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Alamosa **Farmers** Market

ALAMOSA—The Alamosa Farmers' Market welcomes locals and visitors to downtown Alamosa, Saturdays at the corner of 6th and State. From 8 am to 8:30 am, all immune compromised members of the community are welcome.

From 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM for all other patrons.

We will be enforcing social distancingsopleasewearand mask, limit the number of members of your household coming to the market, and be prepared to be efficient with your time at the market.

Alamosa **City Council**

ALAMOSA— The regular council meeting scheduled for July 15th, 2020 will be conducted via Zoom Webinar at 7 pm Wednesday July 15. To join through a computer visit

us02web.zoom. us/j/85952729703

Or Telephone: US: +1 346 248 7799 Webinar ID: 859 5272



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Valley stays on downward trend, in a good way

SANLUIS VALLEY

- One new case for the SLV was reported since yesterday, from Rio Grande County. The total number of cumulative cases is now 457. A total of 45 people have been hospitalized (this increase from yesterday is not due to current hospitalizations, but a delay of data being entered into the State reporting system). 422 have completed isolation. There are currently 24 known active cases in our region. There have been 11 fatalities in individuals with COVID-19. Providers report 2,868 test specimens have been submitted in total. Numbers are updated weekdays at http:// www.slvemergency. org/slv-covid-19/

It is clear from testing results and reports of COVID-19 activity from providers that our positive case rate is currently decreasing. The graph below shows a continued downward trend since June 21st. The San Luis Valley's two-week case rate has moved from the high category down to moderately high. (https://covid19. colorado.gov/data/ incidence-epidemiccurve). We've done a great job helping our neighbors stay well and our businesses stay open by wearing masks, practicing social distancing, and washing hands. Let's keep up the down-

Number of COVID-19 positive cases reported by week in the SLV

March 23, 2020 through July 12, 2020

ward trend!

The State of Colorado has recently made improvements in its data management that will help Public Health be more accurate in its use of metrics to help make decisions as well as numbers reporting.

For testing of symptomatic individuals only, call:

Rio Grande Hospital 719-657-4990

SLVHealth Respiratory Clinic 719-589-2511 ext. 9

For symptomatic and asymptomatic individuals who have had contact with a confirmed COVID-19 positive individual, call:

Valley-Wide Health Systems 719-589-3658 ext. 9 (M-F), 719-589-2562 (Sa/Su) Upcoming clinics:

Tuesday, July 21 from 8-11 at Mountain Valley School parking lot in Saguache. Call on Monday to make an appointment: 719-587-2901.

Antibody testing

is now being offered by SLV Health. Call 719-274-6021 or 719-587-1226.

For general (nonmedical) SLV CO-VID-19 related questions: slvepr@alamosacounty.org, 719-480-8719

Tax deadline today



ALAMOSA - The delayed deadline for filing income taxes with the IRS is today, July 15th. The tax deadline was extended due to the Coronavirus outbreak.

Adams State Salazar Center to host 2020 State of the Basin **Symposium**

ALAMOSA — In times of uncertainty, one thing is certain in the San Luis Valley: Water is and always will be a critical issue. While demands on our scarce water supply grow, there are many community-based efforts working to restore a better water balance and

plan for our water future. To help the community learn about this year's current water situation (dry!), from emerging threats to opportunities, the second annual "Rio Grande State of the Basin Symposium" will provide updates and insights. This year, it will be held virtually, from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 28.

With keynote speaker, Colorado's top water official, Kevin Rein, and hosted by Secretary Ken Salazar, founder of the Salazar Rio Grande del Norte Center at Adams State University, the event is free and open to the public. To register for the free event visit: tinyurl.com/StateofBasin2020. Participants will receive a link to access the meeting before the event.

Local water leaders will present information on key aspects of our current water conditions and challenges. These include: Cleave Simpson, General Manager, Rio





Courtesy photos Top, Ken Salazar; Bottom, Kevin Rein.

Grande Water Conservation District (RGWCD); Craig Cotten, Division Engineer, Colorado Division of Water Resources; Amber Pacheco, RGWCD; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; and Emma Reesor, Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project

The Adams State University Salazar Rio Grande del Norte Center and the RGWCD are hosts of this year's event.

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CPAC matches potato growers for Ski Hi Park



The Colorado Potato Administrative Committee (CPAC) presents a check to the Friends of Ski Hi Park. From left Jim Ehrlich, Jason Tillman, Roger Mix, Tyler Mitchell, Sheldon Rocky, Kent Palmgren, Bob Mattive.

MONTE VISTA — Colorado Potato Administration board members and manager Jim Ehrlich presented a check in the amount of \$50,000 to Friends of Ski Hi Park. The Colorado Potato Administrative Committee (CPAC) first pledged \$25,000 to the project. It then challenged potato growers that if they would contribute \$25,000 or more, then CPAC would contribute another \$25,000. The goal was met, thus CPAC has contributed a total of \$50,000 to the

important Ski Hi Regional Use Event and Conference Center project.

Friends would like to say thank you to CPAC as this helps a great deal. Contributions in any amount are still desperately needed and can be sent to Friends of Ski Hi Park, P.O. Box 262, Monte Vista, CO 81144. Any amount is welcome and those over \$100 qualify for Enterprise Zone Tax credit to qualified Colorado tax payers.

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Maurice Weir Smith

SANFORD - Maurice Weir Smith, 94 of Glendale, passed away peacefully, Saturday, July 4, 2020, at home with his family by his side. He was born in Sanford CO on Oct. 24, 1925.

His early years were

spent on The V Heart Ranch near Sanford. He talked of those years and putting up hay with teams of horses and the Mormon hay derricks that use to be a common sight around the southern part of the Valley. In 1939 his father bought the McKelvey Farm west of La Jara on the Capulin highway. He was very fond of those years, a much more mechanized period he and his siblings welcomed. He loved the farm and the life that it offered into his teen years. He also developed a passion for airplanes. His brother Thales talked about the many airplane models hanging from the ceiling in the bedroom they shared. Thales joked about how many times he got tangled up in "Those d—n Airplanes".

When he started driving and saved enough money he took flight instruction at Bergman Field in Alamosa and received his private pilot license in his late teens. After the war broke out and he graduated from high school in La Jara he enlisted in The Army Air Corps with dreams "like so many young men of the time" of becoming a fighter pilot. He spoke of the challenge of how many friends in the program got "washed out" and the constant threat of being next. Any minor slip up and you were gone!

He graduated from Advanced Fighter School and received his Wings Sept. 8, 1945. He had orders to a P51 Squadron in his hands, went on leave for a week after graduation and when he got back from leave all orders were cancelled. The war ended and they didn't need fighter pilots any longer. He never



got to fly a P51.

While on military active duty for two more years he continued to ferry military planes across the United States. He enrolled at Northern Arizona College into a Military Program to continue his education. While he was stationed at Williams Air Field in Mesa, AZ he met his future wife Sylvia Jean Hancock of Mesa AZ. He was discharged and they were married on June 5, 1947. After being discharged from active duty he continued to serve in the Air Force Reserve for 27 years when he retired as a Lt. Colonel.

Maurice and Sylvia made their home on the family farm partnering with his father. Four children were born to this union. After 14 years on the family farm, needing more production for their survival, Maurice bought a farm in the Carmel District where they farmed until the children finished school. They sold the Carmel farm in 1975 and moved to Alamosa. He began selling and appraising real estate until 1994 at which point he and Sylvia retired and moved to Glendale AZ. While in the valley he flew charter flights for the Alamosa airport. He had a commercial license with an instrument rating and flew for Coors for the weather modification program. During this time some farmers in the area gave him a lot of grief about how he was





changing the weather. He retained his pilot's license and passed flight physicals into his early 70's.

Preceding him in death wife Sylvia, his father Weir, mother Annie, brother Thales, brother Kelly, sister JoAnne and son Michael. He is survived by his children, Vianne (Richard) Coleman of Council Bluffs IA, Michelle Smith of Glendale AZ, and Mark (Markie) Smith of Alamosa CO. His Grandchildren Cari (Jordan) Harger of Overland Park KS, Andrew (Dana) Coleman of Papillon NE, Zachary (Aimee) Smith of Lakewood CO, Cheyenne (Tim) Whipple of Phoenix AZ. There are nine greatgrandchildren. The family requests no flowers or donations, please. For those who would like to share a memory of offer condolences to the Smith Family, you can go to https:// www.meldrummortuary. com/obituaries/mauricesmith-16/. A celebration of life in Alamosa will be held at a later date. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Maurice Weir Smith please visit our Sympathy Store.

Hoping there are airplanes in Heaven

Kenneth J Madrill

ALAMOSA — It is with great sadness that the family of Kenneth J Madrill announce his passing on Friday, July 10 at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs after suffering a heart attack. He passed away peacefully with his two sisters by his side.

Ken was born in Alamosa on February 6, 1953, the son of Pete and Bernice Madrill who both preceded him in death.

He was a 1971 graduate of Alamosa High School. After graduation, he moved to Denver where he lived and worked for a few years. He returned to Alamosa and worked at Kaman Sciences as a programmer, and purchased his home on Lee Drive where he remained until a job transfer took him to Oklahoma City. Years later an opportunity arrived and off he went on another adventure to live and work in Scottsdale Arizona. Several vears later he returned to Alamosa to help care for his Mother which he lovingly did until her passing in 2012. He was employed by Valley-Wide Health Services as an Eligibility Specialist up until

He enjoyed fishing, camping, hiking, boating, arrowhead hunting, and he was an adventurous traveler. He loved his 1970 Dodge Challenger, his red Ford truck and his Acura. Ken was generous,

the day he passed. He was

a member of Sacred Heart

Catholic Church.



kind, easy-going and funloving. He had an energy that with even just one encounter with him you would always remember him. If you knew Ken you will agree that his first love was music, usually insisting that you listen to this song or that song, his love of music from oldies to rock to country was always evident. Neil Young, Bob Dylan, Simon and Garfunkel, Eagles, Steve Forbert, John Cougar, REM, it is impossible to list his favorites, he loved

them all. We will be reminded of him whenever we hear the songs that we individually shared with him. He had an uncanny ability to reach people through music. He will remain with us through memories, music and laughs. Family and friends will reminisce about his sense of humor and hilarious stories, he had a knack for telling stories that would leave you

laughing. He loved watch-

ing movies and going out to

PENDING OBITUARIES

Albert DeHerrera

eat with family and friends, but especially with his best friend and brother Bernnie. He absolutely loved spending time with Bernnie at

"The Garden/Grotto". He happily worked side-byside with Bernnie helping with landscaping, setting up for special occasions and as a guide for first-time visitors touring the garden. They loved sitting together for hours, greeting visitors and enjoying the beauty and peace in the garden.

Ken is survived by his son Erik, Littleton, CO, brothers Pete (Rose) San Luis, CO, Jack-Meade, CO, William-Alamosa and Bernnie (Vicky)-Alamosa. Sisters Darlene Romero-Alamosa, Pat (Dan) Olivas - Highlands Ranch, CO, Dotti (Karl) Catalano-Colorado Springs and Brenda (Jorge) Rangel Mexico City along with numerous nephews, nieces and cousins. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his sisters, baby LucyAnn and Pearl Martinez, nephew Kevin Martinez, brothersin-law Roy Catalano and Joe Romero

If we could say anything to Ken now, we'd say "We know you wanted this private, but sorry Ken, we wanted you to be recognized for who you were because you were loved." You will be greatly missed and we will love you forever.

Following his wishes, cremation was chosen and there will be no services. A Celebration of his Life will take place at a later date.

Robert Mason "Bob" McCoy

A Private Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Edward Catholic Church in Richard for Robert M. "Bob" McCoy, 83, who passed away on Friday, July 10, 2020, at 10:57 A.M. at Opelousas General Hospital in Opelousas. Fr. Wayne Duet, Pastor

of St. Edward Catholic Church will be officiating for the service. A Rosary will be recited in the Duhon Funeral Home Chapel in Church Point. Burial will be held in St. Edward Catholic Church Cemetery in Richard. Survivors include his

wife of thirty-four years, Patsy D. McCoy of Richard; two sons, Bert and wife, Gina McCoy of Eunice, Mike and wife, Beverly of Eunice; one daughter, Cissy of Eunice; one-step son, Randall and wife, Melinda "Yankee" Arabie of Richard; three step-daughters, Cynthia and husband, Kurt Granger of Ball, La., Marla and husband, Marcus Sattler of Richard and Joanie and husband, Jeff Gore of Tioga; one



brother, William "Bill' McCoy, Jr. of Alamosa, CO; one sister, Pat Holman of Manassa, CO; one sister-in-law, Gloria McCoy of Concrete, WA; thirteen grandchildren, Nick, Chris, Joey, Jade, Bradley and Chantelle, Stacy and Duke, Chantell and Jason, Adrienne and Tre, Dustin, Shawn, Micah and Candise, Stephany and Brittney and Chris; several greatgrandchildren, one greatgreat-grandson on the way; and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. McCoy served our Country in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. Bob loved his family. He enjoyed



spending time outside and burning his leaves and fallen branches. He loves telling us stories from when he was young growing up in Colorado and his military days. He was very patriotic and flew the American Flag regularly.

Mr. McCoy was preceded in death by his parents, William McCoy, Sr. and Edna T. Hicks; one brother, Eddie "Max" McCoy.

You may view the obituary, sign the guest registry and express condolences online to Mr. McCoy's family at www.duhonfuneralhome.com.

Duhon Funeral Home, LLC, (337) 684-5552, 701 S. Broadway Street, Church Point, LA 70525 is in charge of the arrange-

Rose Marie Mendosa

ALAMOSA — Rose Marie Mendosa, 79, went home to be with the Lord on June 1, 2020, peacefully at her home with her loving husband and daughter Amanda by her side. Rose came into the world on September 19, 1940, in Las Cruces, New Mexico, the daughter of Jose M. Trujillo and Maria Adela Pelon Trujillo. United in marriage to Arthur Mendosa on August 11, 1972. She devoted her life to caring for her family. Rose was an exceptional wife, mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, and friend. She enjoyed cooking, doing crossword puzzles, watching western movies, going for drives, and above all spending time wither her grandchildren and family.



husband Arther Louis Mendosa of Alamosa, CO; daughters Mary (Carlos) Lopez, Donna Mendosa, Amanda Mendoza all of Alamosa, CO; Patricia Gurule of Romeo, CO; Brenda (Emery) Lucero of Pueblo, CO; Naomi Mendosa of Denver, CO; sons Nicholas (Brenda) Mondragon, Jesse Mondragon (Robert Johnson), Gerald (Rita) Lobato all of Antonito, CO; Gabriel (Barbara) Lobato of Denver, CO; Don Men-Survivors include her dosa of Alamosa, CO; Conejos, CO.

24 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren; sisters Sandra Hernandez, Theresa (Phillip) Trujillo of Antonito, CO; brothers Ray (Lourdes) Trujillo of Alamosa, CO; Alberto Trujillo of Denver, CO; Leroy Trujillo and Wayne (Nicole) Trujillo of Antonito, CO. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Rose was preceded in death by her parents Jose and Adela Trujillo, son David Floyd, sister Bernadette Jacquez, brother George Trujillo, grandchildren Susie Gurule-Espinoza, Alexandra Mondragon, Brian Mondragon, and nephew Jeremy Trujillo.

A memorial service will be held on July 18, 2020, at 11:00 AM at "Our Lady of Guadalupe" church in

friends.

Celina P. Martinez

ALAMOSA — Celina P. Martinez, 67, passed away July 14, 2020, peacefully at the Evergreen Nursing Home in Alamosa. Born on February 16, 1953, in Track City, Colorado, the daughter of Jose Frank Martinez and Viola Atencio Martinez. After high school, she was united in marriage to Antonio A. Martinez, Celina was selfless, she devoted her life's work to caring for her family. She was an exceptional mother. grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend who enjoyed doing puzzles, reading, cooking, listening to music, crocheting blankets, watching the Golden Girls on TV and spending time with her friends and family.

Survivors include her son Horacio Martinez of Alamosa, CO; grand-



children Melanny Martinez of Del Norte, CO; Damaris Martinez and Avaleigh Martinez both of Rico, CO; sisters Isabel Velasquez of Romeo, CO; Orelia Martinez of Track City, CO; Eileen (Fernando) Montez of Leadville, CO; Lucy (Thomas) Montoya of Pueblo, CO; brothers Remigio (Mary Ann) Martinez of Track

City, CO: Albert (Debbie) Martinez of Belgium, WI; Orlando (Barbara) Martinez, Danny (Margaret) Martinez both of Track City, CO; Francisco (Melody) Martinez of Leadville, CO; Jimmy Martinez of Alamosa, CO. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and

Celina was preceded in death by her parents Jose and Viola Martinez, husband Antonio A. Martinez and one brother Johnny Martinez.

Cremation was chosen and a memorial service will be held at a later date. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The arrangements have been placed in the care of Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

ONGOING VALLEY MEETINGS

ALAMOSA—The San Luis Valley Military Family Support Group meets the fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Alamosa. For more info call Vicki Jones at 852-3123.

ALAMOSA — Sierra Blanca Chapter#43, Order of The Eastern Star, meets on the first and third Mondays, at 7:30 p.m. at the Alamosa Masonic Hall, 512 San Juan Ave. Call Sharon at 589-4320.

ALAMOSA—La Leche League of the San Luis Valley holds its monthly meetings on the fourth

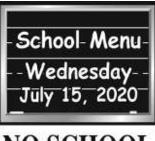
their children and babies. Please call 587-3657. ALAMOSA —The Ala-

welcome to attend with

mosa Kiwanis Club meets on the second, third and fourth Thursdays at noon at IHOP. Contact: Amanda Wilkinson, 719-589-2564 or email amanda@alamosastatebank.com

ALAMOSA — The Optimist Club of Alamosa meets at Nino's Restaurant in Alamosa the first and third Tuesdays at noon. Contact the club at alamosaoptimistclub@gmail. com or President Dawn Melgares at 719-580-0178. Visitors and new members

are welcome.



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Saturday at 11 a.m. at Hospice del Valle, 524 Main St. in Alamosa. Pregnant

ALAMOSA — Albert DeHerrera, 89, passed away July 13, 2020. Arrangements are pending and will be announced through Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa. and nursing women are

Valley News

Governor Polis provides update on state response to COVID-19 pandemic

DENVER — Governor Jared Polis provided an update today to Coloradans on the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Now is not the time to let our guard down and this pandemic is far from over. We have to do a better job of wearing masks, social distancing and washing our hands," said Governor Jared Polis. "Colorado is seeing a slow, but steady rise in cases and hospitalizations. We are not seeing the same scenarios in other states like Texas and Florida, but here in Colorado we are only as good as our ability to take the necessary measures to protect ourselves and others. Drastic changes can occur in only a matter of weeks, which is why we need to remain vigilant. Masks continue to be our ticket to more economic growth and freedom.

The Governor pointed out that Colorado's small businesses are performing slightly better than national averages on key metrics, including: Making payments like rent, payroll, utilities, and loans

Number of employee hours worked Number of employees retained

Colorado's unemployment rate, while still unacceptably high, remains three points lower than the national average. Governor Polis highlighted the Paycheck Protection Program and the \$129 billion available for small businesses that need aid. Businesses can apply until August 8, and can

The Governor also highlighted all the work done by the General Assembly during the 2020 legislative session, much of the legislation focusing on supporting Coloradans during the COVID-19

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sistance, help with utility bills, loans and grants for small businesses, assistance for those struggling with behavioral health issues and domestic violence, paid sick leave, and more.

In addition, the Governor highlighted legislation extending and funding the reinsurance program for five more years to save people money on health care, legislation to refer a tobacco and vaping tax to the ballot to help schools during this challenging time, and provide free preschool to every child who wants it in Colorado, legislation to preserve and protect the air we breathe, and the bipartisan legislation to reform policing in Colorado communities. The Governor thanked the legislature's Joint Budget Committee who had the difficult task of balancing one of the most challenging budgets in

Colorado sets a new standard for paid sick leave

DENVER — Colorado Governor Jared Polis signed into law SB 20-205, the Colorado Healthy Families and Workplaces Act, which guarantees workers the right to earn paid sick time. Colorado joins 12 states, Washington D.C., and dozens of cities in establishing a legal right to paid sick leave for personal or familv health needs—and the Colorado law is now the most comprehensive paid sick days policy in the country. Once fully implemented, all workers in Colorado will have a legal right to paid sick time.

Amidst the pandemic and resulting economic crisis, this law will help give Coloradans the relief they need—especially those working in low wage jobs, who are less likely to have access to this important protection. Paid sick leave has been shown to improve public health, reduce the spread of contagion, and provide a critical safety net to workers who are struggling to make ends meet.

In addition to filling gaps in the federal government's temporary, COVID-19 emergency paid sick leave law—which left out many workers on the frontlines of the crisis—Colorado's new legislation to paid sick time. Workers will be able to earn, based on hours worked, up to 48 hours of paid sick time a year that can be used for personal or family health needs and needs related to domestic abuse and sexual assault. The law also provides additional paid sick leave during a declared public health emergency. A full overview of Colorado's new paid sick time law is available here.

A Better Balance (ABB), a national nonprofit legal advocacy organization and a longtime leader in the push for comprehensive paid sick time policies, played a key, leading role in drafting SB-205 and efforts on the ground to secure its passage. With staff in Colorado, New York, Tennessee, and Washington D.C., ABB has co-written model legislation that has been used in cities and states across the country, and is actively providing legal and policy support to paid leave coalitions

"Across the United States, far too many workers are forced to make impossible choices between their jobs and their personal or family well-being," said A Better Balance Vice President Jared Make, who is based in Colorado. "Colorado's new paid sick time law will help to ease this burden, especially for low-wage workers who are struggling to make ends meet during the COVID-19

"Although Coloradojoins 12 states and dozens of cities with paid sick time protections, Colorado's law has established a new standard and model for the country. Colorado's law covers all workers, ensures Coloradans can earn up to 48 hours of paid sick time a year, and entitles workers to additional paid time off during a public health emergency," he added. "We are grateful that Colorado's elected officials recognize that paid sick leave is necessary in order to safely reopen the state's economy, protect its workforce, and reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other contagious illnesses. Research clearly shows that paid sick leave laws work well for employees, employers, and the health of the community, and we look forward to seeing these positive effects across

Alamosa Family Recreation Center – Limited Opening

ALAMOSA — Beginning Wednesday, July 15, 2020, the office at the Alamosa Family Recreation Center will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM to visitors conducting official Parks and Recreation business, which may include program registrations, paying park fees, etc. The facility will not be open to visitors for exercising or recreating. Restrooms, water fountains, and the facility beyond the front desk will remain closed until further notice.

Visitors are required to properly wear a face mask and sanitize their hands upon entry of the Recreation Center. You may also conduct your business online, at www.alamosarec.org, or by phone, at (719) 589-2105.

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New branding strategy officially introduces **Custer County as the Wet Mountain Valley**

A new name, logo, and tag-line rebrands **Custer County** Mountain Valley

WESTCLIFFE —The Custer County Tourism Board announced the launch of the county's new brand, which includes the name "The Wet Mountain Valley" and the tagline "Come for the mountains, stay for the stars."

In addition to the new name and tagline, the rebranding strategy also includes a modern logo featuring the mountains and the stars and more than a dozen logo variations depending on its use.

"The Custer County Tourism Board is excited and delighted with the fresh new brand for Custer

County! A lot of creative thought went into the detail of the design. The mountain outline represents Rito Alto, Cloud, and Spread Eagle Peaks. we included the shooting star element because everyone who catches a shooting star gets excited! We want visitors to get excited to "Come for the mountains, stay for the stars," and we feel our new logo is a fitting representation of the tagline. We hope the community agrees and will embrace the fresh new brand of the Wet Mountain Valley," says Deb Adams, Custer County Tourism Board Chairperson.

Destination marketing agency, VistaWorks, was hired to conceptualize the new branding, which included several steps, such as surveying residents and visitors about their thoughts on Custer



Come for the mountains, stay for the stars

County, developing word associations from the survey, and eliminating name and tagline ideas based on data, input from the tourism board, and participating reviewers.

This information, combined with Google Trends research, more than 100 logo iterations, and over eight rounds of revisions, led the Custer County Tourism Board to unanimously approve the logo, name, and tagline.

"VistaWorks has the privilege of working with one of the most beautiful destinations in Colorado the Wet Mountain Valley. Developing the brand and logo was a very collaborative process involving stakeholders from within Custer County, residents, and visitors alike. We are proud of the end result and can't wait to share it with the world," says Bryan Jordan, Chief Officer of Thought at VistaWorks.

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June Safe2Tell report shows increase in tips when compared to 2019

DENVER — June 2020 Safe2Tell tips increased slightly over June 2019 tips, and reflected numbers typically seen during extended school closures, according to the monthly report released

Tip numbers from March-May were lower than in previous years due to extended school closures related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Reports are now reflecting numbers Safe2Tell typically sees

during the summer. "While lower tip numbers are expected in summer months when students are out of school, this summer students are experiencing unique stressors caused by the COVID-19 pandemic," said Attorney General Phil Weiser. "We encourage parents, students, and community members to continue working together to ensure our children's safety during this unprecedented time, and to report safety concerns to

Safe2Tell." In June, Safe2Tell received 689 tips, a 2% increase in monthly tip volume compared to June 2019. To date for the 2019-2020 school

year, Safe2Tell has received 20,249 tips, a 7% decrease from 2018-2019 school year. Suicide threats (133) remained the top tip reported to Safe2Tell in June, while welfare checks (48) remained the second-highest category after rising in April and May. Welfare checks are usually reports that express concern about a peer. They can be suicide-related or just general concern for a peer's safety. Cyberbullying (43), which rose to the top three categories of tips in April, was again in the top three tip categories in June.

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"As part of our Water Education Initiative at Adams State, the Salazar Center is working with the Valley's many water partners to bring relevant and useful information to ASU's students and faculty and the local community." said Salazar

Center Director, Rio de la Vista. "With this year's water shortage, the time is now to raise our level of knowledge on the critical water issues here. We aim to engage more people in community-based efforts for a sustainable water future and

we need everyone's help to make that possible!"

For more information about the 2020 Rio Grande State of the Basin Symposium, contact the Salazar Rio Grande del Norte Center at 719-850-2255 or riodelavista@adams.edu.

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Kids Like Me need a Hero. Mr. Jerry Moe s that Hero, for all kids like me.

This is Jerry's Story:

Jerry Moe grew up in San Francisco, the youngest of three children with an alcoholic father. It was the 1960s and '70s and there was nowhere for him to turn and no one to talk to. "On the outside, I could blend in pretty well

and make it seem like everything was OK," he said. "But on the inside, I was scared." At 14 he was starting to get into trouble

when a teacher intervened and suggested he attend a program for teens affected by someone else's drink-

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'Kids Like Me'

ing – generally a family

member. For the first time,

Moe found himself surrounded by other kids his age going through the same experiences, feeling the same guilt. "I felt like I was home

for the first time," he said. "There were kids who were dealing with the who understood me and I didn't have to keep it locked inside anymore.

Ultimately, his mother started attending Al-Anon meetings for adult family members of people with addiction.

"Then, a big miracle happened, my dad got sober and he stayed sober ... living the last 38 years of his life sober," Moe said.

It was 1971 and there were not a lot of treatment programs available then, so he went to Alcoholics Anonymous, Moe said. His father joined the program and stayed with it. As he got older, Moe began to question

how his and his family's lives may have been changed if someone had reached out to him at a younger age. "At 21 ... it hit me how incredibly lucky I

was to get help and how that changed the trajectory of not only my life but my family's," Moe said. "I thought, 'I don't want little kids to wait." Previous: Ford Center zeroes in on adult

More than 30 years ago, Moe, with a bachelor's degree in sociology and experience as an educator began developing a program for kids 7 to 12 years old to teach them what addiction is, that they are not responsible for their parents' illness and give them a place where they can feel safe and talk openly with others their age going through the same thing.

A childhood and adolescence marred by alcoholism came a deep understanding of why children in that age group might need a helping hand to cope and to avoid alcoholism – or drug dependency - themselves. He charted a path in life that has had a lifelong impact on those he has been able to help, a path that gave fulfilling purpose to his life as well.

Today he has master's degrees in education and counseling and is the national director of children's programs for the Betty Ford Center, which is part of the Hazeldon Betty Ford Foundation.

He targets the 7 to 12 age group "Because patients going through the recovery program will say they started drinking as young as 9 years old. We want to get to the boys and girls before they take that first drink or first drug," Moe said.

Getting Started:

It was a new concept and not an easy sell, but after shopping it around, Moe said, Sequoia Hospital in Redwood City was willing to give it a six-month try.

"It worked," said Moe, an advisory board member of the National Association for Children of Alcoholics, author, lecturer and trainer. "What we found was that it was not just helping the kids, it was also helping the parents; helping the grandparents.'

The goal of the program is to prevent kids from going down the same path of

"The girls and boys we work with are at the highest risk for addiction," Moe said during a recent interview at the center, his love for children and commitment to making sure they have as normal a childhood as possible obvious through his smile and energy.

He pointed to genetics and environment as two key elements that increase their

odds for addiction.

If kids grow up and keep inside them what they experience at home, drugs and alcohol may appear to be something that can solve their problems rather than make them worse, Moe said.

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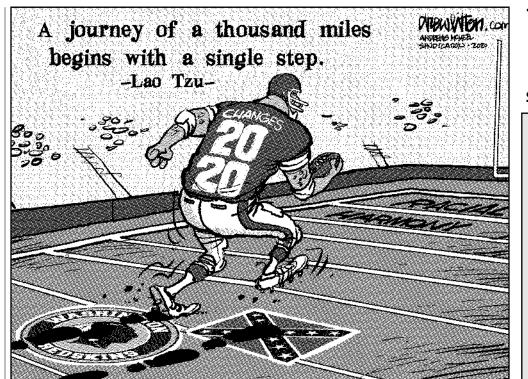
recovering alcoholic, opened the center, "Mrs. Ford was clear, 'We want to treat the whole family," said Moe, who was honored this month at the fifth annual Betty Ford Center Beamer Awards gala.

In 1996, she approached him about bringing his program to the recovery center in Rancho Mirage, which is part of the

Hazeldon Betty Ford Foundation. He started with the center as a parttime consultant and joined the program full-time as director in 1998, a post he has

Moe laughingly calls the program "The best kept secret of the desert." ."~Sherry Barkas, Desert Sun Reporter. Retrieved from https://www.desertsun.com/story/ news/local/rancho-mirage/2017/01/25/betty-ford-center-rancho-mirage-childrensprogram-director-jerry-moe/96206670/

Part 2 next week. Remember, Jesus loves you and Jesus



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If I were to plant a drought-tolerant garden – part 2

drought in Alamosa; it continues even with Monday afternoon's wonderful planting a new drought-toler-

ant garden based on plants in our yard that I love, but that receive less water than many Landscapes lusher plants.

Two weeks ago I talked about Rocky Mountain penstemon (Penstemon strictus), yarrow – pink & red (Achillea 'Paprika'), yarrow--yellow (such as A. filipendulina), Sedum (Sedum species), blanket flower (Gaillardia x Grandiflora species), and golden rod – short (Solidago):

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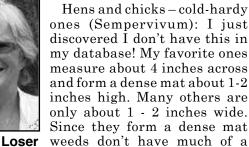
Baby's breath (creeping - Gysophila repens & regular Gypsophila paniculata): Creeping baby's breath blooms early in the season and has small white or pink flowers on plants that are about 4 inches high. Mine have come back for many years and don't spread too much. I do deadhead them after bloom and they remain a light green for the remainder of the season. They need very little care. The taller baby's breath grows $1-2 \frac{1}{2}$ feet tall. It has tiny white or pink blossoms and reseeds infrequently. It doesn't do well in dried arrangements as the flowers are too small when dried. One warning: some people may find the odor offensive.

It smells more like another part of a baby's anatomy!

Cornflower -- perennial knapweed (Centaurea hypoleuca): I love the magenta color of the blooms. While they do look a bit like a thistle bloom the foliage has no barbs. They bloom

Last time I discussed the ongoing in early to mid-June and continue somewhat if deadheaded. They stand 1-2 ft. tall and do best in the sun, rain! I'm focusing on the concept of but are ok in partial shade. They do reseed freely. However, plants

are easy to pull if they grow somewhere where you don't want them.



Marilyn Loser

Alamosa

my database! My favorite ones measure about 4 inches across and form a dense mat about 1-2 inches high. Many others are only about 1 - 2 inches wide. Since they form a dense mat weeds don't have much of a chance to spring up in between plants. Some bloom occasionally. I would call the blooms interesting rather than beautiful. They stand – 12 inches high and have a whitish/

Wormwood – hardy ones (Artemisa). This blue/green plant grows about 12 inches high. I found some many years ago in a dry meadow near Gunnison. It is very easy to grow and I have it in our fairly dry rock garden alongside

yellow blossom on the top.

hens and chicks. Somewhat drought-tolerant flowers that do well in our garden due to deep taproots include columbine (Aquilegia species) and mallow - poppy (Callirhoe involucrate). Even with all the high wind and alternating cold and heat, our columbines did very well this summer. I've deadheaded most of them now and

some will re-bloom again before fall. Most of ours grow $1-2\frac{1}{2}$ feet tall. They bend gracefully in the wind; I didn't find any that had snapped off. I've grown a variety of colors over the years and now the plants seem to make up their own color combinations including blue/white (our state flower), yellow/red, pink/white, white, yellow, and purple/white. I love them all! I've had some folks say if you get yellow ones you should pull them as the whole bed will eventually produce only yellow blooms.

I haven't had this happen.

I've grown magenta-colored poppy mallow in our rock garden and other drier areas for many years now. Occasionally, they've died off and I've had to replace them, but it is worth it to me. What a charmer! It grows about 5 inches high, starts blooming in late June and often blooms through August. I do place mulch over them in the winter to help prevent die-off since we don't water from the time cold weather hits in the fall until it seems pipes won't freeze in the spring.

I don't have enough room in column to cover drought-tolerant shrubs so will include them along with another topic next time.

Please remember that even when a plant in considered drought tolerant you need to water it with some regularly in the San Luis Valley (SLV) especially in drought years. You can find out more about all of these plants and see photos from our Alamosa garden at AlamosaFlowers.net.

Stay safe and take care of yourself

"The artist is the confidant of nature, flowers carry on dialogues with him through the graceful bending of their stems and the harmoniously tinted nuances of their blossoms. Every flower has a cordial word which nature directs

towards him." Auguste Rodin

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LETTERS

When words don't matter.

I don't usually read "Movin' on with Nellie", and reading Saturday's edition reminded me why. Nelda Curtiss uses quotes extensively at the beginning of the column to preach the dangerous power that words have to hurt. When she finally gets around to using her own words near the end of the piece, she then launches into an insulting attack on the Alamosa County Commissioners as if to prove her point.

The moral of the proverb about sticks and stones is that mere words do not matter – only things of substance. Words can be potent if they are filled with the substance of truth or mere shadows hurled by cowards containing no truth.

Ms. Curtiss was obviously not happy with the commissioners' decision on mask wearing. Showing her frustration, she begins by insulting Commissioner Allen's perceived lack of education. These insults are no less rude because she is crouched, hiding behind the quotes of Einstein and Wilde. I don't know the educational history of the commissioners, but the voters of Alamosa County have trusted their judgement and character through several elections. Perhaps the educational level of

the citizens of the county don't measure up to Nellie's standards either.

She ends up waiting to see if the

commissioners have the capacity to "absorb the truth" as if they are too dull to comprehend the "scientific, medical and professional words" presented to them on such short notice. Does she need to go back and absorb the truth of her own chosen quotes about insults?

Despite her insistence that words matter, Ms. Curtiss is not satisfied that the Board of Commissioners did strongly recommend the wearing of face masks. (The exact wording of the advisory is on the front page of the same paper as the column.) Nelda wants, though, is not just words – she wants a mandate. She isn't happy with mere words; she wants the words backed up by a uniformed, gun-toting officer in a squad car. He should be carrying handcuffs and threats of fines and prison time. How is this any different from the bullying her column professes to condemn? Fortunately, the commissioners' respect for the citizens and officers of the county prevented them from participating in such a charade.

I see from the short bio at the end of the column that Ms. Curtiss is trained in "substanceprevention". Apparently, her education is serving her well as there is nothing of substance in

her attack on the commissioners. Only words.

- Steve Keller

Editor's Note: The views expressed in individual columns on this page do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Valley Courier.

Lifestyle

Remain "Bear Aware" when camping and hiking in Colorado bear country

Staying bear aware while on trails and camping helps keep bears wild and reduces human-bear conflicts.

DENVER - Colorado is home to a large population of black bears, with numbers estimated at 17,000-20,000 in the state. As humans venture into Colorado's great outdoors to spend quality time in nature, it is important to remember that bears and humans can and do live in harmony in our shared outdoor spaces when humans take proactive steps to avoid conflicts with bears.

Wildlife experts agree that bears are not naturally aggressive towards humans; in fact, most bears are naturally wary of people. Most conflicts between people and bears can be traced to easily accessible human food, trash, or other attractants with strong odors as a bear's natural drive to eat can overcome its fear of humans. When bears become too comfortable around humans, they can destroy property or even become a threat to human safety.

"The majority of the time, bears are not after you, they are after food." said Area Wildlife Manager Mark Lamb. "Understanding bear behaviors and being aware of what steps you can take to avoid bears from approaching you is an important part of recreating responsibly in bear country. Being smart about how you store your food, using bear boxes and bear-resistant canisters, and locking your property keeps you safe and can

save a bear's life."

Colorado Parks and
Wildlife recommend the
following best practices
to minimize encounters

with bears: CAMPING

When camping in bear country, the easiest way to avoid bears is to ensure that nothing in your

campsite has a smell that will attract them.

Safely store food, beverages and toiletries in campsite lockers called bear boxes (if provided), in bear-proof containers away from your tent or, as a last resort, locked in the trunk of your vehicle.

Stash your trash. Put all trash in bear-proof trash receptacles or bear canisters; treat your trash as if it is food - to bears, there is no difference.

Keep a clean campsite. Scrape grill grates after use and clean used dishes. Store used dishes and utensils just as you would your food.

Never bring food or anything that smells like food - which includes toiletries, sunscreen and even the clothes you wear when cooking - into your tent. All of these items with scents should be stored away from your tent.

Lock cars and RVs whenever you leave your site and at night. Ensure all windows are tightly closed.

What if a bear tries to enter a campsite?

Try to haze it away with loud noises such as yelling, banging pots and pans together or use your car horn or an air horn to scare the bear away. Notify CPW park staff if a bear enters a campsite. As an extra precaution, carry bear spray with you when you go camping.

BĂCKPĀCKING & HIKING

Understanding bear behaviors and your surroundings can help avoid unwanted encounters with wildlife on trails.

Stay alert at all times. Leave your headphones back at your campsite, be extra cautious at dawn and dusk, and pay closer attention to areas with noise from running water or heavy winds.

Keep dogs leashed at all times.

NEVER feed or approach a bear.

Double bag food and pack out all food waste (including apple cores or banana peels) to avoid encouraging bears to see trails as a food source.

Respect forage areas. If your usual trail runs through berry patches, oak brush or other known food sources, be extra vigilant. Make extra noise by periodically clapping or calling out to alert bears to your presence.

What if you surprise a bear on a trail?

Stay calm, stand still and speak to it in a firm tone of voice. The bear will most likely identify you and leave. Never run from a bear. If the bear does not leave, slowly wave your arms to make yourself look bigger. Continue facing the bear, slowly back away and keep slowly moving away until the bear is out of sight. If the bear gets within 40 feet, use

bear spray.

If a bear attacks, do not play dead - fight back with anything available, including trekking poles, small knives, or even your bare hands.

Sharing outdoor spaces with wildlife makes Colorado a wonderful place to live. Bear sightings from a safe distance can be a rare and wonderful experience for outdoor enthusiasts. Staying bear aware while on trails and camping helps keep bears wild and helps reduce human-bear conflicts.

For more information on how to be "bear aware", visit cpw.state.co.us.



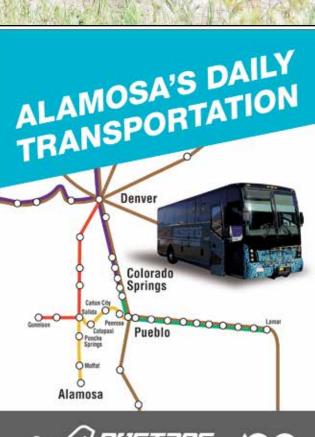
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Lifestyle

Colorado agencies launch comprehensive clean trucking strategy

STATEWIDE — The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), and the Colorado Energy Office (CEO) announced that the state is signing a multi-state Memorandum of Understanding to work collaboratively to advance the market for electric trucks and buses. The agencies also announced a public process to work with the industry and community stakeholders to develop a broad set of strategies to reduce emissions from heavy-duty vehicles. With transportation now the largest source of air pollution in Colorado -- and with our economy increasingly reliant on freight, as exemplified during the COVID-19 crisis -- it is critical that the state develop a thoughtful and balanced approach that provides a pathway for emissions reductions

"The last several months during COVID-19 have reinforced how critical the freight sector is to keeping Colorado moving," said CDOT Executive Director Shoshana Lew. "We have seen our economy adapt to new models such as increased reliance on deliveries, which also means more trucking. As we move towards the future, it is critical that we consider how we can innovate together to ensure that the freight sector grows in a way that leads to both a thriving economy and cleaner air. We commend the Colorado Motor Carriers Association for their willingness to collaborate with state agencies as we work together to bring stakeholders together for this timely conversation."

from this key sector.

"As utilities rapidly shift to renewable sources of energy to power their grids, we have an opportunity to magnify the benefits by supporting large-scale electrification of transportation including trucks and buses" said CEO Executive Director Will Toor. "We will explore opportunities for collaboration among utilities, manufacturers, fleets and the public sector to reduce emissions in the state's truck fleet while keeping this vital part of the economy thriving for

us all." "Colorado's legislature has charged the state's Air Quality Control Commission and Air Pollution Control Division to develop comprehensive programs to combat climate change, ozone and other pollutants," said CDPHE Director of Environmental Programs John Putnnam. "With the transition of the electric power sector, transportation is now our largest source of greenhouse gases and of nitrogen oxide precursors driving our serious ozone nonattainment status. It's also a matter of environmental justice; transportation drives disproportionate pollution burdens in communities like North Denver and Commerce City. We have established a strong track record of working collaboratively with stakeholders to solve these problems creatively and thoughtfully; we are looking to take a similar approach with heavy duty

"The Colorado Motor Carriers Association and the 100,000 people within the trucking industry in Colorado appreciate the importance of improving our environment and air quality," said CMCA President Greg Fulton.

"Our track record as an

vehicles and trucks."

industry has been one of continuous improvement with emissions on a new diesel truck being down by 95% from one built in 1988. We are committed to further improving and reducing our emissions not only to meet EPA standards but more importantly to enhance the quality of life

for all Coloradoans. We welcome the opportunity to work with the state in a collaborative fashion toward finding the right mix of cost-effective and proven strategies and actions, involving all fuel and power sources, to achieve our common goal of improved air quality. Finally, we recommend

that the focus be on incentives and voluntary measures, such as the EPASmartWay program, which have proven successful in the past not only in our state but elsewhere."

With this announcement, the agencies are committed to a collaborative dialogue regarding development of a balanced approach to clean trucking -- using this draft strategy as a starting point for that conversation. Agencies will engage community stakeholders including, but not limited to: motor carriers, local governments, communities who reside in close proximity to heavy duty freight corridors, truck manufacturers, environmental and public health experts, environmental organizations and others. In addition, the agencies will hold a series of public meetings to help kick off the conversation and identify further opportunities for dialogue.



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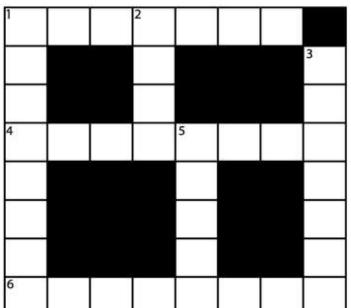




ACCORDING TO A RECENT POLL, AROUND 60 PERCENT OF PEOPLE TAKE ONE OF THESE EACH YEAR.

ANSWER: A VACATION

Crossword Puzzle



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- Long journeys
- Strong desire to achieve something
- Quality of being orderly

DOWN

- 1. Break from work or school
- 2. Against
- 3. Vacation properties
- 5. Runs on rails

RECHARGE

return to a normal

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or strength

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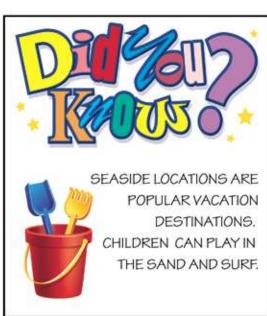
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NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S

DEED
To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having an Interest or Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to;

1) Harold E. Wells, whose last known address was 100 NE 58th Ave, Portland, OR 97213-3804. THE W1/2 OF THE SE1/4 OF THE NW1/4 OF THE NE1/4 OF

SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST N.M.P.M. COUNTY OF CONEJOS AND STATE OF COLORADO. THERE IS RESERVED ALONG THE WESTERN BOUNDARY 20 FEET FOR

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That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of Harold E. Wells, for the said year 2011.

That at said sale, said real estate was struck off to Conejos County; whose address is P.O. Box 97, Conejos, CO 81129 and the Treasurer's Certificate of Purchase was issued therefore to Conejos County. And whereas, the said Conejos County whose address is PO Box 97, town of Conejos, County of Conejos and State of Colorado, did on the 27th day of May A.D. 2020 duly assign the certificate of sale of the tax lien on said property aforesaid and all his rights, title and interest in said property to Elegment, LLC, whose address is 5680 Highway 6, Suite 214, Town of Missouri City, County of Fort Bend, State of Texas; and as present holder of the certificate he has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for deeds to said real estate.

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actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
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Mack M. Crowther

Conejos County Treasurer No. 1511

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That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s)

of Brodie Tyler and Lindsey Tyler, for the said year 2012. That at said sale, said real estate was struck off to Conejos County,

whose address is P.O. Box 97, Conejos, CO 81129 and the Treasur er's Certificate of Purchase was issued therefore to Conejos County. And whereas, the said Conejos County whose address is PO Box 97, town of Conejos, County of Conejos and State of Colorado, did on the 27th day of May A.D. 2020 duly assign the certificate of sale of the tax lien on said property aforesaid and all his rights, title and interest in said property to Elegment, LLC, whose address is 5680 Highway 6, Suite 214, Town of Missouri City, County of Fort Bend, State of Texas and as present holder of the certificate he has made request upon the

Treasurer of said County for deeds to said real estate. That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said real estate to the said Elegment. LLC at 3:00 P.M. on the 21st day of October A.D. 2020

unless the same has been redeemed.

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of July A.D. 2020.

Conejos County Treasurer No. 1512 Published in the Valley Courier on July 1, 8, and 15, 2020.

The Zapata Homeowners Association wants an independent contractor for road and infrastructure maintenance, snow plowing, culvert cleaning and installation, damaged tree removal, fire mitigation and fuels reduction projects including slash removal and other projects directed by the board of directors. The contractor must have his/her own equipment. For information, contact the ZHA office at 719-589-6770 or zapatahoainfo@gmail.com. Bids should be submitted by

August 7, 2020 to the email address listed. No. 1536 Published in the Valley Courier on July 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 22, and 24, 2020.

Request for Proposals

Master Utility Plan for Sanitary Sewer Collection System July 13, 2020
The City of Alamosa is seeking proposals from qualified engineering

firms to prepare a Master Utility Plan (MUP) of its sanitary sewer collection system. The MUP will act as the

City's 20-year planning document that is to be based on a prioritizaschedule of capital improvement projects (CIP) that address the fol-

lowing: current and

future regulatory requirements through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE); system deficiencies, needs and problem

area(s); provide the ability to incorporate collected data into the City's GIS System; position the City for future

growth both from infilling and growth beyond its current boundary. For questions please contact Harry Reynolds in the Public Works office at 719-5889-6631. For complete project requirements and to see the full RFP, please visit the City of Alamosa website at www.cityofalamosa.org. Deadline for proposals is July 29, 2020 at 4:00 PM. No. 1539

Published in the Valley Courier on July 15, 17, and 18, 2020.

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CONCERNING THE ABANDONMENT LIST OF

WATER RIGHTS IN ALAMOSA COUNTY
The Division Engineer, in accordance with §37-92-401, Colorado Revised Statutes (2019), has compiled the list of absolute water

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of Water Resources (DWR) website https://www.colorado.gov/water.

If you wish to object to the inclusion of any water right on the Division Engineer's abandonment list, you must file a written

statement of objection with the Division Engineer by July 1, 2021. We request that objections be submitted using DWR's Abandonment Objection Form, which can be obtained on the DWR website (search keyword "Abandonment 2020") or from any The Abandonment List, with any revisions made as a result of written statements of objection, will be filed with the Water Court by December 31, 2021. Once the list is adjudged by the entry of a decree by the Water Court, such decree will be conclusive

as to the abandonment of the water right.

In the following table, U indicates units of either C=cfs or A=acre-ft. The uses being abandoned are either 'All Uses' indicating all decreed uses of the water right, or the individual uses listed, such as Irr=Irrigation. If any aspect of the decreed place of use is

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221 **HELP WANTED**

THE TOWN OF La Jara is accepting applications for Police Officer. Must be currently Colorado POST certified; willing to submit to background and criminal history checks as well as a psychological test. Starting salary is \$36,000 with vision, dental and medical insurance and paid holidays. Applications may be picked up at La Jara Town Hall, 221 Broadway or at Colorado Workforce Center in Alamosa.(7/29)

221 **HELP WANTED**

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following positions: Alamosa High School-Assistant Softball Coach, Assistant Cross-Country Coach and Assistant Volleyball Coach. Ortega Middle School Assistant Cross-Country Coach and Intramural Volleyball Coach. Applications are available online at http:// alamosa.k12.co.us. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.(7/18)

221 **HELP WANTED**

LOOKING FOR A career opportunity and being a part of your local community? 1st Southwest Bank is hiring a Teller in our Saguache location, offering a strong benefit package & career growth opportunities. EOE. Go to https://www. fswb.bank/who-we-are/ careers/ for more details & to apply.(7/21)

SAN LUIS VALLEY Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., located at 3625 US Hwy 160 W, Monte Vista, Colorado currently has an open position for a storekeeper-buyer. Work hours are Monday Thursday, 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., forty hours/ week plus additional time as duties require. Responsible for cycle inventory counting, material procurement through bidding process, creating purchase orders, receiving materials, reconciliation of work orders and maintain tool and personal protective equipment inventory for operations and fiber departments. Strong attention to detail & organizational skills necessary. High School diploma and 5 years of inventory control and material handling required. Additional testing will be required. Visit our website at www.slvrec. com to complete the job application. Applications are on-line only and will not be accepted after Saturday, July 18, 2020. EOE.(7/18)

SANFORD SCHOOL IS looking for a paraprofessional to work with elementary students during the 2020-2021 School Year. An associate's degree or two years of college courses preferred. Applications can be downloaded from www.sanfordschools.org. Position opened until filled. Sanford School is an EOE & E.(7/31)

RIO GRANDE COUN-**TY** 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. Inmate interaction 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)

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position at Alamosa High School: Entry Control and Building Security Monitor A minimum of a High School Diploma or equivalent is required. Law enforcement or security enforcement experience preferred, Public relations experience preferred, Experience with technology and computers preferred, Outstanding oral and written skills required, Submission of fingerprints to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation and completion of a criminal background check prior to hiring required. An overview of associated job duties, responsibilities and applications can be obtained online at https://www.alamosa. k12.co.us. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is

until filled. EOE.(7/21) THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position: School Nurse Minimum requirement: RN Required Applications are available online at http:// www.alamosa.k12.co.us. For more information. contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.(7/21)

221 **HELP WANTED**

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JOS School District is accepting applications for (1) Secondary Math Teacher at Centauri High School. Applicant must hold a current Colorado Teaching License or be willing to work toward certification. (2) CHS Cheer Coach. Application deadline is until position is filled. Applications are available at the District Administration Office, 17890 US Hwy 285, La Jara, CO 81101 or can be downloaded at www.northconejos.com. Submit application to Mr. Curt Wilson, Superinten-

dent. EOE.(7/21) SANGRE DE CRISTO School District is looking for a highly motivated PE Teacher that has a desire to teach and the ability to pass their passion of learning onto students. For more information please contact Mr. Stagner at 719-378-2310 or bstagner@sangreschools. org. Teaching applications may be downloaded from sdc.schooldesk.net. (7/21)

SAGUACHE COUNTY **DEPARTMENT** of Social Services is now accepting proposals for the contract of Department Attorney. Position includes review and presentation of department cases to judicial court, any matters consequential or incidental to cases and appeals. This includes counseling and advising staff and Director on child welfare, abuse or neglect, child support enforcement and adult protection cases, attendance to staff meetings, and possible conferences or training as appropriate and agreed upon. Send resume and proposal to Saguache County Social Services, PO Box 215, Saguache, CO 81149 no later than July 24, 2020. Saguache is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Service Provider.(7/24) SAGUACHE COUNTY

DEPARTMENT of So-

cial Services is now accepting applications for the position of Income Maintenance Technician. Position determines eligibility and benefit delivery for Medicaid, Food assistance, Colorado Works, and other income assistance programs. No degree or specialized training necessary, but includes a great opportunity for State training. Bilingual ability is preferred and given consideration, but not required. Starting salary is minimum \$26,000 per year and full benefits, depending on experience. Applications and complete job descriptions are available at 605 Christy Ave., Saguache, Colorado, by visiting the Saguache County website at Saguache County. net or by calling (719) 655-2537 and requesting one be mailed. Com-

Employer.(7/24) HIRING JOURNEY-MAN ELECTRICIAN full time year round work. Call Mike 719-588-4142.(8/12)

pleted applications must

be received by Saguache

County Social Services

no later than 4:00 pm. on

July 24, 2020. Saguache

is an Equal Opportunity

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position at Alamosa Elementary 3-5: Elementary Teacher Must possess a Colorado Teachers License. Applications are available online at https://www. alamosa.k12.co.us/. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.(7/18)

SEEKING CON-STRUCTION SUPER-VISOR for Nonprofit company, CRHDC, F/T 40 hrs per week, to assist families with new home construction in Alamosa evenings and weekends. Construction exp. required. \$17 p/h+benefits. Resume and cover letter to melanie@crhdc.org

Demolition

Remodels

221 **HELP WANTED**

 $C\ V\ C\ L\ C$ HOMELAKE is seeking a permanent full-time Health Care Tech II (LPN) position for our Domiciliary and a Temporary Custodian. We offer competitive salary, retirement plan (Public Employees Retirement Account (PERA), 401K/457), health and dental insurance options, life insurance, short term disability, 10 paid holidays/year, paid sick and vacation for permanent positions. Must have a current driver license; pass a CBI/FBI back-ground check, and drug screen. Interested candidates in the above positions must complete an official State application. http://agency.governmentjobs.com/colorado Contact Nina for assistance at 719-852-8215. For questions regarding available open shift(s) for LPN position contact Tracy . Vargas, ADON at 719-852-5118.(7/18)

TOWN OF CENTER

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for Municipal Judge. The

Town of Center is seek-

ing a qualified individual

for the Municipal Judge

opening. The ideal can-

didate must reside in the

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U.S. Citizen and have

knowledge of U.S. and

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Rules, Procedures, and town ordinances pertaining to traffic, civil, and ordinance violation cases. Ability to communicate effectively, orally, and in writing, to a diverse audience in a tactful, patient and courteous manner. A demonstrated ability to establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others. Ability to hear and weigh testimony and evidence, and impose appropriate penalties in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado and Town of Center. Be able to read, interpret, apply, and explain codes, rules, regulations, policies, procedures and to analyze situations accurately and adopt an ethical and effective course of action. Must be able to manage a case load, work independently, make difficult decisions under stress, be open minded and committed to equal justice under the law. Deadline to submit resumes will be 1 pm on Friday July 31st. Submit resume to Brian Lujan, Iown Manage of Center, PO Box 400, Center, CO 81125, or drop them off at Town Hall at 294 S. Worth Street or e-mail them to brian@ centerco.gov. For more

MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for a HS Science Teacher(Chemistry). Visit the district website for a complete list of desired qualifications and experience. Monte Vista School District offers a competitive salary and excellent benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, and life coverage. Applications may be submitted through our online employment application https://ww2.monte.k12. co.us/employment-opportunities.html by July 20, 2020, or until the position is filled. For questions contact the District Administration Office at 719-852-5996.(7/29) THE SAGUACHE

information, call 719-754-

3497.(7/18)

COUNTY Land Use Office is accepting applications for a full time Saguache County Code Enforcement Officer. Applicants must have a valid Colorado Divers License, must pass a criminal background check as well as a pre-employment drug test. Applications will be accepted until filled. Applications and job descriptions may be found on www.saguachecounty.net or may be emailed to you, please contact April Quintana at 719-655-2231. Saguache County is an equal opportunity employer.(8/7)

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THE TOWN OF Center is accepting applications to fill an entry level position in their Utility Department. Applicant should possess knowledge and skills in all aspects of high voltage power lines, gas systems, water distribution, and sanitation. Applicant should accept duties of construction, repair, maintenance, and operation of these systems. Applicant must also operate trucks, backhoe, and other equipment in the performance of these duties. The duties also included are heavy manual labor and utilization of large variety of hand tools. Applicant must also have the ability to interact with customers and possess good communication skills. Applicant must also pass a background check and pre-employment drug testing. The candidate will also be subject to random drug testing upon hiring per CDOT regulations. CDL License preferable but not required. (7/17)

THE TOWN OF Manassa is now accepting applications for a police officer position. You may pick up applications at the Town . Hall in Manassa Monday Wednesday 8-4.(7/28) THE SAN LUIS Valley Local Foods Coalition is

Colorado State Statutes, Laws and judicial systems; Municipal Court seeking a RGFP Program Director to manage and implement Rio Grande Farm Park programs and operations. Job description available at www. slvlocalfoods.org. Please submit Resume and Cover Letter to opportunity. slvlocalfoods@gmail. com by July 31st. Questions call 719-937-2319. (7/25)

THE CITY OF Alamosa is accepting applications fill multiple full-time Water/Wastewater Technician I positions. Job duties include performing operations, maintenance, and repairs within the water and sewer divisions under the supervisor of senior personnel. This position is also responsible to provide on-call service on a rotating basis to cover after-hours repairs and maintenance, as required. Starting salary is \$16.46 per hour including a comprehensive health benefits package, CO PERA retirement, and vacation, personal, and sick leave. A full job description, announcement, and application are available at www. cityofalamosa.org. The position is subject to preemployment tests. Deadline is July 24, 2020 at 5

pm.(7/24)

RIO GRANDE COUN-TY Department of Social Services seeks a Child Protection/Ongoing Caseworker. Bachelor's Degree in Human Services or a related field with experience preferred. Must have a valid Colorado Driver's License. Testing, background check and pre-employment drug screening, including testing for marijuana, is required. \$18.72-\$19.22 per Hour DOE, full County benefits. Schedule: 37.50 hours/week. This position qualifies for Public Service Loan Forgiveness through the Department of Education for student loans. Applications available online at www.riograndecounty. org or may be picked up and submitted to: Human Resources, 925 6th Street, Room 200, Del Norte, CO, 81132.(7/25)

CUSTODIAN - PART-TIME in our Monte Vista office. SLV Behavioral Health Group is seeking a part-time Custodian for our Monte Vista office. Work includes cleaning and sanitizing office after hours, emptying trash, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, washing windows and other duties. We offer competitive pay. For a full job description and to apply for position, please visit our website: www. slvbhg.org.(7/25)

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MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for two Middle School Football Coaches, a Middle School Volleyball Coach, and a Middle Schools Boys' Basketball Coach. Applications may be submitted through our online employment application http://ww2.monte. k12.co.us/employmentopportunities.html, by July 8, 2020, or until the positions are filled. For questions contact the District Administration Office at 719-852-5996. (7/21)

SAGUACHE COUN-TY, COLORADO, is seeking to fill the posi-tion of Public Health Director. The position requires a master's degree in a public health discipline; a nurse candidate shall be licensed to practice in Colorado within six months of hire; OR, similar experience to a nurse with exemplary history and at least two years of administrative experience in public health, and willing to seek additional public health education and experience within five years of hire. A complete job description and qualifications are available online at: http://www.saguachecounty-co.gov. Must possess and maintain a valid driver's license. Saguache County is a drug-free workplace. All inquiries should be directed to: Saguache County Administration. E-mail: wmaez@ saguachecounty-co.gov phone: 719-655-2231, fax 719-655-2635. Applicants must submit a job

application, cover letter,

and a resume. Resumes

must not exceed three

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THE SAN LUIS Valley Board of Cooperative Educational Services has a teacher position for full time middle/high school special education teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. Interested applicants should hold a valid Colorado Teacher License with a Special Education Endorsement or be eligible for a Temporary Educator Eligibility (TEE). Successful experience with working with students with special needs preferred. Application is available at the BOCES office or on-line www. slvboces.org. Process requires application, letter of interest, and three current letters of reference. Send completed application process to Nita McAuliffe, Director of Exceptional Student Services, SLV BOCES, 2261 Enterprise Drive. Alamosa, CO 81101 or nmcauliffe@slvboces. org. Application deadline is July 15, 2020 or until positions are filled. (7/24)

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EOE & E.(7/21)

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THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position at Alamosa High School for the 2020-2021 school year: Science Teacher Must possess a Colorado Teacher License and an endorsement in Secondary Science. Applications are available online at https://www. alamosa.k12.co.us. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.(7/15)

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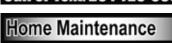
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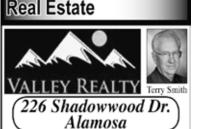
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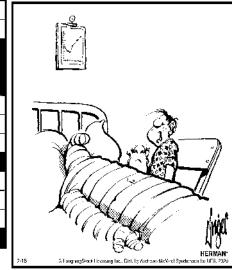
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"I've seen it before. He's changing into a butterfly."

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by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

TODAY'S CLUE: X SIENDƏ N

Previous Solution: "I think any actor can probably identify with being a professional liar. ... I know a lot of days I do." — John Cusack

Unhappy husband jumps from frying pan into fire

My second wife, "Marci," is a liar, a cheat and a thief. She claims she's religious, but she gambles. She opens bank accounts that I'm not aware of. She tries to justify what she has done, but she calls constantly if I leave the house. She claims she's control issue, and I leave for peace of mind.

Recently, her relatives asked for a private meeting to discuss her behavior and shared what I feared. Afterward, I called her supposed ex-husband and he told me they are still married. When I asked Marci to show me her divorce papers, she refused. I have talked with my pastor and attorney. They said give her six weeks and then move on. What do you suggest? - TAKEN FOR A FOOL IN

ALABAMA DEAR TAKEN: Listen to these two unbiased advisers! Secure any property or information Marci might use to take further advantage of you, and take comfort in the fact that because you are not legally married, you are not responsible for any debts she has or will run up. Understand that Marci is a con artist, and please do exactly what your pastor and your attorney have instructed. If

or change your phone number.

And if she stalks you -- and

DEAR ABBY: "Lila," a through an ugly divorce. friend from my high school days I hadn't seen for years, called me out of the blue and said her mom wanted to see me again. Her mother and I had been friends for years. "Mom" was a special lady, and I always admired her, so I agreed.

When I arrived at the jealous. I think it's more of a restaurant, I greeted them and we engaged in a little conversation. When I went to order, Lila pulled out a sales book she was selling items out of. Because I didn't want to disappoint her mother, I looked at each item. The only thing I could afford was an umbrella for \$29. I already had a \$5 one at home (my budget).

> Abby, I felt used and insulted. Lila's only goal was selling me something -- not reuniting me with her mother. Lila is better off financially than I am. She owns her own home and drives a brand-new SUV. My car was bought used for \$2,000.

> How do I tolerate a person like her? She wants all she can get, even if it means using an old friend. By the way, she was decked out in her fashionable finest and ordered the cheapest thing on the menu. -- SAD FRIEND ON THE EAST

DEAR SAD FRIEND: You do not have to tolerate she keeps calling, block her a person like Lila, and you should not feel pressured to buy something from anyone she may -- talk to the police. that you don't want or need.



ABIGAIL Van Buren

If Lila calls again, inform her that you are not interested in anything she is selling and end the call.

DEAR ABBY: I've gotten into wearing swim trunks in the summer as normal attire. They're good for the hot streets, and no one has said anything. I pair them with a white T-shirt or no shirt. I plan to do it again this summer. What do you think? -- COOL **DUDE IN PENNSYLVANIA**

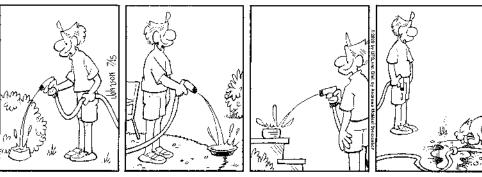
DEAR DUDE: If you're in great shape and the neighbors aren't scandalized, then what I think doesn't matter. (Swim) suit yourself.

I will, however, offer this: A wise woman once advised me to always look my best when I went out because invariably, if I didn't, I'd encounter someone I wished I looked better for and regret that I hadn't made more effort. And you know what? She was spot on.

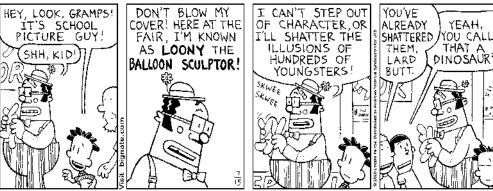
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