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Firehouse BBQ

MOSCA—The Mosca-Hooper Volunteer Fire Department will be holding their annual BBQ, July 25 at 6pm at the fire house. Donations appreciated.

Rolling Deep Car Show

ALAMOSA — The Rolling Deep Car Show will renew it's tradition for 2020 hosting it's 25th annual show on Sunday July 26 at Cole Park. The Show will take place from 12-5 p.m.



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By KEITH R. **CERNY** Courier Publisher

ALAMOSA– About five minutes after an Amber Alert was issued last Friday announcing Governor Jared Polis' statewide mask mandate, Fidella Gibbs was issued a summons for reckless endangerment by the Alamosa Police Department. She and her husband Terry

own Campus Café. Police Chief Kenny Anderson said the establishment had numerous warnings from Alamosa tions with the café staff. He said the citation was issued due to "continued disregard" of the mask orders.

"Contrary to misinformation in the public, the Governor's orders are enforceable and we as professionals took an oath to uphold such items," City Manager Heather Brooks said in an email response to the Valley Courier. "Our first approach has contact the business and talk to them. That is usually where the issue ends. "If the business chooses

Campus Café cited for mask violation

to continue to disregard the Governor's orders, then they most likely will receive a citation," Brooks wrote. "The citation into Municipal Court is reckless endangerment. While the violation could be written into county court, our focus has been more on Municipal Court.

'Given the amount of misinformation that is out there, we are planning on issuing a press release before the weekend. For all of us with the City (officers, staff, and Council) our desire is to have the public and businesses comply with the order, so we do not need to have law enforcement spend their time on enforcement."

"It's unfair and total B.S.," Fidella Gibbs said. "Polis is trying to run everyone's life. It's totally ridiculous what we're having to do and violates our constitutional rights."

She went on to say that the effectiveness of wearing masks is still under debate.

"It should be a person's choice," she said. "If you're sick, stay home. If you're healthy you should be able

to do what you want." Gibbs added that some of their customers come in wearing masks and some don't, and she feels that's their choice and constitutional right.

Four new cases in the valley

SAN LUIS VALLEY - Since Thursday, Rio Grande County reported one new COVID-19 case, and Alamosa County reported three new cases. As of Friday there were 25 known active cases in our region. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, please stay at home away from others and call one of the numbers below to be screened for testing.

Symptoms of COVID-19 may include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea. Because this virus has the same symptoms as many other illnesses, most people who are tested do not have COVID. However, it is still important that symptomatic people 480-8719

be tested. Not only will that help us reduce the spread of the virus, it will also ensure that we are consistently doing enough testing, which is one of the things we will need to demonstrate in order to move to the next level of reduced restrictions,

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)

For general (non-medical) SLV COVID-19 related questions: slvepr@ alamosacounty.org, 719-

Florida man evacuated on **Blanca**



Courtesy photo

Members of the AVSAR crew that responded to a hiker in distress Thursday afternoon on Lake Como Road.

SLV COVID-19

These cases have been identified by public health agencies as of 2:00 p.m. on July 17, 2020. Unless otherwise noted, all numbers are cumulative. If there are discrepancies between these numbers and those showing on the state's data website, use these local numbers.

463 SLV POSITIVE CASES

(New cases: 1 since 7/16)

Saguache County - 106

Alamosa County - 211 Conejos County - 24 Costilla County - 22 Mineral County - 17 Rio Grande County - 83 (-1)

24 ACTIVE CASES (Under isolation guidance)

HOSPITALIZED

COMPLETED ISOLATION (+1 since 7/17)

DEATHS

STAFF REPORT ALAMOSA — A Florida man, possibly suffer-

ing from altitude sickness, was removed from Lake Como Road on the Blanca massif Thursday afternoon by Alamosa Volunteer Search and Rescue (AVSAR). He was eventually evaluated by Alamosa EMS personnel

and released. The hiker (age unknown) had contacted the Alamosa dispatch center about 1:30 complaining

of chest pains and light headedness. According to a report from the Alamosa County Sheriff's Office, AVSAR paged out a team along with two of their 4x4 drivers.

Alamosa EMS staged an ambulance at incident command to evaluate the hiker once he was brought down.

Two truck teams were sent up the mountain and made contact with him about 4 p.m. and after initial evaluation by AVSAR

staff was evacuated via the 4x4 trucks to be reevaluated by ambulance staff just over an hour later. About a dozen SAR volunteers responded to the incident as well as Sheriff Robert Jackson and Undersheriff Shawn

Woods. Both ACSO officers were applauded for their leadership on the rescue including Woods who reportedly drove his patrol vehicle as high as he could in an attempt to reach the hiker.

City addresses mask pushback

ALAMOSA — With masks becoming mandatory, the city has decided to release a statement addressing the enforcement:

The City of Alamosa has

received several inquiries regarding the enforcement of the Governor's Orders during COVID-19. Given the amount of misinformation floating around in our community, it is vital that we are clear on this topic. The Governor's Orders

are enforceable and it is the City's hope that businesses and residents will make every effort to comply with those orders. The City will continue



to work in partnership with Alamosa County Public Health on education related to those orders. We realize that there can be a lot of information contained in the orders and with so many orders coming out; the changing environment can be very confusing. Please know that these

educational attempts are intended to help clarify what is expected and not written in an accusatory or demanding way.

The City does not have the ability to have law enforcement patrolling looking for violations. Our Police Officers have a significant call volume. ■ See MASKS page 3



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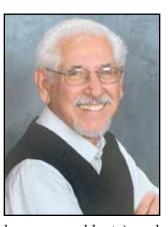
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OBITUARIES

Luis Arturo Rivera

Rivera "Arthur" Arthur was born on September 7, 1947, in Romeo, Colorado and passed away with family by his side on June 4, 2020, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He was a tool and dye maker in the Colorado Springs area for many years. He loved his tools and shopping for new ones, he always had the right tool for the right job. He was a very organized man, and a methodical thinker. In his spare time, he enjoyed being outdoors hunting, fishing camping, riding his motorcycle (until he

ROMEO—Luis Arturo



became unable to) and playing golf. He enjoyed all kinds of puzzles; including diamond art and 3-D. His family remembers him fondly as always dancing

and smiling - even while he was working. He will be lovingly remembered by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Judy; mother, Estella Rivera; children, Berlinda (Jack) Giambrone, Donald (Brenda) Rivera, Eloise Guthals, Corey (Katie) Rivera and Amanda Rivera; 16 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; brother, Anthony (Linda) Rivera, sister, Arlene (Roger) Martinez and by numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Donaciano Rivera and brother, Arnold Rivera.

Sarah Jean Bartosh

ALAMOSA — Sarah Jean Bartosh peacefully passed on July 24, 2020, at the age of 75 in Alamosa, CO.

She was born July 29, 1944, in Newcastle, PA. Sarah was a devoted Wife, Mother, Grandmother, and Great Grandmother. Sarah enjoyed fishing with her husband, decorating for holidays, gardening, cooking, baking and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her children William Hernandez, James (Jeannette) Hernandez, and



Linda (Ted) Baldwin. Her grandchildren Michael Fluet, Christopher (Zoey) Hernandez, Ashley (Alex) Cosmas. James

(Alyssa) E. Hernandez Jr., Sarah (Jon) Hernandez, Jenelle Hernandez, James M. Hernandez Jr., Vincent (Amber) Ortega II, Sophia Ortega and her seven great grand-

Sarah joins her husband James R. Bartosh, her sister Velma (Joe) Fandozzi, brothers John Dryfuse, Tom (Lorriane) Dryfuse, and parents.

A private ceremony will be held at Solider's Home cemetery. Romero's Funeral Home in Alamosa is entrusted with arrangements.

BIRTHS

Isaiah Robert Gonzales

CENTER — Isaiah Robert Gonzales was born on July 17, 2020 at San Luis Valley Health in Alamosa to Amanda Prado and Robert Gonzales of Center. Isaiah weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 20 inches at birth. He joins sister Aubree. Maternal grandparents are Larry and Diana Prado of Sanford. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Marie Gonzales, Center. Great-grandparent is Millie Garcia of Center.

Brynlee Kaye Quinlan

MANASSA — Brynlee Kaye Quinlan was born on July 10, 2020 at San Luis Valley Health in Alamosa to Amber and Jeremy Quinlan of Manassa. Brynlee weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 18 inches at birth. She has one brother, Trenton. Maternal grandparents are Charlie and Tanna Shawcroft, La Jara. Paternal grandparents are Brad and Laura Quinlan, Antonito. Great-grandparents are Fred and Marilyn Winters and Carla Shawcroft of Manassa and Wayne and Sue Quinlan of Antonito.

Moana-Anahi Esperanza McNair Ribellia

ALAMOSA — Moana-Anahi Esperanza McNair Ribellia was born on July 21, 2020 at San Luis Valley Health in Alamosa to Yesenia Morales and Shane McNair-Ribellia of Alamosa. Moana weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 19 and one half inch at birth. Maternal grandparents are Michelle Ferrera, Alamosa and Daniel Morales, Sanford. Great-grandparents are Grace Berlanga, David Garcia and Ramon Gonzales. Great-great-grandparents are Patsy Garcia and Maria de Jesus Morales.

ALAMOSA POLICE REPORT

Nicholas Goodman 37 Rush, MN Shoplifting

Brayan Flores Gomez 20 Alamosa Exhibition Of Speed

Laura Moore 33 Alamosa Failed To Yield Right Of Way At Ucontrolled Intersection

Oscar Felipe Gaspar 26 Alamosa Seatbelts Required

Nicole Archuleta 32 Alamosa Parking Lights Head Lights Required Kathie Rickman 53 Clovis, CA Made Left Turn From Wrong Postiton Or Lane

Patricia Cunningham 71 Alamosa Failed To Yield Right Of Way Upon Entering Chanel Gutierrez, 27, of Alamosa was cited with having a dog at large, on Cot-Highway

Lisa Robinson 54 Monte Vista Seatbelts Required

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Damion Martinez 18 Alamosa Failed To Stop At Stop Sign

Daniel Solis 45 Alamosa Driving While Denied Walter Gaspar 26 Alamosa Driving Under Restraint/Revoked, Failed To Present

Evidence Of Insurance Upon Request Robert Martinez 43 Monte Vista Drivers Vision Obstructed Through Required

Glass, Driving Under Restraint/Revoked, Driving While Under Restraint/Revoked/ Suspended/Revoked As A Habitual

Matthew Woods 31 Pueblo, CO Driving Under Suspension, Drove Vehicle When Front Seat Passenger Not Secured By Seatbelt

Michael Suazo 31 Alamsoa Driving While Under Restraint/Suspended/Revoked As A Habitual, Drove Vehicle Without Valid Drivers License, Defective Headlamp, Operated An Uninsured Motor Vehicle On A Public Roadway, No Registration Card In Vehicle

Tracy Thomassen 47 Alamosa Failed To Use Turn Signals, DUI-Drugs, Driving While Denied, Failed To Present Evidence Of Insurance Upon Request, Operated An Uninsured Motor Vehicle On A Public Roadway

Dion Silva 29 Sanford Driving Under Restraint/Suspended/Revoked As A Habitual, Failed To Present Evidence Of Insurace Upon Request

Justin Atencio 47 Alamosa Unlawful Possession Of A Controlled Substance

Nez Yonevea 24 Alamosa Domestic Violence, Harassment, Criminal Mischief

PENDING OBITUARIES

Mateo Juan Diego

ALAMOSA — Mateo Juan Diego, 49, passed away Jul 23, 2020, Arrangements are pending and will be announced through Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Jacqualine Paulette McCombs

Longtime San Luis Valley resident Jacqualine Paulette McCombs, 73, passed away on July 23, 2020. Arrangements are pending and will be announced through Rogers Family mortuary in Alamosa.

ALAMOSA SHERIFF'S REPORT

Robert Simpson, 30, of Alamosa was cited with having a dog at large, at 6985 Connie Valdez, 58, of Monte Vista was cited with speeding at 8000 Blk. Cr. 100 S.

William Aichholz, 20, of Golden was cited with speeding at 12000 Blk. Hwy. 160. Susan Savage, 59, of Waco was cited with speeding at 9000 Blk. Hwy. 17 N. Kelsey Poe, 18, of Mosca was cited with speeding at 4000 Blk. N. Hwy. 17.

Ashley Moore, of Fountain, was cited for expired tags on the corner of Main St.

Eric Gutierrez, 24, of Alamosa was cited with speeding at 12000 Blk. Ln. 6 N. Skyler Upton, 29, of Littleton was cited with speeding at 12000 Blk. Ln. 6 N. Jerica Koehn, 29, of Monte Vista was cited with speeding at 3000 Blk. CR. 100 N. Maxwell Larson, 24, of Boulder was cited with speeding at 12000 Blk. Ln. 6 N. Caitlyn Lott, 20, of Willis was cited with speeding at 15000 Blk. Ln. 6 N. George Ocampo Jr., 27, of Greeley was cited with speeding at 15000 Blk. Ln. 6 N. Jonathan Heredia, 29, of Colorado Springs was cited with speeding at 15000

Bridgette Ferrier, 33, of Fort Myers was cited with speeding at 15000 Blk. Ln. 6 N.

Vincent Arrugu, 64, of Alamosa was cited with menacing on 5561 CR 11 6 S. Norma Marquez, 42, of Edwards was cited with speeding at 5000 Blk Hwy. 17 N.

Richard Desote, 26, of Sanford was cited with 3rd degree criminal trespassing nd theft, at 17501 CR 11 6 E.

Andrew Head, 37, of Alamosa was cited with speeding at 2 S. and Hwy 17.

tonwood Ln. James Backes, 66, of Jaroso was cited with speeding at 11k Blk. Hwy. 285. Richilieo Childs the second, 55, of Alamosa was cited for failure to obey traffic

device at 300 Blk. Santa Fe Ave. Gary Starnes, 69, of Oregon was cited with speeding at 21000 Blk. E. Hwy. 160.

Richard Melgares, 57, of Alamosa was cited with careless driving at the corner of E. 3rd St. and Santa Fe Ave.

Trinity Gurule, 19, of Antonito was cited for driving vehicle under restraint at 200 Blk. Broadway. Sarah Sanford, 62, of Arroyo Seco was cited with speeding at 5000 Blk. Hwy. 17.

Hunter Peterson, 20, of Antonito was cited with driving vehicle under restraint

on 200 Blk. Broadway.

William Lippus, of Monte Vista, was cited with 2nd degree criminal trespassing and criminal mischief, on Hwy 17. Craig Ellingson, 36, of Montrose was cited with speeding at 19k Blk. LN. 6.

Dylan Garbrini, 23, of Pleasantville was cited with speeding at 24k Blk. LN. 6. Eleanor Trujillo, 52, of Antonito was cited with speeding at Hwy 285 and 11 S. Terry Greene, 61, of Paradise was cited with speeding at 3N and Hwy 17. Scott Smith, 37, of Corinth was cited with speeding at 23,000 Blk. and Ln. 6 N. Eric Twohey, 39, of Phoenix was cited with speeding at 14000 Blk. and Ln. 6 N.

Manuel Guerrero Rodriguez, 22, of Alamosa was cited for speeding on Hwy 160. Vivian Deguna Jr., 58, of Alamosa was cited for failure to stop at a stop sign, on he corner of E. 3rd and Santa Fe Ave.

Blake Law, 33, of Amarillo was cited for failure to stop at a stop sign, on the corner of E. 3rd and Santa Fe Ave.

Bert Jones, 61, of Blanca was cited for failure to stop at a stop sign, on the corner of E. 3rd and Santa Fe Ave.

Kimberly Boyd, 50, of Boulder was cited with speeding on Hwy 17. Garrett Williams, 31, of Arlington was cited with speeding on Hwy 17.

Travelers urged to be aware of potential challenges as monsoon season hits

Never drive through any flooded area.

Driving too fast on wet roads or in flooded

COLORADO—The Colorado Department of Transportation asks that motorists plan for heavy rains this weekend and into next week, especially in the San Juan and Sangre de Cristo mountain ranges. Drivers should check the latest weather forecasts and road conditions before traveling. Heavy monsoonal rains and summer storms can lead to challenging driving conditions. Colorado highways, particularly those in mountainous areas, can be vulnerable to the impacts of weather and natural emergencies. Some roadways have already experienced incidents of flash flooding, mudslides and rock falls over the past few weeks. These events can cause major dilemmas for the traveling public and CDOT maintenance crews.

It is important that the traveling public be aware of summer weather conditions and forecasts. Just as motorists prepare for driving in the winter time, during summer months, travelers should also be ready for heavy rain storms, hail storms and what can potentially occur after those storms – flooding, mudslides and falling rocks. FLOODED ROADWAYS

When motorists drive up onto a flooded area, there are several precautions to follow.

you do not know how deep or how fast the water is running.

Even 8-10 inches of water can float an average-sized car, which can be easily swept off the road.

areas can cause a vehicle to hydroplane. Never use your cruise control during rainy conditions with standing water on the roadway. Any amount of flooding or mud can

obstruct the roadway and hinder drivers from knowing exactly where to drive. If you cannot see the roadway, be smart and wait for the water to subside. Water and mud can contain unknown

hazards hidden under the surface-rocks or other debris, like plant material and tree branches. **CLOSURES MAY BE NEEDED** When CDOT determines that a road must be closed, the decision is made to protect everyone,

including motorists and response crews. The need

for some closures is obvious – mudslides cover the

highway or large boulders tumble onto the road.

But some closures may also be needed for an area

that appears to be less impacted or less obvious of the required shut-down. The I-70 mountain corridor is a prime example: some sections of the interstate curve through narrow canyons, and the lanes can be divided by concrete barriers or portions of the roadway split with elevated levels. Because of these features, the closure may be needed miles away from the actual incident, so that exits and alternate routes can be accessed. It may also limit the possibilities to turn traffic around. If you are stuck in a closure waiting for a road

to be cleared of mud or rocks, do not leave your car unless absolutely necessary. Never hang out in the grassy median located between lanes. If traffic is moving in the opposite direction, the median can be a hazardous area. Emergency response vehicles and heavy equipment may also need the median area to move about and access the emergency scene.

Lengthy closures on the interstate may also be the result of staged releases. As stopped traffic backs up, creating long lines, traffic will be let go in stages, allowing traffic queues ahead to clear, before releasing more traffic.





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Valley News

Heredia charged with tampering

STAFF REPORT ALAMOSA- School board president Elias (Eli) Heredia has been charged with second degree criminal tampering in an alleged incident with fellow school board member Katrina Brown.

The tampering charge was issued based on Heredia allegedly removing Brown's keys from her vehicle in the City Market parking lot on July 6. Brown said the keys were eventually

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

Heredia's statement to the Alamosa Police Department concerning the key incident said, "ah I just did it to be an ass." Surveillance video from City Market clearly showed Heredia in the vicinity of Brown's car according to the police report.

Citing the key tam-

pering and a claim of an alleged incident involving she and Heredia at a Denver hotel in late February, Brown filed for and received a restraining order from Alamosa County Court. She has requested a permanent restraining order which will be heard on August 10.

Stipulations in the restraining order allow Heredia to have contact with Brown on official school board business.

Brown said the first incident occurred in Denver on Feb. 27, 2020 as she, Heredia and Superintendent Rob Alejo were attending a legislative meeting for the Colorado Association of School Boards. She posted her feelings about the incident on Facebook.

This comes as Alejo faces felony assault charges from an unrelated incident that occurred just over a





Elias (Eli) Heredia (left) faces second degree criminal tampering charges in an alleged incident with fellow school board member Katrina Brown (right).

Denver Public Schools included in lawsuit attempting to block education secretary's federal aid rule

DENVER - Denver Public Schools (DPS) is a plaintiff in a lawsuit filed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and other groups against the U.S. Department of Education and Secretary

The NAACP announced the lawsuit after DeVos issued a directive requiring some \$13 billion in COVID-19 educational relief funds included in the federal CARES Act to go to private schools, a rule the civil rights group says "imposes illegal and harmful requirements" on federal funding for public schools.

The Education Department, which issued the Interim Final Rule toward the end of June, argued that private schools in low-income areas are "under great financial strain" from the COVID-19 pan-

"There is nothing in the law Congress passed that would allow districts to discriminate against children and teachers based on private school attendance and employment. In this new rule, we recognized that CARES Act programs are not Title I programs," De-Vos said in a June 25

statement. "There is no reasonable explanation for debating the use of federal funding to serve both public and private K-12 students when federal funding, including CARES Act funding, flows to both public and private higher education institutions."

NAACP, with the Public Funds Public Schools initiative, the Education Law Center, the Southern Poverty Law Center, and the law firm Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, filed the lawsuit in a Washington, D.C. federal

district court arguing that the funding was intended for vulnerable and low-income schools and students.

"In this moment of dire need for America's public schools, the Rule compels public school districts to divert essential CARES Act funds for the benefit of private schools or face unlawful limitations on the way that those funds can be spent in public schools—both in direct contravention of the Act," the lawsuit alleges. "The Rule harms American children and subverts the will of Congress; it cannot stand."

"Amid a national health crisis, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos is robbing public school children of desperately needed relief and diverting it to private schools,' NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson said in a statement. "This is a new low, even for an administration intent on promoting inequality in education."

Pamela Benigno, director of the Education Policy Center at the Independence Institute,

which advocates for school choice policies, said "the current crisis should create a greater number of partnerships for the good of both public and private school children.'

"Under the new binding rule, if DPS does not want to share CARES Act funds with middle-class or more affluent private school children then they should choose the option of not allocating funds to their middle-class or more affluent public schools," she said. "Prob-

East Alamosa Water District participates in **CDOT** project

ALAMOSA — In early July, the Colorado Department of Transportation and Concrete Works of 160 and CO US Highway Highway 17. Upgrades to the intersection include a new traffic signal that will replace stop signs, deteriorating asphalt will be removed and upgraded with concrete pavement, and a new storm sewer system will improve drainage.

The East Alamosa Water and Sanitation District took the opportunity to make upgrades to the sanitary system while the new intersection was being constructed. The improvements to the existing system are necessary due to a previous video assessment of a problematic section with deteriorating lines. The plans for the sanitary system consists of abandoning an existing sanitary sewer line and replacing it with approximately 606 linear feet of 8-inch PVC, four manholes, two service connections, the removal and replacement of one fire hydrant, and the relocation of a 2-inch remote

Coordinating the sanitary system upgrades with the CDOT project Colorado began a project to saves EAWSD a considimprove the intersection of erable amount of money. A large portion of the excavation, traffic control, and infrastructure costs will not be absorbed by EAWSD. And, by replacing the sanitary system lines now, it will ensure a long life for the new lines that will be located under a concrete roadway. Repairs that would have been made in the future to the older line would have been almost impossible and astronomical in cost. RMS Utilities of Alamosa is performing the work for EÂWSD which will have to be done in four stages, moving in and out of the CDOT project each time.

The public is encouraged to sign up for notifications to stay informed. Subscribe to updates by contacting the project hotline phone number at: 970-903-9785 or emailing US160CO17@gmail. com. Additional information can be found on the website: www.codot. gov/projects/us160-co17alamosa-intersection.

Chip seal resurfacing set for CO 15 south of Monte Vista

RIO GRANDE COUNTY — CDOT maintenance crews will perform chip seal resurfacing operations on CO Highway 15 south of Monte Vista next week. This three day project is expected to take place Tuesday through Friday, July 28 - 30. The work zone is approximately five miles south of Monte Vista, between mile

TRAFFIC IMPACTS

Tuesday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., motorists will encounter one-lane alternating traffic with lane shifts and brief stops, guided by flagging personnel. A speed reduction will be in place. Travelers driving through chip seal surface treatment projects are urged to:

Slow down, Higher speeds can cause loose stones to scatter and damage vehicle paint and windshields. Increase distance between vehicles, Space between you and other vehicles will help reduce damage caused

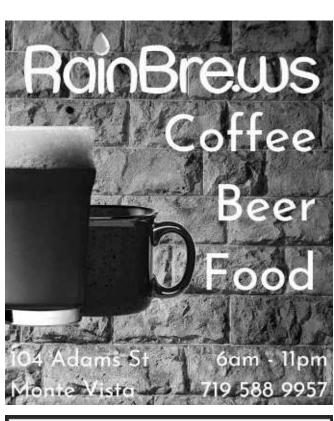
Follow work zone signage, Consider the safety of other motorists and the safety of the work crew when traveling through the project construction zone.

Use caution, Bicyclists and motorcyclists should use extreme caution during chip seal operations. KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Travelers are urged to "know before you go." Gather information about weather forecasts and anticipated ravel impacts and current road conditions prior to hitting the road. CDOT resources include

Road conditions and travel information: www.COtrip.org Sign up for project or travel alerts: bit.ly/COalerts

See scheduled lane closures: codot.gov/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html Connect with us on social media: Twitter @coloradodot and Facebook facebook.com/coloradodot





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Alamosa's Newest

Masks

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However, if the City is made aware of a potential violation or if we receive information from a concerned resident about a potential violation, we will uphold our professional obligation to look into the concern. Our hope is that a simple conversation will help to correct the situation, if a correction is needed. In the case of a potential business not complying with the orders, if this conversation does not fix the compliance issue, the officer can issue a summons to Municipal Court for reckless endangerment. If the situation is

a customer who is refusing

to wear a mask or leave the

business, the officer can $issue\,a\,summons\,for\,either$ reckless endangerment or

trespassing. We cannot stress enough that the issuance of a summons into Municipal Court is the last resort after conversations have failed to correct the noncompliance. This is not what our officers want to be doing and it is not what City Council wants to have officers spend their time on. It is our hope that while it is clear that not everyone agrees with the orders, our community can come together and comply with them so that there is

no need for enforcement.



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Valley Stuff

It started out as a really good week and then...it hit the fan! I had 5 pallets of freight come in on Wednesday. Danielle and my granddaughter, Peyton, were doing their magic on the bad graffiti on the back of my building. (For the record, Peyty and I did the bad spray painting, so she could have more fun being creative). Unbeknownst to me, Peyty had also invited a couple of friends 'to help'.



Willie's family was here from Iowa so he took off to visit the Sand Dunes. And I had quite a few customers coming in. Suddenly...I had a senior moment, and couldn't remember where my little yellow truck was parked—because it wasn't in front of the store. I was on the forklift, so

I backed up

to the north,

and then to

Ruthie Brown

truck—she hadn't.

the south and then to **Valley Stuff** the back of the building. No yellow truck. I then called my daughter Melissa and accused her of hiding my beloved

In disbelief, I called Dispatch and reported my truck stolen! And then I called Larry, still in disbelief! Right in front of the store... how could this happen? To make a long story short, we found my truck at the Gomez Cemetery outside of Capulin on Thursday evening. Who would steal a very bright yellow truck? Peyton and her mom have spent hours reviewing security cameras and asking all of our neighbors with cameras to do the same. We will be posting pictures of a young couple that may have information about the theft, as they kept walking back and forth in front of the Green Spot. Please

be looking for the pictures next week, and

 ${
m help}$ us identify them so we can talk to them.

The hardest part of identifying them is...they are wearing masks!! Talk about a criminal's little piece of heaven! They can wear masks and caps and sunglasses and even gloves...come in and rob you, and you will have no idea who they are! I certainly feel the pain of any police officer who is trying to solve a crime during these impossible times! But...word 'on the street' is we are needing our police to give tickets to restaurant owners because of folks not wearing masks. And help me, Jesus, that the ketchup bottle might not be cleaned with the proper solution---or the salt and pepper is in shakers instead of disposable packets. When did it not become MY personal responsibility on whether or not I want to eat at said restaurants? Can't I just go to another establishment up the street if I don't feel safe? When did it become okay to call in ${
m ANONYMOUSLY}$ and make a complaint? Shouldn't any restaurant/business have the

right to face their accuser? I want the police to be able to do their jobs. Things like traffic violations, robberies, assaults, graffiti, even murders! Are the people at the very top of the food chain out of control? That's what I'm hearing 'on the

This thievery makes me sick! The home-

less camp with all the improvements makes

Folks getting reimbursed for meals they didn't have to pay for, makes me ill (Alamosa School District). An extra \$600.00 a week in unemployment benefits is NOT fair! This makes me want to give myself a paycheck, then let me go, and then I will

And then a friend tells me about a \$2400.00 biweekly job with the City of Alamosa as a Temporary Site Manager for Homeless Isolation/Quarantine Housing with a BONUS \$3000.00 for completing the duration of the temporary position. I guess that equals \$5000.00 a month plus!

Maybe I should apply, right? I'm sure I would be good at the job, no doubt about it! Anyone wanting to buy a Garden Center? Meanwhile, now is a great time to be redoing your gardens, if you have nothing

else to do. I dug up a pretty sizeable pile of Hops rhizomes on Thursday and took them down to the Colorado Farm Brewery. I hope they plant them, and then... when they grow...a beer is named after me. Something like the Royal Heinous

Queen of LODA Ale—kind of catchy don't you think?

Go out and take a picture of your vehicle, and items in your yard so that when they are stolen you have a reference. When folks are walking by your home, concentrate (I'm very bad at this) and notice the little things—tattoos, earrings, haircuts, etc. Meet your neighbors—have them keep an eye on your place, and you keep an eye on their place. If you have different vehicles in your neighborhood, write down the license plates.

Being robbed is very, very violating!

One last thing....watch your cabbages, broccolietc., for cabbage loopers!! They can devour a plant overnight! BT, BT, BT is



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The Colcha Stitch

This week's feature explores the history of the colcha stitch and its lasting impact on San Luis Valley art. Taos' Hardwood Museum of Art launched the "Embroidered History: Colchas and the Stitch that Defined a Region" exhibit on June 2, 2019.

The exhibit describes: "Spanning continents and centuries, the Northern New Mexican colcha is a journey of craft, culture, and geopolitics that is

defined by the hands of New Mexican women. Colchas are embroidered textiles or blankets whose origins have been traced as far back as the 16th century when New Mexico was New Spain, and expeditions packed with Ibe-

rian textiles were making their way up the Rio Grande Valley.'

The colcha stitch was birthed directly

from the region's geography. The exhibit explains: "The landscape of the Espanola valley and its outer reaches was once filled with churro sheep. The wool of the churro lent itself to embroidery with its long straight fibers low in lanolin. Colchas were exported at high prices across New Spain and celebrated on altars of chapels in area villages.'

The evolution of the colcha stitch demonstrates the resilience of New Mexican women, as westward expansion changed both the landscape and commerce. The exhibit confirms: "The introduction of commercial yardage and yarns influenced the styles and compositions as well. Always being located at the farthest reaches, northern New Mexican women had to be resourceful and the colcha tradition was further defined by utilizing scrap materials and recycled textiles.

The "Embroidered History: Colchas and the Stitch that Defined a Region" exhibit closed on Feb. 2, 3030, but folks can still find info and photos on their ${
m website}.$

Colcha embroidery has been such a distinctive feature of the region, the Colorado State Capitol displays a colcha tapestry. The Colorado State Capitol website states: "A nine-foot by twelvefoot tapestry in the Colorado State Capitol honors the women who were integral in the settlement and development of Colorado.

The Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area, located in Gardner, CO documents the region's history, folktales, and art. A history of colcha stitching is featured on their website and describes $the \, Colorado \, Capitol \, tapestry: ``One \, of \, the$ women depicted is Genoveva Gallegos-Salazar, from San Luis.

"She is in a red Spanish Artists and dress with a black veil, stand-History of the ing by a river. Genoveva was San Luis Valley the daughter of Don Dario Gallegos who established first mercantile business in Colo-**Meg Colwell** rado. He also assisted with

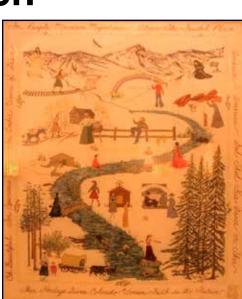
> the building of the San Luis People's Ditch in 1852, and helped establish the first water rights in Colorado."

> Like most weaving and embroidery, the artwork documented history—personal and regional events, a person's memories, etc. This storytelling tradition is still being carried on today by regional artists.

> In 2019, the National Endowment for the Arts awarded Josephine Lobato of Westminster, CO, a National Heritage Fellowship. On the NEA's 'Fellowships by Year' webpage, Suzanne P. MacAulay, Ph.D., Folklorist writes: "For more than 30 years, Josephine Lobato has created embroidered renditions of cultural memories, enactments, and

folk histories. "Her tenacity and passion have sustained her as the sole Colorado practitioner of Spanish colonial style needlework known as colcha embroidery. Lobato inventively uses only one stitch, the Colcha stitch, a couching stitch (one of the oldest stitches in the world) associated with the settler culture of the Southwest to create pictorial narratives about Hispanic life in the San Luis Val-

ley in southcentral Colorado." I am interested to see how many artists of today use or know of the colcha stitch. If you have colcha-embroidery pieces or knowledge, send them in to lcole31027@gmail.com! In the Subject line, write 'Colcha' and include your



Courtesy of Colorado State Capitol Women's Gold Wall Hanging,



J. Lobato, taken by Carol S. Dass

This article was informed by the following online sources:

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Every nine seconds

TBI caused when his brain was starved

of oxygen during a heart attack. She

notes. "Damage to specific areas of the

brain, including the frontal and tem-

poral lobes, amygdala, and

hippocampus might leave

"Every 9 seconds someone in the United States sustains a brain injury. That adds up to 3.5 million people each year. Brain injuries range from mild to

moderate to severe. Every injury is different, but when your brain is injured, it can affect everything: your ability to speak, focus, remember, and relate to other people.' Brainline.org

Chances grow every day that someone you meet, or love has faced a traumatic brain injury (TBI). The changes can be subtle or drastic. For two decades, my aunt, a nurse was assigned to the psychiatric floor of the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. When a boyfriend, an EMT, suf-

fered a TBI as his ambulance slammed into an unmarked railroad car stalled across Highway 6 in Texas, he suffered. As a human projectile inside the ambulance, he bore severe head injury. His head swelled so much that, days later, I could hardly recognize him. My aunt warned me that as he recovers, I might notice personality changes that might be a softer, more loving personality or it could turn dark and be more aggressive. Her experience had born those two scenarios out.

Another survivor of TBI recently told me that fatigue, confusion and not being able to find the right words was hard to navigate as was the relentless headaches and feeling like everyone was out to get you.

In 2012, a nurse wrote in Psychology

Nelda Curtiss

unsteadiness and headaches.

further harm the brain. Statistically, TBI survivors are more likely to follow the urge to self-medicate with drugs

Places like the PsychoNeuroPlasticity (pnpcenter.com) Center in Texas can assess and treat issues around brain trauma including open and closed brain injuries and substance abuse damages to the brain by beginning with functional MRIs. The Brain Injury Alliance (biacolorado.org) in Boulder, Colorado also offers education, classes, and resources for doctors helping patients or survivors advocating for themselves. Craig Hospital (craighospital.org) advertises for early treatment from

As a former journalist, and retired college professor, I've learned that modern medicine and Functional MRI's can be the key to equipping survivors with knowledge about their brain's health and the correct treatment plan needed to stabilize and for support during the recovery--healing that may be ongoing for years. Write me at columnsbynellie@ gmail.com to share your personal story

From a personal standpoint, the recovery might be dealing with stubbornness and always insisting that "I can take care of myself." Sometimes it's about keeping a regular schedule of medicine as opposed to dismissing medicine as useless.

Sometimes the hurdles to recovery are appreciating just what happened inside the organ called the brain.

Sometimes it's about not being able to decide between what to wear or eat or to discern a friend's conversation from background noises. Whatever the situation, reach out for help.

Movin' On the survivor vulnerable to agitation, volatile emotions, memory impairment, verbal with Nellie attacks, physical aggression, and impaired impulse Behavioral Challenges and Brain Injury, linked on Brainline, reports that

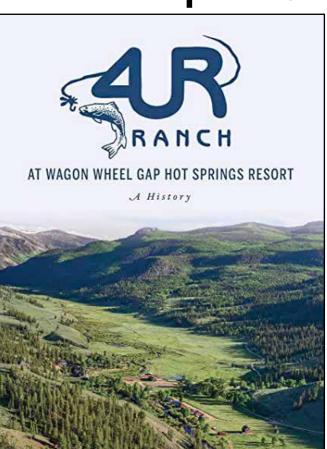
survivors may experience various behaviors "even several weeks, months, or more after a blow to the head." Some documented behaviors even after five years may include attention problems; tiredness; impulsiveness, ir-

ritability; frustration; temper and mood changes. The survivor may also experience learning and memory problems; difficulty planning and problem-solving; less flexibility and more concrete thinking; little initiative; communication difficulties; inappropriate behaviors; self-centeredness and lack of insight; These and other experts enlighten us that medical intervention is needed

for the successful recovery and for the healthy workings of families and friendships. Medical help may include brain functioning experts, psychological and psychiatric involvements in learning, cognitive and thought processes. Sometimes part of the impulse control can be addictive behaviors. Experts in recovery Today about her husband's recovery from tell us that drugs and alcohol abuse

Lifestyle

4UR Ranch topic of newly published book



SANDRA WAGNER

published book detailing the history of the 4UR Ranch at Wagon Wheel, just south of here, hit bookstore shelves and on Amazon on July 6.

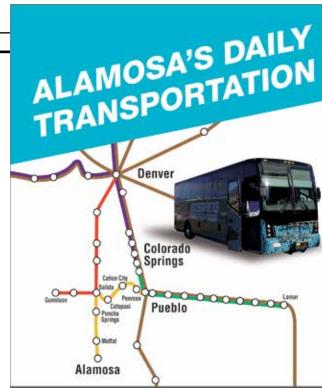
4UR Ranch at Wagon Wheel Hot Springs Resort: A History" was written by Adams State University teacher Sandra Wagner, with contributions by ranch owners Pete and Lindsey Leavell, and was published by Arcadia Publishing, Inc. based in South Carolina. Arcadia is the "nation's leading publisher of books of local history and local interest."

According to a press release, Native Americans used the healing waters of the Wagon Wheel Gap hot springs for thousands of years prior to American settlement. An area rich in geologic features enticed pre-treaty explorers.

But it was the 1873 Brunot Treaty that brought mining interests and a silver boom to the San Juans. Modernization to a first-class resort followed on more than 3,000 acres with six miles of world-class fishing that has attracted illustrious guests such as Walt Disney, John Wayne and Dwight Eisenhower.

Follow the history of this century-old ranch, including its various owners, from its infancy through to the establishment of the surrounding exclusive community. The 4UR Ranch has been in the Leavell family for more than 40 years.

Now with the fourth generation contributing, the Leavells hope to be welcoming guests for many years to come and continue their stewardship of this extraordinary valley.







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Lifestyles

Employees of the quarter

meeting Wednesday. The employees are nominated

by a colleague or their manager for going above and

ALAMOSA — Alamosa County Commissioners acknowledged the employees of the quarter at the Board



Human Services: Manager Catherine Salazar holding the certificate for Michell Lopez with Pauline Olivias & Karen Montoya



Road & Bridge: Kenny Yohn & Kevin Ruiz with their manager Albert DeHerrera

beyond their scope of work or an act of kindness. Each employee will receive a paid day off.



Airport: Jessica Taylor with her manager Will Hickman



Public Health: Eduardo Gonzales & Della Cox-Vieira



Sheriff: Victim Advocate Reyna Martinez-Ramirez

Little Treasures renovation

Treasures Preschool in La Jara has recently completed a two-year, \$185,000 playground renovation thanks to the support of the Buell Foundation, Healthy Child Care Colorado, the El Pomar Foundation, the Conejos County community, and the families of

Little Treasures. The new playground includes two large play structures with a barn theme, swings, horse spring riders, a spinner, two farm-themed

slice stepping stones all surrounded by safety surfacing. Covered sandboxes were built and donated by Centauri High School's SkillsUSA program.

As the preschool plans to open on August 25th for in-school instruction, having a new, high-quality outdoor space for children will be invaluable in helping keep children safe. Little Treasures is accepting student applications for the 2020-2021school year on their web site at www.littletreasurespre.com.







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Home office must-haves

Remote work has been around for many years, though it certainly picked up steam in 2020. In an effort to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19, in March 2020 government officials implemented stay-at-home measures that mandated many working professionals to begin working from home. That transition occurred seemingly overnight, forcing men and women to find somewhere in their homes to work.

As the dust settled and working professionals grew accustomed to working from home, many recognized the need to have an office in their homes. Various factors can make home offices more conducive to getting work done, and the following are some home office must-haves that can help people be more productive while working from home.

Lighting Lighting is important in a home office. It's easy to overlook natural light, especially for workers who previously worked in offices that did not have windows. But natural light can help save on energy costs and boost mood. In fact, natural light is a valued commodity for people used to working in office settings. A 2018 survey of more than 1,600 workers conducted by the human resources advisory firm Future Workplace found that access to natural light and views of the outdoors were the most sought after attribute of a workplace environment. In addition, 47 percent of workers surveyed admitted they felt tired or very tired from the absence of natural light or a window at their office. When designing their home offices, homeowners should keep this in mind and choose areas of their homes that get ample natural light during a typical workday. Additional lighting



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also will be necessary. Recessed lighting can give an office a sleek look, and lights that can dim can allow workers to adjust their lighting based on how much they need at any given point in the workday.

Quiet

Professionals forced to work at home when social distancing measures were implemented may not have had much quiet, especially for those with young children whose schools were closed. But when designing a home office, homeowners have the chance to make their offices more conducive to concentration. Soundproofing walls may not be necessary, but look for areas of the home that don't get much foot traffic. Kitchens are very popular rooms in many homes, so try to locate your home office away from the kitchen. A spare bedroom upstairs may make for the most ideal home office setting if the home does not

Spare bedrooms come with doors, which can instantly create a sense of quiet when closed. A converted garage also can make for a useful home office, but make sure the room already has cooling and heating and, ideally, windows.

Electrical outlets

Recently built homes tend to be equipped with enough outlets to accommodate our increasingly connected lifestyles. But older homes may need some electrical updates before they can capably accommodate home offices. When updating your electrical, replace existing outlets and fixtures with energy-efficient LED fixtures, which save money and benefit the environment. Before updating the electrical, decide on how you want the office to be laid out so you can have outlets installed where your computer, devices and other items, like a printer and television, will be. This makes it easy to hide cords and give the

office a clean, professional

Home office capabilities became a big priority in 2020. Designing such spaces can be fun and easy. FH208142

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Tips for planting fall vegetables

have a traditional den.

Tending to backyard vegetable gardens can fill many hours of enjoyable downtime in the great outdoors. What's more, the bounty produced by such gardens provides healthy, fresh foods to gardeners and their loved

Although spring and summer are widely seen as the peak of gardening season, the mild temperatures of autumn can be a prime time for planting vegetables as well. Certain late-season treats like carrots, kale, spinach, and turnips can thrive in fall gardens. Many different foods are quick crops that can go from seed to table in about six weeks. When sown in early fall, these vegetables will be ready to put on the table for mid-October feasts. Beets, green onions, broccoli, and cabbages can be planted in late summer

for fall harvest. Gardeners who live in hardiness zones eight through 10 (the southern portion of the United States) can plant fall vegetables as late as December. Many of these plants can tolerate light frost, which may even help sweeten the vegetables.

factors need to be taken into consideration when planning fall vegetable

detritus from summer

A handful of unique • The summertime location of the garden may still be adequate, but be

sure to choose a location that gets eight full hours of sunlight per day. If using an existing garden site, clear out any

plants and any weeds that have sprouted. If you are planting a new garden, remove any turf before tilling the soil.

• Amend the soil with sand, compost, manure fertilizer, and any other nutrients needed depending on the types of vegetables you intend to

• While fall vegetables can be grown successfully from seeds, it may be more time-friendly to work from larger transplants, advises the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension.

• Some plants may need a little protection as they grow if temperatures begin to dip. Cover with a blanket, cardboard box or plastic tunnel to insulate.

Remember to water according to the vegetables planted and to keep an eye on readiness for vegetables. Turnips, beets, rutabagas, and carrots can be dug out when the roots are plump and crisp.

Vegetable gardens need not cease when the last days of summer vanish. Fall produce is delicious and can be easily planted and harvested even after the first frost. FH208154



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Lifestyle

Pandemic Pet-Care Precautions

Although only a small number of companion animals have tested positive for the SARS-CoV-2 virus, pet owners may experience anxiety about the best way to care for their pet amidst a pandemic when stories about confirmed cases in pets begin appearing closer to home, such as those recently reported by the United States Department of Agriculture in Texas. California, South Carolina,

Dr. Deb Zoran, a professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, says that pet owners can maintain a high standard of care for their pets but should be sure to do so while following the appropriate Centers for Disease Control & Prevention guidelines.

and Georgia.

Owners concerned about taking their canine companions on walks or to the dog park should not avoid these activities, provided pet parents practice proper social distancing and follow mask guidelines for themselves.

"To date, there is no evidence that dog-to-dog or dog-to-person transmission of the virus is a likely mechanism for SARS-CoV-2 spread, especially in the outdoor environment, where aerosolization of respiratory droplets (the primary means of coronavirus transmission) must occur repeatedly and in a not dispersed by moving air or by the dogs moving around," Zoran said.

Zoran says that the key is for humans to exercise the proper precautions during these activities, as the few pets that have been infected likely have been infected by their owners.

"Dogs playing together at a dog park are much more likely to share or get infected with more common canine respiratory infections, such as Bordetella, or kennel cough, and canine flu," she

Also key is that if an individual within your household develops CO-VID-19, they should be separated from other humans as well as from pets to prevent infecting them. Pets in close contact with infected individuals have been known to test positive for SARS-CoV-2.

To date, no specific signs of SARS-CoV-2 infection have been described in clinical studies of dogs or cats with COVID-19, since it is uncommon," Zoran said. "But, if a pet living in a household with a COVIDpositive person develops a fever, respiratory signs (sneezing, coughing, runny eyes, nasal discharge) or gastrointestinal upset (vomiting or diarrhea), then the pet should be considered to be possibly infected with the virus, too. In this case,

the pet should be taken to their veterinarian, preferably by a well person or pet sitter living outside of the household.

Owners also should prepare for the well-being of their dog in the event that they themselves are infected. Zoran recommends finding a trusted individual to care for your furry friend while you isolate to protect your pet from infection.

"If a person with CO-VID-19 requires hospital care and has a pet living

one else living in the house to take care of the pet, the pet will have to live in a temporary shelter or veterinary hospital and be quarantined for 14 days," Zoran said. Thus, it is highly advisable that you make plans ahead of time for care of your animals in the event that you or members of your family get sick.

Although caution is paramount in such uncertain times, owners who remain informed and follow appropriate guidelines should feel confident in their ability to continue providing a healthy, full life for their

'At this time, even with newer cases, the role of pets in the transmission of COVID-19 appears to be a

said. "The key is to think about your pet's care and do your best to avoid contact with your pets if you become ill to reduce the likelihood that they will get infected."

Pet owners wishing to stay informed on how to keep their animal and human family safe should consult reputable sources, such as the American Veterinary Medical Association's COVID-19 resources or the CDC's current guidelines.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the web at vetmed.tamu. edu/news/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm. tamu.edu.

Great American Outdoors Act provides essential funds to **Colorado conservation** and recreation

initiatives

CPW is committed to collaborating with conservation stakeholders and recreation partners to help secure a quality outdoor legacy for Colorado.

DENVER- Congress

passed the Great American Outdoors Act and approved \$900 million of annual funds for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to ensure necessary investments are allocated to protect irreplaceable lands and outdoor recreation opportunities in every state. This historic legislation will help direct funds to maintenance projects in Colorado to conserve public lands, waterways and wildlife habitat for future

generations to enjoy. Coloradans have a rich outdoor heritage that involves living life outside and coexisting with wildlife in their natural habitats. In order to ensure that outdoor traditions can be passed down to future generations, Colorado Parks and Wildlife dedicates funds to conservation programs to maintain Colorado's 42 state parks, 350 state wildlife areas, 45,000 miles of trails, and 23 mil-

lion acres of public land. Since 1965, CPW has provided over 1,029 LWCF matching grants totaling more than \$72 million to fund local government, trail and state park investments. CPW recently funded the following park maintenance projects to enhance outdoor recreation opportunities in Colorado:

Heron-Heller/Carpio-Sanguinette Park- Constructing multi-use trails, parking, and a boardwalk on 80-acres of parkland and open space to connect amenities and provide stronger neighborhood connectivity.

Pagosa Regional Trail Project- Construction of 2 miles of trail to help connect existing trails and access to National Forest trailheads, the Rec Center, and local lakes. Bennett Open Space

Trail- Construction of 2 miles of soft-surface pedestrian trail, native plantings, and trail signage within Bennett Regional Park and Open Space.

Ute Pass Regional Trail 1- Construction of a 0.66-

mile section of the Ute

Pass Regional Trail and implementation of the first phase of the 5-mile Ute Pass Regional Trail Master Plan. This project will provide the only nonmotorized connection in the area and connect neighborhoods to the trail and local elementary school.

Fall River Trail- Construction of a 1.1 mile, 10-foot wide concrete trail that will connect the Town of Estes Park with Rocky Mountain National Park.

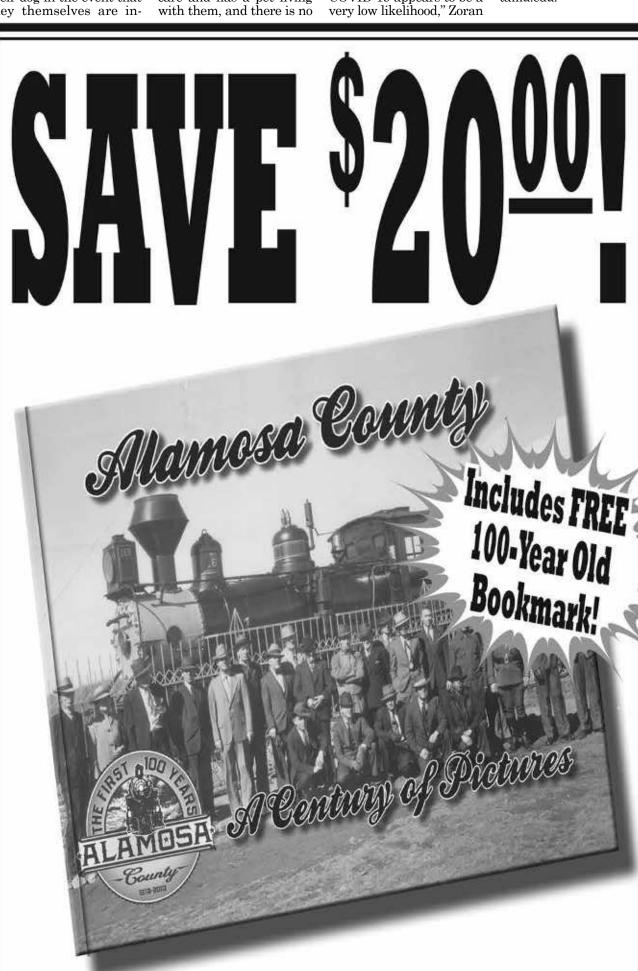
This legislation is a huge win for Colorado because it helps support the outdoor lifestyle we value and pride ourselves on," said Statewide Trails Program Manager Fletcher Jacobs. "These vital funds will provide additional access and recreational opportunities that connect people to the outdoors and protect the landscapes that make Colorado so spectacular."

CPW's conservation teams monitor the everchanging flows of human impact on state lands to better understand how growing populations affect natural resources and wildlife ecosystems. These findings help prioritize what land maintenance or wildlife conservation projects need to be funded.

"We commend Senator Cory Gardner, Senator Michael Bennet, and the other supporting members of the Colorado congressional delegation for their dedication to bringing this bill to fruition and helping secure critical investments to maintain public lands for Coloradans," said Colorado Parks and Wildlife Director Dan Prenzlow. 'As human populations increase, we have to proactively think about human impact on our natural resources and state lands. This legislation is a positive step to ensure human outdoor recreation is balanced with thoughtful conservation efforts.

CPW remains committed to collaborating with statewide conservation stakeholders and recreation partners to help secure a quality park system and successful wildlife legacy for Colorado.

To learn more about CPW's conservation principles and priorities, visit the CPW website.



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Public Notices

Report: annualret! Date: 07/09/20 Rpt #: L	Fund Report - Alamose County 01/01/20 Through 06/30/20									Page: 1	
FUND	BEGLEWING BALANCE	REVENUES	DELINQUENT TAX HISCELLANEOUS & INTEREST		CHECKING ACCT. & INVESTMENTS	OISBURSEMENTS DISBURSEMENTS MISCELLANEOUS	TREASURERS PEES	CHECKING ACCT.		ENDING BALANCE	
COUNTY GENERAL ROAD & BRIDGE SOCIAL SERVICES COUNTY NUMSING SERVICE PUBLIC SAFETY	3,753,076.41							.00	.00	5,600,791.99	
COUNTY GENERAL ROAD 4 BRIDGE SOCIAL SERVICES COUNTY NURSING SERVICE PUBLIC SAFETY	3,845,823.48	151,266.80	24.99	982,160.79	.00	-1.212,061.03	74	.00	.00	3,767,214.29	
COUNTY NURSING SERVICE	1,662,537.56	-00	.00	1, 460, 277.59	.00	-1,888,092,03	.00	-00	.00	2,749,859.06	
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSARY	15,482.67	.00	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	.00	.00	.00	.00		.00	15, 482.67	
MOSCA GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DIST	41, 133,21	-00	.00	.00	-00	.00	00	.00	.00	21,733.27	
MOSCA WASTEWATER SYSTEM	8,868.00	3,370.80	.00	-00	.00	.00 -15,365.89 -6,831.70 -155,000.00 -249,095.92 -236,698.98 -11,501.50	.00		.00	23,358.13 5,407.10	
ALAMOSA COUNTY LOOGING TAX	327,461.50	-00	.00	69,074.94	. 00	-155,000.00	.00	.00	.00	241,536.44	
ALAMOSA LOCAL MARKETING DISTRI TREASURER'S FEES	104,421.34	.00	.00	213 004 16	.00	-249,095.92	.00	.00	.00.	312,305.18	
CONSERVATION TRUST FUND	643,004.72	647.64	.00	32,876.86	.00	-236,698.98 -11,501.50 -7,414.33 -165,273.01 -512,921.49 -1,296,152.28 -412,242.64	.00	.00	.00	221,706.52 565,027,10	
COUNTY RETIREMENT	168,622.03	.00	222.76	.00	,00	-7,414.33	-6.69		.00	161,423.77	
CAPITAL PROJECTS	716 796 46	.00	61.05	201.57	1,936,48	-165, 273.01 -512.921.49	-,10 -1.84		.00	3.23 206,072.23	
HEALTH INSURANCE FUND	209,334.91	.00 .00 488 485 92	17.77	1,099,153.98	.00	-1,296,152.28	53	,00	.00	12,353.85	
CONSERVATION TRUST FUND COUNTY RETIREMENT COUNTY CONTINGENT CAPITAL PROJECTS HEALIH INSURANCE FUND ANGULANCE DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	6,957.84	498,485.92 .00	691.31	32,915.99	.00	-41,2,242.64	-14,646.03		.00	102,162.39	
UNDESTRABLE PLANT MANAGEMENT F	70.69	.00		.00	.00		02	.00	.00	-2.62 70.69	
STATE TAX CLEARING ACCOUNT	-2,934.17	.00	.00	143,997.00	.00	-143,997.00	.00	.00	.00	-2, 934.17	
FEDERAL TAX CLEARING ACCOUNT	46,417.04	-00	00	1, 125, 438.52	.00	-1,125,438.52		.00	.00	46,417.04	
TASC FLEX SYSTEM CLEARING ACCO COORNA CLEARING ACCOUNT AFLAC CLEARING FUND PREPAID TAMES INDIVIDUAL RECEMPTION STATE OF COLORADO MOTOR VEHICLE	-143.78 -39.328.96	-00	.00	143,997.00 1,125,438.52 23,441.26 .00 22,158.96 26,213.32 -327,130.23	.00	-21,639.17 .00	.00	.00	.00	1,658.31 -39,328.96	
AFLAC CLEARING FUND	-3,002.90	.00	.00	22, 158.96	.00	-19,078.72	.00	.00	.00	77.30	
VES CLEARING FUND	7,213.02	.00	.00	26,213.32	.00	-26,213.32	.00	.00	.00	7,213.02	
INDIVIDUAL RECEMPTION	29,377.44	-00	.00	169,071.83	.00	-183, 702, 05	.00	.00	.00	1,279.79	
STATE OF COLORADO	3,029.57	.00	.00	1,224.00	.00	-183,702.06 -1,224.00	.00	.00	.00	3,029.57	
MOTOR VEHICLE	1,568.70	.00	.00	885, 196.84		-885, 196, 84	.00	-00	.00	1,568.70	
		.00	.00 .00 .00 .00	.00 677,545.10	00		-00	.00	.00	20,302.97	
AIRPORT - SAVINGS	158,490.41	.00	.00	403-15	.00	~50,000.00	.00	.00	.00	108,893.56	
AIRPORT FUND AIRPORT - SAVINGS DOPPLER RADAR FUND JUSTICE CENTER	7,593.20	.00	-00	134,708.49	.00		-00	.00	.00	6,122.16	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE11J - GENERA	42,795,21	3,355,045,90	5, 103.36	307,883.57	.00	-1,727,777.39 -3,612,895.59	-8,382.01	.00	.00	3,024,838.86 89,550.44	
SCHOOL DIST RE11J - CAPITAL RE	.00	.00	.00	.00	,00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE11J - B & I	19,934.28 23,016.62	1,534,498.40	2,553.52 1,375.42	108,547.62	.00		.00 -2,372.16	.00	.00	37,361.76	
SCHOOL DIST RE22J - GENERAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RE22J - CAP RE	.00	949,188.89	1,3/3.42	61,663.61				.00	.00	20,439.60	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE22J - B & I	7,877.31				.00	-303, 574, 49	.00	.00	.00	6,162.58	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RESSJ - GENERA SCHOOL DISTRICT RESSJ - CAP RE	3,227.58	306,680.93	676,85 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	18,889.73		-324, 138.73		.00	.00	3,893.00	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RESSS - B & I		93,179,19	.00	5,739.29	.00		00.	.00	.00	.00 1,198.87	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RELJ - GENERAL	1,003.38 220.28 .00	15,507.45	.00	1,673.47	.00	-17,038.35	-38.68	.00	.00	324.17	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RELJ - CAP RES SCHOOL DISTRICT RELJ - 8 4 I	381.02 126.28	00.00	.00	492.92	.00		.00	.00	.00	.00	
SCHOOL DISTRICT BEGJ - GENERAL	126.28	11,780.78	.00	715.37	.00		-29.42	.00	.00	181.77	
SCHOOL DISTRICT REGJ - CAP RES	126.28 .00 63.38 42.99	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE6J - B 4 I SCHOOL DISTRICT RE26J - GENERA	63,38	4,432.20 3,974.84	.00	284.09 250.61	.00	-4,723.08 -4,209.75	.00 -9.94	.00	.00	56.59	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE26J - CAP RE	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	48.75	
SCHOOL DISTRICT RE26J - B & I	10.21	1,404.00		59.13			.00	.00	.00	17.81	
MOSQUITO CONTROL RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION	5,494.06 5,365.70	451,798.08 367,677.83	234.09 535.84 48.01	30,498.97 24,743.75		-359,055.69 -311,205.06	-13,544.73 -11,023.93	.00	.00	76,094.13	
SLV WATER CONSERVATION DIST.	981.21	68,311.24	48.01	4,512,43	.00	-57,423.98	-2,048.17	-00	.00	14,440.74	
ALAMOSA - LA JARA WATER CONS.	12.65	1,132.97	-100	13.51	.00	-1,100.28	-34.00		.00	84.85	
OTHER INCOME EAST ALAMOSA WATER & SANITATIO	.00 755.89	.00 60,268.89		.00 5.582.67	.00		.00	.00	.00	15,410.19	
GRA TALYARITANA	.00	243,458.37		.00	.00	-229,861.14	.00	-00	.00	13,594.23	
WAVERLY DRAINAGE	.00	31,913.64	-00	.00	-00	-26,905.50	.00		.00	5,008.14	
CARMEL DRAINAGE RIO GRANDE SUBDISTRICT 1	.00	1,021.10		.00		-1,020.72 -1,147,773.12	-13,114.49	.00	.00	152,064.39	
RIO GRANDE SUBDISTRICT 2	.00	89,952.62	.00	.00	.00	-89,107.03	-651.22	-00	.00	194.37	
RIO GRANDE SUBDISTRICT 6 CITY OF ALAMOSA	.00	403,006.71 556,501.80		.00		-338,989.10	-3,124.59	-00	.00	60,893.02	
TOWN OF HOOPER	355,207.15	5,649.68	.30	2,049,793.40 5,113.47	.00	-2,492,858.39 -11,142.18	-10,587.98 -112.84	.00	.00	1,810.21	
ALAMOSA FIRE	1,794.65	428,359.05	1,132.98	35, 146, 13	.00	-393,382.47	-12,462.05	.00	.00	66,588.49	
CENTER FIRE	112.27	10,457,12	.00	642.96	.00	-10,299.76	-313.72	.00	.00	599.87	
NORTHWEST CONEJOS FIRE ALAMOSA WEED CONTROL	111,17	10,127,15	.00	882.34 4,148.43	.00	-8,255.68 .00	-303.8G	.00	.00	2,560.18 188.821.47	
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	561,071.40	85,906.06		98,749,92	.00	-119.921.96	-00		.00	625,802.42	
DEER VALLEY MEADOWS INP TRUST	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	,00	
ADVERTISING FACILITIES EXPANSION FUND	.00	.00		.00	.00	.00		.00	.00	.00	
LEASE SERVICING FUND	.00	.00	.00	- 00	.00	.00		.00	.00	.00	
DEBT SERVICE	478,876.28	34,362,37	64.85	1,677,759.80	.00	-410, 154, 92	.00	- 00	.00	1,780,908.38	
PUBLIC TRUSTEE TRUST & AGENCY CLEARING ACCOUNT FUND	17,601.42 6,470.19	.00		155,902.48	.00	-14,247.62 .00		.00	.00	160,256.48	
TREASURER CLEARING ACCOUNT .	-69,864,39	.00		128,228,35	.00	-128,228,35		.00	.00	6,470.19	
REDEMPTION CLEARING FUND	3,608.46	.00	.00	00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	3,608.46	
INTERNAL SERVICES FUND TREASURER DEEDS FUND	244,162.60 14,517.18	,00	.00	3,800.00	.00		.00	.00	.00	174,242.59	
		.00		37.300.13	.00	-20,953.22	.00	-00	,00	14,626.58	

I, Any McKinley, County Treasurer in and for the county of Alamosa in the State of Colorado, hereby certify that the above is a true statement of the condition of the various funds they appear from the records in my office at the close of busine on 06/30/20

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19,984,688.98



Grand Totals

Attorney

No. 1558 Published in the Valley Courier on July 25, 2020.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the Alamosa Board of County Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 8:30 AM, Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Minor Subdivision submitted by Kathy Johnson for Crowder Living Trust

37 North, Range 9 East, N.M.P.M., being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 27; thence North 363 feet; thence East 240 feet; thence South 363 feet; thence West 240 feet, more or less to the True Pont of Beginning, in Alamosa County, Colorado and Tract 1, Crowder Subdivision the Plat of which was filed December 8, 1978, under Reception No. 200699 of the Alamosa County, Colorado records, in Alamosa County, Colo-

Open Meetings Law, you may participate by teleconference or Zoom. The teleconference number is 605-313-6288 and the access code 433756#. The Zoom Meeting ID is: 270-314-6874. Accessibility may be limited due to network capacity. Comments may also be submitted by email to landuse@alamosacounty.org before 4:30 PM on August 12, 2020.

Published in the Valley Courier July 25, 2020

hearings in Colorado regarding the Housing Credit Qualified Allocation Plan (the Plan) for the year 2021. The purpose of these hearings is to receive input on the Plan and to discuss proposed changes to the Plan for the upcoming year.

3:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams www.chfainfo.com/QAP-hearing

The second hearing will be on Wednesday, August 26, 2020, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams www.chfainfo.com/QAP-

If you are unable to attend any of these hearings, written comments will be accepted through November 1, 2020, and should be submitted via this link: https://chfa.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/ SV 3n42RT4e9AO8H2J

criminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or any other protected classification under federal, state, or local law. Requests for reasonable accommodations, the provision of auxiliary aids, or any complaints alleging violation of this nondiscrimination policy should be directed to the Nondiscrimination Coordinator at 800.877.2432, TDD/TTY 800.659.2656, CHFA 1981 Blake Street, Denver CO 80202-1272, available weekdays 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

mosa Board of County Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 8:30 AM, Alamosa County Services Center, 8900

Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of consid-

ering an application for a Minor Subdivision submitted by Jose De Jesus Juarez and Flor Mireya Juarez.

The legal description of the property is: Tract 2 as shown on the Marcelo Juarez Division of Land, the Plat of

which was recorded October 7, 1993 under Reception No. 265626 in

the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Alamosa County, Colorado, in Alamosa County, Colorado.

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, in person attendance will not be

allowed in order to protect the public. In compliance with Colorado Open Meetings Law, you may participate by teleconference or Zoom.

The teleconference number is 605-313-6288 and the access code

433756#. The Zoom Meeting ID is: 270-314-6874. Accessibility may be limited due to network capacity. Comments may also be submitted

by email to landuse@alamosacounty.org before 4:30 PM on June 9,

Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in

Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular of-

BOARD OF ALAMOSA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

the Alamosa County Land

MICHAEL YOHN, CHAIRMAN ATTEST: MELANIE WOODWARD CLERK OF THE BOARD

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The applicant is proposing to subdivide to make 4 tracts

mosa Board of County Commissioners will be held on Wednesday Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Minor Subdivision submitted by Julie Mitchel for Mitchel Ag Production, FLP The applicant is proposing to separate the home from the farm quar-

The legal description of the property is:
Tract 1 of the Steffens Potato Storage Division, according to the plat
filled October 23, 2008 at Reception No. 336642, County of Alamosa,
State of Colorado, and being located in the NE1/4 of Section 18,
Township 39 North, Range 9 East, N.M.P.M.

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, in person attendance will not be allowed in order to protect the public. In compliance with Colorado Open Meetings Law, you may participate by teleconference or Zoom The teleconference number is 605-313-6288 and the access code 433756#. The Zoom Meeting ID is: 270-314-6874. Accessibility may be limited due to network capacity. Comments may also be submitted by email to landuse@alamosacounty.org before 4:30 PM on August Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in

the Alamosa County Land Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular of-

BOARD OF ALAMOSA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CLERK OF THE BOARD

MICHAEL YOHN, CHAIRMAN ATTEST: MELANIE WOODWARD

099 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

FREE CERTI-FIED NURSE AIDE COURSE: River Valley Inn Nursing Home in Del Norte Colorado is offering a free Certified Nurse Aide Class. This includes our sister Facility in La Jara. Starting Aug. 3, 2020 class will be on Mon/Tues/Weds/ 9-3 in Del Norte. Deadline for applicants is July 28, 2020. Please come in for application, 1335 6th Street, Del Norte CO 81132. 719-657-1105. (RVI is an EOE)(7/28)

112 - BUSINESS **OPPORTUNITIES**

1 STYLIST SALON Alamosa CO good space, rep., retail. Equip & inventory w/purchase. Right person clients stay. 719-580-4307(8/1)

163 **LOST & FOUND**

FOUND RING! DRIV-**ING** range at Cattails Golf Course. Call to identify and claim 719-589-3132.(7/25) LOST A PAIR of men's

black work boots on W. Hwy 160 on way to a fire call. 4/2 approx. 4:30pm west of Budweiser before Del Viento Road. If found please call 719-580-0398. (TFN)

221 **HELP WANTED**

MOUNTAIN RIVER

CREDIT Union is seeking full-time and parttime applicants for Tellers for its Alamosa branch. Ideal candidates will have good general math skills, cash handling and superior customer service experience. Prior Teller experience is desirable but not necessary. Hours: M-F 8-5:30. Please submit a resume with a cover letter to sjones@mountainrivercu.org or call the Alamosa branch at 719-589-2544 and ask for Monica to make an appointment to pick-up an employment application. Equal Opportunity Employer.(8/14)

.00 22,564,917.13

MOUNTAIN VAL-LEY 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. QUALIFICA-TIONS: 1. High school graduate or equivalent. Norte, CO, 81132.(7/25) 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 Tra-

vis Garoutte at PO BOX

127 Saguache, CO 81149

or emailed to garouttet@

more information, please

719-655-0268.(8/14)

HELP WANTED

POLICE CHIEF: THE Town of South Fork is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Chief of Police. The Chief of Police provides oversight of all activities of the Police Department including, but not limited to administration, communication. investigation, patrol, and supervision. The Police Chief also actively participates in routine daily patrol shifts and provides 24 hour on call police coverage for the Town. Qualifications: Colorado POST Certification is required and minimum of five (5) years of supervisory level law enforcement experience for a similar or larger organization, with command level experience preferred. High School graduate or equivalent required and bachelor degree is preferred. Candidate should be able to demonstrate knowledge of police department operations, personnel management, knowledge of best practices in municipal police services, and local government administration. Applicants must be willing to undergo; an Oral Board, Psychological Evaluation, Background Investigation, Drug Testing, and Physical. Salary range is \$48,000 to \$56,000 DOQ. The Town of South Fork offers an attractive benefits package and assigned police vehicle. The application and position information is available at www.colorado.gov/southforkcolorado. Position is open until filled, first review of applications is to begin on August 1, 2020. The

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

Town of South Fork is an Equal Opportunity

Employer.(7/25)

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 valley.k12.co.us. For also available online at call Travis Garoutte at www.riograndecounty. org. (8/12)

Immediate opening in multi-media sales. Experience appreciated.

Send resume to: KCerny@alamosanews.com

Valley Courier

District Court, Costilla County Colorado

304 Main Street / P.O. Box 301 San Luis, CO 81152 719-672-3681 In the Matter of the Estate of: MARIETTA M. NOEL Case Number: 2020PR30020

Tracy J. Jones, #44718 1202 Bergen Pkwy, Ste #206 Evergreen, CO 80439 Phone Number: 303-674-1117 Email: Tracy@JonesLawColorado.com Fax Number: 303-951-8179

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO 15-12-801, C.R.S. 801, C.R.S. NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of MARIETTA M. NOEL, Deceased Case Number 2020PR30020

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to District of COSTILLA County, Colorado on or before November 8,

2020, or the claims may be forever barred. Lance L. Noel Personal Representative 3308 W. Adobe Dam Rd.

Phoenix, AZ 85027 No. 1529 Published in the Valley Courier on July 11, 18, and 25, 2020.

The City of Alamosa is requesting bid proposals for new construction of a 30'x60' storage building and loading dock located at the Alamosa Recycling Center. Bids will be received until July 31, 2020. Specifi cations and invitation to bid package is available through the Public Works Office (719) 589-3361 or on the City website, www. cityofala-

Published in the Valley Courier on July 18, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28, 29, 31.

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)

No. 1557
Published in the Valley Courier on July 25, 29, August 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, and 19, 2020.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the Ala-

Clerk & Record

Filed and held in my office this Z2nd day of July, 2020

132, 126.32 -33, 058, 971.12

The applicant is proposing to reconfigure Tract 1 to include the house well, and remove Home Place House from Sprinkler quarter.
The legal description of the property is:
A tract of land located in the S1/2S1/2SW1/4 of Section 27, Township

Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in the Alamosa County Land Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular of-Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, in person attendance will not be allowed in order to protect the public. In compliance with Colorado

BOARD OF ALAMOSA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MICHAEL YOHN, CHAIRMAN ATTEST: MELANIE WOODWARD CLERK OF THE BOARD

Colorado Housing and Finance Authority Announcement of Public Hearings For the 2021 Housing Credit Qualified Allocation Plan Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA) will hold two public

The first hearing will be held on Monday, August 24, 2020 from 2

practices, the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority does not dis-

Classifieds

221 **HELP WANTED**

seeking to fill the position 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 clerical/secretarial work 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. Rethree pages in length. The job application is available online at http:// www.saguachecountyco.gov/administrationhome. Submit cover letter, job application, and

THE SLV IMMI-GRANT Resource Center is accepting applications for a full-time Immigrant Advocate position. This position requires working with people from a variety of cultures and countries providing legal services surrounding immigration issues. The position also entails working with victims of domestic violence and other crimes. Candidates must possess a Bachelor's degree, must be bilingual in the English and Spanish languages, and have a flexible work schedule, including some weekends. Preferred candidates must have some knowledge and experience in immigration law and issues. Send resume and cover letter to P.O. Box 1534, Alamosa, CO 81101.(7/31)

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ing address: Saguache

County Administration,

P.O. Box 100, Sagua-

che, CO 81149 wmaez@

saguachecounty-co.gov.

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plications are accepted.

MONTE VISTA **SCHOOL** District is accepting applications for an Elementary Paraprofessional. This is a full-time position. For a complete list of desired qualifications and experience, visit the district web site. Monte Vista School District offers a competitive salary and an 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 August 2, 2020, or until the position is filled. For questions contact the District Administration Office

ADAMS STATE UNI-VERSITY 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

at 719-852-5996.(8/4)

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mosa is accepting applications for a fulltime Public Works Administrative Assistant \$14.42 - \$15.15 per hour DOQ. This position will perform moderately complex general characterized by some repetitive and routine tasks for management and professional staff. For a full job description and to apply please visit cityofalamosa.org or City Hall, 300 Hunt Ave. This position is protected by EOE laws. Deadline is August 7, 2020 at 4:00 PM.(8/7)

THE DEL NORTE Jr/Sr High School is accepting applications for a full-time Physical Education Teacher. The position would include Junior High PE classes and High School Strength and Conditioning class. To apply please visit dncsd.org to download the application and submit completed applications to Aaron Horrocks at ahorrocks@ urtigers.co or call (719) 657 - 4040 ext 1001 for more information.(8/14)

DEL NORTE ELE-**MENTARY** School is seeking an energetic, caring candidate to serve as a PARA-ED-UCATOR. 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@urtigers.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 dncsd.org.(8/14)

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

THE ALAMOSA **SCHOOL** District is accepting applications for the following posi-tion at Ortega Middle School: English Teacher. Must possess a Colorado Teachers License. Applications are available online at https:// dist.alamosa.k12.co.us. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until

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ALAMOSA COUNTY SEEKING Veterans Service Officer. Job description, required qualifications, and application found at www. alamosacounty.org.

POTATO HARVEST **TRUCK** driver wanted. Experience necessary. Pay according to experience. Call 719-850-2137.

RIVER VALLEY INN Nursing Home in Del Norte, CO is accepting applications for the Housekeeping Department. If you would like to join our amazing team, please come in or call for more information. 719-657-1105. 1335 6th Street Del Norte CO 81132.(RVI is an EOE) (7/31)

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

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DISTRICT is accepting applications for a High School Volleyball coach. Applications can be downloaded at www. sanfordschools.org. Sanford School is an EOE

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THE NORTH CONE-JOS School District is accepting applications for Centauri High School assistant boys basketball coaches. Applications are available at the Administration Office or can be downloaded at www.northconejos.com. Submit application to Mr. Curt Wilson, Superintendent. Call 274-5174 with questions. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.

THE CITY OF Alamosa is seeking a Temporary Site Manager for Homeless Isolation/ Quarantine Housing \$2,400 bi-weekly and a \$3,000 bonus for completing the duration of the temporary position. For a full job description and to apply visit the cityofalamosa.org. Protected by EOE laws. Open until filled.(8/5)

SANGRE DE CRIS-TO School District is seeking an assistant HS Football coach for the 2020/2021 season. Applications may be downloaded from sdc. schooldesk.net. For more information contact Dave Curtis at 719-378-2321 or 719-588-8185.(8/5)

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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)

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COMMUNITY OUT-REACH ORGA-**NIZER** job opening in Antonito. Please visit https://antonitotogether.org/?page_id=344 for more information. Deadline extended to August 3, 2020.(7/31) Hiring Journeyman electrician full time year round work. Call Mike 719-588-4142.(8/12)

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)

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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/employmentopportunities.html by July 20, 2020, or until the position is filled. For questions contact the District Administration Office at 719-852-5996.

FARM HELP NEED-**ED.** \$20/hr. Must have experience with hay equipment. Call 719-588-0207(TFN-6/27)

HELP WANTED

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 SAGUACHE 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 preemployment drug test.
Applications will be accepted until filled.
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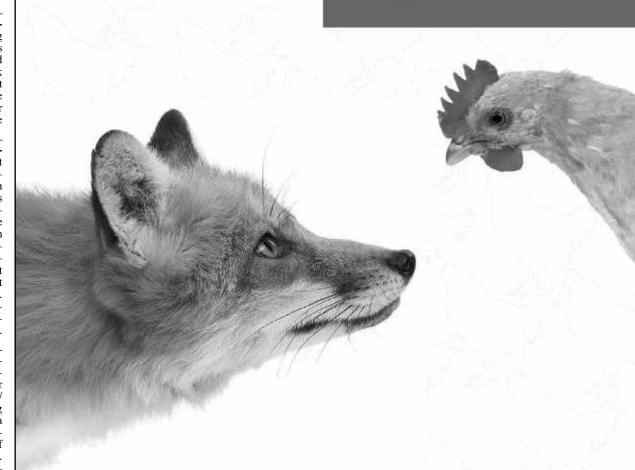
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THE SAN LUIS Valley Local Foods Coalition is seeking a RGFP Program Director to manage and implement Rio Grande Farm Park programs and operations. Job description available at www. slvlocalfoods.org. Please submit Resume and Cover Letter to opportunity.slvlocalfoods@ gmail.com by July 31st. Questions call 719-937-

2319.(7/25) NEED A SECOND IN-COME? child support? Car Repairs? Taxes Due? Earn up to \$800/ month delivering the Valley Courier, Contact Keith at 589-2553. (2/26-TFN)

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341 - GARAGE SALES

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341 - GARAGE SALES

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369 - PETS & **SUPPLIES**

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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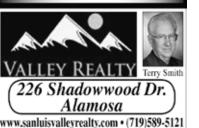
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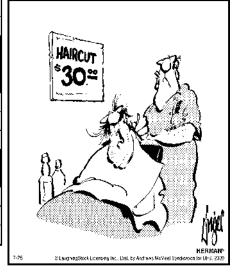
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Girlfriend of 13 years can't get stepmom's attention

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I have had a couple of visits with her, and I'm respectful. She has introduced me as "a friend" of her stepson. I feel it's time to speak up. Do you agree? -- FED UP IN CALI-FORNIA

DEAR FED UP: I am surprised that after all this time your partner hasn't spoken to his stepmother about this. I agree it is time to bring this out into the open, but only if you can curb your resentment and talk calmly with her.

Tell her her omissions have been hurtful and ask why she seems incapable of acknowledging your relationship with her stepson. Once vou have put her on the spot, LISTEN to what she has to say, but resist the urge to strike out. If you can manage that, you will have not only learned something impor-

tant about her, but you will also have kept your dignity. DEAR ABBY: People often stress out over the stuff that goes on in daily life and don't seem to know how to

know either, because I stress

out more than most of the do I let people know that I am

DEAR ABBY: I live with people I know. Do you have my significant other. We any advice on some things I can do to stress less? --TRYING TO COPE IN THE SOUTH

DEAR TRYING TO COPE: Several things come to mind. Make it your business to get out of the house and walk every day for at least 30 minutes. I find it has helped me to put things into perspective. Look online for some simple meditations and breathing exercises, which

can also help to relax you. If you drink, do so only in moderation. Remember, alcohol can be a depressive and make you feel tired and down. When you are feeling overwhelmed, recite the Serenity Prayer: "Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference."

And if your stress continues, don't suffer in silence -- discuss it with close friends and family, and if necessary, your doctor.

DEAR ABBY: I was a girl, then a young lady, next a mother and now a grandmother. I was never a "guy" until the last 10 years, when waitstaff and salespersons began calling me that when I am with my husband. Examples: "How are you guys tonight?" and "What can I get you guys?" I am not, nor have deal with it. Frankly, I don't I ever been a "guy." Other than baring my breasts, how



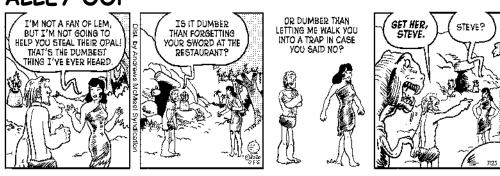
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not a guy and wish to be addressed otherwise? -- CALL ME MA'AM IN FLORIDA DEAR CALL ME: The

servers and sales staff are not intending this as a personal affront. Using the word "guys" to refer to a couple or a group is becoming so common it's now in Webster's dictionary. However, this is a complaint voiced by many of my readers of a certain age, along with not enjoying being addressed as "Sweetie" or "Young Lady."

If it bothered me as much as it does you, I would quietly take it up with the manager or supervisor, and suggest that because it is annoying, "Sir" and "Ma'am" would be a more suitable substitute for "you guys." You might also prefer to dine in a less casual restaurant or shop in a more exclusive store to see if you are addressed differently.

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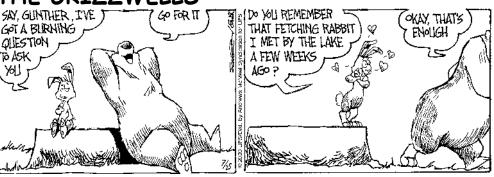
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