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SDC Board of Education Meeting

MOSCA—The Sangre de Cristo School Board of Education regular monthly meeting will be on Tuesday August 11th, 2020 in the school library at 8751 Lane 7 North, Mosca CO with an Executive Session from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. and an Open Session starting at 6:30 p.m. Copies of agendas are posted at school site, website, the Hooper and Mosca Post Offices, and the Mosca Pit Stop. Meetings are open to the public.

SLV BOCC Meeting

The next SLV County Commissioners meeting will be held Monday, September 28, 2020 at 9:30 am. Most likely it will be held via Zoom. This meeting will be for the 2021 Budget.

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Heredia faces sexual assault complaint

By **KEITH R. CERNY**
Courier Publisher
DENVER — Former Alamosa School Board President Elias (Eli) Heredia, 45, appeared in Denver County Court Friday morning on a complaint of sexual assault filed by school board member Katrina Brown. He has not been formally charged but was ordered to appear in court again on August 12.

The presiding judge ordered a personal recognition bond of \$1,500 without supervision and issued a protection order against Heredia on Brown's behalf. He sur-

rendered Thursday on a warrant and was jailed at the Denver Downtown Detention Center.

Brown had received a temporary restraining order against Heredia from Alamosa County after a July incident involving her keys.

Heredia appeared in court virtually as did his attorney David Kaplan of Denver. The judge stated that Friday's first appearance was based on an "investigating arrest" and that charges had not yet been filed.

The complaint alleges that Heredia assaulted Brown at a Denver hotel on Feb. 27, 2020, while

the two were attending a legislative meeting for the Colorado School Boards Association, according to a Facebook post by Brown.

Heredia was later issued a summons for tampering after allegedly removing Brown's keys from her vehicle in the City Market parking lot on July 6. Brown said the keys were eventually



Katrina Brown (right) has filed a sexual assault complaint against former Alamosa School Board President Elias Heredia on Friday morning.

See COURT page 3

DOLA awards \$1M to Ski Hi project



The designs are by Spencer Architecture Studio in Alamosa. This is a visual rendered by Andréa Bachman, Associate, & Intern Architect with the Spencer Studio, and there could still be some changes made to the final product.

Creede receives over \$300,000

STAFF REPORT

DENVER—A conditional grant award of \$1,000,000 for the Ski Hi Park Multi-Purpose Facility project was approved this week by the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA).

In a letter to Monte Vista Mayor Dale Becker, DOLA approved the request for state Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance funds. Revenues are derived from oil, gas, carbon dioxide, coal and metals extracted in Colorado.

In a separate award, the City of Creede received a grant of \$322,847 for completion of the Creede Early Learning Center

expansion project from the same fund. Both grants will be from state severance tax proceeds which may cause the cities to go to election to receive and spend the funds.

Both projects were reviewed by DOLA based on a variety of factors such as their connection to energy impact, degree of need, measurable outcomes, amount of request, relationship to community goals, level of local match and community support, management capacity, and readiness to go.

The Ski Hi grant is conditional on the City of Monte Vista securing the remaining matching funds for this project within nine months in order to be under contract within 12 months.

APR sports relegated to fundamentals

ALAMOSA—The Alamosa Parks & Recreation will have the 2020 fall soccer and flag football as a fundamental program style with no games and no teams.

The programs will be teaching the fundamental skills and rules of soccer/flag football in a NON-contact setting. There will be numerous skill stations as small groups rotate to each one keeping their safety distance. Kids are encouraged to bring their own equipment if they have them to avoid any sharing. There will

be some equipment provided and will be sanitized after each session.

Fun, sportsmanship, teamwork, and fundamental skill development are the core values of Alamosa Parks and Recreation youth programs. You may register online at www.AlamosaRec.org, or drop by the recreation during the hours of 9:00 am to 4:00 PM for registration purposes only. For more information, call (719) 589-2105, or email Program Director, Don Mendoza at dmendoza@ci.alamosa.co.us.

Frequently asked COVID questions

SAN LUIS VALLEY — The SLV had 9 known active cases as of Friday.

- Alamosa: 6
- Conejos: 0
- Costilla: 0
- Mineral: 0
- Rio Grande: 3
- Saguache: 0

See more case data on our webpage at <https://www.slv-emergency.org/slv-covid-19>.

SLV Emergency has received a lot of questions about positivity rate, what it means, and how it helps us. One of the reasons Public Health is interested in positivity rate is because it is one of several tracking measures the State uses to see what level of restrictions are appropriate. The goal is to keep our positivity rate below 5%, and the Valley is currently meeting that goal.

FAQs about Positivity Rate

This summary is adapted from CDPHE's data website: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/case-data>.

Q: What is positivity rate?

A: The positivity rate is the percentage of total COVID-19 tests that have a positive result. For example: If 100 people were tested in a two-week period, and 20 of those tests showed positive for COVID-19, the two-week positivity rate would be 20%.

Q: What does the positivity rate tell scientists?

A: The percent of positive tests helps Public Health determine whether enough symptomatic people in the community are being tested. This gives us a good picture of the level of virus spread in the community, and how likely it is that there are people with COVID-19 who have not been tested.

Q: How is knowing the positivity rate of a jurisdiction helpful?

A: Positivity rate is a helpful indicator of how broadly a certain jurisdiction is testing. If a high proportion of people are testing positive, that indicates that we're probably identifying only the most severe cases and aren't testing widely enough.

Q: What's our current positivity rate?

A: The San Luis Valley's two-week positivity rate has been trending down recently and it is currently just above 3%.

Q: How can the SLV region maintain its positivity rate?

A: The way the SLV region can maintain a low positivity rate is if enough people who have symptoms pursue a COVID-19 test, even if symptoms are mild.

To pursue testing for COVID-19, or for medical questions, call:

- Rio Grande Hospital 719-657-4990
- SLV Health Respiratory Clinic 719-589-2511 ext. 9
- Valley-Wide Health Systems 719-589-3658 ext. 9 (M-F), 719-589-2562 (Sa/Su)

For more information on positivity rate, here are some resources that may help:

- Video: "Maryland's coronavirus positivity rate is high" <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vcXoHFPgokM>
- Article: "A New Statistic Reveals Why America's COVID-19 Numbers Are Flat" <https://www.theatlantic.com/technology/archive/2020/04/us-coronavirus-outbreak-out-control-test-positivity-rate/610132/>

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BIRTHS

Jade Elizabeth Ordoñez

DEL NORTE—Jade Elizabeth Ordoñez was born July, 26 2020 to Celica Ordoñez and David Ordoñez of Del Norte. Jade weighed 5 pounds 8 ounces and measured 19 inches. Jade joins sibling Sophia.

Maternal grandparent is Patti Medina of Monte Vista. Paternal grandparents are Laura Nixon of Pueblo and Luis Ordoñez of Mexico. Great-grandparents are John Wayne and Grace Garcia of Hooper.

How not to get lost in the woods

By **CHRIS PARMETER**
District Wildlife Manager

In the 1980 movie classic, "The Mountain Men", the character Henry Frapp is questioned by a young greenhorn: "Haven't you ever been lost?" Frapp scratches his whiskers and after a recollecting pause, replies, "A fearsome confused for a month or two... but I ain't ever been lost!"

For the fur trappers, wandering through a vast and unexplored country, "lost" would have been something of an oxymoron. Not knowing where you were was a necessary part of the mountain man business. The blank space on the map was as much "home" as it was wilderness, and "lost" was more a state of mind than a physical dilemma.

When the mountain men plunged head-long into the unknown, they knew that where they were going there would be no restaurants or hotels. So they planned accordingly. They learned quickly where to find food and how to get it; how to mend equipment, to make new or make do; they could sleep in a log, a cave, or just plain under the stars—and survive! How did they accomplish this incredible feat? Simply, they were prepared—mentally and physically.

Today, the same principles apply. When you head out into the woods, be prepared: for cold, rain or snow; to tend an injury; or to stay the night in the woods. It's not as difficult as it sounds. Here are a few nuggets of Mountain Man wisdom to help you survive:

Staying Found

The old timers relied on "Dead Reckoning" for navigation: utilizing a compass to guide them in the general direction they wished to go. Sometimes in the absence of a compass, they relied only on "reckoning": as in "I reckon camp is back that way." The contemporary woodsman may have the handiness of a GPS, but owning one of these high-tech gizmos is not an adequate substitute for map and compass skills. Just as with other conveniences (cell phones, cameras, flash lights), the batteries will invariably go dead just when you need them the most.

Learning how to read a map is not that difficult; up is north, left is west and so on. The closer the lines are together the steeper the country. Water is shown as blue, while man made objects are black. It is simply a two dimensional rendition of a three dimensional world. Using a map and a compass to show you which way is north, you'd be hard pressed to get seriously lost. Sure, some practice is required, but that's all part of the preparedness thing.

Paying attention to where you're going can also be a big help to staying found. As you pursue your quarry, notice which way the shadows are falling. Have you been mostly climbing, or descending? Look for landmarks as you go. Not stumps and rocks, but BIG landmarks that give your relative position to the valley below, or that craggy peak to the west. Turn around and look behind you, what would it look like if you were going that way – back to camp or the truck?

The Essentials

Unless your trip is taking you across the Gobi or the Brooks Range, you probably don't need to carry 50 feet of copper wire or spare fishing line and hooks. The largest wilderness area in Colorado can be traversed in a day or two. So what are the essential essentials you need when you're on your own hook?

- Water. Without it, you're dead in three days. Without it for a few hours, at 9,000 feet above sea level, you're not dead, but you may wish you were. Dehydration can lead to altitude sickness and hypothermia. But even worse, it can impair your judgment, induce panic, and result in a fatal case of Lost.

- Fire good... Fire friend... Fire number two in importance. Learn how to build one, WITHOUT toilet paper and gasoline. It's as easy as one two three: One, you need dry tender. Scratch around under grass tussocks for the driest stuff. Get lots of it, about a volley ball sized bunch; two, kindling. You want about twice as much as the tender you gathered.

- Kindling is small stuff - matchstick sized. Three is the fuel itself. Gather up plenty if it looks like you may have to spend the night. Pick dry branches one to two inches in diameter--these burn without difficulty and make it easy to control the heat. Of course we can't overlook the match. You don't need to be proficient with a flint and steel, but you should have at least a couple of ways to start fire; it doesn't matter if it's a lighter or a fire plow, as long as you can get it lit.

- Shelter. Now don't jump right into bivy sacks and backpacking tents. Let's take a step back and start at the beginning. Shelter starts with your clothing. Dress for the worst. And in a Colorado autumn, the worst can be pretty harsh. Pick synthetics - like fleecy or polyester blends - but wool is best. Dress in layers: long handle union suit, light mid layer(s), and warmer outer layer. Dressing appropriately when you leave camp will find you well on your way to surviving a night in the outback even without a buffalo robe.

- Make a plan and let someone know what it is. Leave a map open on the dashboard of the truck. You don't have to give up your secret spot with an "I AM HERE" arrow, just circle a square mile or two. When you leave camp, a plain old "I'm gonna work this ridge out and come back down the crick" is enough to give your buddies a place to start looking for you if you should become "a fearsome confused." The important thing is to stick to your plan.

As you head into the high country this fall, see yourself as one of the Lewis & Clark Expedition; be prepared, both mentally and physically for the challenges of the unknown. Keep your powder dry and your eyes on the horizon and you'll know that "lost" is, by and large, just a state of mind.

Chris Parmeter is a District Wildlife Manager in the Gunnison/Crested Butte area.



Courtesy photos

SLV Pride kicks off its month of Pridefest with an Art Show at Milagros Coffee House in Alamosa. The show features LGBTQ+ artists and allies from all over the San Luis Valley, and will be featured in the coffee house through the month of August.

ALAMOSA POLICE REPORT

Cody Gonzalez 15 Alamosa Illegal Use/Possession Of Red And Blue Lights
Fabricio Ortega 18 Monte Vista Speeding
Carlos Tarango 21 Santa Fe, NM Weaving (Failed To Drive In Single Lane)
Moises Zamora 34 Blanca Shoplifting
Angeleah Deherrera 20 Alamosa Failure To Abate
Shirley Tofoya 41 Alamosa Careless Driving
Oliverio Carmona 23 Alamosa Impeding Traffic
Amanda Leslie 37 Blanca Fail To Yield Right Of Way On Left Turn
Diego Fernandez 21 Capulin Illegal Use/Possession Of Red And Blue Lights
Zachary Berg 22 Herber City, UT Speeding
Leonard Martinez 72 Pueblo, CO Speeding
Marty Castillo 33 Mosca Illegal Use/Possession Of Red And Blue Lights
Cole Martinez 26 Alamosa Illegal Use/Possession Of Red And Blue Lights
Tyler Atkinson 19 Alamosa Illegal Use/Possession Of Red And Blue Lights
Diego Fernandez 21 Capulin Exhibition Of Speed
Tyler Atkinson 19 Alamosa Illegal Use/Possession Of Red And Blue Lights
Gustavo Rangel Vargas 24 Alamosa Careless Driving
Ruby Fritz 18 La Jara Harassment
Jared Cornum 28 La Jara Failed To Present Evidence Of Insurance Upon Request, Displayed Expired Number Plates
Tommy Mondragon 23 Alamosa Drove Vehicle When License Revoked
Matthew Levorsen 34 Alamosa Displayed Fictitious Plate, Operated An Uninsured Motor Vehicle On A Public Roadway, Driving Under Suspension, Vehicle Had (Defective/No) Stop Lights
Jamie Sanchez 27 Alamosa Expired Timporary Tags, Driving Under Suspension/Revoked, Operated An Uninsured Motor Vehicle On A Public Roadway, Operated An Unregistered Vehicle, Displayed Fictitious Plate
Wayne Velasquez 29 Albuquerque, NM DUI-Drugs, Unlawful Possession Of A Controlled Substance, Unlawful Possession Of A Controlled Substance, Prohibited Use Of A Weapon
Dafne Ayala 18 Center Drove Vehicle Without Valid Drivers License
Wayne Lopez 34 Alamosa Failed To Present Evidence Of Insurance Upon Request
James McCormick 44 Alamosa Drove Vehicle Without Valid Drivers License, Following Too Closely, Failed To Present Evidence Of Insurance Upon Request
Allen Peck 50 Alamosa Made Improper Left Turn At Multi Turn Intersection
Brandon Hisdauhl 24 Monte Vista Headlamps Required, Obstruction Of Police Officer, Unlawful Distribution, Unlawful Possession Of Controlled Substance, Violation Of Restraining Order
Paul Mankin 73 Alamosa 1st Degree Assault, Disorderly Conduct
Michael Lucero 33 Monte Vista Criminal Impersonation
Martin Meza 40 Alamosa Aggravated Motor Vehicle Theft, Theft, Criminal Mischief, Second Degree Trespassing, Obstructing A Police Officer, Possession Of Weapon By Previous Offender

ALAMOSA SHERIFF'S REPORT

7-14
Briana Schmidt, 21, of Alamosa was cited with driving vehicle under restraint and without insurance at 4th and San Juan.
7-20
Manuel Serna, 37, of Center was cited with child abuse at 570 Ln. 12 N.
Karina Serna, 35, of Center was cited with child abuse at 570 Ln. 12 N.
7-23
Byron McKnight, 64, of Rockwall was cited with speeding at 1000 Blk. Hwy. 17.
Krystal Marquez, 22, of Glenwood Springs was cited with speeding at 1000 Blk. Hwy. 17.
Samuel Aguilar, 36, of Alamosa was cited with speeding 2000 Blk. CR. 100 N.
7-24
Christopher Havens, 29, of Alamosa was cited with menacing at 5246 CR 11 9 S.
7-25
Armando Armendariz, 38, of El Paso was cited with speeding at 3000 Blk. Hwy. 17S.
7-27
Heather Broyles, 68, of Conejos was cited with speeding on Hwy. 285 S.
Alan Baron, 34, of Alamosa was cited with driving under restraint on CR 106 and CR 6 S.
Neal Banmeister, 56, of Alamosa was cited with theft at 151 Broadway.
7-28
Carter Hanson, 17, of Gillette was cited with speeding on 22000 Blk. Hwy. 160 E.
Jared Stout, 21, of Albuquerque was cited with speeding at 3000 Blk. Hwy 17 N.
7-29
John Beard, 39, of Alamosa was cited with unlawful use of a controlled substance at 1315 17th St.
Angela Holmes, 42, of Alamosa was cited with careless driving at Main and Washington St.
7-31
Dontrini Palacios, 34, of Casa Grande was cited with speeding at 3000 Blk. Stanley Rd.

San Luis Valley Crimestoppers

If you have information about an unreported or unsolved crime in the San Luis Valley, Crimestoppers pays for information that leads to the arrest of criminal offenders. Citizens may report crimes anonymously and remain eligible for rewards.

Call San Luis Valley Crimestoppers at 589-4111.

Art show kicks off month of PrideFest

ALAMOSA —SLV Pride is excited to announce that PrideFest will still take place this year, but instead of a day of celebration in Cole Park, it is celebrating the entire month of August! The SLV Pride committee has been working very hard to create events that will take place throughout the month that keeps social distancing and everyone's health in mind. All events are free and open to everyone who would like to participate.

"This does not diminish our Pride, but rather reinforces the need to help and support those in our community," the organizers stated.

As a kickoff to SLV Pride Month, pride organizers invite everyone to enjoy the Pride Art Show, taking place for the month of August at Milagros, located at the corner of State and Main in Alamosa.

In addition, there will be a Pride Scavenger Hunt taking place from Aug. 17 through 23. This week-long hunt will take participants all over the San Luis Valley, following

clues and learning more about our beautiful Valley. Those interested can register online at the SLV Pride website at slypride.org.

At 7 p.m. on Aug. 28, trans activist Jazmine James will be leading a Zoom discussion called "Trans 101 - Trans Ally Education." This is an educational exploration of the basics of being a trans ally, and how cis-gendered folks can show intentional respect and support to those in our trans community.

At 10 a.m. on Aug. 29, decorate your car and meet us at the east end of 6th Street for Reimagined Pride Parade, where we will drive a predetermined route and celebrate Pride from our vehicles!

Later that evening on Aug. 29, SLV Pride will be live streaming Kansas City's DL SirQueen, who will be playing for a virtual dance party, as well as hosting awesome drag performances. During the dance party, Eda Bagel, a nationally known Female Impersonator that entertained the SLV

community at Adams State during last year's PrideFest weekend, will perform. Enjoy this show at no charge!

For more information about any of the upcoming PrideFest events, please go to the SLV Pride website at slypride.org.

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Valley News

Valley Fair closes with Friday auction



Left, Jayden Vance solemnly holds the flag as the national anthem is sung at the beginning of the auction.

Top, Kaysen Johnson of Monte Vista stands with Beef Superintendent Riley Kern while Ben looks on during the SLV Fair Junior Livestock Auction in Monte Vista on Friday, Aug. 7.



Photos courtesy of Dawn Krebs

Rio Grande Reservoir project completed



Courtesy photo

The newly built valve house sitting below the dam at Rio Grande Reservoir.

Rio Grande Reservoir Moltz CIVIL LLC met their contractual completion date of July 31, 2020 for year two of the Rio Grande Reservoir Phase II Rehabilitation Project. There are two 84-inch cone valves and one 36-inch cone valve located inside the valve house that will service the reservoir.

Project Manager/Superintendent for the District, Robert Phillips was sure to extend his gratitude, "On behalf of the San

Luis Valley Irrigation District, I would like to thank the Moltz Civil LLC and Deere & Ault employees for their tremendous efforts on this project. This was a historical event on the Rio Grande and a once in a lifetime opportunity for those involved. Thank you for a job well done."

Among those recognized were, Moltz Civil LLC: Westley Ferraro, Ken Tunstall, Cole Phillips, Matt Huffington, Tom Luster, Chad Carter,

Clayton Benish, Josh Miller, Tyson Keast, Brandon Kohl, Logan Cooper, Parker Wahner, Willie Dominguez, Jacob Fowler, Eric Johnston, Layne Carpenter, Darian Graf, Josiah Shown, Jacob Tunstall, Noah Overton, Lee Phillips, Darrin Howell, Mickey Koonce, Carlos Gallegos, Casey Wilson, Shawn Romero, James Keller, Jason Yenter, Troy McDaniel, Scott Canchola, Andre Guteriz, Terrell Goldtooth, Thomas

Court

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returned to her husband, Dylan, by an overnight package from Heredia and therefore the incident was not considered theft.

At a July 27th school board meeting, Heredia resigned as president and board member citing "a one-sided presentation of the facts" related to the February incident in Denver and his tampering charge in July. He claims that Brown invited him to her hotel room after the pair shared dinner and drinks.

"To each of our embarrassment, regret and shame we eventually kissed," Heredia said in his statement at the board meeting. "Immediately recognizing our profound transgression, we began

Moltz, Ben Yoder, Aaron Neff, Danny Groy, Dave Blea and Sam Frazer. Deere & Ault Engineering staff: Don Deere, Ted Deere, Glen Church, Allison Wolfe, Kelby Sommer, Joe Edelen, Bryan Black, Nathan Germann, and Ray Eldridge.

The San Luis Valley Irrigation District would also like to thank the community businesses in Creede and the San Luis Valley involved in making this project a reality.

to apologize to each other as I left the room."

He didn't comment further on the tampering charge, citing the fact the charges are still pending.

In an interview with the Valley Courier, Brown said she had planned on keeping the February incident private until the July incident involving her keys. She then chose to post on Facebook about the hotel encounter without naming Heredia.

"He stole my keys leaving me stranded and feeling helpless and out of control all over again," Brown posted.

She claims Heredia kissed and "groped" her in her room at the Denver hotel after which she asked him to leave.

Denver police have not responded to a request for the official complaint.

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Head Start program receives governmental review

STAFF REPORT

ALAMOSA—The Department of Health and Human Services administration recently reviewed the Head Start program performance of the Rocky Mountain Ser, a state non-profit that provides early childhood education, workforce development and community development throughout Colorado.

Here in the San Luis Valley, RMSER has a community center on Hunt Avenue in Alamosa, a Head Start program in Conejos and an early learning center in Sanford. Its early learning center in San Luis is currently vacant.

After reviewing the performance standards, the report indicated that there was only one area of deficiency in its Head Start program, that of ongoing fiscal capacity. The report indicated a deficiency in the organization's ability to "plan and implement a fiscal management system that supports the organization's ongoing capacity to execute its budget over time and meet the needs of the organization."

This deficiency only related to the monetary award the federal government awarded to the organization by way of a grant, which was not renewed.

RMSER was first awarded the Head Start grant in Pueblo in 2002 and was able to expand to the San Luis Valley areas of Alamosa, Costilla and Conejos counties. The organization eventually was able to expand to 11 counties throughout the state, which allowed it to become the first "super-grantee" for Head Start in the state of Colorado.

For more information on RMSER and its services, go to rmsr.org.



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Opinion

Pottery a hobby and a trade

After venturing into the SLV's pottery origins, I wanted to share some of my own work with readers.

I earned my studio arts degree from a small, private college in central Kentucky, Berea College. Often referred to as "Kentucky's best kept secret," it functions as a work-study college. Students keep the school operating and are offered a wide range of professional development opportunities. In exchange, students earn their degree for free.

Artists and History of the San Luis Valley

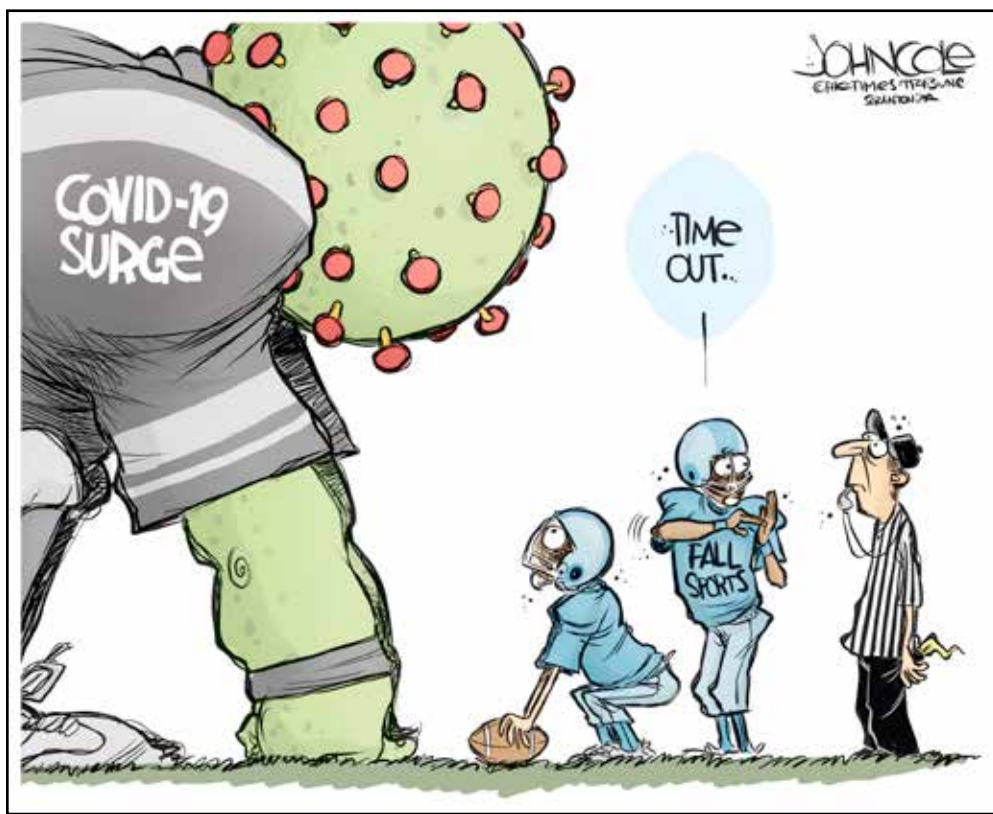
Meg Colwell

Based in Apalachia, the school boasts a rich Appalachian Arts program and brochure. Students who score a position in the program learn the history of and how to produce regional arts. These include: weaving, broom making and pottery. Berea College sells these crafts in an annual catalogue and the profits go towards funding future students' education.

I was lucky enough to earn a position as a ceramic apprentice my freshman year and spent the rest of my college career learning the craft.

I appreciate the integrity of clay as a medium and the functionality of the finished pottery. I also admire the permanence of the final piece. Pottery has taught humans so much about past civilizations. I find the process of 'throwing' (aka, creating) pots on the pottery wheel very therapeutic. I trained on both the kick-wheel (manual) and the electric wheel (automatic).

The wheel is where a potter starts, to throw their pots. Once all of the moisture is gone from the pots, they go



through what is called a 'bisque' firing, where the remaining water and organic material is essentially baked out. The temperature depends on the clay the potter has used - low-fire, mid-fire, or high-fire. Then the potter glazes their work before the pots go into a final firing. The temperature of the final firing differs depending on the clay and glaze used, as well as the potter's preference.

I adore the seemingly endless variety potters can utilize when firing their final pieces -- one can pit fire, gas fire, wood fire, etc. While vitrifying the pots is the main goal of a final fire, the visual effect is drastically altered by which final firing process the potter chooses.

Of the entire pottery process, throwing is certainly my favorite. I prefer the kick-wheel, as it provides a more intimate throwing session. Potters have been making pots on a kick-wheel for ages - some scholars date the first



kick-wheel back to Mesopotamian civilizations. When working on one, the potter is in complete control of the process. It's also incredibly convenient and efficient to work without electricity.

When I'm throwing the rest of the world melts away. The clay demands the attention of my entire body and mind and I gladly give in.

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Valley Stuff

What a week! It's hard to believe it is almost the middle of August---how did that happen? Don Richmond posted a picture (on Facebook) of his thermometer yesterday morning and it read 35 degrees---yikes! Sometimes I have a pretty good feel for what winter is going to be like, but this year I don't have a clue.

It would be great if everyone got snowed in, I mean totally snowed in. No one had to go shopping and no one had to wear masks. And no one had to yell at someone else who wasn't wearing a mask. And folks cleaned their couches, and cars, and found all the loose change that has been causing this 'coin shortage'. And all would be right with the world.

Actually, I got yelled at for not wearing a mask this week. Okay...maybe the lady just said she would never shop in my store again, because I said I just couldn't wear one. In a nano-second I handed her credit card back to her and said you don't even have to shop here TODAY! It's a sad, sad world (town) when we can't respect others, and their opinions. When this woman gave my 8 yr old granddaughter grief, for not having a mask on, that was just too much!

There are so many differing opinions. And many, many different studies/conspiracy theories, etc. I'm not even sure where I fall in the scheme of things anymore! I do know that I can't wear a mask---I've tried! I purchased over \$150.00 in different masks. I HATE them! But I can respect you if your choice is to wear one. And I can keep my distance, if you choose to shop at the Green Spot. I will not be rude to you...unless you start it---my Mom always said it took 2 to fight but I never understood that until becoming a parent. I wear a mask, briefly, to go into the grocery store and hardware store---because that is their policy. It's not mine.

I trust folks to make the decisions that are right for them. I trust folks to not go out, if they are compromised. I hope they give me a call if they need me to carry items to their vehicle. I hope folks aren't running around town in order to tattle on someone. If you don't feel safe going to the Campus Café for breakfast, STAY HOME! It's just that simple. I did listen to the Alamosa City Council meeting from this past Wednesday. I need to listen again, because I don't quite understand the 'Emergency Ordinance' for making it illegal if you didn't follow the mandates and to lower fines, and keep you out of jail and keep you in

Ruthie Brown

Valley Stuff

municipal court, instead of district court, etc. Ya' know....this would sure be a lot easier if there was a physical meeting, instead of Zoom. When is that going to change? I guess I'm safe---from jail, anyways, as we aren't sending anyone to jail!

There is going to be a public hearing on the 19th---via Zoom. Charlie Griego has suggested you call City Hall at 589-2593 and ask for Holly to give your opinion (not sure if that is official). I am not sure if a hundred voices will change the decision from Wednesday, or it's just a formality, to keep the disgruntled masses at bay. The City did not take me up on my offer to spray and fertilize the lawn in front of the Police Station, so I might as well offer to paint the curb and gutter in downtown Alamosa. I would start with the handicap spots, which are almost nonexistent right now. And then

I would do the rest. Maybe they could fund this out of the \$50,000.00 they received from CDOT. They don't have to worry about LODA (Lower Downtown Alamosa), because I have been painting our corners and alleys for years. I have been told not to do it anymore...but I do have some paint to use up. That should be okay, I think.

My next best favorite flower is now the Cherokee Echinacea. It is absolutely fabulous. In the past Echinacea's have typically been purple or white. The Cherokee is yellows and pinks and reds and oranges and every blend in between. I did have some at the store, but then I decided I needed to plant them everywhere. I hope to have lots and lots of them next year. I can show you pictures if you come by the Green Spot. The Echinacea is a great plant for this time of year...and even into Fall, if you cut back the old blooms.

In closing, I don't know if you have as many ants as I do, but I do recommend getting rid of them if you can. I use a hose end sprayer that allows me a broad spray all around my foundation and gardens. The ingredient is permethrin, and it can last up to 4 weeks.

A tribute to our forefathers: Part 1 of 3

ALAMOSA --- Reflecting on the past sometimes helps us forge the future. There are businessmen in Alamosa who have now passed on, but who had a real impact on the economic base in Alamosa. There is an economic saying that, "A rising tide raises all ships." These businessmen raised the economic tide for all of us. Let's remember them and thank them. They had vision. They risked their own money on their business enterprises. They employed countless numbers of people. They improved the lives of everyone in Alamosa---directly or indirectly. They were colorful and impressive men.

Being bank president for 25 years I had the privilege of meeting them and at minimum shaking their hands and

hearing their philosophies. It is hard to be all inclusive. I may miss a name or two, but I want to thank those in the last generation that had an impact on building our economy. We have many others such as educators, medical professionals, law enforcement and other institutions that have made great contributions to the Alamosa economy. I thank them. Alamosa has become the economic hub of the San Luis Valley thanks in large part to these many men and women. I want to focus on the businessmen I knew and pay tribute to them. I do not forget their wives. I honor them. We all

know that behind every man's success is a wife that made him successful. These men had wonderful wives.

Cliff Hartman was an executive officer at the First National Bank in Alamosa when I first met him. He was severely wounded and received the Purple Heart in WWII. He previously owned a car dealership---Zippro. Cliff was everyone's friend. He was Mayor of Alamosa for something like 12 years (70's and 80's). Cliff had a big impact bringing Alamosa into the modern age of today. The more I worked with Cliff, the more I liked him.

Farris Bervig was then Mayor for something like 20 years (80's and 90's) and he was a local businessman. He managed JC Penny's in Alamosa and then he started Bervig True Value Hardware store. He employed countless number of people over the 30+ years he was in business. Under Mayor Bervig the 1% sales tax was passed to improve recreation facilities in Alamosa---soccer fields, softball fields, tennis courts and golf course which greatly improved the quality of living in Alamosa. This tax has gone on to build a rec center and rink.

Corky Mortensen founded Mortensen Oil. For 40+ years he delivered gas and oil products to farmers and businesses. He employed hundreds of people over those years. I would joke with Corky that if he would keep gas prices low, I would keep interest rates low. Eventually, he and his son, Danny, built a blended fuel establishment and changed the name to



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(Pictured left to right) Erin Burton, Rebekah Altizer, Levi Trujillo and Tim Vigil. Levi Trujillo holds up this year's Gerald Vigil's scholarship which he was awarded.

Trujillo wins scholarship

By REBECCA COPLEY
MONTEVISTA— Monte Vista Senior Levi Trujillo is this year's recipient of the Gerald Vigil scholarship. Trujillo plans to use the \$1,000 scholarship this Fall. He will be attending Adam's State where he will be majoring in Computer Science. The Gerald Vigil's scholarship was started by his children as a way to honor their Father's memory after he passed away. Higher education was always important to

their father and so they had the idea to start a yearly scholarship in his name. To be eligible for the scholarship, students must meet the following requirements: They must be a U.S. citizen, have a 3.0 or above GPA, complete an application, write an essay about their plans for the future, and 2 letters of recommendation must also be submitted. According to the Vigil siblings, Levi Trujillo is the

ideal candidate because he is hardworking and determined. Trujillo was involved in many extracurricular activities and worked during his high school years; all while keeping up with his school work. "We are certain he will succeed in college because he is driven and we wish him the best!" For others who would like to help contribute to the scholarship fund, donations can be made to the Gerald Vigil Scholarship Fund at the San Luis Val-

Spend Saturday at the Alamosa Farmers' Market

ALAMOSA— The Alamosa Farmers' Market welcomes locals and visitors to downtown Alamosa, Saturdays at the corner of 6th and State for our 2020 Market season. Social distancing protocols are being enforced so please wear a mask and enter at State Street Entrance. Please consider limiting the number of members of your household coming to the market, and be prepared to be efficient with your shopping time.

From 8 am to 8:30 am, all immune compromised members of the community are welcome to attend. From 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM all other customers are welcome to attend. Due to limitations related to Covid-related vendor spacing, vendors will be selling regional farm fresh food products, other food stuffs, and hygiene items. Craft vendors, live music, kids activities, or food sampling will not be offered. The Market accepts

cash, debit and credit cards, SNAP, and Double Up Food Bucks. Find out more about Double Up Food Bucks at the market table. Please bring bills smaller than \$20 for the convenience of the vendors. All vendors must be pre-registered to set up a booth; no unannounced vendors will be admitted. For more information see www.alamosafarmersmarket.org or the Farmers' Market tent on Saturdays.

Roybals celebrate 50th wedding anniversary



Courtesy photo

Abie and Connie Roybal of Alamosa will celebrate their 50th anniversary with a private party in their honor. Friends may send cards to 225 10th Street, Alamosa. The Roybals' children, grand and great-grandchildren send their love.

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Sports

RMAC Fall team sport postponement

COLORADO SPRINGS — In a meeting on Friday the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) Presidents' Council postponed conference schedules and championships for fall sports (Football, Men's Soccer, Women's Soccer, Volleyball) to the spring semester except for cross country which shall compete as originally scheduled. Additionally, the Council agreed that men's and women's golf could continue its non-championship segment competition this fall.



Officials understand the significant impact these decisions have on our student-athletes and stand ready to provide support and guidance in any way possible. Questions related to eligibility, scholarships and academics should be directed to member institutions as always.

On the heels of the announcement from the RMAC, Adams State posted their own statement:

Adams State Athletics supports the difficult decision made by the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Presidents' Council to postpone conference schedules and championships for fall sports. This decision includes postponing Football, Volleyball, Women's Soccer, and Men's Soccer until the spring semester. Men's and Women's Cross Country will be allowed to compete as originally scheduled.

The Adams State Athletic Staff has worked diligently to provide an environment focused on health and safety for our student-athletes, staff, the campus and surrounding community. As we move forward, continued focus will be placed on providing the best experience for our Grizzly student-athletes.

We also want to emphasize practice and continued workout opportunities will be available, as per NCAA rules, for those sports affected by this decision. It is important to note eligibility-related flexibility will be given to

those student-athletes affected to allow championship opportunities in the future. Students with questions regarding eligibility, scholarships, and academics should contact their specific sport coach.

"The decision was not easily made," said Adams State President Cheryl D. Lovell, who is a member of the RMAC Presidents' Council. "We all want the best for our student-athletes and encourage their academic and sport endeavors. Our institutional support to postpone the noted fall sports reflects our commitment to the health and safety of all students, staff and faculty at Adams State. We are a proud Grizzly Nation and we look forward to resuming fall sports competitions in the spring."

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Sport modifications for COVID-19



The following is a general overview of modifications which are being made to structure of a sport season in order to ensure the sports can comply with current national, state and local health guidelines.

Note that every sport has requirements to mitigate spread and transmission of COVID-19 and only SLV applicable sports within Season A are included. For a complete listing of all sports within all seasons be sure to visit CHSAANow.com.

separate from varsity. 50 athletes per gender will be allowed at regular season meets. Must start in waves of no more than 25.

Postseason rosters: 2A run 5, score 4; 3A-5A run 6, score 5.

Regionals: 75 athletes per gender will be allowed. State championship: 100 athletes per gender, per classification will be allowed.

Boys Golf
No changes to the structure of the season.

Softball
16-game regular season Rosters: 12 players per level

16 team brackets, league champions automatically qualify, and remaining qualifiers through CHSAA Seeding Index (RPI, Coaches Poll, MaxPreps). Seeded via the CHSAA Seeding Index (RPI, Coaches Poll, MaxPreps).

Season A Cross Country
Reduce the maximum number of regular season meets from 11 to 7.
No alternate runners.
2A: run 6, score 4; 3A-5A run 7, score 5.
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Public Notices

BRADBURY STAMM CONTRACTORS, INC., the Construction Manager General Contractor for this project, requests subcontractor proposals and qualifications for the following project:
NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT CENTAURI HIGH SCHOOL REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS
Project Description: Proposals will be accepted for all trades.
Project Site Address: 17889 US Highway 285, La Jara, CO 81140
Proposals and qualifications will be accepted until 2:00 PM MST on August 20, 2020. DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers are strongly encouraged to respond. Proposals and qualifications will be accepted in the following formats:
Electronic Copies to: bids@bradburystamm.com
Bidding documents are available upon request via email to bids@bradburystamm.com. A non-mandatory pre-bid will be held on August 06, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the Project Site (in the south parking lot). Direct any questions to Bradbury Stamm Contractors at (505) 765-1200.
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East Rio Arriba SWCD ITB Number: 20-RCPP 1
East Rio Arriba Soil & Water Conservation District is soliciting proposals for installation of livestock well, livestock pipeline, drinking troughs, storage tank and solar pumping plant. Work includes burial of livestock pipeline, attaching livestock drinker (troughs), storage tank and solar pump as a livestock watering unit. The livestock well will be the priority to ensure available water before other practices are initiated.
This is a single project specific ITB located west of Ute Mountain or East of Cerro de San Antonio along the New Mexico/Colorado State in Taos County.
Full ITB and Scope of Work can be requested by email, see email address listed below. Sample contract and any ITB amendments will be posted to the district's website at www.eraswcd.net.
A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held for these projects. Further information regarding date and time will be provided when the complete ITB packet is requested.
The due date for the sealed bids will also be provided with the ITB packet.
Interested bidders must contact the email provided below by August 12th, 2020.
If you have any questions about submitting a bid, please contact the Procurement Manager: Marcos Valdez, 505-753-3508 ext. 104, Email: marcos.valdez@nm.nacdn.net
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Costilla Combined Court
304 Main Street
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719-672-3681
In the Matter of the Petition of: Harold Lee Padilla
For a Change of Name to: Harold Lee Gano
Case Number 2020C30018
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Public Notice is given on July 28, 2020 that a Petition for a Change of Name of an Adult has been filed with the Costilla County Court.
The Petitioner requests that the name of Harold Lee Padilla be changed to Harold Lee Gano.
By: Angel Sanchez
Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF DIRECTOR SEAT VACANCIES/APPOINTMENT TO THE ALAMOSA RE-11J SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
The Board of Education of the Alamosa RE-11J School District is accepting applications from persons interested in serving on the Board of Education from the date of appointment in September 2020 until the next regular biennial school election in November 2021.
To be eligible for appointment, each candidate must be a registered elector of the school district for at least twelve (12) consecutive months prior to the date of appointment and must not have been convicted of a sexual offense against a child: C.R.S. 22-31-107(1)(5). The applicant must also be a resident of the director districts 1, 3, and 7 in which the vacancy exists. Boundaries for director districts 1, 3, and 7 can be reviewed on the district website www.alamosa.k12.co.us or can be located at the Alamosa School District Administration Office, 209 Victoria Avenue, Alamosa, CO 81101.
Any person who meets the qualifications and who desires to be considered for the appointment is invited to submit the following required information and process:
-> A letter of interest
-> Resume
-> Two (2) personal letters of recommendation
-> Two (2) professional letters of recommendation
-> Provide a five (5) minute presentation to sitting Board of Education Members
-> Engage the sitting Board of Education Members in a Q&A session
Required paperwork is to be submitted to Dr. Michael Mumper: President, Alamosa RE-11J School District Board of Education by 4:00pm, September 02, 2020 at the Alamosa School District Administration Office, 209 Victoria Avenue, Alamosa, CO 81101.
The Alamosa RE-11J School District Board of Education will interview prospective candidates the evening of September 08, 2020 during a Work Session prior to the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.
For further information, please contact Mrs. Katrina Brown, Secretary: Alamosa RE-11J School District Board of Education at 719-587-1600.
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Request for Proposals
City of Alamosa, Colorado
City of Alamosa First Street Improvement Project
BELL AVENUE to STATE AVENUE
August 4, 2020
The City of Alamosa is requesting bids from qualified agencies for the 2021 First Street Improvement Project from Bell Ave to State Ave. This project is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2021 and will consist of replacing the water, sewer, and storm sewer infrastructure as well as rebuilding the road, curb, gutter, and sidewalk. Bids must be received by 2pm on August 14th, 2020 in the Public Works office located at 300 Hunt Ave. For full description of work, please visit the City of Alamosa website at: https://cityofalamosa.org/infiditas/living-in-alamosa/public-bids/
For questions, contact Public Works Director Harry Reynolds 719-589-6631
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING On Ordinance No. 16-2020
NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 16-2020, an Ordinance vacating that portion of Twelfth Street between Alamosa Avenue and the platted alley bordering Lots 32-25, Block 100, Lakeview Subdivision.
This ordinance was accepted on first reading on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, and a Public Hearing thereon set for Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This hearing will be held virtually via Zoom Webinar. Information on how to access and attend the meeting can be found at https://cityofalamosa.org/virtual-meeting/. If the meeting is changed to be held in person, it will be held at 300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, CO 81101.
Further notice is given that any and all persons of interest may appear at said hearing and be heard in this matter, and that the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the office of the City Clerk.
Alamosa City Council
Holly C. Martinez,
City Clerk
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Blanca Networks Statement of Rates for Basic Telephone Service
Blanca Networks is a quality telecommunications company that provides Basic and Enhanced Services at reasonable rates within its service territory. Pursuant to regulatory requirements Blanca Networks offers its customers the following supported services: Voice grade access to the public switched network or is functional equivalent; Local usage; Access to emergency services such as 911; Toll limitation for qualifying low-income customers.
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Who qualifies for reduced Telephone Charges?
To participate in the program, consumers must either have an income that is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines or participate in one of the following assistance programs.
- Medicaid - Federal Public Housing Assistance (section 8)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (Formerly listed as Food Stamps)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) - Veterans Pension & Survivors Benefit
Additional eligibility criteria may apply to residents of federal recognized tribal lands
Consumers have to provide proof of eligibility upon application for Lifeline service. In addition, consumers must complete a Lifeline application and make certain certifications upon signing up for Lifeline and to agree to re-certify their continued eligibility on an annual basis. Should you have any questions, please contact a Blanca Networks representative at 719-379-3839.
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NOTICE OF PASSAGE Ordinance No. 17-2020
Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, at a regular meeting of the Alamosa City Council duly called, Council finally passed and adopted Ordinance No. 17-2020, An Ordinance amending the established pay plan for City Officers and Employees in accordance with Article III, Section 11 of the Charter and referred to in Section 15-2 of the Code of Ordinances, concerning personnel rules and regulations and pay plan for City Officers and Employees.
Further notice is hereby given that the full text thereof is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the Office of the City Clerk.
Alamosa City Council
Holly C. Martinez,
City Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING On Ordinance No. 19-2020
NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 19-2020, an Ordinance Making it Unlawful Willfully to violation a Local, State, or Federal Order issued for the Protection of Public Health. The ordinance was accepted on First Reading and Public Hearing held on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 and a Second Public Hearing set for Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This hearing will be held virtually via Zoom Webinar. Information on how to access and attend the meeting can be found at https://cityofalamosa.org/virtual-meeting/. If the meeting is changed to be held in person, it will be held at 300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, CO 81101.
Further notice is given that any and all persons of interest may appear at said hearing and be heard in this matter, and that the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the office of the City Clerk.
Alamosa City Council
Holly C. Martinez,
City Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the Alamosa Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 6:00 PM, in the Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Minor Subdivision submitted by Brian and Rebecca Rowe.
The applicant is proposing to subdivide to make 2 lots.
The legal description of the property is:
Lot 4 of Kirkegaard Subdivision Exemption, the plat of which was filed June 25, 1980 under Reception No. 208320, County of Alamosa, State of Colorado
Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in the Alamosa County Land Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular office hours.
Rachel Baird
Land Use Administrator
Alamosa County
No. 1582
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING On Ordinance No. 18-2020
NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 18-2020, an Ordinance re-zoning Tracts 3, 5 & 6 of the replat of the Paterson Subdivision located generally west of Highway 285 and bounded between West Eighth Street and West Tenth Street.
The ordinance would rezone Tract 3 from Commercial Business to Residential High, and Tracts 5 and 6 from Commercial Business to Mixed Use. A full description is on file with the Code Administrator.
This ordinance was accepted on first reading on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, and a Public Hearing thereon set for Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This hearing will be held virtually via Zoom Webinar. Information on how to access and attend the meeting can be found at https://cityofalamosa.org/virtual-meeting/. If the meeting is changed to be held in person, it will be held at 300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, CO 81101.
Further notice is given that any and all persons of interest may appear at said hearing and be heard in this matter, and that the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the office of the City Clerk.
Alamosa City Council
Holly C. Martinez,
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2020 Alamosa Round-Up

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Tuesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5:30 pm Local Barrel Race	5:30 pm Mutton Bustin	5:00 pm PRCA Rodeo	8:30 am Cowboy Church 4:00 pm PRCA Rodeo 9:00 pm Chancy Williams Concert	2:00 pm Demolition Derby

and the Younger Brothers Band

"ISN'T IT TIME WE MET?!"

What Are the Limitations in Your Life?

- Do you cover your mouth when you laugh, cough or sneeze, fearing your dentures will slip and fall out?
- Do you avoid going out for dinner with friends and family because all you can eat is soft, mushy foods?
- Do you dream of one day eating the foods you used to eat, like a big juicy steak or delicious green salad?
- Do you have that 'sunken denture' look, with lines and wrinkles around your nose and mouth?

"Why Don't Your Dentures Fit, No Matter How Many Relines You've Had?"

The Problem: My Dentures Don't Fit = Bone Loss!

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221 HELP WANTED

MOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL District is accepting applications for a Facilities Director. Under the direction of the superintendent, the director will perform all duties and responsibilities involved with the overall management and safe operation of the school district facilities, grounds, maintenance, and custodial department; and other related work as required. **QUALIFICATIONS:** 1. High school graduate or equivalent. 2. Strong management (people, financial and project) skills. 3. Working knowledge of heating, electrical, plumbing, construction and safety. 4. Such other qualifications as the Board may find appropriate and acceptable. Applications are available for download on the district website at <http://mountainvalleyschool.org/>. Please include a resume, cover letter and 3 current letters of recommendation. Completed applications can be submitted to Travis Garoutte at PO BOX 127 Saguache, CO 81149 or emailed to garouttet@valley.k12.co.us. For more information, please call Travis Garoutte at 719-655-0268.(8/14)

ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY seeks applicants for an Administrative Assistant II position in the Student Union and Housing Department. For application or more information, please see <https://www.adams.edu/hr/employment/>. Deadline is July 30, 2020. AA/EOE

DEL NORTE ELEMENTARY School is seeking an energetic, caring candidate to serve as a PARA-EDUCATOR. Applicants must have a high school diploma. Please submit your application to Amy Duda, DNES Principal at 950 French Street, Del Norte, CO 81132; aduda@ur-tigers.co; or call 719-657-4030. The position will be open until filled. Please pick up an application at the District Office or on-line at dnescd.org. (8/14)

LOOKING FOR A career opportunity and being a part of your local community? 1st South-west Bank is hiring a Deposit Services Specialist, offering a strong benefit package & career growth opportunities. EOE. Go to <https://www.fswb.bank/who-we-are/careers/> for more details & to apply.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR the San Luis Valley Area Health Education Center. See www.slvcareer.org for position details and instructions, and www.slvahc.org to learn more about the 42-year old nonprofit.(8/12)

ALAMOSA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT Opportunities, Job Descriptions, and Applications are available on the County's website www.alamosacounty.org.(9/2)

ALAMOSA COUNTY SEEKING Veterans Service Officer. Job description, required qualifications, and application found at www.alamosacounty.org.(8/19)

POTATO HARVEST TRUCK driver wanted. Experience necessary. Pay according to experience. Call 719-850-2137.(8/19)

SANFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for a Junior High Football coach. Applications can be downloaded at www.sanfordschools.org. Sanford School is an EOE & E.(8/8)

SANFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for a High School Volleyball coach. Applications can be downloaded at www.sanfordschools.org. Sanford School is an EOE & E.(8/8)

RIO GRANDE COUNTY is seeking a Dispatch/Detention Officer. High School Diploma or GED, or one to three months related experience and/or training or equivalent combination of education and experience. Interaction with inmates required. Must be 21 years of age, pass background investigation and 5 panel drug test, including testing for marijuana required. \$14.57/per hour. Pick up and submit applications to Human Resources 925 6th Street, Room 200, Del Norte, CO 81132. Applications also available online at www.riograndecounty.org. (8/12)

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324 - FEED & SEED

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341 - GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE SAT. 8/8. 8am-1pm. 5889 Aspen Ave., Alamosa by old Frontier Pawn Shop. Lots of Stuff!!!(8/8)

GARAGE SALE, FURNITURE, clothing, toys. Sat. Aug. 8, 7 am - 1 pm. 226 Driftwood, Alamosa.(8/9)

GARAGE SALE FRI., Sat., & Sun. 9 am - 3 pm. Early birds pay double. 5315 Barker St., Mosca.(8/9)

BIG YARD SALE, Sat. 8/8 & Sun. 8/9, 8 am - ? Furniture, tools, tires, Harley Davidson, clothes, baby clothes, etc. 819 11th St., Alamosa.(8/9)

ESTATE SALE SAT. 8/8 & Sun. 8/9, 8 am - ? Lots of miscellaneous items for sale. 19295 S. Hwy. 285, La Jara.(8/9)

GARAGE SALE SAT. 8/8 7am-?? 127 Joe S. Chavez Dr., La Jara.(8/8)

HUGE GARAGE SALE 730 Grande, Del Norte. Indoors/Outback Fri-Sun 8am-5pm. Tons of Treasures.(8/8)

MULTI FAMILY YARD Sale. 8/7, 8/8, 8/9 8am-2pm. 1821 San Juan, Alamosa.(8/8)

YARD SALE SAT. Aug. 8th 8am-? 0630 Eagle Road, Alamosa. Follow pink signs on North River Road. Household items, 1940's mahogany china hutch with drawers, end tables, wall pictures, barbwire, tools, reclaimed wood, free standing basketball hoop, and misc.(8/8)

GARAGE SALE 905 First Street, Alamosa. Friday 8/7-8:00am-noon; Saturday 8/8--8:00am-10:00am.(8/8)

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350 - FARM EQUIPMENT

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351 LIVESTOCK

SALE REGISTERED BLACK Angus Bulls and semen sales Brink Livestock Services admin@brinklivestock.net www.brinklivestock.net 88-641-3750 / 719-480-3932.(8/19)

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369 - PETS & SUPPLIES

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FREE TO GOOD HOME. Female mix pup little over a year. Needs running room without chickens. TEXT 719-580-6930 if interested.(TFN)

369 - PETS & SUPPLIES

ALL DOGS ADOPTED FROM THE VALLEY HUMANE LEAGUE HAVE TO BE SPAYED OR NEUTERED BEFORE GOING TO THEIR NEW HOME. (TFN)

OOPS! GOT PUPPIES who need a home? San Luis Valley Animal Welfare Society is a nonprofit animal rescue dedicated to stopping the euthanasia of healthy adoptable pets. Having pets altered is the number one way to stop pet overpopulation. If your pet has had puppies contact us. We will take the puppies into our rescue and spay the mama dog for free after the puppies are weaned. If needed we will also provide dog food & gas money to get the dogs to us to help in this situation. Spay/neuter is one of the greatest gifts you can provide your pet, your family and your community. We have found good responsible homes for over 8,000 animals. Contact 719-587-9663 (WOOF); email: woof@slvaws.org. (TFN)

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415 - HOMES FOR SALE

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420 - LOTS & ACREAGE

PUBLIC NOTICE - SALE OF LAND. The Town of South Fork is requesting sealed bids for the purchase of a parcel of land that was donated to the Town. Proceeds will be used for a public park project. The parcel is a residential lot located on the 13th fairway of the Rio Grande Club and Resort in South Fork, CO. The sale will be awarded to the highest bid over \$18,000. Bids will be opened at be at a public meeting on September 8, 2020 at 2:00 pm. Please go to the following website for pictures, details, and instructions: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/southforkcolorado/town-south-fork-land-sale>.()

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606 - BUS. PROP. FOR RENT

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611 - HOMES FOR RENT

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630 - ROOMS FOR RENT

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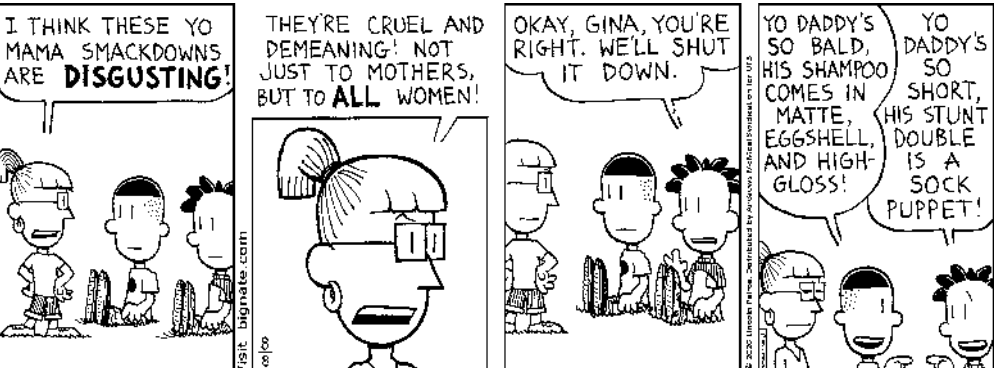
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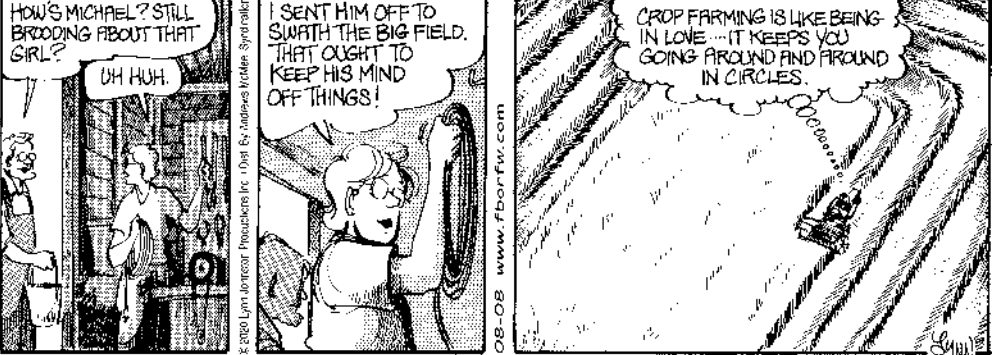
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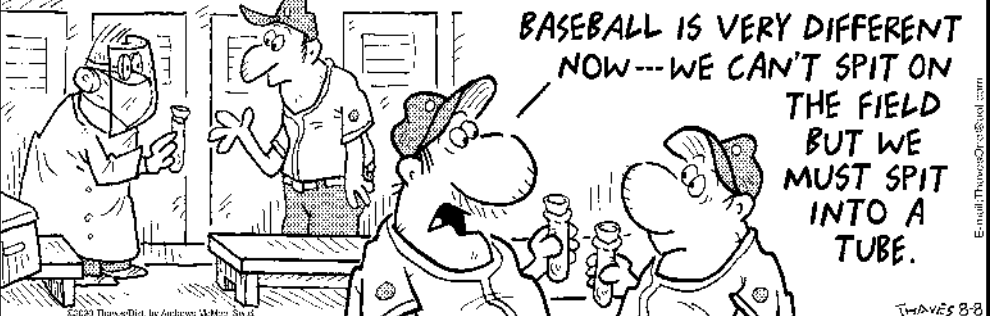
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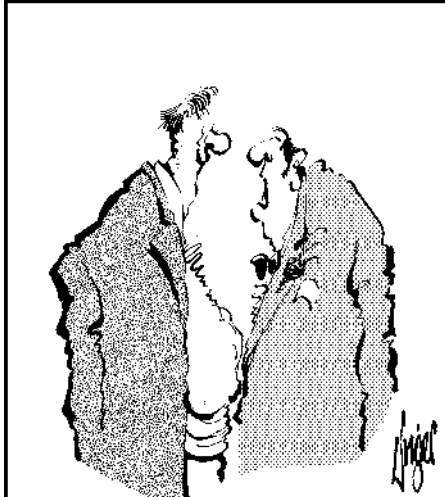
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 G T A Z C D X D N U S X D T R ." — V S C D B S C D

TODAY'S CLUE: *W. Stambaugh*
 Previous Solution: "Honesty is most important, and it's difficult when you're young and single and sort of figuring out your own life." — Zac Efron

Upcoming move prompts best friend to reveal true feeling

DEAR ABBY: I have been in love with my best friend for two years. We met at a summer camp where we were both working, and we hated each other in the beginning. During the process of working together, we somehow became best friends, and I fell desperately in love with him.

We talk on the phone for hours and text each other daily. He knows everything about me to the point that I swear he knows me better than I know myself. We hang out in groups mostly. We rarely spend time alone. When we are together, our chemistry is undeniable. We constantly laugh, touch, tease, etc. Everyone around us sees our connection, and they're confused when we say we're not dating.

I kind of expressed my feelings to him about a year ago, but he said he wasn't ready to date anyone. Since then, we have grown closer, and our relationship is more unclear. His actions lead me to believe that he feels the way I do and regards me as more than a friend, but he won't make a move or tell me his feelings.

The hard part about this is, I'm moving in five months. Our time together is coming to an end, but I haven't told him how I feel because I don't want his affection or our frequent communication to stop. Do I tell him my feelings again and risk

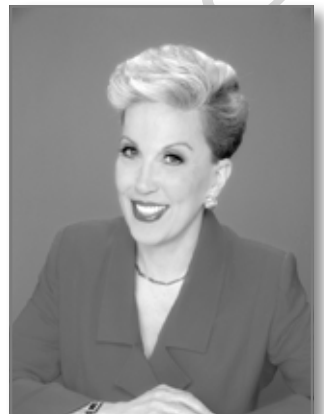
being rejected? Or should I just tell him I am moving and see if he admits his true feelings for me? -- DEEP IN THE HEARTBREAK OF TEXAS

DEAR DEEP: Obviously, this person cares for you to some degree. Tell him how you feel face-to-face while you still can. That you care so much for him is a compliment. However, if he still doesn't feel as strongly for you as you hope, once you move, I hope you will regard it as an opportunity to meet new people and form new relationships until you find a special someone who reciprocates your feelings. Trust me, he IS out there.

DEAR ABBY: I have read so many letters in your column about families who have all sorts of problems with their children, husband or wife, in-laws, parents and other family members. They make me wonder how in the world I got so lucky.

My husband and I raised four children -- two girls, two boys -- and they could not be more of a blessing. We text each other every morning, and I text a daughter in Hawaii at night to let her know I'm OK. They call, they send cards, they send flowers. One son sent them to me for several years on HIS birthday, with a card saying, "Thank you for having me."

My heart aches for parents who don't have what I have. I can only hope they



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

will find some peace later. And to my four children: Thank you for the happiness you have brought me over the years. -- GEORGIA MOM

DEAR GEORGIA MOM: Problems are the basis of my column. There are many functional, happy families, but few of them take the time to write and share that.

Clearly, you are a great parent, and for that you deserve congratulations. However, there is an element of luck in parenting, and I have heard from parents who devoted themselves to giving all they could to their children, and their children did not turn out to be as loving, generous and appreciative as yours. I agree that your family is fortunate to recognize their blessings, chief among them each other.