bring your device charger. We provide assistance with accessing any of the library's online resources. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate students from 5-6 p.m. and advanced students from 6-7 p.m.

Dungeons and Dragons. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Join the adventure. Preregistration is required because space is limited. Contact Josie@pagosalibrary.org to join.

PALS Adult Education. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series. 6-7:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Cindi Galabota, library foundation director, and Barb Brattin, the new library director, will review the stats of the library's expansion project.

Friday, Oct. 18

Mysteries of Chimney Rock Tour. 8-10:15 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour spotlights topics aimed at interpreting the history and significance of Chimney Rock and the Ancestral Puebloans. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up, \$10 for ages 5-15, and under 5 are free. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Indoor Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Ross

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

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- 1 Neuter a neigher
- 5 Clip, as wool
- 10 Airport lineup
- 14 Mishmash
- 15 Way off base?
- 16 Light greenish-blue
- 17 Part of AP
- 19 Pipe problem
- 20 Take away
- 21 Overly optimistic
- 23 Treadmill settings
- 25 Skirt's edge
- 26 Kind of test
- 29 Stress, in a way
- 33 Different ones
- 35 Nixon's pardoner
- 36 Potter pal Weasley
- 37 Straddling
- 38 Offer one's two cents
- 40 Pub order
- 41 Quick swim
- 42 Tehran's land
- 43 One on the payroll
- 45 Dispersed
- 48 Rundown
- 49 Color shade
- 50 Conforms (to)
- 52 One of Marvel's Avengers
- 55 Stew ingredient
- 59 Poker play
- 60 Meet half-way
- 62 Weather word
- 63 Library listing
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- 65 Village People classic
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- 67 Trawling gear

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- 2 Besides
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- 4 Place for a welcome mat
- 5 Pizza serving
- 6 Fastball, in slang
- 7 Absorb, as a cost
- 8 Strong dislike
- 9 Modernize, as decor
- 10 College grad's goal
- 11 March birthstone
- 12 Go over 21, in blackjack
- 13 Apt anagram for "eats"
- 18 Escapade
- 22 Shake off
- 24 Clearly set out
- 26 Warty creatures
- 27 Storage room
- 28 Compulsive buyer
- 30 Ring site
- 31 Muscularly fit
- 32 Way in

- 34 Ticked off
- 39 Irrational distrust
- 40 Newspaper worker
- 42 Agenda entry
- 44 The Jetsons' dog
- 46 Toyota pickup
- 47 Mark with spots
- 51 Peels
- 52 Up in the air

- 53 Not stay put
- 54 Plays a part
- 56 Supreme Court count
- 57 George Harrison's " _____ It a Pity"
- 58 Pod veggies
- 61 "The Challenge" network

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Good News Club. 1:15-3:15 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. A weekly club for kids in kindergarten through the fourth grade where the Bible is taught with songs, stories, object lessons, games and more. For more information, email Frank and Connie Porter at ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

Paws to Read. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Read with Maple, a therapy dog who loves stories.

Messy Art: Nature Crafts. 2-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Get messy and make art. Make sculptures out of natural materials. All supplies will be provided.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Boys' Soccer. 4 p.m., Golden Peaks Stadium. Pagosa Springs High School vs. Fruita Monument.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Clothing Giveaway for Veterans. 4-6 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership Fundraising Concert. 5-7 p.m., Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership amphitheatre, Centennial Park. The Robin Davis Duo will play. Tickets will be \$20 at the gate.

Full Moon Program. 6:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Tickets are \$25 per person, or \$30 with an early, guided tour. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Saturday, Oct. 19

Archuleta Health Fair and Expo. 7 a.m.-1 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. For more information, www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org or email fsfearchuleta@gmail.com.

Geology Tour. 8 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour explores local geology and its relationship to the daily lives of the Ancestral Puebloans. Tickets are \$20 for

ages 13 and up, \$10 for ages 5-15, and under 5 are free. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Clothing Giveaway. 8 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Pagosa Piecemakers Quilt Guild. 9:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. Park and enter at the rear of the building. Social hour begins at 9:30 a.m., followed by the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A 13-week program to assist with the healing process, regardless of how long it is since your loved one passed. For more information, call Marie Rasco at (970) 946-9379 or Centerpoint Church at (970) 731-2205. You can also register and learn more at www.griefshare.org.

Pickleball Beginner Lessons. 10 a.m.-noon, Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts. Register on the Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation page at https://secure.rec1.com/CO/pagosa-springs-co/catalog.

Mount Allison Grange Craft Workshop. 10 a.m.-noon, Mount Allison Grange, 2622 County Road 229, Allison. Learn how to crochet and/or make a coaster using needlepoint.

Guided Great House Tour. 10:30 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This guided tour takes visitors 1/3 mile up the Great Pueblo Trail. Tickets are \$12 for ages 13 and up and \$6 for ages 5-12. Registration is required 12 hours in advance via rec.gov. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

LEGO Play. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For kids 6-11 years old. Bring your own or use our LEGOs to free build. Contact the library at (970) 264-2209 for further information.

Pokémon Club. 12:30-2:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For ages 6-11. Bring your cards to battle against others who love Pokémon, too. No experience is required.

DivorceCare/DivorceCare for Kids. 4-5:30 p.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A 13-week program that provides a safe environment for people who have gone through, are going through or are considering divorce and features experts on divorce and recovery topics. DivorceCare for Kids is for kids 5-12, with topics mirroring the adult sessions. For more information, email Jim Shook at jshookup@gmail.com or the church at admin@centerpointpagosa.com. You can register online at www.divorcecare.org. There is a \$20 fee for the workbook. Scholarships are available.

Sunday, Oct. 20

Outdoor Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon,

Yamaguchi Park South pickleball courts.

Bingo. 5:45 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. Doors open at 5 p.m., early-bird bingo at 5:45 p.m., bingo at 6 p.m.

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Last call for Saturday's Jewels and Jeans Barn Dance

By Donna Mosher
Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs

Do you have your tickets for the Jewels and Jeans Barn Dance? They are selling fast.

The Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs will host the ninth annual dance on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 7 till 10 p.m. in the Archuleta County CSU Extension building at the fairgrounds. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

The Jackson Mountain Ramblers will entertain attendees with country music, line dancing and vibrant community spirit. Activities include a cash saloon and a silent auction. An online auction of experiential items runs until midnight on Oct. 11. Bid now at <https://app.galabid.com/pagosabarndance/items>.

The highlight of the evening is the contest for sexiest cowgirl and sexiest cowboy. So, dress up in your finest western wear and come strut your stuff.

Advance dance tickets are \$30; tickets at the door are \$35. Chuckwagon dinner tickets are sold separately for an additional \$15. Only 150 meals are available, so be sure to purchase your dinner tickets early. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce and Exit Realty, or from your friendly Rotarian.

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benefits from the money raised for the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs.

All proceeds from this lively event benefit the Pagosa Rotary Community Assistance Fund, which supports our college scholarship foundation, community grants and awards to send our youth leaders to leadership camps, and the Rotary Youth Exchange, which brings foreign exchange students to Pagosa. In 2023 alone, the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs allocated more than \$56,000 to these essential projects.

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Join us in making a positive impact. Whether you're dancing at the barn dance or supporting our various projects, your involvement not only supports our initiatives, but also celebrates the Rotary spirit of service and community.

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The sweetest song ever sung

By Betty Slade
PREVIEW Columnist



I am a child of the light. The Lord has prepared the path and shone His light upon me to walk in His way. There is no reason to fear what is ahead of me. So, why have I've been managing darkness all these years, waiting for the next shoe to fall, afraid that I may not be prepared or prayed up to handle what might come?

I've lacked the understanding of perfect love. In the Bible, John wrote, "Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear" (1 John 4:17,18, NKJV).

I didn't see myself living in fear, but I have been. Simply put, it was a normal reality that took more faith to believe. Maybe fear is what will drive us to our knees to pray? Why not perfect love humbling us to thank and praise Him for what He has done and sing His song of victory?

I've heard believers vent their fears for our government, our country, the future for our children and what will be in store for the next generation. So, how do we embrace that love and refuse the darkness that continues to hover over us?

God has taken care of darkness and sin. He poured out His love on humanity through the shedding of blood on the cross. He bought us freedom at the cost of great pain. He has redeemed this evil world through the weapon of love and has taken the sting for our sins. Yet, fear is running rampant; we are constantly being consumed in negative conversations, being threatened by the absence of restraint from lawless people.

The knowledge that God is all-present, all-powerful, all-knowing, and is actively engaged in the outcome, has escaped us as we are stunned by the events of the day. He knows what is coming and has allowed it. He's already written the story, marked the future on heaven's calendar, locked it in and prepared the good works that we should walk in. It's a done deal of perfect love whether we accept it or not.

On that almost-fatal day, Aug. 6, when an accident brought me to a hospital bed, lying flat on my back for three weeks in the arms of Jesus, I accepted His perfect love. God so generously gave me a few more days or years to live and took away my darkness. How did this happen? In believing in His perfect love, I turned away from me and turned to Him.

God reminded me about one of my favorite classics, "The Thorn Birds," a 1977 novel by Australian author Colleen McCullough. The story's theme is based on a legend about the thorn bird and mirrors Jesus' coming to earth to sing one song — "He gave his life to redeem humanity, He rose above His own agony."

McCullough masterfully entwines

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a fictional love story, a drama and the legend of the thorn bird to show perfect love. She writes in the front of her book, "The theme is based on a legend about a bird which sings just once in its life, more sweetly than any other creature on the face of the earth. From the moment it leaves the nest it searches for a thorn tree, and does not rest until it has found one. Then, singing among the savage branches, it impales itself upon the longest, sharpest spine. And, dying, it rises above its own agony to out-carol the lark and the nightingale. One superlative song, existence the price. But the whole world stills to listen, and God in His heaven smiles. Or so says the legend."

In McCullough's novel, the young, greedy priest lacked understanding of God's perfect love. He was driven to achieve importance in the church to show how much he loved God. Perfect love stood before him in the young girl who loved him sacrificially and gave herself to him.

Believers have been singing the wrong lyrics too long. In order to combat fear, we must turn away from own thoughts and words. By faith, we need to listen to God's song from heaven. Jesus' sacrificial death, finding that thorn tree, impaling Himself upon it, He brought the sweetest song of perfect love ever sung to be heard throughout all eternity.

Final brushstroke: Lord, thank you

for the privilege of coming into Your presence. Thank you for shedding your love upon my heart. I've been that savage branch too long. Show me how to embellish those quiet moments and still myself to listen to the sweetest song ever sung. Then I'll

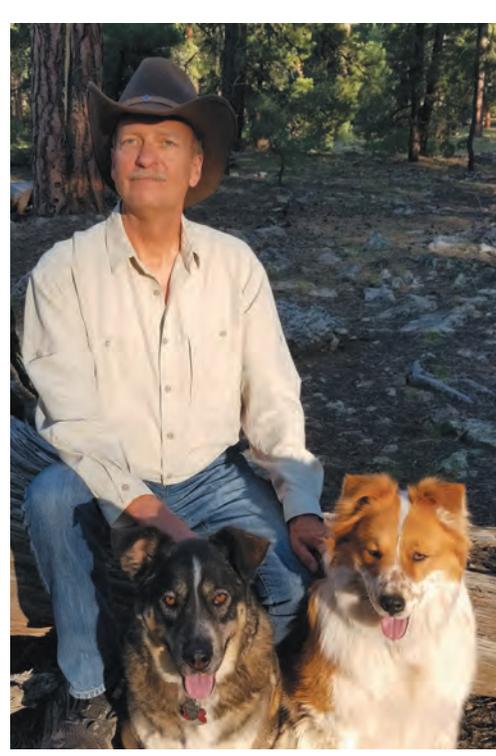
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Unitarian Universalists to continue 'What Our World Needs Now: Universalism in a Polarized Age' series

By De Anna L. Hoyle
Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

As we continue the series "What the World Needs Now: Universalism in a Polarized Age," we will explore how we can place love at the center to navigate the uncertainties of this transformative journey toward a more just and interconnected world. The Going Deeper Small Group

gatherings continue this week at the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

This Sunday, Oct. 13, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., we will explore themes of:

- Separateness and unity.
- From protection to solidarity.
- Recognizing personal complicity in oppression.

The subject matter may seem a bit

intense, but in this small-group setting we listen deeply to one another and reflect on our own understanding of the topics. We create a safe, relaxed environment by building a covenant the group abides by. We invite participants to come, enjoy provided treats and beverages, and engage to your comfort level. We meet at the fellowship, located at Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., on the north side facing Pagosa Peak. All are welcome whether or not you attend Sunday service.

This congregation is a place to grow your spirit, make friends and do good. All are welcome.

Lane

■ continued from previous page know, God in your heaven smiles. In Jesus' precious name I pray. Amen. Send your comment to bettyslade.author@gmail.com.

Reader comments

"Dear Betty, We always love reading your columns in our Pagosa SUN paper.

"This week's article was a nice surprise, praising the efforts and work of athletes in our small town. And recognizing the leadership of coaches, teachers, and school staff to make a difference in the lives of young people, especially through athletics.

"My husband, Olin, loved working with the teams here in our little mountain town, in the Jr. High and high school. He was happy to know and work with Slade and Creede both during this time. It is great to know they are both doing well and pursuing their best futures.

"Thank you for your inspiring writing. We are so happy you both are healing and doing well now.

"Sharon Garrison"

"Hi Betty -

"I just enjoyed reading your column in The Sun that my stepmother, Sharon Garrison, forwarded to me. My father is Coach Olin Garrison, and I was brought to tears by your kind description of him. I'm proud to say he is the best father in the world and my hero. He coached in Dallas for the first 32 years of my life and was indeed a well-respected role model to many players. Pagosa was the last stop of his coaching career, and I'm thrilled that you were able to see how much he cares. He's such a good guy, and I know your words touched his heart as well. Thank you so much for taking the time to mention him and the other influential coaches of your grandson. It sounds like Creed has a wonderful future, and can impact his athletes in kind. He's obviously received a huge amount of love from his grandmother! Best wishes and God's blessings to you.

"Shannon Garrison Champe."

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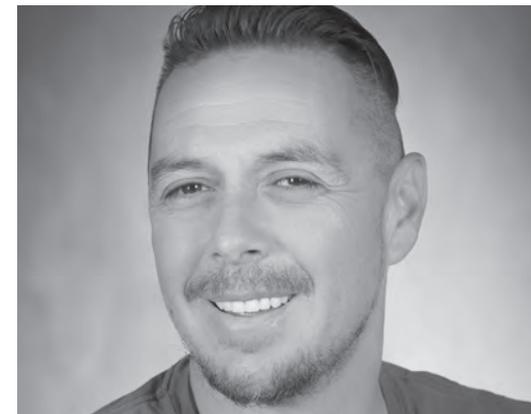
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Tips for taking stunning nature photos

Special to The PREVIEW

Exploring the great outdoors is a rewarding way to bear witness to the majesty of nature. Nature frequently presents awe-inspiring vistas that can take individuals' breath away.

Some nature lovers are content to bask in the moment and set the scene to memory. Others may want a more permanent way to commemorate the view.

Amateur photographers eager to capture the majesty of the great outdoors can practice their picture-taking skills.

According to the photography tips and technique experts at Picture Correct, many factors are involved in taking nature photographs.

These tips can help anyone take stunning nature photos:

- Invest in quality gear. The right photography gear makes it much easier to take great photos. Lenses are very important for capturing shots. Macro lenses are designed for insects and flowers. Wide-angle lenses help snap landscapes. Telephoto lenses can focus on animals without having

to get too close.

- Take the foreground into consideration. When you find an inspiring landscape to photograph, skip the empty landscapes and think about zeroing in on something interesting in the foreground. This can be a particularly attractive flower in front of a vast field, or even a rusty watering can left out in a row of crops. Items in the foreground impart interest in the photo.

- Consider depth of field. Sometimes you will have no control over the busy background an interesting subject is in front of in a planned photograph. A shallow depth of field achieved with a wide aperture can blur a background and separate the subject from that background, according to Shotkit, a photography and gear authority. Some postproduction work also can be done to blur backgrounds in apps like Lightroom or through Photoshop.

- Zoom in and crop subjects. Smaller pictures can be just as compelling as larger ones. Zoom in on the bark on a tree, the skin of a lizard or the wings of an insect. Closer looks

at what is hiding in plain sight in nature can lead to compelling pictures. Zoom in and think about a macro lens, which will magnify even the tiniest details.

- Study what you want to capture. The best photographers do their research. If you want to grab a great photo of an egret by the water's edge, spend time watching these birds in their habitat and learning their behaviors. This might help you predict when to snap the best photo.

- Use light wisely. The photography resource Expert Photography recommends taking photos primarily during the golden hours. These are right after sunrise and just before sunset. The light during these times of day has a softer, hazy quality that will illuminate subjects evenly and less harshly than midday, when shadows also may pose challenges. Taking photos during these times also means fewer people around and a better chance that wildlife will be out and about.

Nature photography is wildly popular and there are many ways for amateur photographers to make their photos pop.

How to make a home more cozy

Special to The PREVIEW

The meaning of the term "cozy" varies as it pertains to home decor. For some, cozy may mean intimate spaces with lots of quilts and throws. For others, cozy could indicate bright and airy spaces enhanced by plenty of fresh foliage.

Regardless of how they define cozy, homeowners typically want their homes to be inviting and comfortable.

With that in mind, the following are some ways to impart a cozy vibe to any living space:

- Make use of a fireplace. Flames lapping wood (or faux wood in the event of gas-powered fireplaces) can

put anyone in a tranquil state of mind. Fireplaces add instant ambiance and make great places for people to congregate and engage in conversation. During warmer months when the fire isn't blazing, decorative candles can be lit to mimic the same feel.

- Add texture in the design. Texture can be anything from a raised pattern on wallpaper to a knotty area rug to a mosaic piece of artwork. A home with texture tends to create cozier impressions than one with all sleek and smooth surfaces.

- Enjoy a soft rug. Although many design experts say hardwood floors or laminate options are easier for allergies and keeping a home clean, a soft rug

underfoot can be welcoming. Rather than wall-to-wall carpeting, place area rugs in spots that can use some cozying up, such as beneath beds and even under the dining table.

- Light candles. The warm, flickering light of candles adds cozy vibes in spades. According to The Spruce and Paula Boston, a visual merchandiser for Festive Lights, candles can be used throughout a home to create instant atmosphere. Exercise caution with candles and fully extinguish them before retiring for the evening.

- Update bedding for the season. Crisp and light cotton and linen are cozy materials when the weather is

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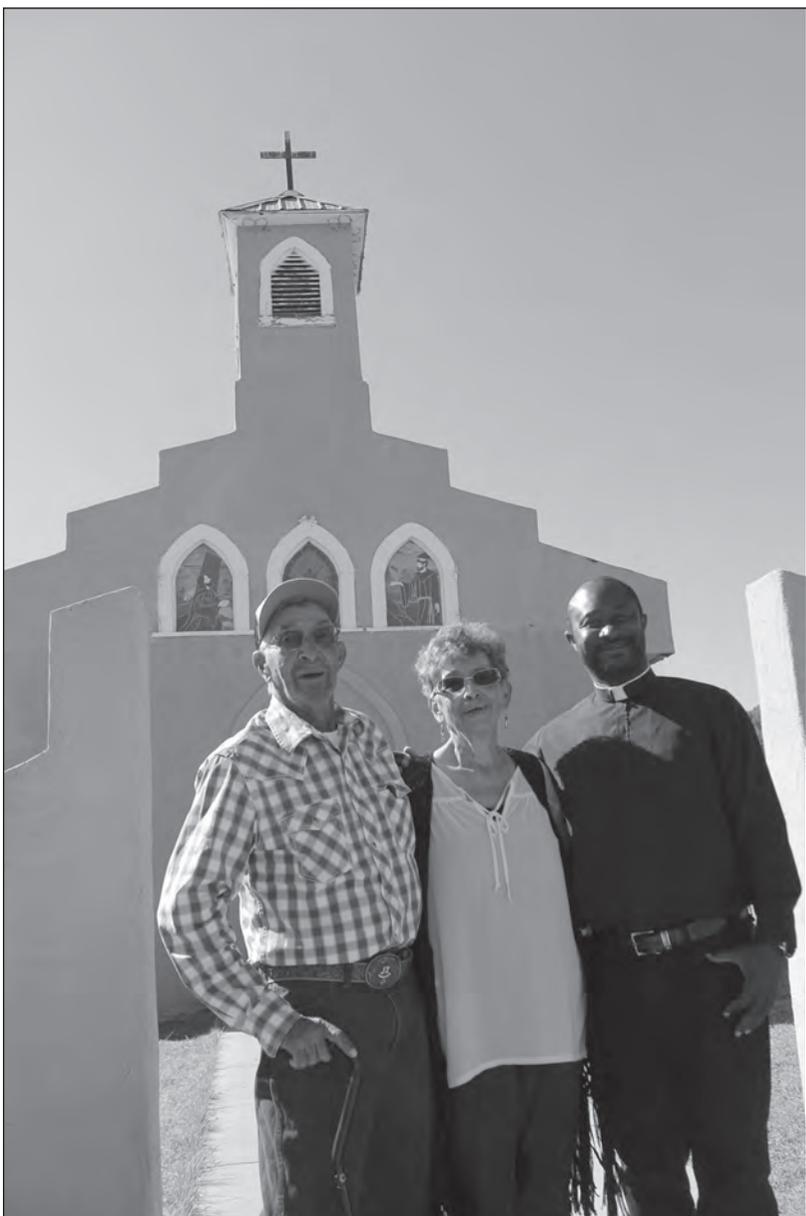
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ST. FRANCIS MISSION CHURCH ANNUAL MASS

PREVIEW photos/Garret Fevinger

Scene ... gathering for an annual Mass on Sunday, Oct. 6, at the St. Francis Mission Church and sharing food and celebrating the feast day of the patron saint of animals. Following the Mass, Cashis Sanchez, 8, led a traditional procession around the church, which on Sunday celebrated its 107th anniversary. Afterward, multiple generations of family and community celebrated with a potluck featuring freshly fried buñuelos, and racks of smoked lamb, sheep and hotdogs.



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Cozy

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warm. But when the temperature starts to dip, flannel or jersey bedding makes a bed that much more inviting, says Real Simple.

- Invest in lots of pillows. Pillows can instantly make a spot more cozy, whether it's the living room sofa or an outdoor lounging nook. Look for materials that are durable for the space in which they're being used.

- Think about warm lighting. The transition from incandescent light bulbs to halogen and LED is beneficial from an environmental standpoint. However, LEDs illuminate with a more stark, blue light that can seem clinical in home spaces. Look for bulbs where the "temperature" can be customized. The more the color spectrum leans toward warm light, the more cozy a space will feel. This can be enhanced by putting some lights on dimmer switches and toning down the brightness as needed.

Making a home more cozy doesn't have to be complicated. A few easy modifications can improve interior spaces.



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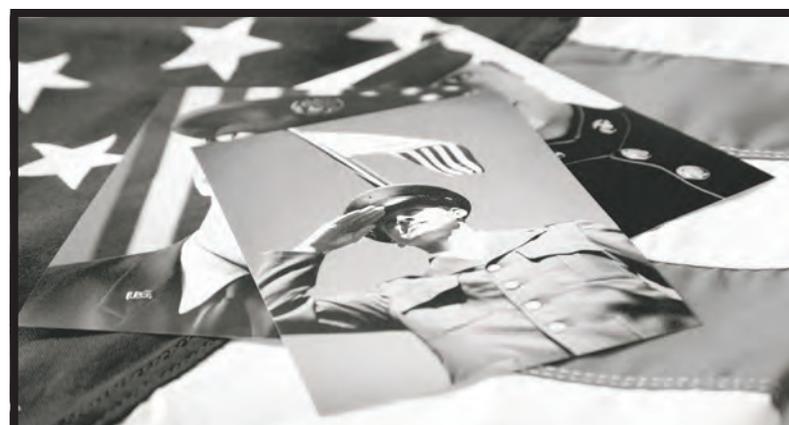
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'You are my pit crew'

By Richard Gammill
PREVIEW Columnist

David had battled with his inner demons for years, struggling to overcome the grip of alcoholism.

After years of false starts and broken aspirations, the true turning point came about a year ago when he stumbled from his pew and fell sobbing across the church altar. His cousin had been urging David for a long time to attend church with him and he finally relented. In one pocket, just in case he couldn't handle this situation, was a small flask of whiskey.

He prayed fervently, accompanied by his cousin and a few men whom he did not know, until his soul was flooded with peace. In faith he met Jesus Christ as his savior and realized everything would change for him. When he left the altar the bottle of whiskey remained behind.

A few days later he entered the hospital and began three weeks of horrifying alcohol detoxification along with preparation for kidney dialysis and treatment for liver failure. A kidney transplant had been in

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his future only if he was sober for a year. But his medical team was soon baffled by the recovery and restoration of both organs, taking him off the transplant list. Those brutal three weeks of treatment have been followed by a year of getting used to sobriety and becoming acquainted with his new-found family of faith.

One evening, David sat with me and my wife at our dinner table with a small group of his new friends. He said to us, "You are my pit crew." In that moment of vulnerability, he acknowledged our indispensable role of uplift in his journey of recovery. Every Sunday when he walks through the doors of our church, he finds a sanctuary of support, understanding and steadfast encouragement from his fellow believers. We tell him, "You belong here."

Like a pit crew at a racing event, David's church community works tirelessly to lift his spirits, provide guidance and offer a shoulder to lean on during the most challenging laps of his race. The Body of Christ fuels his determination and provides the strength he needs to stay on the track of sobriety.

Through our collective empathy, understanding and dedication, David finds the support system he needs to navigate the treacherous twists and turns of his recovery journey. The Body's unwavering commitment to his well-being is a beacon of hope guiding him through his darkest moments.

In return, David is a living testimony to the power of faith, community and resilience. His journey not only inspires others, but also strengthens the bonds within our church, forging a collective spirit of compassion and support extending far beyond the pews.

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Pagosa Bible Church to host seven-week marriage course

By Dave Stene
Pagosa Bible Church

Are you looking for some practical support to strengthen your relationship?

Would you like to find a way to deepen and enrich your marriage? Could your relationship use some help? Then come to the marriage course.

The Alpha Marriage Course is for couples who are seeking to strengthen their relationship. Some couples do the course to intentionally invest in their relationship; others are looking to address more specific challenges. Either way, the course offers essential tools and practical ideas to help you build a relationship that lasts a lifetime.

The marriage course is based on Christian principles but designed for all couples, with or without a church

background.

The course is set up like a date night, one evening a week for seven weeks. Each couple sits at a table for two in a room with other couples. You will enjoy a great dessert and watch a video presentation on a topic that will help to strengthen and enhance your marriage. You will also have time to discuss issues that are raised with your partner. All the conversations are private, and the setting is structured to provide a safe environment in which to talk.

The marriage course starts Friday, Oct. 11, and runs for seven weeks at Pagosa Bible Church (209 Harman Park Drive). Each session goes from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The cost for the course is \$20 per couple and child care is provided. If you would like to register or have any questions, email darren@pagosabiblechurch.org. Or, you can call Pagosa Bible Church at (970) 731-3120.

Spiritual Experiences Group to discuss 'Beyond Life - a Spiritual Transition'

By Laurah Brock Young
Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs

Harold Klemp's book "Life After Death - What Happens When We Die?" states, "The end of life as we know it is a doorway, a transition into the inner worlds. Births and deaths mark the journey of Soul.

The translation or movement from one stage of experience to another is but a further step on Soul's journey home to God."

Part of my search for truth about life and death included the absolute knowledge I had lived before. How could I know that and how could I prove it to myself? As I continued

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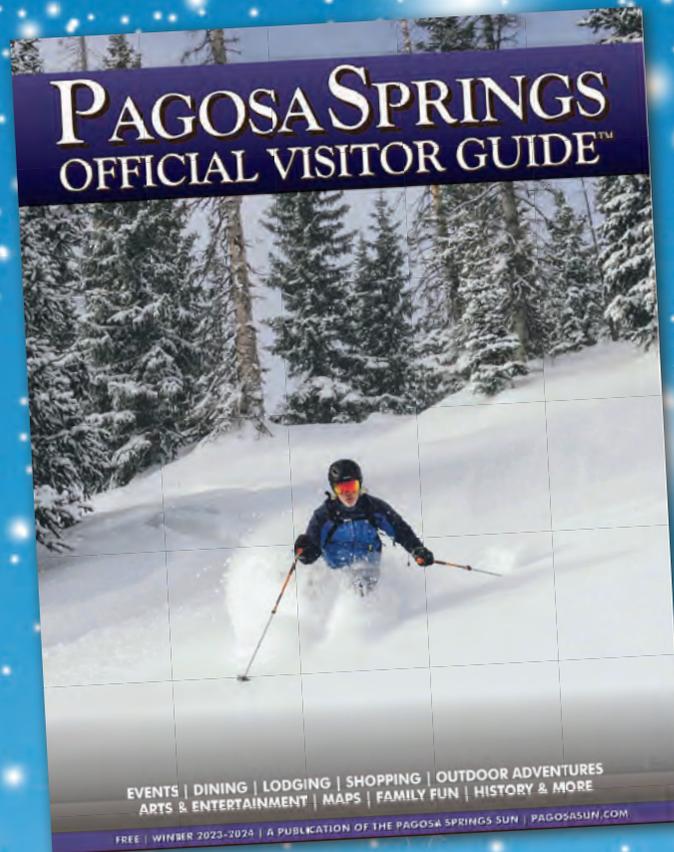
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Rosary rally to be held at bell tower on Oct. 12

By Shanna Robb
Pagosa Catholic Community

On Saturday, Oct. 12, the Pagosa Catholic Community will be one of more than 22,500 communities across the United States leading a public rosary rally.

The rally is part of a 17-year public gathering focused on praying for our country, children and families.

With unrest surrounding the upcoming presidential election, along with Colorado ballot initiatives such as Amendment 79 that enshrines abortion, public prayer for our community and country takes on a higher urgency.

As explained by Susan Hampton, rally chairperson for the past six years, "If everyone would come together to pray for the forgiveness of our nation's sins and turn to God

versus turning to the things of this world, our nation would be a better place."

America Needs Fatima, the organization leading the effort, shared that the number of rosary rallies in the United States has significantly increased over the years. International rallies, led by sister organizations, are also experiencing an expansion.

When asked what the underlying reason was for the increase in participation, the answer was "Hope." It is the same hope that was witnessed in Fatima, Portugal, on Oct. 13, 1917, by an estimated 70,000 Christians and non-Christians.

In addition to saying the rosary daily, the cornerstone of the rallies is that we need every prayer possible. This includes asking our Mother Mary to intercede on our behalf to her Son, Jesus Christ.

October is the "Month of the Rosary." Rosary rallies will be happening around the world on Saturday, Oct. 12, at noon.

Individuals and families, including those with young children, are encouraged to meet at the bell tower located on the corner of U.S. 160 and Lewis Street. Bring a chair, hat, bottled water and a rosary.

For more information about the Pagosa Catholic Community, visit ihmjp2.org.

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SpiritFire Inspirational Living Center announces upcoming events

By Shayla McClure
SpiritFire Inspirational Living Center

Spiritual topics are discussed every Tuesday at the SpiritFire Inspirational Living Center.

Upcoming events

Oct. 12, 11 a.m.: "Healing with Himalayan Singing Bowls" workshop. Learn how to use the bowls and water sacred geometry to heal others and yourself with Scott Maki, master sound healer. Reserve your spot now. There is an \$88 donation. Contact (970) 510-0309.

Oct. 13, 3 p.m.: Sunday sound bowl fundraiser concert with drumming by Himalayan master sound healer and Finnish drum shaman Scott Maki. Tickets are on sale now for \$25.

Oct. 15: "Earthing- The Body and Earth's Electromagnetic Fields, Are You Grounded?" with Shayla White Eagle, herbalist, native ways practitioner, LMT/CST. A love donation will be accepted.

Oct. 19, 10 a.m.: Wolfwood Refuge labyrinth brickmaking to honor the energy spiral. Sign up now. Contact (970) 510-0309.

Spiritual

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my search for truth, I began to have dreams about past lives and the reason for reincarnation.

Since then, I have had experiences that helped me understand what happens beyond life as we know it.

Would you like to understand more about this journey? Would you like to explore new perspectives on your life's spiritual transitions?

Oct. 22, 5:30 p.m.: Illuminations lecture series, "Quantum Healing Hypnosis Technique" with Niara Isley, author and quantum healer. A love donation will be accepted.

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SpiritFire Inspirational Living Center is a 501(c)(3). We are an all-inclusive community honoring all lifestyles, cultures and religious paths to the Divine. We are the "Good Vibe Tribe" who practices Science of Mind principles of positive thinking.

The vision of SpiritFire Inspirational Living Center is to empower each participating member to become their "best self." Our mission is to create a world that works for everyone through self empowerment and awareness of the creator's divinity.

We welcome local talents to share gifts, aptitudes, and knowledge.

SpiritFire Inspirational Living Center events are held at 3505 W. U.S. 160, on the second floor of the Pagosa Lodge (elevator available). Obtain information by joining us; emailing pagosacommunitynewthought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; or calling (970) 510-0309.

Join the Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs on Sunday, Oct. 13, at 1 p.m. for an uplifting discussion of "Beyond Life - a Spiritual Transition."

We will meet at the Pagosa Lakes Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave.

Join The Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs at <https://www.meetup.com/pagosa-springs-spiritual-experiences-group/>.

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The cake contest and sale

By Daris Howard
Special to The PREVIEW

The scouts in the community wanted to go to scout camp, but there wasn't enough money. They decided to do a fundraiser. At the scout meeting, they brainstormed for ideas.

"How about a car wash?" John asked.

Nathan shook his head. "The girls already did one, and we don't want to be copycats."

Lots of ideas were suggested, but nothing seemed exactly right.

Then Jason asked, "How about we have some kind of dinner?"

"We could use the last of our funds," Leon, the scoutmaster, said. "But, it can't be too expensive."

"How about pancakes?" John asked. "They're inexpensive, and everybody likes them."

Everyone liked that idea, but Leon said they needed something unusual to draw people in. They talked about it for a while, and then someone suggested each boy and his father bake something.

"That would be unusual," Jason said. "I don't think my father has ever baked anything."

"Maybe we could all make the same thing and make it a contest," Seth said.

They discussed ideas and settled on cakes. They decided each boy and his father would make one, and the cakes would be

judged in a contest before they were auctioned off.

With the plan decided, the next few weeks were spent organizing. They used their last funds to purchase pancake mixes, eggs and syrup. The boys' mothers would bring jam, jelly and drinks. It became a big thing in the community, with everyone discussing which father and son they thought would make the best cake.

As scoutmaster, Leon thought he needed to work at it with his son to set a good example. He planned to practice, but the day came quickly, and he hadn't done any.

With only a few hours before the dinner, Leon and his son made a cake. It was as hard as a brick. They tried another, and it fell so much that it looked like a roof shingle and tasted like one, too. They were out of time and Leon didn't know what to do. Then, he got a brilliant idea.

He took the smoothest, most perfect cake pan, turned it over on a piece of cardboard, and, together, he and his son frosted and decorated it.

"When the auction comes," Leon told his son, "I'll just buy it back."

Then, they made a pact not to tell anyone what they had done.

The dinner went well, and then attention was turned to the auction. When the cakes were all brought out, Leon was shocked. About half of them looked like his. He started searching through the name tags, but it was

soon time for the judging.

Wanda, a prominent lady and good cook, was the judge. She narrowed it down a few at a time until she finally settled on one. The winner was announced, and Brent and his father received a cake mix as a prize. Then, their cake was to be the first auctioned off.

"I think Wanda should try a sliver of it to tell us if it tastes as good as it looks," an old man called out.

Brent's father objected, saying he planned to buy it, but before anyone could stop him, John took a big knife and cut into it. To everyone's surprise, except the cooks, it was simply cardboard shaped like a cake and frosted.

Everyone was shocked for a moment, then laughter filled the hall. Someone suggested they should check all the cakes. Leon felt a surge of panic in his heart, but the cake was out of the bag, and there was no stopping the check-it-out train. He still tried to stop them, but the strongest scout stuck the knife right through the pan and cut it all the way to the end.

When his wife saw it, she gasped and turned to him, "My best pan?"

The cake sale didn't raise as much as planned, but Leon felt better knowing his wasn't the only fake cake — in fact, almost half of them were.

It was a night everyone talked about for a long time. Too long, Leon thought.

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Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs mobilizes to aid disaster relief for Hurricane Helene victims

By Terri House
Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs

The Pagosa Springs Rotary Club is rallying support to provide critical aid to communities devastated by Hurricane Helene, which has left a trail of destruction across Florida, Georgia, and the Carolinas.

As "People of Action," Rotarians are stepping in to offer assistance where it is needed most, and the community's contributions can play a vital role in these efforts.

Hurricane Helene has severely impacted countless families, causing widespread damage to homes, businesses and infrastructure. The immediate needs in the hardest-hit areas include food, clean water, medical supplies and shelter. In response, Rotary members across the country are not only contributing financial resources, but also volunteering their time and expertise to assist in the relief and rebuilding efforts.

In moments like this, we stand ready to make a difference. By supporting the relief efforts, we can provide tangible aid and hope to families in dire need.

The Pagosa Springs Rotary Community Assistance Fund (CAF), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is currently collecting donations to fund disaster relief for those affected by Hurricane Helene. All contributions will directly support relief efforts, including the distribution of

food, medical supplies and support for long-term recovery initiatives. Donations may be tax-deductible for U.S. residents, in accordance with IRS regulations.

How to help

Donations can be sent to: Pagosa Rotary Community Assistance Fund, P.O. Box 685, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

Please write "Hurricane Relief" on the memo line of your check.

In the wake of disasters like hurricanes, earthquakes and fires, the swift mobilization of resources is essential. Rotary clubs, with their vast network and ability to respond quickly, are uniquely positioned to provide humanitarian aid. During this critical time, cash donations are the most effective way to help, allowing Rotary to purchase essential supplies and allocate resources to where they are needed most.

"As Rotarians, we believe in the power of working together to serve those in need," said Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs President Rob Foster. "Whether we are donating funds or volunteering our skills, we aim to make a positive and lasting impact. Now is the time for all of us to come together and show the world what the magic of Rotary is all about. One hundred percent of your donation goes directly to those in need, with no deductions for administrative costs. Rotary members volunteer their time

and expertise, ensuring that every dollar makes the maximum impact on disaster relief efforts."

For more information about the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club's disaster relief efforts, please contact Warren Brown at (970) 901-0543.

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EXPERIENCE COUNTS

With a long history of public finance experience and a proven track record of financial stewardship, John brings a wealth of experience to the Board of County Commissioners. His leadership in 2008 was instrumental in helping Archuleta County navigate through one of its most challenging periods ultimately leading to a period of stability and growth.

COMMITTED TO SERVE

John volunteered to serve as a Financial Task Force member in 2007 when Archuleta County discovered a serious financial crisis. Following that, John served for a period of time as County Commissioner. In addition, he recently sat on the committee to form, and budget for, Archuleta County's new Health Department. He has an unwavering commitment to the fiscal health and well-being of our County. John's leadership, as Commissioner and Task Force Member, not only rescued the county from financial turmoil, but also set the stage for a prosperous future.

KEY PRIORITIES

- 1) Provide focus and financial restraint in order to invest the amount required, not only to maintain, but improve **OUR ROADS**.
- 2) Invest more into **TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE** that can add to our economic growth.
- 3) Build stronger and better **WORKING RELATIONSHIPS**.



PERSONAL

John and Angie have been married for eight years. Both are long-term residents of Archuleta County: John since 1996 and Angie since 1986. Both raised their children in Pagosa Springs and the Archuleta School District. Together, they have 4 grandchildren, all living in Archuleta County.

Having been a dedicated member of the Archuleta County community since 1996, John understands the local values, concerns and aspirations of its residents.

To learn more about John Ranson's campaign for Archuleta County Commissioner, District 2, please feel free to contact John at: RansonforBoCC@gmail.com

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Shattering the silence: The importance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month

By Amanda Briggs
Rise Above Violence

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), and it is an important time for us to come together as a community to acknowledge the devastating effects of domestic violence and commit to ending the cycle of abuse.

Domestic violence affects people of all genders, ages, races and backgrounds in our community. This month, we hope to raise awareness and break the silence surrounding this pervasive issue.

By shining a light on domestic violence, we give survivors the space to tell their stories and let them know they are not alone. Whether you're a survivor, a friend or a family member, your voice matters. Each of us plays

a role in stopping the cycle of abuse.

We will be sharing information and resources on our social media all month, and we encourage you to follow along, connect with us about volunteering as a victim advocate or reach out if you need support.

We also invite you to join us for a special screening of "It Ends with Us" based on the bestselling novel by Colleen Hoover on Oct. 24 at 6 p.m. at the Liberty Theatre. There will be a panel discussion about domestic violence featuring local professionals following the movie. Tickets are on sale at www.riseaboveviolence.org.

When we work together, we can build a safer, more supportive community for survivors. It's not just the survivor, alone and isolated, against domestic violence. It's all of us — together against domestic violence.

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