



Photo courtesy Michelle Janowsky

Nature’s contrast was on display at a local residence last week when multiple raccoons, one albino, showed up. According to Colorado Parks and Wildlife officials, the raccoon is believed to be a true albino, or as close as it can be. The officials state that’s a 1 in 10,000-20,000 occurrence in raccoons.

## County officials discuss public health nuisance investigation process

By Clayton Chaney  
Staff Writer

On Sept. 16, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) discussed the county’s procedures for investigating potential public health nuisance complaints, and a moratorium that was put in place regarding code enforcement.

Interim County Manager Mike Torres explained that in the process of investigating properties, “Right now, how it sits for the county is they need to have a report made by a resident in the area. From then, they take photos of the violation, fill out the necessary documentation, and send that documentation and notice to the resident who is out of compliance.”

If nothing is completed, then a letter of abatement is sent to the property and the matter goes back to the county’s legal department, with potential property liens at that point, Torres explained.

As for the moratorium that was approved by a previous BoCC, Torres said, “We are still looking for that,” explaining he has been unable to find a record of the moratorium, but that he believes it was approved in August 2023.

He then mentioned that, according to the county’s current codes, enforcement officers designated by the county “may actively investigate any complaint when provided with information by law enforcement, health services or other governmental quasi-public entities, and/or where there is reasonable information to believe that violation affecting public health, safety or welfare exists,” or while in their normal process of duties the enforcement officer becomes aware of a violation.

Torres commented that this reiterates what the county is already doing.

County Attorney Cathleen Giovannini asked for an explanation of what the idea of the moratorium was for

■ See Nuisance A7



SUN photo/Robert Penton

A fire burns atop a building along the 400 block of Pagosa Street Tuesday evening. According to Pagosa Fire Protection District Chief Robert Bertram, the fire was called in at 5:24 p.m. Tuesday, with personnel responding in minutes. He reported a shed on the roof burned and was extinguished. The fire was ruled unintentional.

## Town council accepts new geothermal rate study

By Derek Kutzer  
Staff Writer

On Sept. 16, the Pagosa Springs Town Council voted to accept a new geothermal water rate study conducted by Roaring Fork Engineering.

The town had sought the new rate study “to identify the revenue requirements to operate and maintain the geothermal system, given the recently identified capital projects ... as the system has largely reached the end of its useful life,” the study states.

The town, through a 2009 geothermal discharge contract with The Springs Resort, has leased water to the resort at what the lease calls “a

fair market rate.”

In September 2024, the council had decided that it would take two factors — the energy and mineral content of the water — into consideration when setting this fair market rate.

“Last year, we did an internal rate study, when the tap agreement with The Springs Resort expired. We raised the rates, and you guys passed an ordinance to approve that rate,” Public Works Director Karl Johnson said.

Johnson explained The Springs objected to the rate increase and the internal study, “so we commissioned Roaring Fork to do a full-blown rate study.”

Regular customers of the town’s geothermal water system, installed in 1981, use the water for heating floors, sidewalks, handrails and for hot water, with year-round temperatures ranging from 118 to 140 degrees.

But spas, such as The Springs, also utilize “the significant healing mineral attributes of the water for use in their spa and pools,” an agenda document on the matter states.

The document also states that “the traditional geothermal heating utility customers do not have the benefit of direct use of the healing mineral water with the heat exchange to potable water that is circulated in the system.”

This mineral or healing content of

the water, which the spas market to their guests, should also be factored into the lease rate for spas, the council decided in 2024.

The new Roaring Fork rate study codifies that both the energy and mineral contents of the water should be factored into the lease rates for spas.

Amy Huff, representing The Springs, spoke out about the new study during the public comment section of the meeting, urging the council not to accept the study until the resort had time to review it more thoroughly.

She suggested that “adopting” the

■ See Geothermal A8

## PAWSD selects two finalists for district manager position

By Josh Pike  
Staff Writer

At a Sept. 15 special meeting, the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) Board of Directors selected two finalists for the position of district manager, which will be vacated following current District Manager/Engineer Justin Ramsey’s retirement.

The meeting opened with PAWSD board member Alex Boehmer presenting the conclusions of the PAWSD manager recruitment subcommittee, which included Boehmer and PAWSD board chairman Gene Tautges.

Boehmer explained that the subcommittee received seven applications total and had one finalist before receiving an additional application approximately five minutes before it closed applications at PAWSD’s most recent regular meeting on Sept. 11.

He stated that this applicant is a mechanical engineer at the Las Vegas Valley Water District in Las Vegas, Nev., which serves more than 300,000

■ See PAWSD A8



SUN photo/Randi Pierce

Dozens of hot air balloons take to the sky downtown on Saturday, Sept. 20, part of the 39th annual ColorFest festivities. A reported 31 balloons flew over the downtown that morning.

## County sees consistent monthly increase in sales tax collections over 2024

By Clayton Chaney  
Staff Writer

Sales tax collections in Archuleta County for the month of July were reported to be up 2.3 percent compared to figures from July 2024, according to data released by Archuleta County Finance Director Chad Eaton on Sept. 8.

Eaton’s report notes that the 2.3 percent increase translates to a total of \$42,590.88 more received in July 2025 compared to July 2024.

Sales tax collections have been up in the county every month so far this year in the month-to-month comparisons with 2024, with the biggest increase coming in February, which showed a 11.6 percent increase, or \$143,191 more.

Sales tax collections in January were up 3.96 percent, or \$67,565.22 more than January 2024; March collections were up 9.12 percent, or \$129,489.44 more than March 2024; April collections were up 9.32

■ See Tax A8

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## OUR VIEW

# Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) calls suicide one of most urgent mental health issues of our time, and each September is a time to draw additional awareness to the issue with Suicide Prevention Awareness Month or Suicide Prevention Month.

We agree that it's a huge issue.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 49,000 died by suicide in 2023, with the agency pointing out that's one death every 11 minutes.

The agency also indicates millions seriously think about, plan for or attempt suicide.

Unfortunately, suicide is something that affects way too many of us in one way or another.

We've known people over the course of our lives who seemed happy and well-adjusted (although they, like all of us, had hardships) before finding out much later they had attempted to take their own life on multiple occasions.

We have friends who have lost immediate family members to suicide.

One of the first enterprise stories we dug into after joining The SUN's reporting staff centered on the astronomical suicide rate in Archuleta County at that time. That was a difficult time for the community, with more folks than average having to deal with the losses of loved ones through tragic means, and our first responders had to respond to and work those scenes more frequently.

We've also received at least one posthumous letter here at The SUN explaining why the author was choosing to take their own life.

And we know for many, it's hit much closer to home.

It's absolutely heartbreaking.

But we firmly believe suicide is preventable, and all of us can take part in providing a society that values mental health, connection, and seeking help if and when you need it.

"#SuicidePreventionMonth reminds us that talking about suicide isn't harmful —

silence is," the NAMI website states. "One honest conversation can be a turning point in someone's life."

The organization invites everyone to share messages about suicide prevention "through the power of courageous community conversations."

If you'd like to help and don't know how, several resources, such as NAMI and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, offer a plethora of resources and information about suicide, its warning signs and more.

If you'd like to be more prepared by knowing some of the warning signs and risk factors of suicide, NAMI offers a list at <https://www.nami.org/about-mental-illness/common-with-mental-illness/risk-of-suicide/>.

If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis, please call or text 988 immediately.

Talk to someone. Find help. You're worth it.

Randi Pierce

## LOOKING BACK



From the Sept. 28, 1978, Pagosa SUN — VOLLEYBALL — Khe-ta Ross in defensive action against Ignacio Kammi Lynn looks on.

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## LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

# 100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 25, 1925

**Probably one section** of Colorado should not have more genuine interest than another in restoring stolen Pagosa hot springs to the national government, that the Army and Navy may avail its curative properties, but it is certain that all Southern Colorado is vitally interested. Every state in the union would be demanding restoration, were all the facts and conditions known to all. — Alamosa Empire.

**J.Q. Vermillion** and grandson, Winfred Daggett, arrived home Tuesday by auto from San Diego, Calif., the former to close up business affairs before returning for the winter to San Diego, where he recently purchased a dwelling where his wife is now residing.

Yesterday he closed a deal with Joe J. Macht, whereby the latter acquired ownership of the Vermillion ranch, about six miles north of Pagosa Springs and adjoining the Macht ranch. The consideration was \$4,500.

# 75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 22, 1950

**The Town of Pagosa Springs** and Archuleta County both showed slight increases in their assessed valuation for the year. This was in spite of the new ruling on the assessed valuation of merchandise stocks. Heretofore, unless merchants inventoried their stock at least four times a year, the Assessor would assess all the merchandise at 70 percent of its inventory value. Under the new ruling it is assessed at only 60 percent of inventory value.

The figures for the past year show that the County valuation was \$3,683,400.00 and the Town \$589,780.00. The valuation figures for this year show an increase of \$116,415 for the county and an increase of \$220 for the town. The valuations this year are: for the county \$3,799,820 and for the town \$589,960.00.

Most of this increase is in improvements on property and new buildings, according to Earl Lattin, County Assessor. The increase in valuation the past few years shows that the town and county are definitely growing in value and that more growth can be expected in the future.

# 50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 25, 1975

**Good progress** is being made on the parking fill by Title X workers under the direction of the San Juan Soil Conservation District. From all appearances the area should be ready for surfacing by next week. The oil surfacing is being paid for by local merchants, the SCD, the town and the county is cooperating in the work by furnishing machinery. It would seem appropriate that a street dance, or some celebration be held when the project is completed.

**The U.S. Forest Service** will be having a controlled burn in the Confar Hill area today and there will be considerable smoke. This is part of a new method the Forest Service is using to clear out underbrush and slash. The fire is under control and the smoke may be visible for some time.

**The Pagosa Springs Sportsman's Club** is holding a rifle and shotgun shoot Sunday, October 5 at 1 p.m. The location is south of town near the new recreation complex. All sportsmen are invited and this will be a good opportunity to sight in rifles for big game season. There will be trap, large bore, and small bore shooting. There will also be a special running deer target.

# 25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 21, 2000

**The red tags** are back. When attached to a county road sign, a red tag means the road is not scheduled for county maintenance. Absence of a red tag means the county maintains the road.

Tuesday's 2-1 commissioner vote to continue with the red tag program is the latest in a long line of commissioner actions surrounding the use of red tags that date back to March of this year.

Voting Tuesday for installing the tags were Commissioners Gene Crabtree and Ken Fox. Commissioner Bill Downey voted against the tags.

The commissioners were first exposed to the idea of marking the roads as to whether maintenance is or is not performed by the county when they visited Montezuma County earlier this year.

"It seemed like a good idea at the time," said Downey.

At a minimum ... an estimated 880 signs will be required if it is assumed four signs will be needed for each of the 220 streets. Each of the signs, or red tags, will cost \$2.50 for a total purchase price of \$2,200.

Based on existing county experience, the total cost of signs including labor will reach \$5,527, about \$3.78 each.







# Business

## Region 9 Economic Development District launches Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy update

Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado

Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado has begun the 2026 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) update.

The CEDS provides a five-year roadmap to guide economic priorities and investments across Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma and

San Juan counties, as well as the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribes.

“The CEDS isn’t just a compliance document; it’s our chance to define what resilience and prosperity look like in our region,” said Audrey Royem, economic development coordinator for Region 9, who is spearheading this effort. “By combining local data with lived experience, we can ensure that investments and strate-

gies truly reflect community needs.” Community participation is key to creating a sustainable plan forward, and Region 9 is inviting residents, businesses, governments and partners to help shape this vision.

The process begins with the Community Well-Being Survey, which will guide upcoming roundtables, workshops and discussions.

It is available at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RYZN6TC>.

Colorado recently launched its statewide CEDS publication, offering a framework for shared vision and alignment. Building within this framework, Region 9’s process will focus on bringing the most meaningful local challenges and opportunities to the forefront, ensuring that Southwest Colorado’s unique voices are fully represented.

For more information, contact [audrey@region9edd.org](mailto:audrey@region9edd.org).

## LPEA invites members to National Co-op Month events

La Plata Electric Association

This October, La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) invites members to connect, learn and engage with leadership and energy experts during National Co-op Month.

Many events have limited space, so members are encouraged to register early to reserve their spot at these free, family-friendly gatherings.

### Meet CEO Chris Hansen

Members can connect with CEO Chris Hansen at four upcoming events:

- Sept. 29: Coffee with Chris, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., TARA Community Center, Arboles.
- Oct. 4: Coffee with Chris, 10 to 11 a.m., Meadow Market, Edgemont.
- Oct. 28: Current Conversations with Chris, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., James Ranch.
- Nov. 4: Coffee with Chris, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., Pagosa Springs (Ross Ara-

gon Community Center).

### Introducing ‘Community-PowerX: An Evening with Energy Experts’

Join us for LPEA’s dynamic, TED-style speaker series created to inform, inspire and empower our members.

Each event will bring together experts for fast-paced, 18-minute talks designed to make big energy topics accessible and exciting.

From uncovering how electricity is generated and delivered, to exploring the unique role cooperatives play in shaping our communities, to sharing practical tips on energy efficiency and safety, participants will leave both informed and energized.

Every session includes interactive Q-and-A and community discussion, providing the opportunity to engage directly with energy leaders, ask questions and take part in conversations that shape the future

of power in our region.

Speakers include Carrie Simpson, vice president of markets at Southwest Power Pool, who will speak about regional transmission organizations, and Samuel Perry, of HydroWest, who will speak about hydroelectric power.

It is set for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the Gaslight Theatre in Durango. Registration is required.

### Additional Co-op Month events

- Oct. 7: Arc Demo, noon to 12:45 p.m., LPEA Durango Truck Barn (registration required).
  - Oct. 11: Durango Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to noon, Main Avenue, Durango.
- High-Voltage Arc Demo: Watch our lineworkers bring electricity to life with a live safety and power demonstration.
- Monster Detective Collective: Kids can enjoy coloring activities, collect monster-themed stickers and take-home fun giveaways — all while

learning how energy works in our homes and community.

Beneficial electrification booth: Learn how electricity is powering a cleaner, more efficient future with heat pumps, EVs and other technologies that save energy, money and the environment.

- Oct. 18: Sunnyside Community Solar Tours, 10 and 11:30 a.m. (registration required, ages 8 and up).

### Event details and registration

All events are free and open to all ages unless otherwise noted. Because many have limited capacity, members are urged to register early to secure their spot.

Visit [lpea.coop/co-op-month](http://lpea.coop/co-op-month) to register and find event details.

For more information, go to [lpea.coop](http://lpea.coop) and follow along on social media with #CoopMonth for updates, registration links and stories from across the LPEA community.

## Register now for Business Happy Hour lottery

By Sandy Douthey

Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce

I would be remiss if I did not mention what an amazing weekend we just celebrated with ColorFest.

We cannot thank our sponsors enough for helping us provide a top-notch weekend for our community and our visiting community. So much went into making this event happen, and we were thankful to have so many helpers.

A special thank you to Pagosa Springs High School, and Valor Academy for all the labor and challenging work they provided for us. Our high school students in Pagosa Springs are one of a kind. A special thank you to our pilots and all our volunteers for

making this an utterly amazing event.

As we move into our fall and winter seasons, we would like to announce it is time for our 2025 Business Happy Hour lottery.

Why should your business sponsor a Business Happy Hour? If you have moved locations, added new products, or if you have not sponsored a Business Happy Hour in a while or ever, this is for you. Business Happy Hours are a wonderful way to advertise your business and strengthen ties with other members in the community.

You do not have to register alone; you can also partner with another business to double your chances on being picked to host a business happy hour. Should your business be in the same shopping center or block, reg-

ister together to have a Happy Hour “block party.”

You can also partner with a nonprofit so that the nonprofit has a unique opportunity to share its mission and vision for the community.

Another way would be to partner with another business that does not have a brick-and-mortar building and showcase both of your businesses together.

These Business Happy Hours are more than fun because these are great opportunities to visit with your peers, network and brainstorm together. We are all in business together to help each other out, and this is one way to do that and catch up with each other.

For 2026, Business Happy Hours will be on Thursdays. It’s the same fun and networking, just a day ear-

lier on Thursday evenings. We hope everyone will register for this fantastic opportunity.

If you have any questions please reach out to the Chamber at (970) 264-2360 and ask for our membership coordinator Anna Snow or email her at [info@pagosachamber.com](mailto:info@pagosachamber.com).

Thank you, and happy fall.

## Rotary Club awards \$45,000 over three years to local organizations

By Terri House

At its Sept. 11 meeting, the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs proudly distributed \$15,000 to three vital community organizations.

The Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library, Aspen House and Wings Early Childhood Center each received \$5,000 as part of Rotary’s three-year commitment, totaling \$45,000 in support.

These gifts reflect Rotary’s longstanding dedication to fostering education, opportunity and care within our community. Thanks to the generosity of donors and community partners, Rotary can continue making investments that truly change lives.

Rotary International President Francesco Arezzo’s 2025-2026 theme, “Unite for Good,” emphasizes the power of unity to create positive change in a divided world.

The three projects supported this year highlight the importance of education, compassion and care — aligning with Arezzo’s vision of sustainable, community-based projects and echoing our district’s call for Rotarians to amplify impact and connect resources:

- Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Expansion — addressing the community’s need for more space and resources to support lifelong learning.
  - Wings Early Childhood Center — ensuring access to high-quality child care while fostering exploration, creativity and discovery.
  - Aspen House — creating a forever home in Pagosa Springs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, providing stability, dignity and supportive services that encourage independence.
- Each of these organizations addresses critical community needs and exemplifies Rotary’s motto: “Service Above Self.”



Photo courtesy Shellie Peterson

Rotarians Cindi Galabota, David Smith and Warren Brown recently accepted checks on behalf of three organizations they wholeheartedly support: the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library, Aspen House and Wings Early Childhood Center.



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# County transfers lots to housing authority for affordable housing development

**By Randi Pierce**  
Staff Writer

At its Sept. 16 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved transferring 11 county-owned parcels in the Trails subdivision to the Archuleta County Housing Authority (ACHA) for the development of deed-restricted affordable housing.

The board officially committed the lots to the ACHA on July 16.

The Sept. 16 action approved quit claim deeds for the 11 lots, which are all located on Bonita Drive.

Clifford Lucero, speaking on behalf of the ACHA, thanked the BoCC for working with ACHA before the BoCC unanimously approved the deeds.

At the same meeting, the BoCC:

- Appointed Randy Betts as the chief building official for Archuleta County.

# County to pave parking lot at Cloman Park with help of private donation

**By Clayton Chaney**  
Staff Writer

Plans to pave the parking lot at Cloman Park were discussed at a work session held by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) on Tuesday, Sept. 23.

Interim County Manager Mike Torres was joined by James Dickhoff, who appeared on behalf of the Pagosa Nordic Club and also offered insight to projects of the Pagosa Area Recreation Coalition (PARC).

Dickhoff explained that the Nordic Club had found someone in the community who is “willing to make a generous offer” of up to \$100,000 “to help get this parking lot paved.”

Dickhoff noted that original quotes received by Strohecker Asphalt for the project included different dimensions that would have expanded the parking lot.

Torres noted that, according to the county’s lease with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the county agreed to pave the lot.

# LPEA issues scam alert

La Plata Electric Association

La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) has received reports of a scam targeting its members.

Please be on high alert for suspicious calls, emails or visitors claiming to represent LPEA. Local residents have received phone calls from people who claimed to be LPEA staff, stating that the member’s electricity payments are overdue.

These callers may send methods to make payments, such as barcodes, and may provide information, including the names of authorized persons on the account, to appear legitimate.

Remember, LPEA will never:

- Approved a letter of support for a Wolf Creek Ski Area grant application to the Colorado State Forest Service.

The ski area is preparing a grant application for the 2025-2026 Restoration and Wildlife Risk Mitigation Grant Program, with the meeting’s agenda explaining, “This grant would provide funds critical to enhancing their years-long mission to reduce wildfire risk in and around the permit area” of the ski area.

The letter states in part:

“Wildfire poses a significant threat to our local environment, economy, and infrastructure. Wolf Creek Ski Area (WCSA) is taking action to protect the land, water, and critical infrastructure along Wolf Creek Pass, an area where the Rio Grande and San Juan National Forests meet the Continental Divide. This project is essential for safeguarding our community from the devastating impact of a wildfire.

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economic protection a critical priority. Safeguarding our infrastructure is a vital step in preserving both the environment and the economic stability that so many local families depend on. Thank you for your consideration.”

- Approved a letter of support for a grant application by the Town of Pagosa Springs.

The town is applying for the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Non-Motorized Trails Grant to help with the Town-to-Lakes Trail from 10th Street to Great West Avenue, according to the agenda.

“The Board is enthusiastic about this project’s potential and considers this grant a key step forward. This initiative will not only benefit Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County, but it will also contribute to the larger goal of improving interconnected transportation options throughout Colorado. Thank you for your consideration,” the letter states in part.

- Awarded additional funds from Archuleta County Main Street Business Grant.

Archuleta County Accountant Allison Wylie explained to the commissioners that the county had received 21 applications, with 19 of those awarded.

She indicated a little over \$40,000 remains in the fund.

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# The Blotter

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**Archuleta County Sheriff’s Office**  
Sept. 2 — Criminal mischief \$1,000 to \$5,000 private, U.S. 84.

Sept. 2 — Assault in the third degree, domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, South Pagosa Boulevard/County Road 359.  
Sept. 3 — Driving under the influence of alcohol, DUI per se, alcohol-open container/drink in vehicle, careless driving, South Pagosa Boulevard/Vista Boulevard.  
Sept. 3 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 3 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, information only, Bastille Drive.  
Sept. 3 — Agency assist, County Road 119.  
Sept. 3 — Warrant arrest, Harman Park Drive.

Sept. 5 — Information only, U.S. 160.  
Sept. 6 — Trespass warning, Panorama Place.  
Sept. 6 — Second-degree motor vehicle theft, Seminole Drive.

Sept. 6 — Information only, Carico Street.  
Sept. 7 — Alcohol-under 21-possession/consumption, Butte Drive.  
Sept. 7 — Driving under the influence of drugs (marijuana), West Cotton Court.

Sept. 7 — Information only, Hopi Drive.  
Sept. 7 — Warrant arrest, Ranchland Drive.  
Sept. 7 — Warrant arrest, Country Center Drive.

Sept. 8 — Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.  
Sept. 8 — Information only, Badger Road.  
Sept. 8 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Sept. 8 — Agency assist, County Road 600.  
Sept. 9 — Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive/14th Street.  
Sept. 9 — Information only, George’s Court.

Sept. 9 — Assault in the third degree, domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, agency assist, no location listed.  
Sept. 9 — Crimes against at-risk adult/elderly >70-neglect, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, Chimney Rock Ridge Road.

Sept. 9 — First-degree assault on police officer or fireman-weapon, second-degree assault-aggravated-police officer-strongarm, Harman Park Drive.  
Sept. 11 — Death investigation, Peak Court.

Sept. 11 — Domestic violence, harassment-follows in public place DV, North Pagosa Boulevard.  
Sept. 11 — Dog at large, no location listed.  
Sept. 12 — Disorderly conduct-petty, Talisman Drive.

Sept. 13 — Information only, Crooked Road.  
Sept. 13 — Information only, Navajo Trail.  
Sept. 16 — Trespass warning, Rec Center Road.

Sept. 16 — Unlawful possession of a controlled substance, second-degree introducing contraband, warrant arrest, Harman Park Drive/Eagle Drive.  
Sept. 17 — Assault in the third degree, menacing-felony-aggravated-family-weapon, criminal mischief under \$300 private, domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks DV, vehicular eluding, obstruction of telephone or telegraph service, Starlight Place.

Sept. 17 — Information only, Sandstone Court.  
Sept. 18 — Theft M, West U.S. 160.  
Sept. 18 — Speeding 25-39 over, Meadows Drive.

Sept. 19 — Information only, Blue Jay Circle.  
Sept. 19 — Warrant arrest, County

Road 200.  
Sept. 19 — Criminal mischief under \$300 public, Buttercup Drive.  
Sept. 19 — Warrant arrest, U.S. 160.

Sept. 19 — Lost/found property, Davis Cup Drive.  
Sept. 19 — Domestic violence, violation of protection order-criminal, Starlight Place.  
Sept. 20 — Information only, Tiffany Place.

**Pagosa Springs Police Department**  
Sept. 2 — Nuisance/vicious animal, Apple Street.

Sept. 2 — Littering, driving under the influence of alcohol, reckless driving, hit and run failed to remain on scene of accident-damage only, U.S. 160.  
Sept. 3 — Public assist, South 9th Street.

Sept. 3 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks a person, East Pagosa Street.  
Sept. 4 — Traffic stop, U.S. 160.  
Sept. 4 — Threats, North 5th Street.

Sept. 5 — Sex assault, Lewis Street.  
Sept. 5 — Follow-up, North 5th Street.  
Sept. 6 — Alcohol-open container/drink in vehicle, no insurance-driver, warrant arrest, East Pagosa Street/County Road 359.

Sept. 8 — Sexual assault-no consent, West U.S. 160.  
Sept. 8 — Death investigation, South 8th Street.  
Sept. 9 — Indecent exposure, San Juan Street.

Sept. 9 — First-degree arson, fourth-degree arson, criminal mischief under \$300 public, Hermosa Street.  
Sept. 9 — Computer crime-misde-meanor, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Sept. 9 — Theft-\$750 to \$2,000 other (includes gas), Eagle Drive.  
Sept. 9 — Trespass warning, East Pagosa Street.  
Sept. 9 — Reckless driving, Lewis Street.

Sept. 9 — Lost/found property, no location listed.  
Sept. 10 — Trespass warning, East Pagosa Street.  
Sept. 10 — Menacing, Lewis Street.  
Sept. 10 — Harassment, South 5th Street.

Sept. 11 — Agency assist, Village Drive.  
Sept. 12 — Driver’s license-driving without, failed to display valid registration, no insurance-driver, Hermosa Street.

Sept. 12 — First-degree criminal tampering, East U.S. 160.  
Sept. 13 — Nuisance/animal running at large, South 8th Street.  
Sept. 14 — Assault, warrant arrest, 15th Street.

Sept. 15 — Obstructing peace of-ficer or fireperson, drive/park vehicle in park where not designated, South 5th Street.  
Sept. 15 — Violation of protection order-criminal, South 10th Street.

Sept. 16 — Violation of protection order, Lewis Street.  
Sept. 17 — Trespass, Hot Springs Boulevard.  
Sept. 19 — Shoplifting/departs or attempts to depart without payment, Aspen Village Drive.

Sept. 19 — Harassment/repeated calls with or without conversation, Talisman Drive.  
Sept. 19 — Assault, South 8th Street.  
Sept. 20 — Warrant arrest, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Sept. 20 — Violation of protection order-criminal, Hot Springs Boulevard.  
Sept. 20 — Warrant arrest, Hot Springs Boulevard.  
Sept. 21 — Theft-\$1,000 to \$2,000, identity theft-use information to obtain thing of value, Aspen Village Drive/Eagle Drive/South 8th Street.

**Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Anthony D. Edwards**  
Sept. 8 — Kenneth Gurule, speeding 5-9 mph over PFL, one point off, fine and surcharge — \$91.  
Sept. 8 — Michael Sally, speeding 10-19 mph over PFL, four points off,

fine, surcharge and costs — \$197.  
Sept. 8 — Geraldine Horn, driver executed left turn from wrong lane or position, three points off, fine and surcharge — \$81.

Sept. 8 — Mary Beasley, failed to yield when proceeding from a stop sign, three points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$116.  
Sept. 8 — Taylor Johnson, unsafe backing, two points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$72.

Sept. 8 — Dustin Caldwell, following too closely, four points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$146.  
Sept. 8 — Aaron Longmire, following too closely, four points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$146.

Sept. 8 — Samuel Felts, unsafe backing, two points off, fine, surcharge and costs — \$72.  
Sept. 8 — Patricia Brooks, failed to drive in a single lane (weaving), three points off, fine and surcharge — \$111.

Sept. 9 — Raymond Davis, animal at large, fine and costs — \$60.  
Sept. 9 — James Rhodes, disorderly conduct, fine — \$100.  
Sept. 9 — Jeremy Appelbaum, shoplifting, \$35.47 restitution, fine and costs — \$135.

**Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay**  
Aug. 29 — Cadence Anne Green, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$225.  
Aug. 29 — Larry David Martinez, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$225.

Aug. 29 — Francisco Javier Mendoza Jr., driving under restraint, fines and costs — \$177.50.  
Aug. 29 — Carly Jo Owen, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.

Aug. 29 — Matthews William Riebel, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.  
Aug. 29 — Dristin A. Rocha, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.  
Aug. 29 — Antoine Michael Salazar, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs — \$290.

Aug. 29 — Brianna K. Welker, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$198.50.  
Sept. 2 — Bobby Keegan Tuller, burning prohibited item, fines and costs — \$170.

Sept. 2 — Nichole Blair Thompson, burning prohibited item, fines and costs — \$170.  
Sept. 2 — Charles A. Cook, speeding 5-9 over, fines and costs — \$125.  
Sept. 3 — Gabrielle Tafoya, speeding 5-9 over limit, fines and costs — \$139.50.

Sept. 3 — Aviva R. Pressman, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.  
Sept. 13 — Rachel Kay Laymon, camping in undesignated area, fines and costs — \$133.50.

Sept. 3 — Jeff A. Deickman, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$210.50.  
Sept. 3 — Michael John Yerton, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.

Sept. 3 — Andrew John Price, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.  
Sept. 3 — Juan A. Villarrial, speeding 5-9 over limit, fines and costs — \$139.50.

Sept. 3 — Corey Francis Smith, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, 18 months probation updated sentence, 40 hours community service, fines and costs — \$1,192.50.

Sept. 3 — Jennifer Pearson, criminal mischief-\$300 to \$1,000, 10 days jail suspended imposition, fines and costs — \$1,182.50.

Sept. 8 — Carlos Sanchez, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$98.50.  
Sept. 11 — Diego Jose Rivas, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.

Sept. 11 — David Talamini, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.  
Sept. 11 — Sierra Elizabeth Tobias, assault 3-know/reckless cause injury, three years probation, 48 days jail, fines and costs — \$2,064.50.

Sept. 12 — Robert Eugene Schultz, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$225.  
Sept. 12 — Michael Keith Sharp, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.

Sept. 12 — Jacob Christopher King, speeding 5-9 over, fines and costs — \$125.  
Sept. 12 — Richard Allen Davis, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs — \$290.

Sept. 12 — Weston Vincent Dawkins, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.  
Sept. 12 — Anthony Devos, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.

Sept. 12 — Natalie M. Humphrey, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.  
Sept. 12 — Matthew D. Lane, driving under restraint, fines and costs — \$177.50.

Sept. 12 — Gerrit Dean Logan, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.  
Sept. 12 — Jose A. Real-Hernandez, driving under restraint, fines and costs — \$177.50.

Sept. 12 — Ostyn Raymond Blanchard, failure to stop/yield right of way, fines and costs — \$105.  
Sept. 12 — Levi M. Pinkney, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$198.50.

Sept. 15 — Michael Jude Martinez, speeding 5-9 over, fines and costs — \$125.  
Sept. 18 — Kai Caden Dorrough, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs — \$85.

**6th Judicial District Court: Judge Justin P. Fay**  
Sept. 11 — Carlos Francis Cardenas, criminal mischief-\$1,000 to \$2,000, 12 months probation, fines and costs — \$4,388.22.

**6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson**  
Sept. 8 — Robert Andy Warren, weapon-possession by previous offender, 18 months probation, fines and costs — \$1,373.50.

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# Nuisance

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members of the public, with Commissioner Veronica Medina explaining that the BoCC that approved it was composed of herself, Commissioner Warren Brown and former commissioner Ronnie Maez.

Medina explained the moratorium was “really more about the enforcement officer not — when they are driving by — that they were not able to address things that they saw,” but that if a complaint from residents, those were the things they were supposed to take action on.

She mentioned that the BoCC was told that the moratorium did not preclude enforcement officers from having a conversation with a property owner about a potential issue on their property.

“It didn’t necessarily need to be a written warning,” she said, adding that the moratorium was “strictly” that “if they saw something, they couldn’t just go and write it.”

Brown commented that he recalled the moratorium, and “it was pretty similar to that”

Brown explained the moratorium disallowed code enforcement officers from “acting on their own accord.”

Brown further explained that it was required for a complaint to be filed by a neighbor of the property, “so a passerby couldn’t see a potential violation and report it.”

Torres indicated there were members of the public in the audience with concerns over potential nuisance properties and asked the BoCC if they could be given the chance to speak.

Medina explained that she typically does not have an issue with members of the public wanting to speak, but that the work session is for staff to give reports before turning to her fellow commissioners asking if they were “willing.”

Brown explained that a constituent had been in his office a few weeks ago trying to address a property with a number of violations that they thought were significant, noting the constituent was frustrated they couldn’t do anything.

He added that it is important for the county to get a contextual understanding of what folks are going through and how families are being affected.

The constituent was then invited to

speak.

He explained that his son lives “next door” to where the Oak Fire started earlier on Aug. 10.

The man explained that two complaints had been filed and that code enforcement officers came out to his son’s property and took pictures there before taking photos of the property in question.

“And nothing ever happened,” he said, adding that trash is still there.

He went on to claim that people on the property were defecating in buckets and that “to this day, he has no water, cistern or anything,” along with no electricity.

The man also mentioned that the property has a burn barrel out back and there has been burning during restricted times.

“And it causes a problem,” he said, mentioning that he worked for a county in California for a number of years that faced similar issues and the main problem was that the county’s departments did not work together.

“We are taking steps to make that department better all around,” Torres said, explaining the county is bringing in people who want to help and make a difference.

The man acknowledged Torres’ statement, but expressed frustration due to people in the community being told a similar sentiment for years now.

“And they’re not seeing any progress,” he said.

Medina explained that last year the county contributed \$50,000 to cleaning a private property.

“That takes a lot,” she said, “Because we’re spending taxpayer money cleaning up personal property.”

“Spent millions fighting the fire because of it,” the man replied.

Medina went on to mention that the code enforcement officers’ hands “are not tied” and that “there are things that could have been done, should have been done.”

She added that the moratorium was put in place not to prohibit code enforcement officers from doing their job; “it was about acting on the complaints that were called in.”

Medina then commented on the claim of residents defecating in buckets, noting, “That should have been reported to public health so that could

have been addressed.”

She explained that complaints typically do not rise to the BoCC level until “somebody absolutely had it with staff and are not getting the response or the answers that they need.”

The man commented that the issue was not reported directly to environmental health, and that by reporting to code officials, they should “take the extra step.”

Brown then referred to Public Health Director Ashley Wilson for what a potential process would be going forward for the county to handle these types of complaints, asking what the health department’s role in the matter would be.

Wilson explained that work on a public health nuisance ordinance had “stalled out,” but that a public health nuisance ordinance would probably be needed.

She explained that the county had talked about having code enforcement officers going out assessing the situation and collecting evidence. Then, if the issue rose to the level of a public health problem, it would come to the Public Health Department, where the evidence would be looked at and then brought to the Board of Health (BoH) or to the code enforcement with the idea that code enforcement would follow its procedure, with a parallel process in place in the Public Health Department.

She explained that if it is a water issue, then the matter would go to the Water Quality Department to determine the level of risk.

Wilson also expressed the importance of having a clear procedure in place as the Public Health Department is the health authority for the entire county, including the Town of Pagosa Springs.

She added that the commissioners were not pleased with San Juan Basin Public Health “because it seemed like they never actually took action.”

As for defining a clear process for the BoH to approve, Wilson indicated that Archuleta County will be “forging” the way as there is no standard to go on throughout the state.

Medina asked what could be done in the meantime in regard to the complaint about residents of a property defecating in buckets, to which Wilson said, “for the board to take action, it would have to be substantial evidence.” Wilson noted that the Water Quality Department and code enforcement would need to work together on how to make those assessments.

“Some of those things can be relatively hard to determine,” Wilson said.

Commissioner John Ranson offered some comments on the matter, indicating he was bothered by the situation.

He explained that he sat in on BoCC meetings last year about how it took eight years to have one property cleaned up.

“And then hearing this, that potentially a staff member made a decision not to follow what the commissioners desired, is just totally uncalled for, in my opinion,” he added.

Ranson commented that if he was understanding correctly, a neighboring resident called in and made a complaint.

“But a staff member decided not to do it ... that just really bothers me,” he

said, adding, “I want to put some teeth into this.”

Brown commented that the concern is that there was miscommunication between what the desired response was from the commissioners that supported the change.

He went on to describe the situation as an “injustice to our community members,” noting the county is not in that position now as there are specific and explicit expectations being set out.

Brown noted that he anticipates vast improvements in multiple areas of the county and to “expect that this be no different.”

## BoH meeting

The matter was discussed later that week during the BoH meeting held on Sept. 18, with Wilson explaining that “there have been a couple of things that have come up,” explaining the BoH needs to “think through and solidify our process for what things come before the [BoH].”

Wilson explained she wanted to open up the conversion to the BoH to see what things needed to be concentrated on before bringing another draft of a public health nuisance ordinance to be put in place.

She indicated that the ordinance would have to be presented to BoCC for more suggestions, and then be presented for a public reading, noting that the whole process could take “months.”

BoH president Jon Bruss commented, “I think we need a real definition as to what constitutes a public health nuisance,” noting generally nuisances might have a public health component and non-public-health component to them.

“And the third thing is actual enforcement,” he added, explaining that under previous directorships in the county, nuisance complaints were put in a file and never acknowledged that the complaint was received.

He explained that nuisances are “important in keeping harmony within our community,” noting that people file complaints because they are really bothered by something they are seeing and the impacts.

He explained that if there is going to be a public health nuisance ordinance, the county needs to have an enforcement mechanism.

Wilson explained that state statute defines to some level what the enforcement could be with fees and fines, and, “sort of, process.”

She explained that original conversations up until the draft of the ordinance were that nuisance complaints would have to come into the county or the town, be investigated by the enforcement officer, with evidence then presented to her to determine whether or not it meets the criteria to come before the board.

Wilson went on to explain that, concurrently, the county nuisance process would be happening if it rose to the level of a public health nuisance, noting the BoH could potentially hear pieces of a complaint if it doesn’t all meet the merits defining a nuisance ordinance.

“But I think ... These are where things get sticky and where we ran into trouble as we had conversations last time,” in regard to what the BoH considers a public health nuisance

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# Geothermal

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new rate study “this evening” would “set the stage for litigation,” and urged the council to wait to adopt it “either as it is, or with amendments three or four weeks down the road,” once the lawyers from both sides have had time to review and discuss it.

“My client has worked with the town for many, many years and values the cooperative relationship that The Springs Resort has had with the town, and, in order to continue that relationship, we would like to be involved in the rate study and provide comments and having our consultants confer with the town’s consultants,” she said.

Jeff Greer, owner of the Overlook Hot Springs, was also on hand at the meeting, stating that his water attorney “sent me a list of the previous filing that The Springs Resort has done” and that “there was almost 4,000 gallons [per minute] of filings of hot geothermal mineral water that they have filed on but never perfected their claims.”

He noted that his attorney, which he shares with Healing Waters Resort and Spa, “has asked Ms. Huff numerous times to clarify why they file on these but never have perfected those rights or put them to use.”

# PAWSD

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water connections, but does not provide sewer services.

Boehmer noted this applicant’s lack of experience with sewer service and stated that the board would need to formally interview him.

However, he stated that the subcommittee decided to recommend this applicant, Dylan Cunningham, as a finalist alongside PAWSD Operations Manager Andrew Connor.

Boehmer explained that Connor has served at PAWSD since 2006, working as a field technician and working his way up to an operations manager position.

He commented that many of the other applicants came from smaller water districts or did not seem to understand the area or the PAWSD organization, making them a poor fit.

PAWSD board member Bill Hudson asked Tautges to explain why PAWSD is looking for a candidate, noting that there “seems to be some confusion out there that maybe [PAWSD] is falling apart at the seams.”

Tautges explained that Ramsey wanted to retire after serving the district for 10 years and working in the industry for 30 to 40 years.

He added that Ramsey plans to stay in the Pagosa Springs area and is willing to assist PAWSD if necessary in the future.

Tautges noted that PAWSD Business Manager Aaron Burns took a “dream job” in New Mexico recently, which would allow him to move back to an area where his parents lived.

Boehmer commented that PAWSD has lost two positions, not four.

“Social media is social media; I’ll

He added that he gave a “list of these ongoing court filings” to Town Manager David Harris and that Harris could distribute the information to the town council.

*“To me, this is not a business. I’ve been here five plus generations and I want to make sure that it’s here and protected for another five generations ... This is something special.”*

**Council member  
Leonard Martinez**

Maggie McHugh, representing Roaring Fork at the meeting, explained that the largest cost for maintaining the geothermal system “would be replacement of the distribution system.”

She explained, “After we identified the costs to operate and maintain the system, we then looked at the rate structure, which includes looking at

the customer classes and proposed scenarios to fund the ongoing operation of the system could include raising the rates “on everyone” or looking at the different types of usage in the system.

McHugh explained that the options to fund the ongoing operation of the system could include raising the rates “on everyone” or looking at the different types of usage in the system.

She added that the resort/spas not only use the water to heat buildings and sidewalks, but also have a “mineral use,” and this usage justified introducing a “mineral fee.”

“There’s no system [to use as an example] quite like Pagosa’s. A lot of the systems that we identified, such as Iceland and Idaho, the geothermal water is actually operated by the municipalities themselves, so it’s set up quite differently than it is here, where the water is being passed around to a private entity,” she explained.

She added, “There’s a geothermal resource here that needs to be protected,” suggesting that another option could be to charge a “user fee for each ticket sold at either entity of The Springs or the Overlook, which would help cover the cost” of protecting and preserving the resource.

Mayor Shari Pierce stated that she

was “glad we are starting to look at things with a longer-term eye and taking care of our infrastructure so we don’t get in a situation like we did with the sanitation system, and I think this is a really good step for us to have this information.”

Pierce also wanted to clarify to The Springs that all the council was doing tonight was “saying that we acknowledge that we have this report,” but that the actual rates would not be set or finalized until the fee schedule for the 2026 budget is drafted, discussed and passed.

Harris added that the conversation about the fees cited in the rate study would take place during “the budget process” in November, which would allow time for conversations with “the other interested parties.”

Council member Leonard Martinez suggested that the role of a municipality to preserve an “asset like this” is of utmost importance to him.

“To me, this is not a business. I’ve been here five plus generations and I want to make sure that it’s here and protected for another five generations ... This is something special,” he said.

When a motion was made to accept the report, it was seconded and passed unanimously by the council.

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# Tax

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percent, or \$117,621.93 more than April 2024; May collections were up 3.07 percent, or \$43,987.42 more than May 2024; and June collections were up 4.5 percent, or \$75,391 more than June 2024.

For the month of July, Eaton notes that the Town of Pagosa Springs and

Archuleta County received a total of \$1,897,783.92 in sales tax and retail marijuana sales tax revenues, with \$950,109.47 going to the county and \$943,720.87 going to the town.

Categories that were up in comparison to June 2024, according to Eaton’s data, include:

- Manufacturing at 19.56 percent,

- Miscellaneous at 3.49 percent, or \$7,496.09.

There were three categories that were down in the month-to-month comparison, which include:

- Construction at 19.03 percent, or \$7,546.68.
- Real Estate, Rental and Leasing at 13.26 percent, or \$6,018.74.
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services at 41.41 percent, or \$8,030.52.

- Retail Trade at 2.69 percent, or \$27,129.14.
- Information at 15.07 percent, or \$3,935.36.
- Finance and Insurance at 22.32 percent, or \$459.98.
- Accommodation and Food Services at 1.99 percent, or \$8,201.82.
- Other Services (except Public Administration) at 19.38 percent, or \$4,792.61.

# Nuisance

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“versus something somebody just really doesn’t like.”

Wilson explained she would like very clear parameters as to what gets elevated to the BoH, so that it is not a

judgment call.

She noted the goal is to have a draft ordinance sent out for the BoH to have time to review before its next meeting in November.

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# Sports

## CROSS COUNTRY

### Pirate runners to host home meet Saturday

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate cross-country team will be back in action this weekend as they host the McGinn Memorial XCountry Challenge atop Reservoir Hill.

The harriers took last week off from racing, with coach Josh Kurz indicating the break was built into the team's philosophy.

"The bye week off fits into the philosophy of periodization," he explains in an email to The SUN. "Periodization is a method used in en-

durance training to increase the load gradually over time, then pull back a bit and allow for recovery before you begin increasing the training load to new heights. Racing every week can be demanding physically and mentally, and we hope the weekend reenergized our runners and made them hungry for the upcoming race. Unfortunately, we still have some minor aches and pains hampering a few of our athletes."

Kurz indicates this week will also mark the end of a phase for the Pirates.

"This week marks the end of our

base-building phase," he wrote. "Base miles are supposed to provide a foundation and prevent injury as we transition to more threshold and speed work. We have a few athletes with nagging injuries, so we're cutting back their mileage in hopes of getting them healthier for the race on Saturday."

Saturday's race will again take place atop Reservoir Hill, with the Lady Pirates racing at 10 and the Pirate boys' squad racing at 10:45 a.m.

"Our race is a great strength-building course since it has 350 feet of elevation gain," Kurz wrote. "Our

times will be slower, but we should reap the benefits later in the season since our remaining meets will be fairly flat and fast."

Beyond that, Kurz indicates the hope is for the second through seventh Pirates will decrease their pack time and run as a group, noting six or seven boys have similar fitness.

On the girls' side, Kurz notes the team is looking forward to having Lucy Rivera back.

He explains, "She was our fifth-place runner at the Joe Vigil Meet and was greatly missed at Bayfield."

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## FOOTBALL

### Pirates' strong rushing game not enough in loss to Monte Vista

By Clayton Chaney  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High Pirate football team traveled to Monte Vista last Friday, Sept. 19, falling to Monte Vista 42-21.

"It came down to big plays," coach Nathan Morales said. "They made more big plays than we did."

The first quarter ended tied at 7-7 with the Pirates and Monte Vista each rushing for one touchdown. Monte Vista scored first, taking the lead, but the Pirates responded on the following offensive drive with a 49-yard rushing touchdown by Alex Pacheco, who racked up a total of 95 rushing yards and one touchdown on nine carries.

"We ran the ball well," Morales commented.

The Pirates totaled 266 rushing yards on the night, led by Colton Lucero, who ran for 133 yards and one touchdown on 15 carries.

The second quarter saw blows

traded between the two sides, with Monte Vista retaking the lead 13-7, with the Pirates blocking the extra-point attempt.

"Our special teams played really well," Morales added, explaining the Pirates also put themselves in positions on offense to make big plays.

"We just didn't capitalize on 'em and they did. That's what it came down to," he said.

On the following drive for the Pirates, Lucero responded with an 8-yard rushing touchdown, tying the game at 13-13. A successful extra-point attempt put the Pirates up 14-13 going into halftime.

Morales explained that Monte Vista had a big third quarter and was able to jump out to a 35-21 lead over the Pirates.

A 2-yard touchdown run by Creede Dozier put more points on the board for the Pirates about halfway through the third quarter.

Dozier tallied a total of 6 rushing yards and one touchdown on six car-

ries, and also connected one of eight pass attempts for 17 yards. Dozier was picked off twice that night.

Kasen Limebrook was the only receiver on the night, pulling in one reception for 17 yards. Limebrook also had one pass attempt, which was intercepted.

Hudson Mazur and Jimmy Elledge ran for 29 yards on three carries and for 3 yards on one carry, respectively.

Mazur converted all three of his extra-point attempts on the night.

On the defensive side, Zander Lefthandbull led the Pirates in tackles on the night, recording 12 individual tackles and assisting on three.

Mazur recorded nine individual tackles and Lucero had nine, including two tackles for loss and one sack.

"We had 'em on the ropes third and long three or four times and they got big pass plays out of it," Morales said.

He explained the outcome of the game came down to three or four

plays.

"They had a couple big plays in the third quarter that really helped them," he said, adding, "I gotta do a better job making sure that doesn't happen."

Going forward, "as a team we're frustrated," Morales said, but also encouraged because "we know how close we are."

He added, "We're so close to executing and firing at all cylinders, and that's what's exciting."

He explained that the Pirates intend to learn from each game and continue to improve as the season goes on, noting the team is gearing up for another long travel day as the Pirates head to Elizabeth tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 26, to take on the Elizabeth Cardinals at 7 p.m.

The Pirates are 1-2, while the Cardinals are 3-1.

"Yeah, we got a bad taste in our mouth because of the losses, but we understand how close we are to be rolling," he added.

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## GOLF



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The Pirates pose after taking second at the Soria Invitational in Kirtland on Monday, Sept. 22. Johnathon Smith won on the day, shooting six under par and logging his first bogey-free round.

## Pirates, Smith finish strong in Alamosa, Kirtland

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate golf team picked up another win and a second-place finish in tournaments at Alamosa and Kirtland recently, with Johnathon Smith winning both tournaments.

On Wednesday, Sept. 17, the Pirates won the Alamosa Invite #2, notching a team score of 240.

Host Alamosa finished second at the eight-team tournament with a score of 250.

Smith picked up another win at the tournament as well, scoring a 69 on the par-71 course to take first out of 54 golfers.

Smith logged birdies on eight holes and par on six en route to his win, with Faber highlighting, “to have eight birdies in a round is exceptional, it really is.”

He added he thinks Smith is the first golfer he’s had while coaching for the Pirates to record eight birdies in one day.

The coach continued, stating the rest of the Pirates also played fairly well in Alamosa.

“They had pretty good days,” he said.

Chatwin Pickering in a four-way tie for fifth with an 83.

His effort included birdie on one hole and par on six holes.

“Chatwin had one little stretch that was kinda tough, but the rest

of the time played pretty well,” the coach said.

Tyler Diamond finished as part of a four-way tie for 14th with an 88, which included a birdie on one hole and par on seven holes.

“Tyler had one hole that, really, was really tough on him; other than that, played pretty well,” Faber said.

Max Brown finished 20th with a 90, notching a birdie on one hole and par on five holes.

Deaglan Denen finished 27th with a 97, with Denen shooting par on two holes.

Logan Lamoreaux shot a 101, putting him 32nd in the standings. He shot par on four holes.

Maximus Ibram finished 34th with a 102, shooting par on two holes.

Ty Richey and Stephen Pair followed in 35th as part of a three-way tie with scores of 103, with Richey shooting par on three holes and Pair shooting par on two.

“I was pleased with how well they played over there,” the coach said.

Faber also highlighted every single Pirate was able to play the course in Alamosa, calling it “very enjoyable” and noting it was very nice of Alamosa.

On Monday, Sept. 22, the Pirates played through rain and wind to competed at the 12th annual Soria Invitational at Riverview Golf Course in Kirtland, N.M.

Pagosa finished second out of 10 teams with a score of 332.

Farmington finished first with a score of 321. Durango came in third with a 334.

“We ended up second, ... which was not bad,” Faber said, adding that, while the team would have liked to win, it was a pretty good day overall.

Smith took first on the day our of 56 golfers, shooting six under par to finish with a 66.

Smith shot par or better on every hole, with birdies on six holes helping him to his first-place score.

“Johnathon had a great day,” Faber said, highlighting the day was Smith’s first bogey-free round and six birdies, and that he played “extremely well.”

Dimond and Brown finished as part of a three-way tie for 20th with scored of 88.

Dimond logged one birdie and shot par on nine holes, while Brown logged one birdie and shot par on three holes.

Pickering tied with two others for 25th with a 90, which included shooting par on five holes.

Lamoreaux shot a 101 to finish tied for 40th, with Lamoreaux shooting par on two holes.

“It wasn’t the best setting for golf, but, hey, they stayed after it,” Faber said of the wind and rain, adding the weather was likely a little bit of a factor in much of the team not playing as well as hoped.

Faber also noted the difficulty of the course.

“I think maybe the hardest part of

the day was the greens were really slow compared to what we normally play, and that comes into play a little bit when it’s so different than what we’re normally doing,” he said. “But, you know, you’ve gotta adjust. Johnathon did a great job adjusting. But, it’s hard. It’s just harder when it’s so different, and the rain slowed it down even a little bit more.”

He reiterated it was a pretty good day for the Pirates.

On Wednesday, Sept. 25, the team took part in the Intermountain League Panther Invite at Conquistador Golf Course in Cortez.

Results of the tournament were not available by press time Wednesday and will be included in the Oct. 2 issue of The SUN.

The meet was the final of the season that will count toward qualifying for state, and also offered the Pirates a chance to earn league honors.

Faber noted he’s glad to have a league meet back.

The Pirates will then have one more meet this season, though Faber noted it will not count toward any Pirates qualifying for state.

“We’re just gonna try to have some fun,” Faber said. “We’re gonna let the guys play and try to enjoy it ... and just see how well they can do. It’ll be a nice way to finish the season, you know, before we go to state. ... It should be a nice ending to the regular season.”

That meet, the Piedra Vista Panther Fall Invite, is set for 11 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 29, at the San Juan Country Club in Farmington, N.M.  
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## Lady Pirates to host Panthers Tuesday

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate volleyball team will be looking to turn the tide as it hosts the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers on Tuesday, Sept. 30, for a league matchup.

Action is anticipated to begin at 6 p.m. against the Panthers, who are 9-5 on the season and 1-1 in Intermountain League (IML action).

The Lady Pirates hold an 0-4 IML record and sit at 2-10 overall after falling prey to the Centauri Falcons and Kirtland Central Broncos on the road over the last week.

The Lady Pirates first traveled to La Jara on Sept. 20 to take on the Falcons, but returned home with a 3-0 loss.

The Falcons won 25-17, 25-3 and 25-15.

The Falcons are now 8-3 on the season and 1-1 in IML action.

Then, on Tuesday, Sept. 23, the Lady Pirates traveled to New Mexico to take on the Kirtland Central Broncos.

The Broncos, who are now 7-3 on the season, won in three sets: 25-17, 25-17 and 25-20.

Additional stats were not available for the matchups.

Coach Chelsea Caler did not respond to requests for comments by

press time Wednesday, but previously wrote in an email to The SUN, “Moving forward, the focus will be on making a few defensive adjustments against faster teams, and keeping our offense aggressive and versatile against strong defenses like Cortez and Bayfield.”

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## Soccer

# Pirates shut out Warriors, Mean Moose, improve to 7-1

By Clayton Chaney  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate boys' soccer team walked away with two shutout victories over the last week, defeating the Central Grand Junction Warriors 3-0, and the Alamosa Mean Moose 4-0.

The Pirates now boast an overall record of 7-1, including a league mark of 2-0 with seven games remaining in the regular season.

The Pirates hosted the Warriors on Thursday, Sept. 18, at Golden Peaks Stadium in a back-and-forth-style game, as described by coach Trevor Gian.

He noted that the Warriors are a "very good team" with "quality players on their squad" that have a tough style of play to contend with.

The Pirates were able to knock in two goals in the first half, with two "very, very quality individual efforts" from Ryder King, Gian said.

Gian explained that King was able to beat a couple of Warrior defenders by staying strong on the ball.

"He put us up 2-0," Gian said of King. "Huge effort on his part."

Gian noted that after scoring, the remainder of the first half saw the Warriors controlling the majority of possession as the game continued to be a back-and-forth match.

Minutes before the end of the first half, the Pirates gave up a penalty kick in their own box, but Pirate goalkeeper Ethan Bracken came up with a "huge save" to preserve the 2-0 lead going into halftime, Gian explained.

"Definitely some good goal keeping on the day," Gian said, noting that "saving a PK is definitely a big deal," and helped the Pirates maintain the momentum of a two-goal lead.

Gian praised the Pirate squad and its effort on the day, saying, "Great effort all around from the team."

He noted there were a "couple defining moments in that game that played out for us."

The second half was similar to the first in that it was a "pretty open game," Gian described, until the Pirates were able to knock in a third goal.

"Gavin Carter stepped up again," Gian said, explaining that Carter "buried one" from about 20 yards out from the goal.

From that point, "we held on," Gian said.

He also mentioned the Pirates, like most teams, are improving as the season goes on, particularly with not allowing the opposition to score.

"Definitely excited to not give up goals," he said.

He also noted that the 3-0 scoreline might come off as one-sided, but, "definitely, the game wasn't that one-sided."

The following day, on Friday, Sept. 19, the Pirates traveled to Alamosa to face off against the Mean Moose in the second Intermountain League (IML) game of the season.

The Pirates sealed their second shutout of the week with a 4-0 victory.

"That was big," Gian said, noting the Mean Moose's record of 0-6 at that point was a little surprising.

"They're a good team," he added.

He went on to explain that the Pirates anticipated "going into that environment was gonna be tough," noting it was the team's first match on a turf field this season, paired with an intense game atmosphere.

The Pirates were able to get their first goal in the first half with Milo Deitemeyer capitalizing on a bouncing ball in the box from a Pirate corner kick.

Gian indicated the Pirates had multiple scoring chances throughout the rest of the first half, but were unable to capitalize on them.

Gian explained the match started to get a bit "chippy" with late tackles



SUN photo/Randi Pierce

**Pirate keeper Ethan Bracken makes a save during the Pirates' shutout victory over the Grand Junction Central Warriors on Sept. 18. The Pirates won 3-0 and now hold a 7-1 record on the season.**

and constant chirping on the field.

Carter was issued a yellow card before the end of the first half.

Gian also mentioned that the officials did well, but that the Pirates were simply getting frustrated with the style of game being played.

Gian noted that playing on turf, mixed with rainy weather, made for a tough game that the Pirates weren't necessarily acclimated to.

"It's just not something you're used to unless you play on it," Gian said of the turf field, explaining that the surface becomes slick and quick, and demands perfect touches on the ball.

Gian praised the Pirates' second-half performance, noting he "couldn't be more proud of the boys and how they responded after half."

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Some frustration continued, but, "we had a great response," Gian explained.

Angelo Medina was able to put away the Pirates' second goal from a similar situation as the first, by jumping on a loose, bouncing ball delivered in from a corner kick.

Gian mentioned that Medina "just put himself in the right spot and was aggressive to the ball."

He added, "We got the momentum there," adding the Pirates began to manage their frustration more.

"I couldn't be more proud, for such a tough environment," Gian said.

A third goal from a corner kick followed soon after, this time with Camden Plake knocking it in from inside the Mean Moose penalty box.

A fourth goal, scored by Carter and assisted by King, followed shortly after, with Gian explaining King played a "great through ball."

He noted that Carter was able to ride off a last-ditch challenge attempt

from the Mean Moose goalkeeper to tap the ball in.

Deitemeyer picked up a late yellow card. Additional stats for either game were not available as of press time Wednesday.

Gian mentioned it was "good to get out of there with a win" and avoid any red card scenarios, noting the Pirates have some tough matches remaining in the second half of the

regular season.

The Pirates have seven games left in the regular season, including hosting Alamosa, and three more league matches.

Gian also commented on how goal differential may become important with playoff seeding.

The Pirates have outscored their opponents 32-6 through the first eight

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The mobile home portion of this residence is 500 square feet. 1304 square feet is stick built. There is also a small cabin built in 1993, 576 square feet with bath and dog's kitchen. The 1.2 acres is partially fenced for dogs and the acreage is all usable. The house has large picture windows with very nice views. There are 3 outbuildings, the septic has been inspected.



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Photo courtesy Janine Emmets

Freshman Quinn Howard vies for her position at the start of the race, finishing in 10th place at the Cloud City Challenge in Leadville on Sept. 21.

## Pagosa Springs Mountain Bike Team takes fifth at Leadville race

By Justin Sewell  
DUST2

The Pagosa Springs Mountain Bike Team (DUST2) had its third race of the season in Leadville, Colo., on Sept. 21.

The Cloud City Challenge being at 10,000 feet in elevation with a 6.2-mile loop and 620 feet of climbing, makes it one of the harder races. Rocky descents and steep road climbs distinguish Leadville from other races.

Most athletes completed two laps, totaling 12.4 miles, while varsity riders completed three laps, totaling 18.6 miles.

At Leadville, most families camp near the race venue, making it even more fun. Sitting around the campfire with your team telling stories is a great way to start off the weekend.

The first to race was the sophomore boys. Racers John Grimes and River Wilson make up the category for Pagosa. Trying not to freeze, the boys

started at 8:30 a.m. Grimes finished 46th with a time of 1:27:41. Grimes was just coming off an injury, so had an impressive race for only having about a week of riding under his belt. Closely behind, Wilson finished 48th with a time of 1:31:19. Great job, guys.

Up next were Kaylee Hensle, Gianna Shaeffer and Quinn Howard in the JV, sophomore and freshmen categories. Hensle finished 24th in JV with a time of 1:27:43. Shaeffer finished fifth in sophomore girls with a time of 1:12:46, earning a spot on the podium. And, Howard finished 10th in freshmen girls with a time of 1:18:21.

Next were the JV boys. Justin Sewell, Aaron Sowle, Jackson Chaney, Van Halterman and Heath Leentjes are all in the JV boy category, making it DUST2's largest category.

Sewell finished 11th with a time of 1:00:26, Chaney finished 37th with a time of 1:04:31, Sowle finished 46th with a time of 1:06:32, Halterman

finished 79th with a time of 1:13:33 and Leentjes finished 100th with a time of 1:25:10.

After the JV boys was varsity. The team now has three riders. Weston Philips, Adelyn Hittle and, now, Eric Smith. Smith moved up from JV this race, which was no easy task.

Philips finished 24th with a time of 1:32:53, along with Smith finishing 27th with a time of 1:33:38 in the varsity boys' category. Hittle finished 10th with a time of 1:41:21 in the varsity girls' category.

After lunch was the freshmen boys' race. Amon Philips, Ward Halterman, Max Roukema and Drake Anderson raced in the category. The later start meant the boys were getting the warmest weather of the day.

Amon Philips finished 34th, with a time of 1:11:47, and Roukema finished 38th with a time of 1:12:20 — a very short gap between the two of them. Ward Halterman finished 45th with a time of 1:17:54. Anderson

finished 66th with a time of 1:52:20, finishing off all our racers for the day.

In terms of points, Hittle led the team with 502 points, followed closely by Shaeffer with 464. Sewell scored 460 points, with Weston Philips and Howard tying at 427. Smith added 415 points, with Hensle close behind at 392. Chaney scored 348, and Sowle finished with 330. Amon Philips and Roukema scored nearly the same, with 317 and 306 points; Van Halterman scored 297 and Ward Halterman scored 292. Grimes and Wilson, with only two points between them, scored 290 and 288. Leentjes scored 276 and, lastly, Anderson scored 270 points.

The team placed fifth in our division with 4,082 points overall, putting our season total at 12,205.

Even with the cold and elevation, DUST2 had a great time at the Cloud City Challenge at Leadville. Most riders met and exceeded their goals for the race and are excited to race at Nathrop in two weeks.

## Soccer

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games of the season.

Gian explained that the message to the team going forward continues to be that "nothing's given, everything's earned."

He noted that the remaining matches against Bayfield and Crested Butte are going to be tough and that it is important for the Pirates to continue to put in the right effort and attitude in each match.

"We know we got some tough

teams coming up," he said.

He went on to explain how the team's first game of the season in a tournament against Farmington, N.M., which the Pirates lost 3-1, provided a good moment for the Pirates to jump forward from, reiterating the importance of bringing "effort and attitude" every time they take the field.

"I think the reason we've been successful is the response to that message has gotten better every game," Gian said, noting the Pirates

are fighting for each other, "and it's really showing."

He added, "If we continue like that, we've got a lot to look forward to."

The Pirates will be back in action this Saturday, Sept. 27, as they head to Bayfield to take on the Bayfield Wolverines at 12:30 p.m.

The Wolverines are currently 4-6 overall with a league mark of 1-0, putting them in second place in the IML. The Pirates currently sit atop the

IML with their league mark of 2-0, and are ranked 20th in the state's 3A division.

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## Youth basketball registration underway

By Matt Zaborowski  
Town of Pagosa Springs

The Town of Pagosa Springs is now accepting registrations for its upcoming youth basketball programs.

Divisions include coed basketball for ages 7-9 and girls basketball for ages 10-12. These programs focus on skill development, teamwork and fun.

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R018065 CONLEY RICHARD P  
Parcel: 616324100025  
RURAL Sec: 24 Twn: 32 Rng: 6W LOTS 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10  
450 COUNTY RD 975,548 COUNTY RD 977,26  
COUNTY RD 975  
Total Due: \$2,618.08

R015237 CORDRAY MADELINE  
Parcel: 589315201014  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 663  
473 JUSTIN S RD  
Total Due: \$551.48

R001847 COTTON DAVID ANDREW REVOCABLE TRUST DATED 1/18/2022  
Parcel: 558336206002  
Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 482  
297 GRENAIDER PL  
Total Due: \$974.47

R016836 CROWN S RANCH LLC  
Parcel: 614707100009  
RURAL Sec: 7  
3791 COUNTY RD 382  
Total Due: \$2,192.73

R015723 CRUMM GEOFFREY T  
Parcel: 589316308101  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 250  
643 WEST VIEW RD  
Total Due: \$511.48

R015260 CUNDIFF JAMES E  
Parcel: 589315201037  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 711  
504 GUN BARREL RD  
Total Due: \$177.88

R015165 CUNHA TINA ANNE  
Parcel: 589310203022  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 57  
21 SHADY CT  
Total Due: \$992.28

R015605 DARCY DANIEL  
Parcel: 589316203070  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 151  
52 SWEET CT  
Total Due: \$300.92

R002473 DARCY DANIEL  
Parcel: 569301301096  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 46  
247 WINDMILL PL  
Total Due: \$1,308.77

R002692 DAVIDSON KYLE  
Parcel: 589302102111  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 13 Lot: 5  
122 DOWN AND OUT RD

Total Due: \$757.39

R002865 DAVIS ROBERT S  
Parcel: 569302307032  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 6 Lot: 33  
437 BUTTERCUP DR  
Total Due: \$757.39

R002864 DAVIS ROBERT S  
Parcel: 569302307031  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 6 Lot: 32  
465 BUTTERCUP DR  
Total Due: \$757.39

R000727 DAVIS WILLIAM G  
Parcel: 558323203005  
Subdivision: WILDFLOWER Lot: 51  
89 INDIAN PAINT BRUSH DR  
Total Due: \$2,057.74

R014638 DAY MARTHA A  
Parcel: 589103402001  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 97  
3386 MEADOWS DR  
Total Due: \$3,710.76

R002463 DELOACHE W A DC  
Parcel: 569301301079  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 65  
321 RIDGE PL  
Total Due: \$566.09

R020389 DEMILLE LES ANTHONY  
Parcel: 569913306009  
Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 14 Lot: 32  
X N 5TH ST  
Total Due: \$166.92

R016780 DERMODY TREEHOUSE TRUST DATED 7/15/2022  
Parcel: 5897353501001  
Subdivision: NAVAJO PEAK RANCH Lot: 5  
7860 COUNTY RD 382  
Total Due: \$510.61

R011368 DIAMOND JUBILEE INVESTMENT LLC  
Parcel: 569921211033  
Subdivision: PAGOSA ALPHA Lot: 21-10  
63 W MCCABE ST  
Total Due: \$3,335.62

R010066 DILL SANDRA J  
Parcel: 569919418019  
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 402  
312 LAKE ST  
Total Due: \$1,718.85  
R016831 DITTER STEVEN J  
Parcel: 614708201008  
Subdivision: NAVAJO RIVER RANCH UNIT 2 Lot: 27  
2816 RUNNINGS HORSE PL  
Total Due: \$71.86

R013249 DITTER STEVEN J  
Parcel: 570128300083  
RURAL Sec: 28 Twn: 35 Rng: 1W 35-1W  
X TERRY ROBINSON RD  
Total Due: \$8,115.99  
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: \$8,115.99

R015274 DORSEY DAWN  
Parcel: 589315201057  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 689  
138 HARRY S CT  
Total Due: \$551.48  
R015273 DORSEY DAWN  
Parcel: 589315201053  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 688  
134 HARRY S CT  
Total Due: \$551.48

R012661 DOUGHTY DAVID L  
Parcel: 569932302048  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot: 49  
204 PEACE PL  
Total Due: \$3,815.07

R012662 DOUGHTY DAVID L  
Parcel: 569932302049  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot: 50  
154 PEACE PL  
Total Due: \$4,025.38  
R012669 DOUGHTY DAVID LAWRENCE  
Parcel: 569932302056  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot: 57  
153 FOX PL  
Total Due: \$2,184.17

R012670 DOUGHTY DAVID LAWRENCE  
Parcel: 569932302057  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot: 58  
421 FOX PL  
Total Due: \$2,819.62  
R020226 DUNMAN SHAWN K  
Parcel: 616110807027  
Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A Block: 7 Lot: 6  
X SUMMIT DR  
Total Due: \$353.32

R020225 DUNMAN SHAWN K  
Parcel: 616108307026  
Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A Block: 7 Lot: 5  
X SUMMIT DR  
Total Due: \$353.32

R006404 DURAN CHERIC  
Parcel: 569913305011  
Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 18  
Lot: 11 AND:- Lot: 12  
210 N 6TH ST  
Total Due: \$1,606.10  
R014831 DUTTON LIVING TRUST DATED 5/8/2014  
Parcel: 589115202013  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 326  
1733 HARVARD AVE  
Total Due: \$3,045.52

R002557 EDWARDS MELISSA  
Parcel: 569301408021  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 6 Lot: 10  
545 OAK DR  
Total Due: \$1,525.35  
R002683 EISLER BLAKE DESEAN  
Parcel: 569302102102  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 13 Lot: 22 =  
266 SPARROW CIR  
Total Due: \$238.78

R019790 ELKINS DENNIS  
Parcel: 558336208048  
Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 643X  
58 N PINESCENT CT  
Total Due: \$1,440.69  
R002424 ESLINGER GARRY & FRANCES S  
Parcel: 569301201137  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 4  
823 PETITT S CIR  
Total Due: \$498.11

R015916 ESPINOSA ARMANDO E  
Parcel: 589327300024  
RURAL Sec: 27 Twn: 34U Rng: 3W A TRACT OF LAND  
Total Due: \$61.54  
R018394 ESPINOSA ARMANDO E  
Parcel: 589322400001  
RURAL Sec: 22 Twn: 34U Rng: 3W A TRACT OF LAND  
X COUNTY RD 700  
Total Due: \$105.20

R015872 ESPINOSA ARMANDO E  
Parcel: 589322100224  
RURAL Sec: 22 Twn: 34U Rng: 3W A TRACT OF LAND  
X COUNTY RD 700  
Total Due: \$120.57

R015935 ESPINOSA ARMONDO  
Parcel: 589333300079  
X COUNTY RD 700  
Total Due: \$113.94  
R010480 ESPINOSA LOU JEAN & HENRY LEE  
Parcel: 569920128028  
Subdivision: GREENBRIER PLAZA CND-COMM Unit: B-14  
301 N PAGOSA BLVD #B14  
Total Due: \$1,003.13

R019684 ESPINOSA ARMONDO  
Parcel: 596303000001  
RURAL Sec: 3 Sec: 4 LOT 4, Sec: 5 LOT 1, 3 & 4, Sec: 9  
Sec: 10 Sec: 31 Sec: 34  
10500 COUNTY RD 700  
Total Due: \$870.08  
R002574 EWING ROBERT H  
Parcel: 569301409018  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 7 Lot: 20  
83 OAK DR  
Total Due: \$1,086.82

R014864 FAJARDO DANIEL R  
Parcel: 589303301005  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 33  
517 COLLETTE S PL  
Total Due: \$900.00

Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 34  
453 COLLETTE S PL  
Total Due: \$900.00

R003486 FALKOWSKI TED  
Parcel: 569312101060  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 8 Lot: 11  
152 PANORAMA PL  
Total Due: \$727.64

R003486 FALKOWSKI TED  
Parcel: 569312101056  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 8 Lot: 7  
189 PINERIDGE TR  
Total Due: \$727.64

R003487 FALKOWSKI TED  
Parcel: 569312101057  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 8 Lot: 8  
141 PINERIDGE TR  
Total Due: \$1,118.11

R015534 FELDHAUS TYLER R  
Parcel: 589316103017  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 600  
452 DOC ADAMS RD  
Total Due: \$551.48

R013194 FERGUSON MICHAEL T  
Parcel: 570119300151  
RURAL Sec: 19 Twn: 35  
X TIERRA DEL ORO DR  
Total Due: \$64.32

R020793 FERGUSON MICHAEL T  
Parcel: 570119400013  
RURAL Sec: 19 Sec: 30  
1190 US HWY 84  
Total Due: \$1,482.94

R015263 FIGUEROA RAYMOND DAVID II  
Parcel: 589315201040  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 675  
71 JAN S CT  
Total Due: \$551.48

R001598 FLORENCE NATHAN JAMES  
Parcel: 558336101064  
Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 95  
79 POINT PL  
Total Due: \$3,376.19

R015692 FLORES MICHAEL ANTHONY  
Parcel: 569916306013  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 46  
102 WEST VIEW RD  
Total Due: \$551.48

R015635 FOLKNER ERIC  
Parcel: 614708201008  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 183  
44 CROOKED RD  
Total Due: \$298.42

R012619 FORDYCE KENNETH A & KAREN R  
Parcel: 569932202002  
Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot: 21  
49 MARMOT CT  
Total Due: \$1,170.18

R018569 FOUA LLC  
Parcel: 569913435012  
Subdivision: TOWN TERRACE CONDOS Unit: 200A  
262 PAGOSA ST #200A  
Total Due: \$875.39

R002100 FRASER JANICE H  
Parcel: 558535200006  
RURAL Sec: 35 Twn: 36 Rng: 3W 36-3W SEC 35 35-36  
8900B COUNTY RD 600  
Total Due: \$6,779.19

R003176 FREER FRANK JR  
Parcel: 569311113004  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 10 Lot: 10  
194 NUTRIA CIR  
Total Due: \$2,574.72

R003069 FRONTIER PROPERTIES INC  
Parcel: 569310404023  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 27 Lot: 6  
324 UTE LN  
Total Due: \$1,212.82

R015929 GALLEGOS CHRIS J  
Parcel: 5699326400072  
RURAL Sec: 28  
X COUNTY RD 700  
Total Due: \$2,116.53

R014141 GALLIMORE JERRY D II  
Parcel: 588717406021  
Subdivision: LOMA LINDA 5 Lot: 130  
2535 LOMA LINDA DR  
Total Due: \$4,197.06

R007283 GARCIA DANIEL  
Parcel: 569916101060  
Subdivision: PAGOSA IN THE PINES Block: 11 Lot: 57  
79 E GOLF PL  
Total Due: \$492.67

R006798 GARLINGHOUSE JAMES  
Parcel: 569914101012  
Subdivision: PAGOSA HILLS 1 TPS Lot: 23  
23 BIENVENIDO CIR  
Total Due: \$270.46

R000566 GARWOOD ROBERT DOUGLAS III  
Parcel: 558135101002  
Subdivision: WOODSCREST ESTATES Lot: 2  
3508 COUNTY RD 400  
Total Due: \$2,440.15

R003980 GATSKIE TIMOTHY E  
Parcel: 569315302047  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 296  
90 MCCLAIN CT  
Total Due: \$55.00

R008267 GEORGE H NEILL AND ASSOCIATES INC  
Parcel: 569917110028  
Subdivision: PAGOSA IN THE PINES 2 Lot: 206  
285 MIDIRON AVE  
Total Due: \$702.49

R010859 GERMOND KELLIE  
Parcel: 569920208031  
Subdivision: LAKEVIEW ESTATES Lot: 86  
146 DRIFTWOOD DR  
Total Due: \$2,376.99

R020696 GIRARDIN ROBERT F  
Parcel: 569919424023  
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 606  
6 FORTUNE DR  
Total Due: \$432.03

R020697 GIRARDIN ROBERT F  
Parcel: 569919424024  
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 607  
X FORTUNE DR  
Total Due: \$869.40

R020695 GIRARDIN ROBERT F  
Parcel: 569919424022  
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 605  
X FORTUNE DR  
Total Due: \$869.40

R019035 GIRARDIN ROBERT  
Parcel: 557925300030  
RURAL Sec: 25  
650 USFS RD 666G  
Total Due: \$807.60

R004649 GOTTFURCHT GRANT  
Parcel: 569536400049  
RURAL Sec: 36  
7110W W US HWY 160  
Total Due: \$551.48

R004642 GOTTFURCHT GRANT  
Parcel: 569536100050  
RURAL Sec: 36  
73 PARELLI INSTITUTE DR  
Total Due: \$237.16

R014681 GOTTFURCHT GRANT  
Parcel: 589106200053  
RURAL Sec: 6U & 7U  
Total Due: \$9,367.00

R015342 GRANT CAROL RAE PETERSON  
Parcel: 589315301064  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 695  
31 HARRY S CT  
Total Due: \$69.67

R004409 GUINDON JOSHUA THOMAS  
Parcel: 569525106007  
Subdivision: CHRIS MTN VILLAGE 2 Lot: 400-401-402  
1135 TRAILS BLVD  
Total Due: \$624.97

R014863 GUTHRIE GERALD & CHERYL  
Parcel: 589303301004  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 33  
517 COLLETTE S PL  
Total Due: \$900.00

R014860 GUTHRIE GERALD & CHERYL  
Parcel: 589303301001  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 30  
478 COLLETTE S PL  
Total Due: \$900.00

R014862 GUTHRIE GERALD & CHERYL  
Parcel: 589303301003  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 32  
555 COLLETTE S PL  
Total Due: \$985.43

R014861 GUTHRIE GERALD & CHERYL  
Parcel: 589303301002  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 31  
567 COLLETTE S PL  
Total Due: \$985.43

R006341 HAAS BLUE D  
Parcel: 569913304005  
Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 21 Lot: 4  
421 LEWIS ST  
Total Due: \$2,239.26

R016539 HALL ELEANOR N LIVING TRUST  
Parcel: 569924103003  
Subdivision: ALR COY PK 1 Tract: 20AALR CP 1 Sec: 24  
ESMT X PALOMINO PL  
Total Due: \$246.40

R009591 HALL MARK D  
Parcel: 569919202002  
Subdivision: LAKE FOREST EST Lot: 450 LFE Sec: 19  
165 BEAVER CIR  
Total Due: \$3,461.15

R005065 HAMPTON CHRIS  
Parcel: 569907310074  
Subdivision: TWINCREEK VILLAGE Lot: 475 TCV Sec: 7  
175 CALETA PL  
Total Due: \$1,271.42

R010349 HAMPTON CHRIS  
Parcel: 569919437006  
Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot: 3 LWW Sec: 19  
1969 VISTA BLVD  
Total Due: \$1,931.52

R016992 HARRIS PHILIP  
Parcel: 614912301013  
Subdivision: CROWLEY RANCH RES 4 Lot: D-25  
340 W ARBOL PARK DR  
Total Due: \$806.24

R010194 HART BRIAN R  
Parcel: 569919424018  
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 610 PV Sec: 19  
592 VISTA BLVD  
Total Due: \$1,124.23

R016894 HAUGE ROBERT E  
Parcel: 614902300101  
Subdivision: NAVAJO RIVER RANCH / DON ENGLISH\_  
AKA Lot: 8  
1363 COUNTY RD 382  
Total Due: \$169.36

R016896 HAUGE ROBERT E  
Parcel: 614902300104  
Subdivision: NAVAJO RIVER RANCH / DON ENGLISH\_  
AKA Lot: 9 & 10  
1251 COUNTY RD 382  
Total Due: \$196.45

R006599 HEILHECKER ASHLEY  
Parcel: 569913327013  
Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 49 Lot: 14  
350 S 8TH ST  
Total Due: \$1,297.87

R010072 HERNANDEZ TERESA M  
Parcel: 569919418025  
Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 405  
268 LAKE ST  
Total Due: \$60.65

R003780 HERRERA ISHMAEL  
Parcel: 569314103010  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 7 Lot: 18  
114 WEASEL DR  
Total Due: \$1,044.88

R017975 HERRERA JOSEPH ERNEST  
Parcel: 616313100001  
RURAL Sec: 13 Twn: 32 Rng: 6W A TRACT OF LAND  
762 COUNTY RD 975  
Total Due: \$395.52

R006254 HERRMANN MILES  
Parcel: 569913134001  
Subdivision: KOCH MINOR-COMM Lot: 1  
383 COUNTY RD 200  
Total Due: \$1,109.74

R005352 HICKS DENISE  
Parcel: 569312108010  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 10 Lot: 6  
193 HOLLOW DR  
Total Due: \$727.64

R015426 HILL AARON R  
Parcel: 589315404093  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 769  
2617 CROOKED RD  
Total Due: \$551.48

R015424 HILL AARON R  
Parcel: 589315404091  
Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB



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R011367 MARTINEZ STANLEY J & ANNETTE A Parcel: 56992121002 Subdivision: PAGOSA ALPHA Lot: 21-11A 77 W MCCABE ST Total Due: \$2,789.19	1155 DOC ADAMS RD Total Due: \$551.48	Total Due: \$55.00	Subdivision: COOL SPGS RANCH ALLP Lot: 9C X ARCHULETA MESA PL Total Due: \$70.23	R017579 STANFIELD ROBERT O III Parcel: 616117204010 Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A PP 2A Sec: 17 X PIEDRA PKWY Total Due: \$67.83	1050 SAN JUAN ST Total Due: \$3,324.28
R009105 MCCALMONT APRIL LOUISE Parcel: 569918203059 Subdivision: LAKE FOREST EST Lot: 198 35 SANDSTONE CT Total Due: \$1,381.67	R014992 MUNRO ELIZABETH A Parcel: 589309105016 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 151 196 TOM'S PL Total Due: \$1,231.74	R009499 PETERSON JASON Parcel: 569919137016 Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot: 17 240 WOODSMAN DR Total Due: \$2,480.73	R017289 SCHOFIELD STEPHEN Parcel: 615913400030 Subdivision: RURAL/NOT IN SUBD RURAL Sec: 13 & 24 28619 COUNTY RD 500 Total Due: \$482.79	R017578 STANFIELD ROBERT O III Parcel: 616117204007 Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A Block: 2 Lot: 13 180 COUNTY RD 982 Total Due: \$134.31	R008954 WASHBURN KEVIN Parcel: 569918103009 Subdivision: LAKE FOREST EST Lot: 17X 168 DUTTON DR Total Due: \$2,913.87
R001600 MCCARTHY TARA A Parcel: 5699336101066 Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 97 49 POINT PL Total Due: \$3,376.19	R016280 MUNRO PETER G Parcel: 596502101010 Subdivision: RIO BL CAB SITE 3 Block: 3 Lot: 15 142 ALCAZAR PL Total Due: \$1,210.77	R017467 PHILLIPS DEBORAH S Parcel: 616108307003 Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 4 Block: 5 Lot: 3 & 4 150 DEER PARK Total Due: \$826.47	R014059 SCHRIBER ROBERT A Parcel: 588717110005 Subdivision: LOMA LINDA 4 Lot: 167 213 BUCK DR Total Due: \$2,870.68	R014449 SUEKER ERIKA LYNN FERGUSON Parcel: 588732203007 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 7 2987 COUNTY RD 335 Total Due: \$1,794.43	R015416 WATSON BRETT RONNIE Parcel: 589315404083 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 759 111 BEVERLY CT Total Due: \$551.48
R002501 MCCARTY ELAINE D Parcel: 569301301030 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 11 597 PETITT'S CIR Total Due: \$399.50	R011685 NEIDEL JOEL Parcel: 569922209037 Subdivision: PAGOSA ALPHA Lot: 23-10 1178 OAKBRUSH ST Total Due: \$3,598.24	R002272 PHILLIPS MELVIN E Parcel: 568908300012 RURAL Sec: 8 Twn: 34 Rng: 4W A TRACT OF LAND 468 COUNTY RD 166 Total Due: \$54.00	R006570 SCULLY-GETHING MARY MARGARET Parcel: 569911323021 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 45 Lot: 4, 5 227 S 8TH ST Total Due: \$2,014.77	R0204271 SUTPHEN ROBERT W Parcel: 569524408034 Subdivision: PAGOSA TRAILS Lot: 242X 102 ELDORADO ST Total Due: \$951.10	R014060 WCR II COLORADO LLC Parcel: 588717110006 Subdivision: LOMA LINDA 4 Lot: 160 388 ECHO DR Total Due: \$3,243.94
R002501 MCCARTY ELAINE D Parcel: 569301301030 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 11 597 PETITT'S CIR Total Due: \$399.50	R017568 NELSON ERIC Parcel: 616117203006 Subdivision: PIEDRA PARK 2A Block: 1 Lot: 2 74 PIEDRA PKWY Total Due: \$1,433.12	R014462 PITRE DAVID Parcel: 588732204003 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 21 AND-: Lot: 23-24 2674 COUNTY RD 335 Total Due: \$1,499.07	R017314 SEGOVIA FELIX & BLANCA Parcel: 615924200051 RURAL Sec: 24 Twn: 32 Rng: 4W 32-4W X COUNTY RD 500 Total Due: \$2,009.46	R020137 TARBET JOHN A Parcel: 569302101021 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 11 Lot: 16 X SPARROW CIR Total Due: \$131.27	R014058 WCR II COLORADO LLC Parcel: 588717110004 Subdivision: LOMA LINDA 4 Lot: 161 310 ECHO DR Total Due: \$3,243.94
R004541 MCFIE MARSHALL N & MARY LOUISE FAMILY TRUST Parcel: 569526112019 Subdivision: ELK PARK MEADOWS 2 Lot: 19 833 GINGER CIR Total Due: \$2,473.37	R013111 NELSON WILLIAM Parcel: 570118115027 Subdivision: WOLF CREEK RUN-COMM Lot: 27 1742 E US HWY 160 #27 Total Due: \$76.20	R003815 PONCE DE LEON KRISTY Parcel: 569314207003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 21 Lot: 9 995 BEUCLER LN Total Due: \$263.18	R004019 SEGOVIA FELIX MD & BLANCA V Parcel: 569316201011 Subdivision: FOUR CORNERS VAC PRO Lot: 15 1542 COUNTY RD 700 Total Due: \$1,979.83	R020135 TARBET JOHN A Parcel: 569302101019 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 11 Lot: 13 X RACCOON DR Total Due: \$757.39	R015121 WEDDLE BRAD Parcel: 589309409003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 467 1203 GUN BARREL RD Total Due: \$1,002.21
R018640 MCINROY DAVID J CO-TRUSTEES Parcel: 558336101089 Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 113X ) 189 LUXURY PL Total Due: \$3,026.69	R003142 NEUWALD DOUGLAS W Parcel: 569311110042 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 11 Lot: 19X AS 4 561 NUTRIA CIR Total Due: \$1,988.28	R003814 PONCE DE LEON KRISTY Parcel: 569314207002 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 21 Lot: 10 96 HAYSTACK CIR Total Due: \$286.08	R006545 SEGURA BENJAMIN JOE JR & SEGURA JENNIFER DAWN Parcel: 569913322010 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 44 Lot: 5 235 S 7TH ST Total Due: \$2,645.83	R020136 TARBET JOHN A Parcel: 569302101020 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 11 Lot: 15 533 SPARROW CIR Total Due: \$955.68	R015704 WEILERT LEVI CASEY Parcel: 589316308061 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 283 192 ROCK POINT PL Total Due: \$551.48
R005565 MCKAY LOUISE HOWELL Parcel: 569908309024 Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block: 14 Lot: 30 922 CLOUD CAP AVE Total Due: \$1,130.74	R014899 NOURIAN KEVIN & HALOOSSIM MARK Parcel: 589304404005 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 144 88 TOM'S PL Total Due: \$55.00	R003772 PRICE JACK E Parcel: 569310204009 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 78 119 RETREAT CT Total Due: \$257.87	R014592 SHAHAN CODY Parcel: 589931000056 RURAL Sec: 1 Twn: 34 84 N HICKORY CT Total Due: \$488.95	R012668 TAYLOR JEFF B Parcel: 569932030056 Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot: 56 79 FOX PL Total Due: \$959.15	R012194 WEIR MARK A & PHYLLIS ANN Parcel: 569928404137 Subdivision: COLO TIMBER RIDGE #3 Lot: 137 682 KELSEYA CIR Total Due: \$251.20
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R015688 MCRAE ERIC Parcel: 589316306009 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 66A 422 WEST VIEW RD Total Due: \$131.27	R012454 NOVOTNY THOMAS GLENN Parcel: 569930203030 Subdivision: PAGOSA TRAILS Lot: 105X 21 TONTO CT Total Due: \$744.25	R003120 PROKOP DONALD J Parcel: 569311101005 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 11 Lot: 35 953 E STOLLSTEIMER RD Total Due: \$1,044.15	R003181 SHERMAN WILLIAM A Parcel: 569311113009 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 10 Lot: 5 414 NUTRIA CIR Total Due: \$922.86	R020790 TAYLOR JEFF B Parcel: 570112102005 Subdivision: HIGH WEST 11 Block: 3 Lot: 4X 73 ELDERBERRY GLEN Total Due: \$1,574.49	R008517 WEIR MARK A TRUSTEE Parcel: 569917408022 Subdivision: PAGOSA IN THE PINES 2 Lot: 237 436 MIDIRON AVE Total Due: \$105.89
R010343 MEADPROP UNITS LLC Parcel: 569919135024 Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot: 69 218 SANDLEWOOD DR Total Due: \$394.10	R003634 OGRDOWICZ SCOTT Parcel: 569312208016 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 10 Lot: 28 202 OAKRIDGE DR Total Due: \$727.64	R009761 PROKOP DONALD R Parcel: 569919309021 Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 52 253 CANYON CIR Total Due: \$250.81	R003592 SILVA JESSICA Parcel: 569312204031 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 13 Lot: 23 569 HILLTOP DR Total Due: \$391.32	R014102 TAYLOR HOLDINGS INC Parcel: 588717305006 Subdivision: LOMA LINDA 2 Lot: 67 813 EIGHT MILE LOOP Total Due: \$2,974.00	R013303 WERT KAITLIN D Parcel: 570130303006 Subdivision: HOLIDAY ACRES 1 Block: 3 Lot: 9 120 BIG HORN CT Total Due: \$1,988.70
R010343 MEADPROP UNITS LLC Parcel: 569919435016 Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot: 77 36 SUMBA CT Total Due: \$394.10	R006171 ONEY LISA GRIFFIN Parcel: 569913104019 Subdivision: PS PARADISE MESA Lot: 12 342 APPLE ST Total Due: \$2,600.27	R001771 PROM MARCUS REVOCABLE TRUST Parcel: 558336203086 Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 288 142 HATCHER CIR Total Due: \$886.90	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R017366 THAYER DANIEL RAY Parcel: 616107200017 RURAL Sec: 7 Twn: 32 1670 COUNTY RD 973 Total Due: \$523.57	R005502 WEST KAREN LOUISE REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST DATED 2/27/2017 Parcel: 569908307066 Subdivision: LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block: 12 Lot: 47 37 LOFTY CT Total Due: \$814.96
R009464 MEADPROP UNITS LLC Parcel: 569919134030 Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot: 51 165 SANDLEWOOD DR Total Due: \$394.10	R015823 ORMSBEE VANCE Parcel: 589317101014 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 217 235 CAT CREEK OVERLOOK Total Due: \$551.48	R001769 PROM MARCUS REVOCABLE TRUST Parcel: 558336203084 Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 286 168 HATCHER CIR Total Due: \$886.90	R016541 SINCLAIR BOBBY L Parcel: 589924203001 Subdivision: ALP COY PK 1 Tract: 25 ALR CP 1 Sec: 24 251 COUNTY RD 359 Total Due: \$3,189.42	R014584 THE UNIVERSE Parcel: 588901100040 RURAL Twn: 34 Rng: 1.5W 221 CHAMISAL PL Total Due: \$318.26	R010086 WHARTON MARCUS BRIAN Parcel: 569919419001 Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 356 246 GREENWAY DR Total Due: \$318.90
R009485 MEADPROP UNITS LLC Parcel: 569919134031 Subdivision: LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot: 50 157 SANDLEWOOD DR Total Due: \$394.10	R011621 ORTEGA DELILAH & TUCSON JOAQUIN Parcel: 569923102003 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 56 Lot: 11 - 14 474 S 10TH ST Total Due: \$2,004.41	R001770 PROM MARCUS REVOCABLE TRUST Parcel: 558336203085 Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 287 153 HATCHER CIR Total Due: \$2,072.25	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R020744 THEISS GREG Parcel: 570127100113 Subdivision: SHERMAN MINOR SUBDIVISION Lot: 1 800 DIVIDE VIEW PL Total Due: \$3,350.43	R010080 WHARTON MARCUS BRIAN Parcel: 569919418033 Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lot: 409 208 LAKE ST Total Due: \$615.89
R003956 MEDLIN GABE Parcel: 569315202059 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 283 223 DEAN'S PL Total Due: \$750.50	R016858 PACIFIC PREMIER TRUST CUSTODIAN FBO SEBASTIAN TRUJILLO IRA 100% Parcel: 614715201004 Subdivision: CONTINENTAL DIVIDE Lot: 5C CDR X COUNTY RD 382 Total Due: \$69.03	R001879 QUEST TRUST COMPANY FBO TERESA G ANDERSON IRA #36521-11 Parcel: 558336207035 Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 603 55 NAVAJO CT Total Due: \$1,596.31	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R012798 THOMAS JEREMY Parcel: 569933402036 Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 52 217 ANTILER CT Total Due: \$3,452.59	R003042 WHITE SHELLBE Parcel: 569310403004 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 29 Lot: 4 112 NAVAJO LN Total Due: \$188.73
R018356 MIERITZ JOAN M LIVING TRUST DATED 7/20/2009 Parcel: 569314210048 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 367X AS 5 Sec: 14 612 UTE DR Total Due: \$462.95	R013975 PACK CODY W Parcel: 588715100332 RURAL Sec: 15 Twn: 34 X CATCHPOLE DR Total Due: \$1,198.27	R005206 RAFAT AHMAD S Parcel: 569907420003 Subdivision: POWDER HORN SUB Lot: 3 81 OXBOW CIR Total Due: \$3,847.59	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R015320 THORNE MICHAEL N Parcel: 589315204003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 477 663 GUN BARREL RD Total Due: \$1,425.46	R001673 WICKMAN MARVIN E Parcel: 558336201097 Subdivision: LAKE HATCHER PK Lot: 126X 19 LUXURY PL Total Due: \$2,299.18
R015498 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel: 589316101004 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 659 595 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due: \$546.48	R013955 PACK DIANE F Parcel: 588714200019 RURAL Sec: 14 Twn: 34 701 CATCHPOLE DR Total Due: \$538.30	R002356 RASOR KELI M Parcel: 569301101047 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 5 Lot: 21 1258 SIMMONS DR Total Due: \$704.02	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R014213 TOM DORIS H Parcel: 588721400028 RURAL Sec: 21 Twn: 34 Rng: 2.5W 34-1W X COUNTY RD 335 Total Due: \$2,917.72	R003101 WIDGER KEVIN G & BURGETT TRACY Parcel: 569311109004 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 12 Lot: 4 10670 W US HWY 160 Total Due: \$610.97
R015497 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel: 589316101003 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot: 658 657 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due: \$546.48	R019029 PAGOSA DEVELOPMENT Parcel: 569911101033 Subdivision: PAGOSA DEVEL SUB 1 Lot: 9 AND 11 X COUNTY RD 411 Total Due: \$593.64	R002494 RICH JACK Parcel: 569301301123 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 18 223 PETITT'S CIR Total Due: \$1,725.18	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R012745 TONGES F SCOTT Parcel: 569920300159 Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 21 257 BLANCA PL Total Due: \$1,518.75	R001638 WILKINS DARLENE Parcel: 558336116004 Subdivision: LAKE FRONT EST CONDO Unit: A4 190 LUXURY PL #4 Total Due: \$1,862.79
R018524 MILLER BRUCE P Parcel: 569907312053 Subdivision: TWINCREEK VILLAGE Lot: 534X 370 CAPITAN CIR Total Due: \$3,081.82	R003950 PAGE DANIEL RIPPENGALE Parcel: 569315202046 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot: 297 128 MCCLAIN CT Total Due: \$750.50	R002581 RICH JACK Parcel: 569301301123 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 18 223 PETITT'S CIR Total Due: \$1,725.18	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R014783 TRIANGULUM HOLDINGS LLC Parcel: 589110304013 Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 224 64 BRADLEY PL Total Due: \$2,241.27	R003522 WILLIAMS RUSSELL E & MILLER MARY J Parcel: 569312107024 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 9 Lot: 24 222 PINERIDGE TR Total Due: \$727.64
R003779 MILLER KERWIN Parcel: 569314103009 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block: 7 Lot: 17 150 WEASEL DR Total Due: \$78.09	R018710 PAGOSA FOREST PRODUCTS QX LLC Parcel: 569904101002 Subdivision: SUSTAINABLE FORREST DEVELOPMENT Lot: 2 1487 CLOMAN BLVD Total Due: \$5,707.21	R002494 RICH JACK Parcel: 569301301123 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 18 223 PETITT'S CIR Total Due: \$1,725.18	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R014783 TRIANGULUM HOLDINGS LLC Parcel: 589110304014 Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 225 1146 HARVARD AVE Total Due: \$3,033.71	R002469 WILLINGHAM JAMES Parcel: 569301301092 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 50 67 WINDMILL PL Total Due: \$1,086.82
R011839 MILLER PATRICIA G Parcel: 569924213011 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 60 Lot: 14 550 S 7TH ST Total Due: \$55.00	R001212 PAGOSA LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION Parcel: 558325307044 Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 371 1419 HILLS CIR Total Due: \$958.89	R009325 RITTERMANN BRIAN P Parcel: 569918407032 Subdivision: LAKE FOREST EST Lot: 169 97 FISH COVE CT Total Due: \$2,376.34	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R006460 TUGGLE JENNIFER Parcel: 569913309023 Subdivision: TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block: 17 Lot: 5 243 N 6TH ST Total Due: \$1,841.99	R007261 WILLINGHAM JAMES EVERETT Parcel: 569915423001 Subdivision: WILLINGHAM MINOR-COMM Lot: 1 X ROB SNOW RD Total Due: \$237.34
R002554 MINKE CHARLES MICHAEL JR & MINKE KAREN ANN Parcel: 569301408016 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 6 Lot: 5, 6 375 OAK DR Total Due: \$1,565.75	R006750 PAGOSA LODGING 2 LLC Parcel: 569913412004 Subdivision: PAG SP COMM PARK Block: 1 Lot: 3 AND 4 158 HOT SPRINGS BLVD Total Due: \$9,118.80	R002720 RIVERA-ESPINO ROMAN E Parcel: 569302202121 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 13 Lot: 15 979 CACTUS DR Total Due: \$757.39	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R016465 TURNEY EDNA ESTATE Parcel: 569532200015 RURAL Sec: 3P Twn: 33 X COUNTY RD 500 Total Due: \$1,581.68	R002470 WILLINGHAM JAMES EVERETT Parcel: 569301301093 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 13 Lot: 49 105 WINDMILL PL Total Due: \$1,086.82
R010557 MNKMOSS LLC Parcel: 569920148006 Subdivision: WESTWIND CONDO Unit: 40 WESTWIND Sec: 20 302 TALISMAN DR #40 Total Due: \$1,102.19	R006749 PAGOSA LODGING 2 LLC Parcel: 569913412002 Subdivision: PAG SP COMM PARK Block: 1 Lot: 1 AND 2 158 HOT SPRINGS BLVD Total Due: \$20,181.14	R003228 RODMAN KIRTUS & KIMBERLY Parcel: 569311201011 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block: 3 Lot: 22 346 MEADOW LARK DR Total Due: \$223.55	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R001125 UNGER WILLIAM Parcel: 558325303046 Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 189 210 SNOW CIR Total Due: \$1,008.84	R001420 WILLINGHAM JIM Parcel: 558326402034 Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 406 89 FLINTLOCK PL Total Due: \$757.42
R004702 MOCHKO NIKKI LOUISE Parcel: 569905200024 RURAL Sec: 5 Twn: 35 X HONEYBEE PL Total Due: \$79.61	R006751 PAGOSA LODGING 2 LLC Parcel: 569913412006 Subdivision: PAG SP COMM PARK Block: 1 Lot: 5 AND 6 174 HOT SPRINGS BLVD Total Due: \$34,867.32	R016348 ROEDER TERRY & PAMELA J Parcel: 596522100110 RURAL Sec: 22 Twn: 33 Rng: 2W A TRACT OF LAND X COUNTY RD 500 Total Due: \$63.08	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R002573 VALENZUELA HUMBERTO ABEL Parcel: 569301409017 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block: 7 Lot: 19 127 OAK DR Total Due: \$302.85	R009974 WILLINGHAM JIM Parcel: 569919320002 Subdivision: PAGOSA VISTA Lots: 296, 297 448 BONANZA AVE Total Due: \$1,414.07
R011714 MONTANO VICKY M & TRANA PEGGY L Parcel: 569923400013 RURAL Sec: 23 1363 COUNTY RD 500 Total Due: \$764.48	R001898 PAGOSA LODGING LLC Parcel: 569921226035 Sec: 21 Twn: 35 Rng: 2W A TRACT OF LAND X W US HWY 160 Total Due: \$98.25	R001566 ROMANCE MARGARET ELAINE Parcel: 558335106018 Subdivision: PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot: 705 218 HILLS CIR Total Due: \$958.89	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R002745 TONGES F SCOTT Parcel: 569920300159 Subdivision: PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot: 21 257 BLANCA PL Total Due: \$1,518.75	R007248 WILLINGHAM JIM Parcel: 569312101046 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 7 Lot: 9 428 ECHO LN Total Due: \$611.74
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R003352 MONTTOYA GERALDINE ELIZABETH Parcel: 569312203016 Subdivision: ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block: 4 Lot: 14 654 HILLTOP DR Total Due: \$727.64	R011478 PAGOSA LODGING LLC Parcel: 569921232002 Subdivision: PAGOSA LODGE MINOR Lot: C 3505 W US HWY 160 Total Due: \$35,217.64	R016550 RYAN TIMOTHY C TRUST CU THE DENISE M RYAN REVOCABLE TRUST DATED 1/25/2013 Parcel: 569925103010 Subdivision: ALP COY PK 1 Tract: 15AALR CP 1 Sec: 25 688 STALLION PL Total Due: \$2,453.94	R014479 SINOPOLJ JEFFREY R Parcel: 588732207008 Subdivision: RIO BL VAL 1 Lot: 9Z 470 RAINBOW RD Total Due: \$1,392.54	R007226 VILLALOBOS LUIS Parcel: 5	





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Volunteers give blood at a Sept. 16 drive for Vitalant. Forty units of blood product were donated at the event, with another planned for Dec. 16.

## Chimney Rock to host final program for major lunar standstill

By Ana Murray

Chimney Rock Interpretive Association

Chimney Rock National Monument will once again take center stage this October as the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association (CRIA) hosts one last unforgettable evening celebrating a celestial event rarely seen in a lifetime: the major lunar standstill.

Taking place on the night of Saturday, Oct. 11, offering visitors a rare chance to witness one of the most visually striking astronomical alignments on earth — the moon rising dramatically between Chimney Rock's impressive rock pinnacles.

While most people are familiar with the moon's cycle and how its shape changes from crescent to full, and its rising position fluctuates along the horizon, far fewer know about the longer, 18.6-year lunar cycle known as the major lunar standstill.

During this time, the moon's orbit tilts to its extreme, causing it to rise and set at its most northerly and southerly points. At Chimney Rock, this rare alignment causes the moon to rise between the prominent formations of Chimney Rock and Companion Rock — a phenomenon believed to have been observed and honored

by the Ancient Puebloan people more than a thousand years ago.

To mark the final public event of this rare alignment's visibility, CRIA will host one last night program in the monument's outdoor amphitheater, located near the Visitor Center.

This event will feature cultural and astronomical presentations by leading experts, Native American music, telescope viewing and a live-streamed broadcast of the moonrise from a restricted vantage point on the high mesa.

Though visitors won't be allowed on the upper site due to safety concerns, they will experience the moment in real-time, surrounded by the natural beauty and stillness of the ancient site.

On Oct. 11, check-in will be at the Visitor Center kiosk from 8:30 to 9:15 p.m. The amphitheater program will begin at 9:30 p.m. for presentations by guest speakers. The live stream of the moonrise will take place at 10:20 p.m. The event will conclude shortly after the moonrise.

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$12 for children ages 5 to 12. Children under 5 attend for free. Due to limited seating, reservations are strongly recommended and can be made exclusively through Recreation.gov

or by calling (877) 444-6777. A non-refundable \$1 reservation fee applies.

Reservations will be cut off 12 hours prior to the start of the program. Walk-ins will be accommodated on a space-available basis, but only those with reservations are guaranteed admission.

Dogs are not permitted at this event, with the exception of certified service animals.

Guests are encouraged to dress warmly for the cool nighttime temperatures and to bring blankets or cushions for added comfort on the stone seating.

Smoking, vaping, alcohol, and drugs are strictly prohibited.

These events may be modified or canceled due to weather or conditions outside of our control. If the event is modified, but not canceled, no refunds will be issued. If the entire event is canceled, refunds can only be issued by contacting Recreation.gov, which issued the reservation. No refunds will be issued for no-shows.

This is the last opportunity to experience the major lunar standstill at Chimney Rock National Monument before the cycle ends in late 2025. The next opportunity won't occur again until 2043. Visitors are invited to come be part of this awe-inspiring

moment, connecting sky, stone and spirit in a sacred place that has drawn human wonder for more than a millennium.

CRIA and the San Juan National Forest of the U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, are working in partnership to preserve and develop educational opportunities about the significant archaeological, cultural, geological and biological resources at Chimney Rock National Monument. CRIA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit volunteer association and receives no funding from the U.S. government.

For more information, see the CRIA website at [www.chimneyrock-co.org](http://www.chimneyrock-co.org) or call (970) 731-7133.

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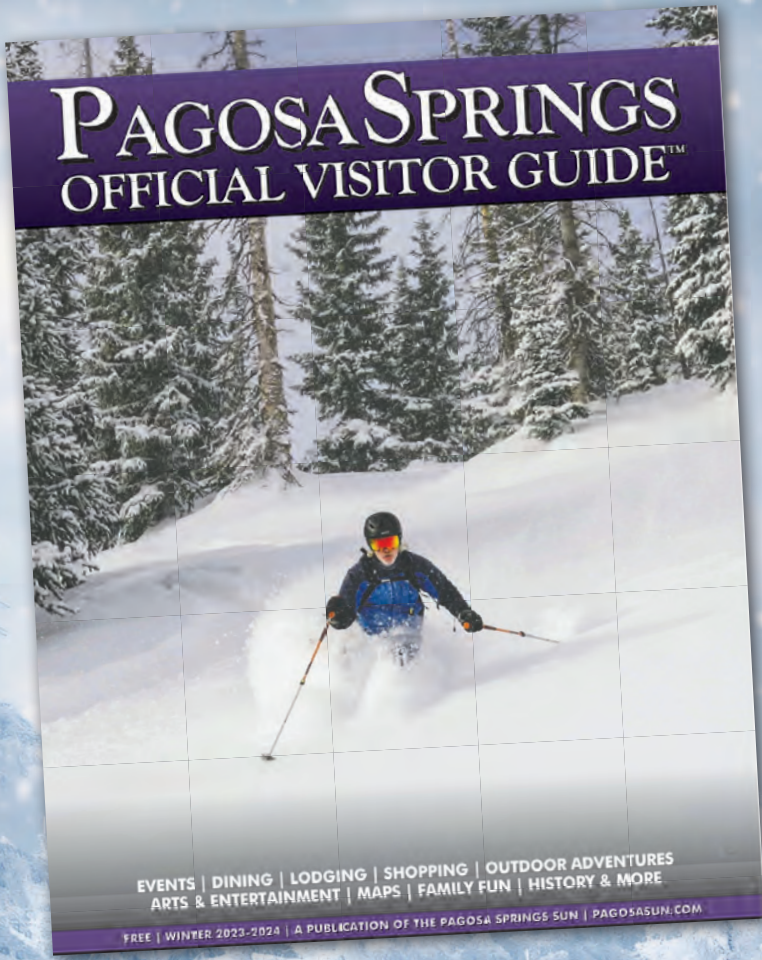
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# Runway for Rise

6 p.m. • Saturday, Oct. 4 • Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts



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Team Enchanted Pearls — with members Ashley Wilson, Livia Souza, Anna Snow and Olivia Diffy — are proud to contribute to a cause that empowers our community and stands against domestic violence. The team is one of several taking part in Rise Above Violence’s Runway for Rise fundraiser.

Live Performers

**Thursday**  
**Coyote Moon Lounge:** Karaoke with DJ Marcus, 6 p.m.  
**The Pagosa Bar:** Karaoke, 8 p.m.

**Friday**  
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# Runway for Rise slated for Oct. 4

By Annie Gian  
Rise Above Violence

The much-anticipated Runway for Rise fundraising event is just over a week out.

This exciting event promises not only a night of fashion and fun, but also a powerful opportunity to support Rise Above Violence, an organization dedicated to providing free and confidential services to those affected by domestic violence.

Ten dynamic teams are each competing to raise the most funds for Rise Above Violence, and they could use your help. Among these teams are the inspiring Team Legacy and the creative Team Enchanted Pearls.

Team Legacy, composed of passionate survivors, is walking the runway with a mission to empower individuals and promote healing within the community. Their motto, "Together we're rising above, one legacy at a time," speaks volumes about their dedication to advocacy and support.

Team Enchanted Pearls is all about contributing to a cause that empowers the community to stand against domestic violence. They aim to design something they can be proud of while having fun, embodying the spirit of creativity and community involvement.

In addition to the runway competition, each team has curated a unique silent auction package. These items are available for online bidding starting now through Friday, Oct. 3. Any items not sold before the event will be up for grabs during the live event on Saturday evening, Oct. 4. Don't miss the chance to check out these amazing auction items online and support your favorite team by visiting [www.riseaboveviolence.org](http://www.riseaboveviolence.org).

This fun-raising event provides crucial funds for Rise Above Violence. All donations are tax-deductible and directly support the vital services provided by Rise.

Last year alone, advocates from the organization answered over 900 hotline calls, offering help and support to those in need. By donating or attending events like Runway for Rise, you ensure that advocates are available 24/7 to answer the call and provide crucial assistance from crisis to healing.

Tickets for the live runway event are still available, so grab yours today and join us for an evening of fashion, fun and philanthropy on Saturday, Oct. 4. Your participation helps promote the belief that everyone has the absolute right to live free from violence. Thank you for being a big part of the solution and supporting a cause that truly makes a difference.

Questions about the event can be directed to Annie at [annie@riseaboveviolence.org](mailto:annie@riseaboveviolence.org).



Photo courtesy Layne Eliese Mills

Amythest Baker, Layne Mills and Raynie Lovier of Team Legacy are dedicated to empowering individuals and promoting healing in our community. The team is one of several taking part in this year's Runway for Rise: A Recycled Fashion Gala.

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The 19th annual Mountain Chile Cha Cha will feature the return of Sangre Joven and Str8 Shot. The event, which includes the Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic, is slated for Sept. 27 at Yamaguchi Park.

# Annual Mountain Chile Cha Cha, Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic set for Sept. 27

By **Jacque Aragon**  
Mountain Chile Cha Cha

Pagosa Springs’ favorite fall fiesta, the Mountain Chile Cha Cha, is back for its 19th year on Saturday, Sept. 27 — rain or shine — in its new location, Yamaguchi Park in downtown Pagosa Springs.

Admission is just \$10 (kids 12 and under free). There’s something for everyone: enjoy a green chile cook-off and tasting, a lively Mexican beer garden, a margarita contest and tasting, an all-day kids’ corner, delicious food vendors, and freshly roasted green chiles available for sale by the bag or bushel. Please note: chile tasting trays and margarita tokens are sold separately.

The highlight of the day is the 17th Annual Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic, where nearly 50 cooks — homegrown talent and pros alike — compete for cash, trophies and bragging rights.

Chile tasting will begin at 12:30 p.m., with judging in meat and veggie categories and a People’s Choice

award voted on by tasters. Tasting trays are just \$15, but limited, so plan to get yours early.

And then there’s the music. Back by super popular demand, we’re thrilled to welcome Sangre Joven and Str8 Shot to the Cha Cha stage once again.

Starting at 12:30 p.m., these two powerhouse New Mexico bands will take the stage at the park, bringing a mix of rancheras, cumbias, corridos, polkas, valse, and high-energy variety hits that will keep the crowd dancing until 5:30 p.m.

### About the bands

Sangre Joven is a multi-award-winning band from Las Vegas, N.M., performing in el estilo del norte de Nuevo México, carrying forward a heritage of rancheras and traditional northern New Mexico music.

Str8 Shot is a New Mexico music/variety band known for its unique sound and ability to get any crowd moving, with favorites from classic covers to original hits like their break-

out CD, “El Primero.”

So, put on your dancing shoes, bring your appetite, and join us for an unforgettable day of food, culture and community.

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Ellie O'Hara, Samantha Luck and Trevor Brown embody the eager young singers who find themselves tested — and transformed — under the withering gaze of Maria Callas in “Master Class,” opening Friday at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

# ‘Master Class’ to open this week at Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts

By Tim Moore  
Thingamajig Theatre Company

Thingamajig Theatre Company will open its 2025-2026 fall and winter season at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts this weekend with Terrence McNally’s “Master Class,” a play as fierce, funny and unflinching as the woman at its center: Maria Callas.

Performances are Friday, Sept. 26, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m.

More than a play about opera, “Master Class” is an encounter with art itself — its cruelty, its transcendence, its impossible demands.

McNally imagines Callas in her later years, conducting a seminar at Juilliard. What begins as a lesson for her young singers becomes a searing

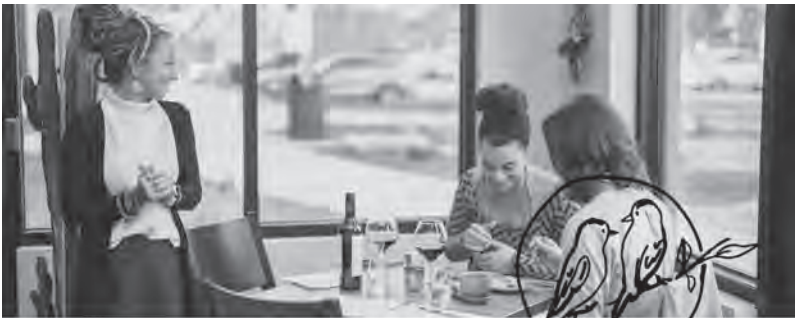
examination of genius and the toll it exacts.

Laura Moore stars as Callas, with Dale Scrivener as her accompanist. Ellie O'Hara, Samantha Luck and Trevor Brown portray the aspiring students, and Scott Morehead rounds out the cast as the stagehand. Tim Moore directs.

“Master Class’ isn’t a museum piece. It’s alive with wit and heart-break. Callas goads her students, but in doing so she reveals the frailty beneath her brilliance. Audiences will see not just a great artist, but a woman fighting to define her legacy,” said Tim Moore.

The production runs only two nights in September before returning for a few performances each month through November. Tickets are available at the Pagosa Springs Center for

the Arts, [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or by calling (970) 731-SHOW (7469).



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# San Juan Stargazers to meet Oct. 2

By Joan Mieritz  
San Juan Stargazers

On Thursday, Oct. 2, the San Juan Stargazers will hold their regular monthly educational meeting.

Our next meeting will start at 6 p.m. with our social hour for visiting with friends and delicious snacks, which you are encouraged to contribute to.

We have a few members who don't make it home for dinner before the meeting, so we try to reward their diligence.

We gather at the Community United Methodist Church at 434 Lewis St. Please use the convenient parking lot and the side door that leads into the kitchen and then fellowship hall. We keep the front doors to the church sanctuary locked.

At 7 p.m. we will begin our educational program, which this month will be a presentation from a new Great Courses Series called "Great Heroes and Discoveries of Astronomy" with Dr. Emily Levesque, who is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an award-winning associate professor at the University of Washington. We will be studying "Harvard Heroines Show Us the Stars."

### Night sky programs

We completed seven night sky programs at Chimney Rock National Monument this summer.

We had several absolutely fabu-

lous nights. It is interesting how some nights started out cloudy and amazingly the sky cleared up later for some fantastic viewing.

We had a talented group of telescope operators, including Aaron McCracken, Robert Hagberg, Paul Kriescher, Mark Rosczyk and Malachi Vincent, plus a few drop-ins.

These programs are not only for out-of-town guests, but locals are always welcome and do not need a reservation. We never cancel our programs.

I am telling you about our great summer so you will make a commitment now to attend next summer, because we can promise you a memorable night of stars, star clusters, nebulae and galaxies that you will not forget.

### Nov. 6 meeting

I also want to tell you now about our Nov. 6 meeting, to which we are inviting all of Pagosa Springs because the topic is very relevant and important.

Astronomy people love the universe, but included in that is our own special planet, Earth, which has people who depend on water to survive.

The Stargazers have several members who are deeply involved in the ever-increasing water problems in Southwestern Colorado.

Chuck Riehm presented a great history of the water situation for Creation Care at the Methodist Church. I

have attended many water meetings, but always lacked knowledge of the history of how the situation came into being.

Riehm promised to expand on his history and add clips of recent films that have been made. It will provide for a much better understanding for the Stargazers, so we want to invite everyone for a great learning experience. Mark your calendars to attend this valuable event.

### Joining the Stargazers

If you would like to join the San Juan Stargazers, you will also receive Reflector Magazine, which is the publication of the National Astronomical League of which you automatically become a member.

To join both groups and get an excellent astronomy magazine, annual membership is only \$25 per individual or family. You can join the club at any of our meetings or on our website.

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# WHIPS luncheon set for Sept. 30

By Nancy Ford  
Women Helping in Pagosa Springs

WHIPS, Women Helping in Pagosa Springs, will have their monthly luncheon Tuesday, Sept. 30.

The location is Keyah Grande, and the cost is \$20. Keyah Grande will provide a cash bar.

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St. Patrick's Episcopal Church will soon accept donations for its annual clothing giveaway, with the giveaway set for Oct. 10 and 11.

# St. Patrick's Episcopal Church announces days to accept donations for annual clothing giveaway

By Michelle Chapman  
St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

We at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church will be ready to accept your lightly used, clean, winter clothing and supplies. Please bring your donations to the Parish Hall Saturday, Oct. 4 from 9 a.m. to noon and Monday through Wednesday, Oct. 6-8, from 9 a.m. to noon.

We would appreciate it if you do not tie large plastic bags in tight knots but just leave them open or tie loosely so that we may reuse them when people come to shop.

It is helpful, but not necessary, if you separate the clothing by size generally.

Our volunteers will be ready to welcome veteran shoppers on Oct. 10 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Everyone is welcome from 8 a.m. to noon on Oct. 11.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church is at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd., next door to Pagosa Springs Medical Center.

This is an excellent opportunity to clean out our closets and drawers and share our abundance with our community. Start sorting; we'll see you in a couple weeks.

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St. Patrick's Episcopal Church will hold a Blessing of the Animals at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 28.

# Blessing of the Animals set for Sunday

By Nancy Crouse  
Special to The PREVIEW

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church invites the community to a Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, Sept. 28. Your pets will be blessed at 11:30 a.m. outside the church at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. All are welcome. The custom of blessing animals is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi, and his love for all

creatures great and small. "Our companion animals are important parts of our lives and families. They bring us joy and are a special blessing to us," said the Rev. Wren Blessing, rector of St. Patrick's. The service will feature short readings and an individual blessing by name for each animal in attendance. Commemorative certificates will be handed out, as well. The Episcopal Church has

long taken a pro-animal stance, reminding members that animals are gifts from God, and that people are responsible for being good stewards of the earth and all its inhabitants. For more information, visit our website, [www.stpatrickspagosa.org](http://www.stpatrickspagosa.org), or check our Facebook page. St. Patrick's Episcopal Church is located at 225 South Pagosa Blvd. Regular Sunday worship is at 8 and 10 a.m.

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Healthy Archuleta

On Saturday, Oct. 4, the Archuleta Rural Health Network is sponsoring the third annual Archuleta Health Fair and Expo at Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS).

The event will run from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The fair and expo will feature affordable adult wellness lab tests, a number of health screenings such as hearing exams and blood pressure screenings, and a farm-to-table lunch prepared on-site by the school's talented chef, Todd Stevens.

Much of the food that will be used in preparing the lunch will be locally gathered from meat producers and produce growers in the county. Backyard gardens, community gardens and the dome growers have offered to donate produce they have grown themselves for the event.

One of the goals of Healthy Archuleta, particularly at the health fair and expo, is educating the community about eating locally; the many benefits of eating a healthy diet from locally sourced food are an important step in maintaining our health and reducing our risk for illness.

During the lunch, there will be a presentation by keynote speakers, Stacey Foss and Dr. Asit Goswami, speaking on "Stress and Health — Practical Tools for Everyday Resilience."

Foss is a licensed addictions counselor, and Goswami is the medical director of acute care at Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Both are well-versed experts in how stress affects our physical and mental health and well-being.

The PSHS plant science dome, located behind the school, will host a guided tour just before the end of the health fair, following lunch. This dome has been providing the plant science students with education and hands-on experience in growing year-round all types of plants, in particular the plant cycles of fruits and vegetables. This dome houses some permanent plantings as well, such as an avocado tree, tropical plants and vines, and a small cactus garden. This dome is a study in how a small ecosystem can thrive indoors despite a climate used to freezing temperatures several months out of the year.

In addition to the health and wellness screenings, several organizations dedicated to promoting healthy lifestyles will be present, including those focusing on physical fitness, mental well-being, vision care, dental care and health insurance assistance. Food and community vendors will also be in attendance, along with the Pagosa Farmers Market. Be sure to stop by their booths to support our local growers and producers.

To see a list of the health care providers, vendors and community organizations who will be participating, visit the Healthy Archuleta website.

There will also be a booth highlighting another important Healthy Archuleta project, the Community Food Hub.

Over the past several months, Healthy Archuleta has reached out to the community with the proposition of a food hub located in Pagosa Springs to serve local food producers, retail food trucks, cottage industry participants and anyone interested in how local foods benefit the community.

A presentation and a conceptual design of the food hub will be at the booth. Some of the planned features will include open dining spaces, a commercial kitchen, cold and dry storage facilities, indoor and outdoor spaces for growing fresh produce, and gathering areas for events.

Be sure to stop by the booth to learn more about this exciting opportunity to bring local food and community together in Archuleta County.

One other addition to this year's Health Fair and Expo is the kids' corner. Bring your kids along and join us for a fun and creative experience at our Kids Make and Take Table. Local artists will guide children through hands-on art activities, offering screen-free alternatives that encourage mindfulness and creativity. Kids can explore weaving projects, beading and glass art while learning new skills they can take home.

This year's Health Fair and Expo is designed to support individuals of all ages, encouraging wellness and health, and building a stronger community for every generation.

To learn more about the Archuleta Health Fair and Expo and to register for the available low-cost labs and farm-to-table lunch, please visit the Healthy Archuleta website at [www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org](http://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org).

Click on 2025 Health Fair & Expo, and then on the Registration Form to Attend the Fair.

We are also looking for volunteers to help support the event. You can sign up to volunteer on the Healthy Archuleta website. Register today to help advance the health and well-being of our community.

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# Life-saving lessons from typing class

By Diane Cooney  
PREVIEW Columnist

How could teaching business in a small town in Colorado possibly have life-or-death consequences to my pupils? That was not really a question I pondered as a first-year typing teacher.

I was a stay-at-home mom with a 4-month-old baby boy. Our precious daughter, Lisa, was 3 going on 6. As school was about to start, the administration found itself in the disturbing circumstances of being without a business teacher.

We were fairly new to the community, but word spread that I was a certified business teacher.

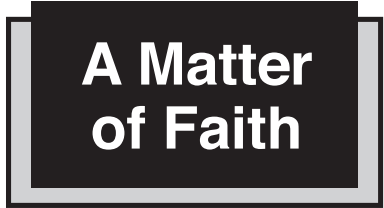
The call came a few days later, “It will only be for half days, Mrs. Cooney. You would be doing us a big favor if you would consider filling this position.”

After my husband and I thoroughly discussed the adjustments required for all of us, I agreed to do my civic duty. I would be putting my hard-earned education to practical use, so I accepted the challenge.

Rising at 5:30 a.m. to begin my daily routine of getting everyone ready for everything was new to all of us. Whether cleaning, dressing, cooking, feeding or driving the 11 miles to the babysitter and school, it all took time. My precious son cried so hard as I left him in someone else’s care. My heart nearly broke each time I had to drop the children off.

The class of about 20 students consisted of more girls than guys. There were six brave “men,” however, who decided to give it a shot.

One boy in particular struggled each and every day. He just couldn’t get the hang of it. His attitude was good and he kept plugging away in spite of his lack of success. His fingers were rather chubby, not long and



slender like many of the girls’ He did learn the keyboard, however, and was able to perform elementary tasks. He passed the course, but just barely. Perhaps it was more of a “gift” than anything else.

The war in Vietnam was going strong and that young man was drafted into the Army. Sometime later, after he completed his two-year commitment, I received a letter in which he thanked me for teaching him the keyboard.

As it turned out, he was the only one in his division who knew how to type, and his job became the coveted company clerk. That position kept him off the front lines, where many of his buddies were critically wounded or died while serving their country.

He expressed grateful appreciation to me, although I was simply doing my job.

The fact that he took the time to write the letter to thank me and explain the situation was the most rewarding thing he could have done. I’ve never forgotten the kindness and it has been nearly 50 years ago now.

God has amazing plans for all of us, even though we may not fully realize it at the time. What a humbling experience to realize that something you did, in the course of teaching a class, could have such a profound effect on someone’s life.

*This column may include both fiction and nonfiction, and views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN. Submissions can be sent to editor@pagosasun.com.*

# Unitarian Universalists hold Mabon service

By De Anna Hoyle  
Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

As a small, lay-led congregation, the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist (UU) Fellowship takes some Sundays for rest and renewal. That is the case this week, Sept. 28, where we extend an invitation to you to focus on self-care. The days are shortening, the weather cools, and it is a wonderful reminder to slow down and reflect on what we are grateful for.

Our fellowship community celebrated the seasonal shift with a Mabon service last week, reflecting on the bounty of the season and sharing a soup and bread lunch.

We invite all to join us for our next

service, Sunday, Oct. 5, at 10:30 a.m. As we look ahead to the fall, Pagosa UU often partners with other groups to hold programs at our space. We will highlight those in our upcoming monthly newsletter and on our website, PagosaUU.org. Check it out for more details.

The fellowship meets at Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza, 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., on the north side facing the Pagosa Peak.

One ongoing group that meets is the Tara Pagosa Meditation Group. A formal course study of the “Heart Sutra,” following Lama Migmar’s text “The Wisdom Gone Beyond” will be offered. Sessions include meditation in-

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## The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

### ACROSS

- 1 Sandpaper grade
- 5 \_\_\_\_ Domingo
- 10 Scrub up, e.g.
- 14 Footnote word
- 15 Fingerprint feature
- 16 Big name in jeans
- 17 Popped up again
- 19 "Terrible" ruler
- 20 Maker of Barbie dolls
- 21 Reaches, as a goal
- 23 Hunches
- 26 Docility
- 29 Decorating themes
- 32 "How sweet \_\_\_\_!"
- 33 Stop for gas
- 35 Playskool product
- 36 Homer's son, et al.
- 38 Tenement pest
- 39 Discontinued Toyota line
- 41 Car accessory
- 42 "Be quiet!"
- 45 Not duped by
- 46 Make queasy
- 48 Like some marriages
- 50 Irregularity
- 52 Army officer
- 54 Kitchen filters
- 58 Quite often
- 59 Boardwalk cooler
- 62 Overabundance
- 63 Cherished
- 64 Coastal bird
- 65 Word before chair or street
- 66 Plumber's gadget
- 67 Wall frame part

### DOWN

- 1 Mattress option
- 2 Notion

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- 3 Not on the rocks
- 4 Closest to vacant
- 5 Be horribly hot
- 6 "Just as I thought!"
- 7 Neither partner
- 8 Grab the tab
- 9 Antiquated
- 10 Yielding
- 11 Taking another look at
- 12 "Westworld" star \_\_\_\_ Rachel Wood
- 13 Bowler's targets
- 18 Brown alternative
- 22 Workshop items
- 24 Manual readers
- 25 Old Persian capital
- 26 "In the Heat of the Night" detective
- 27 Pong maker
- 28 Extraordinary
- 30 "Shiloh" author Shelby
- 31 Church council
- 34 One-eighty
- 37 Hollywood Martin
- 40 Says OK
- 43 Shows for the first time
- 44 Act as chair-person
- 47 Type of pine
- 49 Where Bhutan is
- 51 "Tiny Dancer" singer
- 52 Hamster's home
- 53 Earthenware pot
- 55 Nam or Cong lead-in
- 56 Shade of beige
- 57 Put in the mail
- 60 "Selma" director DuVernay
- 61 Albanian coin

### Answers to Previous Crossword:

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# Women’s Bible study to explore what it means to be a Christian

By Stan Counsell  
Women’s Countywide Bible Study

Many Pagosans saw the memorial honoring slain Christian conservative activist Charlie Kirk. And, while most approved of Kirk’s Christian beliefs being presented, there were probably many that weren’t sure if they fit into what was being said.

I remember that uncertainty when I was but 19 years of age. I liked what I heard, but I wasn’t sure if I was or was not a Christian. I had a Bible and I went to church sometimes, but now I had questions; my mind began to swirl with doubts.

The Women’s Countywide Bible Study, here in Pagosa, is just for you. It is always free; there are no books or syllabuses to buy. All that is needed are hearts longing to know, understand and ask honest questions without fear or trepidation.

The Bible study isn’t a lecture, but a hearty group of laughing women enjoying a good time for themselves, even sometimes sharing their own experiences.

So, after seeing or hearing about the Kirk memorial, why not come to this Bible discussion class? Learn more about your faith walk. What does it mean to be a Christian? Is it going to church? What is Christian dedication? What am I expected to do and be? Questions or thoughts like these and more will be addressed in a comfy-causal group setting.

The study is guided by Roberta (‘Bert) Counsell, an ordained women’s minister/pastor, and a Pagosa Springs resident of 19 years.

The study is located in the fellowship hall at Grace in Pagosa. The address is 1044 Park Ave. The study opens with prayer at 10 a.m. every Tuesday morning.

Come, introduce yourself to Counsell and the other ladies.

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struction, practice, study and chat. Beginners are welcome anytime. Bring a friend. Practices are now 7 to 8:30 p.m. every Sunday.

If you are unable to attend in person, we invite you to join us on Zoom. If interested, email the fellowship to be added to the announcement list with specific instructions.



Escape to your private sanctuary on this lovely 3-acre treed lot, complete with a convenient circular driveway. Nestled in a desirable neighborhood where all properties are at least 3 acres, this home offers unparalleled privacy and a serene setting. Abundant local wildlife provides a daily connection to nature. Step inside from the covered front porch to a spacious kitchen featuring granite counters. Relax in the living room or formal dining room, where large windows frame breathtaking views of the East Range and Square Top. A partially covered deck off the dining room is perfect for enjoying the peaceful outdoors. Despite the quiet surroundings, you are only a quick five-minute drive from town via Highway 84. MLS #828583



120 Big Horn Court • \$575,000

3 bedroom, 2 bath. Discover an exceptional single-level home in the prestigious Ranch Community, nestled on a sprawling acre-plus lot. Meticulously crafted with every detail in mind, this residence exudes quality and sophistication. The thoughtful design features three spacious bedrooms and two bathrooms, seamlessly integrated with an open-concept kitchen, dining, and living area—perfect for modern living and entertaining. A dual-sided gas fireplace, connecting the living room and primary suite, creates a warm, inviting ambiance for cool evenings. Step outside to the expansive covered deck, complete with a private hot tub, ideal for relaxing while soaking in breathtaking sunsets. Positioned at the end of a tranquil road, this home offers serenity and convenience, with Lake Pagosa just a short stroll away and a premier golf course nearby. Properties of this caliber are rare—don’t miss the opportunity to own this extraordinary retreat. MLS# 826768



240 Glade Drive • \$1,175,000



33 Fawn Court  
\$949,000

MLS # 824532

This meticulously cared for full-round log cabin, up-town near Lake Forest, spans 2,732 square feet, featuring 4 bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms. Relax on the covered deck or backyard patio while taking in stunning mountain views. Inside, the open floor plan connects the great room with a cozy fireplace to a modern kitchen boasting granite countertops, high end appliances, and an island for extra prep space. The primary bedroom and bathroom are conveniently located on the main floor. A 2-car garage connects through the laundry area. Upstairs has two bedrooms and a full bathroom, while the lower level offers versatile space for entertainment or an office, plus a fourth bedroom set up as a bunk room with a full bath nearby.

To tour this home go to:  
<https://pspixeltree.com/33-Fawn-Ct>



1001 Soaring Eagle Court  
\$899,000

MLS # 822945

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.

To tour this home go to:  
<https://tinyurl.com/1001SoaringEagleCourt>



470 Terry Robinson Road  
\$760,000

MLS # 828394

1.7 Acres without a property owners association and great views of Echo Lake and the East Range. 1 bedroom, 1 3/4 baths, an office, a large open loft and unfinished basement with a 2 car garage, 4 carports and RV parking, 3 covered decks, lots of storage and did I say it is only 4 miles from town. The circular driveway is large and the front porch is screened in. Close to shopping and dining and close to paved roads. Please note, the basement square footage has not been included with this listing as the basement is unfinished.



471 Deer Trail  
\$346,000

MLS # 826138

Discover your mountain retreat in this 2 bedroom, 1 bath log cabin, in Aspen Springs 1 on well-maintained Deer Trail, just a half-mile from Hwy 160. This 1,205 sq. ft. cabin features a living room, dining area, modern kitchen, and a full bath on the main level, with two bedrooms upstairs. The kitchen boasts new cabinets, countertops, and flooring. A wood stove enhances the cabin’s ambiance. The property is equipped with a state-of-the-art water filtration system, including reverse osmosis, water softener, and on-demand hot water, professionally installed.

## Own Your Own Piece of Colorado Land!

30 High Drive  
MLS # 794628 — \$55,900

38 Heron Court  
MLS # 821320 — \$45,000



109 Carol’s Curves  
\$284,000

MLS # 824583

The mobile home portion of this residence is 500 square feet. 1304 square feet is stick built. There is also a small cabin built in 1993, 576 square feet with bath and studio kitchen. The 1.2 acres is partially fenced for dog’s and the acreage is all usable. The house has large picture windows with very nice views. There are 3 outbuildings, the septic has been inspected.



324/356/294 Sparrow Circle  
\$325,000

MLS # 821243

3 separate lots 4.5 Acres total with no HOA or Covenants. This 2-bedroom 1 bath home is purged and is in very good shape. This is a very solid home with a well-constructed snow shed over the top. There is a 2-vehicle carport and a workshop behind the carport. There is a road behind the house going up the hill to get to a couple of nice building sites. The views are amazing up there. This is an awesome property and if needed the two vacant lots could be sold separately.



1119 Hills Circle  
\$500,000

MLS # 827227

This is a very cute 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with a 2 car attached garage. Across the street is an access point to enter National Forest. This is a very well-maintained home at a good price. The master bedroom is on opposite sides of the house from the guest bedrooms, and the colors are warm and inviting. This home is close to town and shopping, put it on your list.



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# Preview Calendar

All events listed in The PREVIEW Calendar are free of charge unless otherwise noted.

## Thursday, Sept. 25

**‘Written in Bark’ Aspens and Arboreglyphs Hike.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The event is free, but registration is required at sjma.org/events.

**Ruby’s Writers Guild.** 9-10:30 a.m., Senior Center. Ruby’s Writers Guild welcomes writers who are looking for opportunities, support and camaraderie with other writers. Members provide support, resources and guidance for each other.

**Great House Tour.** 10 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour goes to the top of the mesa ridge for a 360-degree panoramic view of the landscape and a close-up of the two pinnacles with stops along the way to learn about ancient Puebloan structures. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids. For more information and tickets, visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) or call (877) 444-6777.

**Tai Chi.** 1:30-2:30 p.m., Yamaguchi Park. Hosted by the Senior Center. Free for ages 55 and older.

**‘The Gift of Aging.’** 1:30 p.m., Senior Center. Guest speaker Marcy Houle will discuss science and the insights of aging with health, joy and purpose.

**Tech Time.** 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Taylor will answer basic questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets, etc., and provide assistance with accessing any of the library’s online resources. Bring your device charger and passwords.

**English as a Second Language.** 4-7 p.m., St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. 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.

**Tour de 4-H.** 4:30 p.m., CSU Extension, 344 U.S. 84. Learn about the local 4-H program and all of the projects offered. Visit Archuleta.extension.colostate.edu to register.

**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.

## Friday, Sept. 26

**Mysteries of Chimney Rock Tour.** 8 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour provides an in-depth discussion along the Great House Trail about the connection of Chimney Rock to the greater Chacoan culture, the significance

of the mesa-top Great House, and the day-to-day lives of the ancestral inhabitants of Chimney Rock. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up and \$10 for ages 5-12, with those under 5 free. For more information and tickets, visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) or call (877) 444-6777.

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**Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.** 11 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. Chautauqua presenter Gail Beaton will portray Colorado suffragist Sarah Platt Decker. All are invited.

**Stroll of the Three Sisters Tour.** 1:15 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour along the Mesa Village Trail, where they will learn about an agricultural village and the crops and other foods grown and gathered there. Tickets are \$15 for ages 13 and up and \$8 for ages 5-12. For more information and tickets, visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) or call (877) 444-6777.

**Bingo.** 1:30-2:30 p.m., Senior Center.

**Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents ‘Master Class.’** 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, 2313 Eagle Drive. For tickets and more information, visit [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or call (970) 731-SHOW (7469).

## Saturday, Sept. 27

**Chimney Rock Through the Ages Tour.** 8-10:30 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour explores both the natural and cultural history of the area through geologic time and incorporates the anthropology and archaeology of the Puebloan people. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up and \$10 for ages 5-12, with those under 5 free. For more information and tickets, visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) or call (877) 444-6777.

**Conversations in the Garden.** 9-10 a.m., Pagosa Springs Community Garden.

**Public Art Celebration.** 10 a.m., Geothermal Building, 80 S. 5th St. Join to celebrate the unveiling of mural artist Phillip Seth’s work.

**Pagosa Springs Varsity Cross-Country.** 10 a.m., Reservoir Hill. Pagosa Springs High School vs. multiple opponents at the McGinn Memorial XCountry Challenge.

**GriefShare.** 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A 13-week program to assist with the healing process, regard-

less of how long it is since your loved one passed. For more information, call Marie Roscoe at (970) 946-9379 or Centerpoint Church at (970) 731-2205. You can also register and learn more at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org).

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# SUDOKU

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Level: Beginner

## Here’s How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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6	7	4	3	8	9	2	1	5
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ANSWER:

## Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you’ll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!



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**Mountain Chile Cha Cha.** 12:30 p.m., Yamaguchi Park. Admission to the event is \$10 at the gate. Kids 12 and under are free. Tastings are an additional cost. Celebrate fall and green chile with the Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic, live music and more. For more information, visit [ilovegreenchile.com](http://ilovegreenchile.com).

**Knitters Circle.** 1-3 p.m., Natural Grocers back room, 775 San Juan St. Any type and experience level of needleworker is welcome. A Sisson Library program.

**Flute Music at Twilight Program.** 6 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This program begins with a guided, short walk through a mesa village followed by live Native American flute music accompanied by a deepening night sky to reveal celestial bodies. Tickets are \$20 for ages 13 and up and \$10 for ages 5-12, with those under 5 free. For more information and tickets, visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) or call (877) 444-6777.

**Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Master Class.'** 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, 2313 Eagle Drive. For tickets and more information, visit [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or call (970) 731-SHOW (7469).

## Sunday, Sept. 28

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**Blessing of the Animals.** 11:30 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. The Rev. Wren Blessing will bless pets outside the church.

**Bingo.** 5:45 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. The doors will open at 5 p.m., with early-bird games starting at 5:45 p.m. and regular bingo games beginning at 6 p.m. No alcohol or outside and food and beverage are allowed. For more information, contact Mary Jo Coulehan at (970) 903-7815.

## Monday, Sept. 29

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**Senior Conversations.** 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

**Conversational Spanish.** 4-5 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Practice your Spanish conversation skills in a group setting. No minimum skill

level required. A Sisson Library program.

**League of Women Voters of Archuleta County.** 5:30 p.m., Elkwood Manor, 85 Easy St. Archuleta County Commissioner Veronica Medina will speak. For more information, visit [LWVcolorado.org/LWVArchuleta](http://LWVcolorado.org/LWVArchuleta).

**DivorceCare/DivorceCare for Kids.** 6-7:30 p.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A 13-week program that provides a safe environment for people who are experiencing the hardship of divorce or separation. It 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](mailto:jshookup@gmail.com) or call the church at (970) 731-2205. You can register online at [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org).

## Tuesday, Sept. 30

**Coffee and Kiddos Playgroup.** 10-11 a.m., Aspire Medical Services and Education, 602 S. 8th St. For those with kids ages birth to 3 years old.

**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

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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.

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**WHIPS (Women Helping in Pagosa Springs).** 11:30 a.m., Keyah Grande. The cost is \$20. All women are welcome and are encouraged to carpool. Collections will be taken for a family in need and the 2026 scholarship fund. An RSVP to (970) 946-1895 is required by Sunday night, Sept. 28.

**HR Power Hour.** Noon-1 p.m., Zoom. The Community Foundation service Southwest Colorado's HR experts will cover everything non-profits need to know to update and optimize their HR practices, including employment law, successful onboarding, preventing conflict in the workplace, required HR policies, staff contracts and building a culture of feedback. The cost is \$10 per session or \$50 for all the session. For more information and to register, visit [www.swcommunityfoundation.org/hr-power-hour/](http://www.swcommunityfoundation.org/hr-power-hour/).

**Bridge.** 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

**Good News Club.** 3:15-4:45 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. To register, visit <https://cef-colorado-431831.churchcenter.com/people/forms/1006150>.

**Teen Advisory Board.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For ages 12-18. Be a voice at your library. Build leadership skills, mentor others and plan programs that interest you. Snacks will be provided.

**English as a Second Language.** 4-7 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. 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.

**Chimney Rock Through the Ages Tour.** 5-7:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour explores both the natural and cultural history of the area through geologic time and incorporates the anthropology and archaeology of the Puebloan people. Tickets are

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**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.

**Men's Fellowship.** 6 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church classrooms, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd.

**Pagosa Springs Varsity Volleyball.** 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa Springs High School vs. Montezuma-Cortez.

**Wednesday, Oct. 1**

**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.

**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. For all ages. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

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**Bridge.** 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

**Mindful Drawing.** 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

**Mexican Train Dominoes.** 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

**Elementary Tutoring.** 3:30-4:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, 141 S. 10th St. For grades 1-3. Elementary school children are tutored in reading and math. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information. A Sisson Library program.

**Junior Youth Challenge.** 3:30-4:45 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School music room. A weekly club for kids in fifth and sixth grade where the Bible is taught with songs, stories, object lessons, games and more. To register, visit <https://cef-colorado-431831.churchcenter.com/people/forms/1006150>.

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**Thursday, Oct. 2**

**Ruby's Writers Guild.** 9-10:30 a.m., Senior Center. Ruby's Writers Guild welcomes writers who are looking for opportunities, support and camaraderie with other writers. Members provide support, resources and guidance for each other.

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**Nonprofit Tips, Tricks and Treats: Using AI to Build Capacity with Wilson Warmack.** Noon-1 p.m., Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd. Join the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado for sessions to get nonprofits together for networking, idea sharing and helpful tools for organizations. Feel free to bring lunch; dessert will be provided.

**Online Author Talk.** Noon, virtual. Watch nationally renowned authors give hourlong presentations live via Zoom, or watch the recording later. For details and to register, go to <https://library.org/pagosalibrary/upcoming>.

**Tai Chi Chih.** 1:30-2:30 p.m., Senior Center.

**Tech Time.** 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Taylor will answer basic questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets, etc., and provide assistance with accessing any of the library's online resources. Bring your device charger and passwords.

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**San Juan Stargazers.** 6 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Social time will begin at 6 p.m., followed by an educational presentation at 7 p.m.

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**Pagosa Springs Varsity Football.** 7 p.m., Golden Peaks Stadium. Pagosa Springs High School vs. Salida.

## Saturday, Oct. 4

**Archuleta Health Fair and Expo.** 7 a.m.-1 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. To learn more, visit [www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/archuleta-health-fair-and-expo](http://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/archuleta-health-fair-and-expo).

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**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 Roscoe at (970) 946-9379 or Centerpoint Church at (970) 731-2205. You can also register and learn more at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org).

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**LEGO Play.** 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For kids 8-11 years old. Bring your own or use the library's LEGOs to free build. Contact the library at (970) 264-2209 for further information.

**Runway for Rise: A Recycled Fashion Gala.** 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, 2313 Eagle Drive. A fundraiser for Rise Above Violence. For tickets and more information, visit [www.riseaboveviolence.org](http://www.riseaboveviolence.org).

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**Full Moon Program.** 7:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Combine the Full Moon Program with an early, guided tour of the Mesa Village Trail to create a four-hour event. The cost is \$25. For more information and tickets, visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) or call (877) 444-6777.



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## COLORFEST

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**Scene ... ColorFest brings a burst of color to town last weekend. Multiple events over several days added to the festivities to welcome fall.**





# 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 turkey vulture.

Apparent contradictions in thinking about this bird start with its name. The word vulture is associated with its eating method of plucking at and tearing flesh — not exactly a pleasant picture. Its scientific name, *Cathartes aura*, which means either golden purifier or purifying breeze, elicits a much more pleasant image.

However you think about these birds, there is no denying that they perform an essential service for ecosystem health by cleaning up dead animal remains. With highly acidic stomach acid, they can digest even diseased meat without getting ill themselves. They almost never attack living prey and are commonly seen where their dead food is found, along roadsides and at landfills. Though several vultures may gather at a carcass, only one feeds at a time.

In flight these large birds appear majestic and graceful, rarely flapping their wings while floating on thermals in a teetering motion. They are not early birds, relying on the rising currents of warmed air to stay aloft. Early morning may find them perched with wings spread in the sun to warm up or dry off. On cloudy days they may conserve energy by staying in their roosts rather than taking to the sky.


Seen in flight, turkey vultures are nearly eagle-sized dark birds with long, silvery-gray wingtips that look like fingers. A keen sense of smell and excellent vision are keys to locating food. Their red bald heads have a resemblance to those of wild turkeys, a similarity recognized in their name.

To us, some of their behaviors may be in the "oh, gross" category. Take their defense method of vomiting on a bird, animal or human that gets too close. And then there are their methods of cooling off in hot weather by defecating on their feet or peeing on their legs. Sometimes they find it necessary to stick their heads deep into body cavities to feed. Here a bald, featherless head comes in useful in keeping clean.

In summer, turkey vultures are common across the United States, but most northern and western populations retreat south for the winter. Migrating flocks can number in the thousands.

For information on events, visit [www.weminucheaudubon.org](http://www.weminucheaudubon.org) and [www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/](https://www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/).





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# Priceless gifts for children: Free after-school tutoring resumes plus generous books donations

By Carole Howard

PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Our community's children are benefiting from two new positive acts in their favor — the resumption of free after-school tutoring plus a generous donation of books.

The free after-school tutoring is slated for first through third grade on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. beginning Oct. 1. Registration is required because of limited space, so call your library now at (970) 264-2209 to enroll your child.

This invaluable tutoring involves one-on-one and small-group help for math, literacy, writing and spelling. Note that because of construction at the library these sessions will take place at the elementary school.

As well, our children's reading enjoyment and literary skills got another big boost this month because of the generosity of multiple donors.

First, \$1,200 worth of gorgeous new books were added to your library's collection thanks to a Pilcrow Foundation grant. Then other generous donors plus a contribution from the Friends of the Library provided new math, science, health and well-being books.

We are extremely grateful for these actions that support the reading enjoyment and core skills education of our community's youngsters, and we hope parents and caregivers will take advantage of these new opportunities with their families.

## New services

We may have a smaller library for the coming year, but, even so, we are expanding our services to you:

We now are receiving a paper copy of The New York Times Sunday edition. The latest edition will stay at the library, but we will circulate past editions.

As well, starting Oct. 1, we will join the Across Colorado Digital Consortium, offering Overdrive e-books and e-audiobooks through the popular Libby app. This purchase is funded by the State Grants to Libraries program through the Colorado State Library.

While our Cloud Library subscription offers access to 9,615 items in our digital collection, membership in the Across Colorado Digital Consortium offers access to more than 19,000 items, many of them unique.

You, our library users, rank No. 1 among AspenCat libraries in use of CloudLibrary. We'll subscribe to both CloudLibrary and Overdrive in the coming year while we analyze your use of both.

## Construction update

Here's the latest news on your library's construction project from Barb Brattin, library director:

"If you peered through the fence last week, you noticed a deep hole on the south side of the library. That's where the new foundation will be laid

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for the new library addition.

"Why so deep, you ask? That's a taller than the usual crawl space so we are grateful. More like a 'hunch' space."

## Activity locations are changed

Now that we have much less space for our operations and no meeting rooms during construction, several of our regular activities and special events will happen in other locations.

Please check the listings in this column and on your library's website, <https://pagosalibrary.org>, for location changes throughout the construction. If no other location is mentioned, the activity will stay at your library.

## No more book donations, please

Regretfully, Brattin has made the decision to cease accepting book donations for a year beginning immediately.

The reality of operating in a much smaller space while construction happens on the first phase of your library's long-awaited expansion has made the action a necessity.

## Activities calendars

Pick up monthly calendars at the library so you don't miss any of the free programs, events and activities available to you and your family.

## Online author talks

Our free online author talks with New York Times bestselling authors continue in October with four talks for you to watch live on Zoom or via a recording. For details and to register, go to <https://libraryc.org/pagosalibrary/upcoming>.

On Thursday, Oct. 2, at noon, Smithsonian educators will discuss "Nuestra America: Stories of 30 inspiring Latinas and Latinos Who Have Shaped the U.S."

Thursday, Oct. 9, at 5 p.m. will showcase Leigh Bardugo discussing "10 Years of Daring Heists and Loveable Outcasts in YA fantasy."

Oct. 22 at 5 p.m. will feature Malala Yousafzai, the youngest-ever Nobel Peace Prize winner, who is also an educational activist, bestselling author and film producer from Pakistan.

On Oct. 29 at noon, we'll interact with Philippa Gregory, historical fiction author, on "Courtly Intrigue and Whispers as Weapons."

## Adult knitting and needlework

Join new and experienced knit-

ters Saturday, Sept. 27, for our free Knitters Circle from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Natural Grocers back room.

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

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## Conversational Spanish

The Conversational Spanish group will meet Monday, Sept. 29, from 4 to 5 p.m. at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. This is a great opportunity to practice your Spanish in a free group setting. No minimum skill level is needed.

## Teen advisory board

Teens aged 12-18 are invited to build leadership skills, mentor others and plan programs that interest you on Tuesday, Sept. 30, from 4 to 5 p.m. in the library courtyard. Snacks will be provided.

## 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.

## Writers Guild

Thursdays from 9 to 11 a.m., Ruby's Writers Guild welcomes writers looking for support, guidance, resources and camaraderie with other writers at this free gathering.

During construction the group will meet at the Pagosa Senior Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd. Enter through the left side of the building.

## Tech Time

Free in-person slots are available from 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursdays. Taylor helps with basic questions relating to computers, smartphones and tablets and also provides assistance in accessing the library's online resources. No appointment is needed, but please bring your device's charger and passwords with you.

## English as a second language classes

Free in-person evening classes happen on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with 4 to 5 p.m. reserved for beginners, 5 to 6 p.m. for intermediate and 6 to 7 p.m. for advanced students at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.. Please help us pass the word about these classes.

## Pagosa Adult Learning Services (PALS)

Join Mark or Sally for free individualized 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. No appointment is necessary.

## 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.

## Books on CD

"We Are All Guilty Here" by Karin Saughter is book one of a new North Falls mystery series. "The End of the World as We Know It" by Stephen King and Christopher Golden is a short story anthology. "The Deathless One" by Emma Hamm is a paranormal romance fantasy. "Not Quite Dead Yet" by Holly Jackson is thriller about a young woman trying to solve her own murder. "Deringer" by William W. and J.A. Johnstone is a western set in Cheyenne. "The Best of Enemies," also by William W. and J.A. Johnstone, is the first book in their new Trace and Chaw western series.

"Forget Me Not" by Stacy Willingham features an investigative journalist trying to solve her sister's long-ago murder. "The Last Wizards' Ball" by Charlaune Harris is the final book in the Gunnie Rose historical fantasy series. "Kiss Her Goodbye" by Lisa Gardner is the fourth book in the Frankie Elkin mystery series. "Katabasis" by R.F. Kuang is a dark academia fantasy featuring two graduate students. "Warrior Princess Assassin" by Brigid Kemmerer is a steamy adult fantasy.

## Nonfiction

"The Wild Dark" by Craig Childs is a field guide to seeing the stars away from too much light. "Shamanism and Your Shadow" by Granddaughter Crow (Dr. Joy Gray) presents a four-step process to help you acknowledge, understand and respect your shadow. "Far From Home" by Alaska Sen. Lisa Murkowski is a memoir.

## Large print

"Who Is Government?" edited by Michael Lewis tells of the lives of essential government workers through their own words. "On Air: The Triumph and Turmoil of NPR" by Steve Oney is a history of this public

radio network. "When the Shooting Starts" by William W. and J.A. Johnstone is a Smoke Jensen western. "The Snake River" by Win Blevins is a Mountain Man Rivers of the West series western.

## Mysteries and thrillers

"Emma on Fire" by James Patterson and Emily Raymond centers on a young girl's shocking act at school. "We Are All Guilty Here" by Karin Saughter is book one of a new North Falls mystery series. "The Unseen" by Ania Ahlborn begins when a mysterious orphan appears at a Colorado home.

## Other novels

"What Hunger" by Catherine Dang follows two American Vietnamese siblings dealing with a tragedy. "We Loved to Run" by Stephanie Reents takes readers inside a women's cross-country team before a major championship. "The Unbroken Coast" by Nalini Jones is about a friendship between a young girl and an aging historian in a Mumbai fishing village.

## Quotable quote

"After graduation [from Princeton], I had no plan and no job. I wound up putting labels on shelves in a warehouse for six months, and I didn't feel great about that. ... You know what? We all move at our own pace, and that's OK. Fifty years later I can tell you something I did not know then: The vast majority of what you need to know about work, about relationships, about yourself, about life, you have yet to learn. And that itself is a tremendous gift. Over the remainder of your life, you can and you must continue to educate yourself and to grow as a person, becoming more focused on what really matters, more widely knowledgeable, better read, more disciplined, more strategic; but also wiser, kinder, more empathetic,

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# Archuleta Seniors Inc. to host presentation on 'The Gift of Aging'

By Ricardo Martinez  
PREVIEW Columnist

ASI will have a guest speaker today, Thursday, Sept. 25, at 1:30 p.m. at the Pagosa Senior Center.

Marcy Cottrell Houle will present the topic of "The Gift of Aging."

What are the best things we can do to keep our brains sharp as we age? Are there strategies we can use to keep us strong and to never become frail? Is it possible to live into our 70s, 80s, 90s and 100s with energy and with joy? What are the most important things we can do to thrive in our later years and find pleasure every day?

Join Cottrell Houle as she relates answers to these questions.

She will discuss frontline science and the insights of aging with health, joy and purpose.

## Masquerade ball

As the new executive director of Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI), I would like to invite you to an elegant masquerade ball event to be held on Oct. 24 at Keyah Grande.

All are welcome. This is to support the programs and services of ASI.

The ASI Fundraising Committee encourages you to dress up in a costume or your fanciest outfit and wear a mask. The theme of "The Phantom of the Opera," a Venetian ball or Mardi Gras may give you some ideas. There will be music, dancing, a costume contest, a silent auction, appetizers and a cash bar.

You can get your tickets on the ASI website, [www.psseniors.org](http://www.psseniors.org).

## Senior Conversations

The very popular Senior Conversations with local Bill Salmansohn takes place on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Salmonsohn brings to the conversations a variety of topics designed to stimulate discussions within a safe and comfortable environment as we

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more generous, more loving, more forgiving of others — and not least of yourself. Each of us is a work in progress, and the possibilities for self-improvement are limitless, which is a wonderful thing." — Jerome Powell's commencement speech at Princeton University on May 25. He is an investment banker, lawyer and chair of the Federal Reserve since 2018.

## Website

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explore our well-being and shared experiences.

This is a unique opportunity to connect with others in the Archuleta community, fostering sharing and friendships.

Snacks will be provided.

Afterward, hosted by Robin Williams, stay for a get-together created for those who wish to continue the conversation. This opportunity is typically from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., following Senior Conversations.

The group occasionally reconvenes as an informal gathering at various local restaurants.

## Stretching and mobility weekly class

Community members are invited to attend free weekly classes every

Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Senior Center at 451 Hot Springs Blvd., in the back of the Ross Aragon Community Center.

The stretching and mobility classes for adults age 55 or better 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, who will provide modifications to ensure the safety and effectiveness of the exercises.

## 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).

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Come to the Senior Center to learn or play every Tuesday at 1:15 p.m.

Bridge

The game of bridge is hosted 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 p.m. at the Senior Center.

This card game involves four rounds, with the final round reached sometime between two and three hours later. Plan to stay and meet some new friends or catch up with those you have missed.

No experience is necessary, so come willing to learn.

Emotional freedom

On the second Wednesday of the month, join the “Tappers,” who practice a self-regulation technique to relieve symptoms of anxiety, depression, insomnia and more.

Come learn the technique on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Senior Center. Everything you need to get started is included in this fun, engaging, supportive class taught by Judith Newman, LPC.

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.

Mexican train dominoes

Mexican train dominoes meets on Wednesdays at 1:15 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Ruby’s Writers Guild

The Ruby’s Writers Guild now meets on Thursdays from 8:45 to 10:30 a.m. The Guild is an informal group that meets to support writers of all genres and experiences. It supports writers through friendly critique, resources, discussion, and literary and cultural activities. Bring your secret idea drafts or completed manuscripts. Come join the group.

Tai chi chih

Today, Thursday, Sept. 25, is the last tai chi chih class that will be held

at Yamaguchi Park. In October, it will return to the Senior Center from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Tai chi chih is not a martial art, but rather a tool for self-healing. Softness, flow and effortlessness are the guiding principles in this meditative practice.

The 19 movements and one pose are designed to stimulate, circulate and balance the vital energy which is inherent in all of us.

Bingo

The Senior Center usually hosts free community bingo games twice a month on Friday afternoons from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Join the group on Sept. 26, Oct. 3, and Oct. 17.

Participation is free, and all we ask is you bring yourself and a friend for an hour of joyful fellowship. We will provide prizes for all winners, and snacks will also be provided.

No RSVP is required.

All ages are welcome, but we ask those 18 and younger to come with an adult chaperone. Seats are first come, first served.

Scrapbooking and crafters club

The Pagosa Springs Scrapbooking and Crafters Club continues to hold monthly meetings the second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd., within the dining hall in the Senior Center.

This creative tradition has been happening since 2005, and we invite all creative individuals to come and share ideas, connect with new and old friends, learn/share creative 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.

Help us create an intergenerational community. Those ages 18 and older are welcome. For those youth age 17 and younger, we kindly request an adult chaperone accompany them.

If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please send your request to [copenhavercreative@gmail.com](mailto:copenhavercreative@gmail.com) and you will receive notification each month of the upcoming meeting, along with handy tips and tricks for scrapbooking and more.

Share lunch Monday through Friday

Join local elders, their friends, family and community at the Silver Fox’s Den in person for delicious meals Mondays through Fridays at the Community Center between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Grab ‘N’ Go pickup via our convenient portico is also available all week.

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. Please say whether it is dine-in or Grab ‘N’ Go.

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.

Community Cafe menu

Call before 9 a.m. Please note that occasionally the menu must be changed on short notice.

Thursday, Sept. 25 — Green chili pork, tortillas, refried beans, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Friday, Sept. 26 — Beef spaghetti, creamed spinach, garlic bread, garden salad, fruit, raspberry cheese-cake and milk.

Monday, Sept. 29 — Butternut squash ravioli with sage butter, wilted spinach salad, garlic bread, garden salad, fruit, hazelnut torte and milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 30 — Chicken cashew salad on croissant, macaroni salad, garden salad, fruit, ginger snaps and milk.

Wednesday, Oct. 1 — Shrimp scampi over angel hair pasta, wilted spinach and onions, garlic bread, garden salad, fruit, carrot cake and milk.

Thursday, Oct. 2 — Pork carnitas, refried beans, sweet corn, flour tortilla, garden salad, fruit, fig bars and milk.

Friday, Oct. 3 — Korean beef, jasmine rice, snap peas, garden salad, fruit, strawberry angel cake and milk.

Meals on Wheels

We deliver fresh Meals on Wheels five days a week (and provide frozen Meals on Wheels for weekends) to homebound Archuleta County residents. The meals are delivered by our wonderful volunteers. Call or text us at (970) 264-2167 for how to sign up for the program.

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.

Mountain Express Transit senior paratransit services

Seniors over the age of 60 can be verified to receive services through discounted paratransit services, free bus rides and pick up at your home to bring you to the Senior Center for lunch. To become eligible, there is a form to complete.

Older adults needing a ride to a local food pantry can contact the Mountain Express Transit (MET) to schedule a ride with its paratransit

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# Tips for winterizing exterior living areas

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When the summer entertaining season draws to a close, homeowners need to ensure their outdoor living areas can handle weather that's right around the corner.

Although outdoor furniture and other items tend to be durable, the impact snow, wind and ice can have on them may lead to damage over time. That is why many homeowners take steps to winterize their outdoor spaces and protect their belongings.

Here's a look at how to prepare for the winter to come:

- Furniture: Cover or store furniture to protect it from the elements. Covering it with weather-proof covers can be adequate if storing items indoors is not possible.
- Deep clean: Items that will be covered or stored should be thoroughly cleaned prior to being

removed from spaces for the season. Lingering dirt and moisture can cause damage.

- Insulate and drain: Don't risk damage to pipes, which can freeze and crack in the cold. Shut off the water supply to exterior faucets and drain water lines to prevent pipes from freezing and bursting. Use foam pipe insulation to prevent freezing and cover any exposed pipes.
- Apply mulch: After cleaning up garden debris, think about applying mulch to garden beds and cover tender plants to protect them from the weather.
- Check gutters: Be sure that gutters and downspouts are clear of leaves and any additional debris. If gutters and downspouts are not cleaned, ice dams may form on the roof and cause water damage.
- Inspect and repair: Inspect walkways and driveways for any damage

and make repairs now so water will not seep in and cause further issues with freeze-thaw cycles. Consider applying a sealant to protect surfaces from snow and ice.

There may be additional, region-specific steps to winterize a property, but these pointers are a good starting point to protect outdoor spaces.

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The goal of this provision is to recognize and encourage charitable giving across all income levels, potentially boosting donations from middle-income households who may not itemize their deductions. This change has the potential to significantly impact charitable giving patterns by incentivizing a broader base of donors.

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"Cortisol is one of those stress hormones. Staying in a good hydrated status can keep your stress levels down. When you don't give your body the fluids it needs, you're putting stress on it, and it's going to respond to that," says Carlson.

"You're actually likely to get more dehydrated when you're under stress, because your heart rate is up and you're breathing more heavily, so you're losing fluid," says Renee Melton, MS, RD, LD, director of nutrition for Sensei, a developer of online and mobile weight loss and nutrition programs. "And during times of stress, you're more likely to forget to drink and eat well. Just getting enough fluids helps to keep you at your best during times like these."

Stress can cause dehydration, and dehydration, can cause stress. It's a vicious cycle. You can break it by building more water consumption into your day.

"Stress can result in many of the same responses as dehydration -- increased heart rate, nausea, fatigue, headache-- so if you can remain hydrated you can reduce the magnitude of the physiological responses we have to stress," says Trent Nessler, PT, DPT, MPT, managing director of Baptist Sports Medicine in Nashville.

Source: Water and Stress Reduction: Sipping Stress Away. By Gina Shaw. <http://www.webmd.com>

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# Weed management: coevolution of insect and plant relationships

By Ethan Proud and Cindi Galabota  
PREVIEW Columnists

An ecosystem is a web of interactions between many different organisms, all adapted to live in harmony with each other — or sworn enemies constantly evolving and adapting to outwit the other. This relationship is easy to spot with larger animals such as elk and mountain lions, but gets a little trickier as the scale gets smaller. Insects and plants have evolved together; sometimes this relationship is beneficial and other times, not so much.

Some plants may trick insects into pollinating them, by either using flower shape or producing nectar to lure in the bugs.

A fascinating symbiosis occurs between the yucca plant and the yucca moth. These species are so dependent on each other that they cannot survive alone. Adult yucca moths emerge in sync with the yucca blooming and mate within the flower.

The female moth gathers pollen as she visits different plants and lays eggs in the ovaries of the flower. The larvae feeds on the seeds of the fruit and forms a cocoon in the soil, where it lays dormant until it emerges as an adult the following spring.

Another example of a picky pollinator is the globemallow bee, which is specialized to pollinate globemallow plants.

Contrary to popular belief, not all pollinators and pollen producers are made equal. Though generalists like the honey bee will feed on any available nectar, our local native bees are more selective and require the native species that they coevolved with.

Invasive species are the No. 2 threat to biodiversity after habitat loss, and they directly threaten our ecosystems by outcompeting native

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plants, and thereby displacing native pollinators.

This creates homogeneous ecosystems filled with the same plants and the same species wherever you go — our great wild places turned into the front page of Better Homes and Gardens.

One way to combat invasive species is to use working-class insects, also referred to as biocontrols.

Invasive species are a problem because they are transported to new environments through artificial means and leave behind the herbivore guild and diseases that keep them in check. Biocontrols are species that coevolved with the invasive species in their native range and are introduced in the invasive range.

It seems like a bad idea and there's an episode of "The Simpsons" about this and a nursery rhyme; however, biocontrols are host-specific and run a gamut of studies that ensure that they will die in the absence of their host plant.

An interesting example of coevolution is showcased between the musk thistle seed pericarp thickness (seed shell) and the musk thistle weevil rostrum length. If the weevils rostrum is too short, it can't penetrate the pericarp, too long and the weevil cannot pull itself from the soil once it's mature; if the pericarp is too thin the seed dies from exposure, if it is too thick the seed can't feed itself and dies. Thus, the two species are locked in a stalemate.

These interactions between insects and plants illustrate the inter-

connectedness of our ecosystems and how each species might be a raindrop in the river, but the river would be less without that drop.

*Archuleta County Weed and Pest is your local resource for managing noxious weed populations and controlling other pests.*

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# A watershed moment

By Betty Slade  
PREVIEW Columnist

My 30-year-old grandson, Spencer Whiteout, messaged me. “We need to talk.” His spirit was as heavy as mine and wanted to understand the severity that had overwhelmed our nation.

His generation lost a voice that spoke for them. They lost a leader, an exceptional man who wasn’t afraid to stand for his beliefs, but also caused a reaction in the earth that probably won’t be understood for years.

One shot pierced the air and was heard around the world. Unearthing what seemed to be an avalanche of muted voices, a watershed, a turning point and a movement began. Land frozen beneath layers of snow, the earth shook off the blanket of deception and lies, and woke a sleeping giant.

Likened to melting ice moving in a raging river, which had held back its force until now, the climate conditions had changed and the river was unstoppable. Christian voices sounded what had been in their hearts for years, but too reserved or fearful to speak the words. Others found their voice and wanted to be heard.

An AI definition of a watershed moment says, “A watershed moment

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is a historically important turning point, a significant event that marks a new stage in the development of something and from which things will never be the same ... and is used metaphorically to describe a decisive dividing line or critical point in events, society, or personal life.”

This conservative movement jumped its banks and created new streams of living water for thirsty souls. Followers, who hold the truth, will no longer bow to lies. Freedom to speak will have a voice. But wait, where will this raging river find common ground in this next generation? What will their future look like?

A heaviness chilled me to my very soul and wouldn’t let go. I couldn’t shake it off, couldn’t make sense of the event. All I could ask is, “Why? Charlie Kirk was so young, his wife and family so young to be left without him.” There is an appointed time for each person to die. Maybe his mission was accomplished.

A voice for this next generation had been silenced, but the shot of hatred only amplified God’s message and stirred up His messengers. That single shot was like a megaphone placed in the Christians’ hands to give them courage to witness their faith.


I listened to many opinions, glued to the television by a continuing news cycle about Kirk. I had my thoughts, but I needed to hear the Lord’s thoughts. What is the impact of the event that just happened? I am very cautious when I say, “Thus says the Lord,” but my grandson wanted answers. He set a time for us to talk.

I went before the Lord. I needed truth for this 30-year-old. Spencer’s voice for Jesus has always been bold, independent in thought and has always cut through the noise. “What does he need to hear in these uncertain times?”

The words from heaven, which I didn’t expect, jarred me. “Don’t confuse the person of Jesus Christ with the movement.”

I questioned the words I heard. Kirk’s message was clear and pure. He believed in Jesus Christ and his message was black and white. His words were backed by the Bible. I wasn’t questioning Kirk’s character,

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# Tips for great tacos

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Tacos are wildly popular comfort food around the world. The taco as most people know it evolved from ancient Mexican recipes blended with modern influences. Before tacos were widely eaten in America, native Mexicans enjoyed a version that was very different from the taco of today.

Tacos are believed to have originated in Mexico long before Spanish explorers arrived in the area. Early tacos were said to be freshly made using soft, flat, corn tortillas and filled with fish and cooked organs, according to Twisted Taco. There wasn't much fanfare to these tacos, as they didn't include any lettuce, cheese, tomatoes or sour cream. Early tacos likely weren't even called "tacos." The word originated from Mexican silver miners in the 18th century who ate the food, and it was considered a meal of the working class.

The taco information website TacoTuesday.com indicates Americans eat 4.5 billion tacos in a given year. At an average cost of \$1.50 per taco, Americans are spending \$6.75 billion on tacos in a 12-month time period.

While tacos are delicious enjoyed at an authentic Mexican restaurant, they're also easily made at home.

The following are 10 taco tips to help anyone master this popular dish:

1. Use high-quality, fresh tortillas. You even can try making your own fresh tortillas from masa.
2. Heating the taco shells slightly will make them more pliable. Just don't overcook or they can become crunchy.

3. Tacos shouldn't be made from the hard, preformed shells found in stores. Authentic tacos are made from soft flour (north Mexico) or corn (central and south Mexico) tortillas.

4. When selecting meats for the tacos, authentic Mexican tacos typically feature meats that are cooked on a cast iron skillet, in the oven or on the grill, says The Taco Guy Catering. More popular choices are usually carnitas (braised pork), chorizo, arrachera (skirt steak) and tacos al pastor (marinated pork). Birria, which is a Mexican stew made from goat meat (or beef or lamb), also is a popular filling.

5. Tacos should offer a burst of texture and flavor. Toppings help make tacos special. Traditional options include pico de gallo, cilantro, diced onion, radish and pickled onions.

6. Fish tacos were made popular in California and other regions with access to fresh seafood. Fish tacos are best made with firm, white, boneless fish.

7. When planning tacos that are filled with heavy, wet ingredients, consider stacking two tortillas per taco for strength.

8. Fillings should be cut into small, even chunks for balanced bites.

9. Popular spice choices for tacos are cumin, chili powder, garlic powder, oregano, onion powder and paprika.

10. A squeeze of fresh lime juice will cut through the richness of tacos and make them even more delicious.

Tacos are an authentic Mexican dish that have stood the test of time and become a wildly popular food across the globe.

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faith or voice, but the rushing waters that would spill into hearts and minds in this next generation, how will they be received? Where will these streams end up?

It's easier to join a movement than to follow Jesus. Following Jesus is giving up one's life for His life. It's making a commitment to God. It's changing a lifestyle. It's turning the other cheek.

When Spencer called, he was on his way to a candlelight vigil. We talked until he arrived at the place where an enormous crowd was paying honor to Kirk. My grandson took a picture and emailed it to me.

Before we ended the conversation, I said, "I don't know if you can understand this, but right now everyone is in a fever. A passion has been unleashed in them. Everyone wants to believe in something bigger than themselves. God is saying, 'Don't confuse the person of Jesus with the movement.'"

"I tell you this only because you will need to discern the activity around you. Read the crowds. Discern the spirits. Your faith is strong and steady in Jesus. You have always had the courage to be an outsider and

radical. You lost jobs because you told them of your beliefs. You are a voice; make sure it focuses on Jesus. Move with caution."

This watershed moment will fall on different grounds. "Some fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth ... and some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. But others fell on good ground. ..." (See Matthew 13:1-13).

"You have proven to be good ground. Maintain your faith in Jesus. He is the answer. There is power in the name of Jesus."

Final brushstroke: The words I heard from the Lord were a warning to walk carefully in this new day. The heavens unfolded like a piece of cloth causing the earth to react. Many ideas and words have falling out, grounding some, turning others away, but planting new seeds in pure hearts thirsty for truth.

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**HUGE BARN SALE.** October 4th and 5th. 1141 Coronado Circle. Cast iron cookware, pelican cases, hiking /river /outdoor gear, men’s clothes, antiques, numerous miscellaneous items.

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**YARD SALE.** 443 Steep Place, Saturday, September 27th. 8a.m. -3p.m.

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The Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs’ finest traded meetings for tool belts on Saturday. With hammers in hand and plenty of teamwork, they joined Habitat for Humanity of Archuleta County mentors to help build a new home. Pictured, left to right, are Teri and Ken Chadwick, Bryan Weitzel, JoAnn Laird, Frazier Barr, and Kirk Geer.

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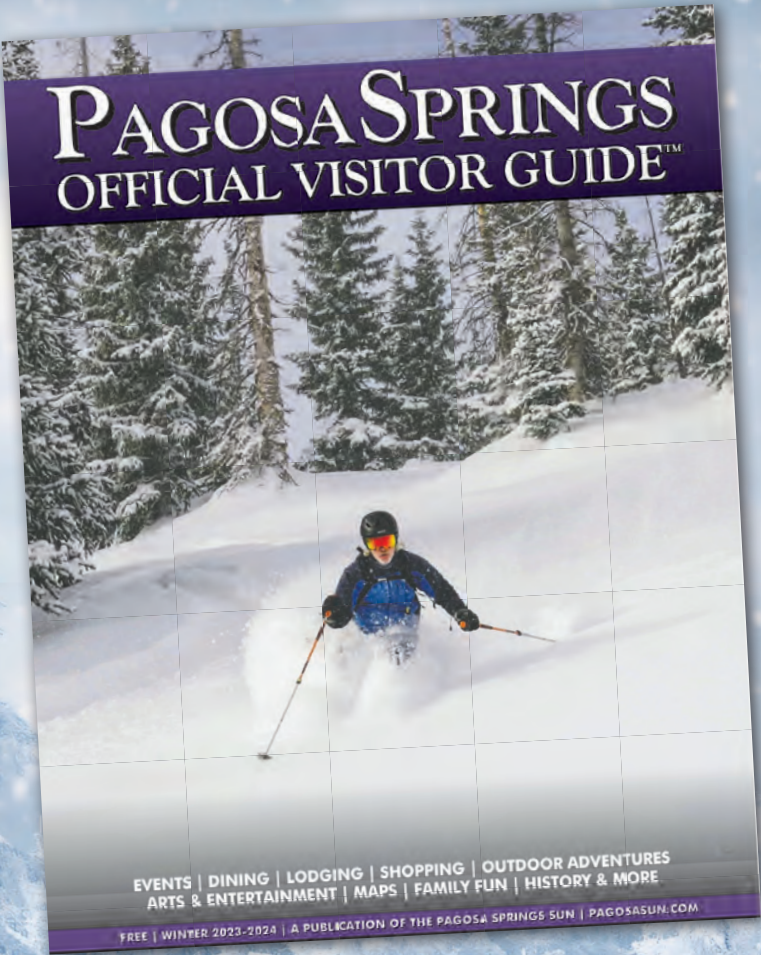
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