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Alamosa BOCC Meeting

ALAMOSA — Alamosa will hold a Board of County Commissioner meeting on July 8, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

You may join in Zoom Meeting 10#270-314-6874 or call in 253-215-8782 or 669-900-6833 and use

Meeting ID# 270-314-6874. Accessibility may be limited due to network capacity.

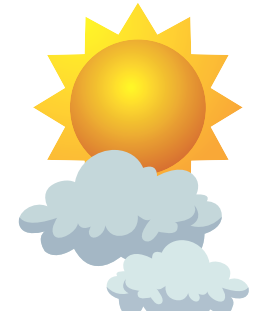
SDC BOE Meeting

MOSCA — The Sangre de Cristo School Board of Education regular monthly meeting will be on Tuesday July 14th, 2020 in the school Library at 8751 Lane 7 North, Mosca CO with an Executive Session from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. and an Open Session starting at 6:30 p.m.

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Two more COVID related deaths

SAN LUIS VALLEY — Alamosa Public Health reported two new fatalities on Tuesday - one a member of a long term facility, bringing the valley cumulative total of COVID-19 related deaths to 10.

Two new cases for the SLV have been reported since Monday: one each from Alamosa and Saguache counties. However, due to a correction in the State reporting system, the Rio Grande County total decreased by 1 case, and a case reported by

Mineral County returned to their home state, so the total number of cumulative cases as of Tuesday night remains at 445, as well 53 known active cases. Thirty-one total people had been hospitalized as of Tuesday, and 382 had completed their isolation period. Numbers are updated weekdays at slvemergency.org/slv-covid-19/.

Testing throughout the region has become more accessible and testing capacity by providers has increased due to the availability of supplies,

technology advances, an increase in trained staff, and outside support. As of July 6th, 2020, the total number of COVID tests administered as reported by providers is 2,753. Several Long Term Care facilities are working towards the capability to do their own testing, and increased testing in some outbreak locations has helped to slow or halt transmission for those workplaces. Testing continues to be one of the main queries by the public as posed to Public Health

and the hospital triage call-lines. Here, we will be providing some clarification on some of the more common questions over the next few days.

How does increasing testing help with the virus?

Testing helps us slow the spread of illness. Testing is a tool to identify who currently has the virus and needs to isolate. It enables Public Health to identify people who may have had contact with them during the

infectious period (contact tracing). Public Health can then advise contacts to either self-quarantine to see if symptoms develop, and/or be tested if testing is available. This is a very important part of the process, given that some infected people never show symptoms but can still pass the virus to others. Without testing, we end up with alternatives like keeping everyone home, which we all agree is not a viable long term solution. ■ See COVID page 3

SLV COVID-19

These cases have been identified by public health agencies as of 5:00 p.m. on July 7, 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.

445 SLV POSITIVE CASES

(New cases: 2 since 7/6)

Alamosa County - 205	(+1)
Conejos County - 19	
Costilla County - 22	
Mineral County - 13	(-1)
Rio Grande County - 81	(-1)
Saguache County - 105	(+1)

53 ACTIVE CASES

(Under isolation guidance)

31 HOSPITALIZED

382 COMPLETED ISOLATION

(+16 since 7/6)

10 DEATHS

(+2 since 7/6)

2,753 TESTS ADMINISTERED

By July 6, 2020

Walk of Unity



Pictured from left Officer Dylan Golden, Jesse Varner, Officer David Pino, Officer Mike Martinez, Michael Mora, Chief Dingfelder

MONTE VISTA — Monte Vista residents and police took part in Walk of Unity to demonstrate to others the unity between police and the communities they serve.

Organizers had the Chief of Police of Monte Vista, George Dingfelder participate as well as Officers Dylan Golden, Michael Martinez, and David

Pino not only showed up but participated as well. The event also saw many members of the community show up with young ones, some in mask some not.

Of the event Michael Mora said, "We demonstrated that no matter what we believe, our employment, our titles we are given, who we vote

for, the pigmentation of our skin, homo or heterosexual; we can stand together as one, together for the greater good of humanity and not create further division between neighbors. It's our community and we will fight to stand United with all of our brothers and sisters. The future of our species depends on it."

Alamosa Farmers Market

ALAMOSA — The Alamosa Farmers' Market welcomes locals and visitors to downtown Alamosa, Saturdays at the corner of 6th and State for the opening day of 2020. The Farmer's Market will be enforcing social distancing and participants

are asked to please wear a mask, limit the number of members of your household coming to the market, and be prepared to be efficient with your time at the market.

From 8 am to 8:30 am the market will cater exclusively to immune-

compromised members of the community. From 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM the market will welcome all other customers.

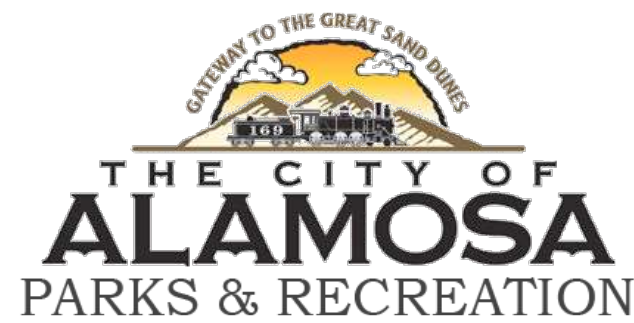
Due to limitations related to Co farm-fresh vendor spacing, vendors will be selling regional farm fresh food products, olive food stuffs, and hygiene items. The market will not be offering live music, kids activities, or food sampling.

The Market accepts debit and credit cards, SNAP, Double Up Food Bucks, and cash. Find out more about Double Up Food Bucks at the market table. Please bring bills smaller than \$20 for the convenience of the vendors. For more information see www.alamosafarmersmarket.org or the Farmers' Market tent on Saturdays.



Alamosa Farmers Market makes preparations for opening on weekends

Parks and Recreation



ALAMOSA — The Alamosa Parks & Recreations summer programs are still open online with a few registration deadlines approaching quickly!

- Sport Programs:
 - Youth Sand Volleyball
 - Youth Baseball/Softball Fundamentals
 - Youth Basketball Fundamentals
 - Adult Softball

For information on registration, deadlines, guidelines, and more, please visit our website today at www.AlamosaRec.org; or contact League Director, Don Mendoza at dmendoza@ci.alamosa.co.us.

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Record

OBITUARIES

Steve Shown



ever want to move again and he had just passed his 25th anniversary of living there.

Steve graduated in Cheyenne, Wyoming in 1975. He worked in tire retreading for many years. Later he became a pastor which was the true calling of his life. He pastored in Monte Vista, Colorado for 18 years. There was nothing he loved more than to preach the word of God. And 7 years after he no longer

could pastor, people still called him Pastor Steve and would come up to him and call him that many of whom he didn't even know.

Steve loved to hunt and target shoot and could hit what he aimed at from a great distance. Fishing was one of his favorite things to do as well as making things from wood. He was very good at carpentry and has made many gifts for the family over the years as well as filling his own home with much of his handiwork. He did very well at handyman jobs and car mechanics also.

Steve married his wife Jo Lynn on July 4, 1991, in Loveland, Colorado, married on Independence Day, symbolic of declaring their freedom from past hurts. They had 5 children between the two of them. They were married 29 years and 1 day when

he passed (he seemed to make sure he didn't die on the anniversary but make sure they made that milestone because he kept hanging on past what anyone expected). They loved each other SO much and one of their trademarks was always trying to dress in the same colors and they received many compliments over the years for doing so.

Steve is survived by his wife, Jo Lynn, mother Bonnie and son Courtney from Monte Vista, Co., son Cory (Valene) and daughter Cary (Tom) from Black Hawk, Co, sons Steven (Tammy) from Spearfish, S. Dakota, Levi (Theresa) from Alamosa, Co. as well as 9 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, brother Merle (Annette) from Apache Junction, Az, sister in law Joan from Lynchburg, Va. and many nieces, nephews,

and cousins. Steve was preceded in death by his brother Dan in March 2015 and father Ben in April 2020. As well as all grandparents and many aunts and uncles. Steve wore hearing aids for 40 years and still struggled even then, but now he can hear! He had gotten to where he could only walk with a walker

but now he's walking everywhere. He wasn't a dancer though his wife tried to get him there but now he's dancing in heaven with all the loved ones gone before! He was a good man who loved his God, his wife, and his family and he will be missed every day but praise God, we will see him again!!

Rose L. Medina



LOS FUERTOS—Rose L. Medina, Los Fuertos, Colo. died on April 6, 2020. A celebration of life mass and barbeque will be held on July 11, 2020. Mass will be begin at 10 a.m. followed by the barbeque.

Her ranch is located at 21549 CR K.5 San Luis, CO. Follow the balloons from San Luis.

This was Rose's Final wish, please come celebrate Rose's life.

Michael "Monster" Anthony Padilla



making them beautiful. His family will miss his cooking, he made the best tortilla soup. Gone too soon but he will never be forgotten.

Survivors include his daughter Rose, Son Mo-

ses, sisters Eva, Carmen and Claudia. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Michael was preceded in death by his mother Rosie Irene Santistevan and his father Michael Cruz Padilla.

Cremation was chosen and a Celebration of his life will be held on Monday, July 13, 2020, at 1:00 PM at the Alamosa Cemetery. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The arrangements have been placed in the care of Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Lorraine "Laura" Jaquez



CHAMA, Colo. — It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Lorraine "Laura" Jaquez on July 2, 2020, at the age of 72.

Lorraine was born on November 15, 1947, in Chama, Colorado to Gilberto and Manuelita (Sanchez) DeHerrera. She is preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Juanito, Wilfred, Arthur DeHerrera, Gilbert Esquibel as well as her grandparents and many aunts and uncles. She is survived by her husband Ted Jaquez, sons Toby and Teddy Jaquez grand-son Christian Jaquez, daughter-in-law Pamela (Apadoca) Jaquez, sever-

al grand-children and her sisters Betty Esquibel, Mercy Gallegos, Theresa Rincon, and sister-in-law Ruth DeHerrera.

Her life was devoted to her family as a daughter, sister, auntie, cousin, mother, grandmother,

and great grandmother. She created a life for her family out of hard work, determination, and LOVE. Those who were blessed to know her knew she was humble, kind, smart, funny, generous, devoted, adventurous, creative, accepting, loving, and most importantly an amazing cook. There were two things you just knew you would get from her when you would visit, that was a good laugh and good food. Working hard at home was just one part of her, she was also very fortunate to work and retire from Parkview Hospital as a housekeeper for over 30 years.

ALAMOSA—Michael "Monster" Anthony Padilla, 41, passed away July 3, 2020. Michael came into the world on July 20, 1978, in Germany, the beloved son of Rosie Santistevan and Michael Cruz Padilla. Michael will always be remembered for his big heart. He was always the first to help anyone in need and was a friend to all. He truly was the real-life version of a teddy bear, always kind and compassionate. He loved working on cars, especially low riders. He loved to restore them and add his special touch to

Jack Gilbert Carmichael 86



Brother Dick Carmi-

MOSCA — Jack Carmichael was born July 17, 1933, in Indianapolis, Indiana to Gilbert William Carmichael and Mildred Imo Sett. Jack was an Army Veteran. Married his wife Mary Lou Carmichael 11 years ago. Survived by his wife Mary Lou Carmichael, Son Jack (Misty) Carmichael, Sister Janice (Bruce) Roberts and

chael. Grandkids are Karley, Paton, Cindy and Kristy Carmichael.

Jack is preceded in death by mother and father, sister Mildred Carmichael, brother Bob Carmichael, daughters Jacklyn Carmichael and Misty Dawn Carmichael.

Cremation was chosen. Service will be held on July 13, 2020, at 1 pm at the Hooper Baptist Church.

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ONGOING VALLEY MEETINGS

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

ALAMOSA—The Alamosa Rotary Club meets every Monday at noon at Juanitos in Alamosa. Contact Dean Swift, 589-3499 or dean@deanswiftseed.com

is becoming a volunteer is welcome. Call Suzi at 719-588-9236.

ALAMOSA — The San Luis Valley Photography Club meets the first Wednesday at the Alamosa Public Library at 6:30 p.m. Contact Stephen Jensen at 379-0001 or slvphotostephen@gmail.com

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

SOUTH FORK — Kiwanis meets every Thursday at 8 a.m. at the Feelin' Good Coffeehouse in South Fork. Contact: Karen Miller, 719-873-5466 or email mkmillermink@aol.com

ALAMOSA — Families Healing Families is a community-based organization that provides support and resources for families affected by the impact of substance abuse. They meet on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center at 92 Rio Grande Ave. (on the north end of Cole Park) in Alamosa.

ALAMOSA — La Leche League of the San Luis Valley holds its monthly meetings on the fourth Saturday at 11 a.m. at Hospice del Valle, 524 Main St. in Alamosa. Pregnant and nursing women are welcome to attend with their children and babies. Please call 587-3657.

ALAMOSA — The Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group meets on the second Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon at the Alamosa Public Library, 300 Hunt Ave. Call the Southern Colorado office at 719-544-5720, ext. 304.

ALAMOSA — Peace Meditation at the Campus Ministry Office, Adam State University, Alamosa, is held on Thursdays at 5:15 p.m. Everyone is invited. Contact Candace Knowlan 805-886-6959.

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

ALAMOSA — TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) CO 568, Alamosa, a non-profit weight loss organization, meets every Tuesday evening at the College Heights Baptist Church at 2035 Church Avenue in Alamosa. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. with an informative meeting at 6:15. Anyone interested in having weight loss support is welcome to attend a free meeting or call Doris at 589-6396 for more information.

ALAMOSA — American Legion Auxiliary Unit #113, Alamosa, holds its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. on the second Wednesday at the American Legion Building at 514 Fourth Street, Alamosa. Call Evelyn Espinola at 719-313-1466 or Alice Robinson at 589-0543.

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

ALAMOSA — Search and Rescue meetings are the fourth Tuesday at the Alamosa County Sheriff Office, 1315 17th St., at 6 p.m. Anyone interested

ALAMOSA — Open drop-in meditation for

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

VALLEY — The San Luis Valley offers many Alcoholics Anonymous groups.

A.A. members' primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

Following are District 3 San Luis Valley AA 12-Step Meetings. The 6th Tradition states that we are not affiliated with any outside organizations, but in the spirit of cooperation, we list these meeting schedules for friends and family. For information, call 719-937-5083.

SUNDAY 5:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Center at 3rd and Edison, Alamosa 7 p.m. Town Hall at 108 W Galena Ave., Crestone

MONDAY 12 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Hall at 607 4th St., Alamosa 5 p.m. Women's Meeting at Masonic Hall, 598 Spruce St., Del Norte

TUESDAY 12 p.m. First Christian Church at 1st and State, Alamosa 8 p.m. Mountain View Presbyterian Church at 2nd and Broadway, Monte Vista

WEDNESDAY 12 p.m. First United Methodist Church at 2005 Mullens, Alamosa

6 p.m. Senior Citizen's Building at 710 Main St., Antonito

6 p.m. Amistad of San Luis at 403 Main St., San Luis

7:15 p.m. RV Park in Blanca 7:30 p.m. Masonic Hall at 598 Spruce, Del Norte. 8 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church at 607 4th St., Alamosa.

THURSDAY 12 p.m. First Christian Church at 1st and State, Alamosa 12 p.m. Crestone Baptist Church, County Rd. T, Crestone

7 p.m. Community Church on Main St., Creede 7:30 p.m. Creative Resource Center at 304 Walnut St., La Jara. 7:30 p.m. Ables/Disables, Baptist Church at 751 Lincoln St., Monte Vista

FRIDAY 7 p.m. Sacred Heart School at 3rd and Edison, Alamosa.

SATURDAY 5:30 pm. at 929 State Ave., Alamosa

6 p.m. Senior Citizen's Building at 710 Main St., Antonito. 8 p.m. Mountain View Presbyterian Church at 2nd and Broadway, Monte Vista

For schedule changes, please contact your group service representative (GSR)

AL-ANON

TUESDAY 8 p.m. 15 Country Club Dr. Monte Vista WEDNESDAY 5:30 p.m. SLV Behavior Health Group at 8745 CR 9S., Alamosa

THURSDAY 5:30 p.m. First Christian Church at 518 1st St., Alamosa 7 p.m. Crestone Town Hall, downtown Crestone (second and fourth Thursdays)

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TUESDAY 7 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 607 4th St., Alamosa 7:30 p.m. Baca Grande

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Valley News

Public health workers face threats, unemployment while fighting virus

NPR's Lulu Garcia-Navarro speaks to Emily Brown, who was fired as director of the Rio Grande County Public Health Department after defying county commissioners over their handling of the pandemic.

much for having me.

LGN: So tell me about your experience. What kind of pressure did you face when this pandemic was underway?

EB: I think the biggest piece was just trying to take in and understand just the onslaught of information that was constantly changing and then trying to take that information and translate it back to our community. And then, as there started to be restrictions put in place at the state level, there was an initial reaction of a lot of support and people coming together. And then as this went along and then especially as different communities and counties across the state started to open back up, there just was this rise of vitriol throughout the community to get back to normal living. And it was extremely intense and scary to navigate at some points.

LGN: Tell me - when you say scary, can you give me an example?

EB: It was really interesting timing that our state public health directors association had held a meeting about a week before I had gotten more personal threats, and our state agency director said that about 80% of the directors that were on this call noted that they had

received some sort of personal threat to themselves or to their property.

LGN: Eighty percent.

EB: It was a huge number. And about a week later, we had seen a picture of the six of our public health directors posted on a Facebook page that was about reopening businesses. And there was threats around firearms and around stringing people up, comments about the fact that we were women or the fact that, just based on what we looked like, we obviously weren't health experts and shouldn't be listened to. But there was so much stress on our system that to be attacked that personally just added to the struggle of trying to go on with the behind-the-scenes pandemic response.

LGN: What happened during the meeting when you were told you were being let go?

EB: I was asked to come into the meeting. I was told things weren't working out and that I either needed to step down or that I would need to be fired. Whenever there's a public health situation, it often gets political, and this pandemic response for coronavirus has just been unprecedented. And I could really see for myself that - from very early on, with

my board of health, what I thought were important steps to take - some of those times that was either uncomfortable or not the direction that our leadership wanted to go. And I kind of say I just finally pushed too hard.

LGN: Are you worried about what you're seeing as a former public health official?

EB: It's very scary. The state of Colorado, over the last several years, has acknowledged how poorly funded the public health infrastructure is nationally and in Colorado. And at the very start of the pandemic - early March - I had some optimism that this would be an opportunity for the broader public to see the value of what public health does and hopefully push for a better system - that we would transform the system. And at this point, I worry that things will be gutted even more and there will be even less willingness to have a strong infrastructure.

LGN: Emily Brown is the former director of the Rio Grande County Public Health Department in rural Colorado. Thank you very much.

EB: Thank you so much.

Alamosa City Council

A business applying for the loan must meet the following criteria:

- Own a small business employing less than 25 employees

- Must have a physical, non-home based, location within the City limits of Alamosa
- Must hold a current Alamosa Business License/Sales Tax License issued prior to March 1, 2020 (If such a license is required for business seeking loan)

- As of March 1, 2020, is current on all sales, use and lodging tax to the city and county of Alamosa

- As of March 1, 2020, is current on all utility payments to the City of Alamosa

- Must agree to sign a document of personal guarantee to return the amount borrowed, in full, per the agreed upon terms or relinquish collateral, in the form of inventory or any agreed upon collateral by the city and borrower
- The business must present documentation of fixed costs that cannot be recovered due to a decline in revenue as a result of COVID-19; summary of any other programs/benefits you have applied for and/or received related to the Covid-19 event or reasoning for declining to apply for available resources available and fitting of your needs.

- Lastly, a business recovery plan summary of expected expenses and projected needs and time frame to return business to near normal operations.

- Applications will be accepted during regular business hours, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F. Application deadline is 5 p.m. on July 13.

For more information, questions

about the program, or assistance with an application, please contact City of Alamosa Economic Development Director Kathy Woods at (719) 587-2546 or by email at

kwoods@ci.alamosa.co.us. You can also download an application at the City's website: cityofalamosa.org/economic-development/local-business-support/.

Small Business Bridge Loan Program

ALAMOSA — City Council recognizes the burden many small businesses are facing as we continue to work through the challenges of the COVID-19 business cuts and closures. The City previously awarded \$98,000 to businesses. It is recognized by City Council that some businesses may not have required assistance during the first round of loans but may find themselves in need at this time, due to the duration of closures and limitations. In response, the City has established a second round of loans at 0% interest, to qualified Alamosa businesses in an effort to help bridge any financial gap experienced as result of this event. This bridge loan is intended to give necessary time to re-establish and stabilize as you regain operations. There will be up to \$100,000 again allotted in this current round of funding. Loans of up to \$20,000, with the average loan awarded expected to be significantly less, would be available for up to an 18-month period. Payments on the loan are accepted, but not required, for the first 12 months of the 18-month loan. Payments will be amortized, as agreed upon between city and business owner, upon individual circumstances. There will be no exceptions for extension of first payment requirement beyond the 12-month loan origination date or last payment of loan beyond the 18-month loan period.

Gunnison Sage-Grouse in Dire Straits as Population Numbers Continue to Decline

The imperiled bird's three-year running average count has hit a historic low, with fewer than 1,600 birds remaining in 2020

DENVER — A new survey of the Gunnison sage-grouse by Colorado Parks and Wildlife shows the imperiled bird's three-year running average count has hit a historic low, with fewer than 1,600 birds remaining in 2020.

"We're watching Gunnison sage-grouse go extinct in real time," said Taylor Jones, endangered species advocate with Wildearth Guardians. "But Colorado is losing something more than just this iconic bird. It is losing ecosystem resilience, habitat stability, and a suite of other values that cannot be recovered."

"The only way to save Gunnison sage-grouse is to immediately suspend further degradation of their habitat," said Erik Molvar, a

wildlife biologist and executive director with Western Watersheds Project. "This means stopping livestock use of Gunnison sage-grouse habitat and denying requests for new housing developments. New oil and gas permits must be denied. Anything less turns us all into accomplices to extinction."

"This is devastating news for the Gunnison sage-grouse, but no one should be shocked," said Clait Braun, Colorado Parks and Wildlife's former Avian Program Manager, who discovered the Gunnison sage-grouse was a separate species in the late 1990s. "Despite the clear downward trend in recent years, Colorado and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have yet to develop robust or meaningful protections for the species. Protecting the species has to be more than a paper exercise justifying business as usual."

In the latest survey, 86% of all remaining sage-grouse were counted in the Gunni-

son Basin subpopulation. However, despite the fate of the species hinging on the survival of this key subpopulation, livestock grazing and housing development continue unchecked, and so-called Gunnison sage-grouse protections have proven ineffective at arresting population declines.

"Clearly the status quo here is devastating these iconic birds," said Ryan Shannon, staff attorney at the Center for Biological Diversity. "If we're to have any hope of saving this species, land managers on both the federal and state level have to stop relying on outdated, ineffective management plans. They need to take immediate action to protect the few surviving grouse."

Sage-grouse are frequently considered an indicator species for sagebrush habitats and the Gunnison sage-grouse's decline spells trouble for other species like mule deer, Brewer's sparrow, and elk, that also rely on sagebrush habitats in Colorado.

COVID

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I was diagnosed with COVID-19, but I feel ok (I am asymptomatic, or I have recovered). When can I go back to work?

If you received a positive COVID-19 test result, it is important to follow the guidelines Public Health gave you when they contacted you to follow up on the test result. Everyone's case is different, depending on exposure, symptom severity and duration, and close contacts. If you have questions, call your local Public Health office.

My employer wants to know when I can come back to work, what can I tell them?

Tell them that you do not have a specific date, but need to stay home at least ten days since getting tested (with a positive test) or since you started feeling sick. This may be extended if you still feel sick after ten days, especially if you have a fever, or if Public Health has recommended you continue to stay home.

I was told to quarantine, but I got tested and the test was negative, can I go back to work?

No, you need to stay home until the full 14 days of quarantine are over.

How long is the turn around between testing and the result?

This depends on where the sample goes to be analyzed. According to local providers, some tests can be run "in house" (locally) and be ready in several hours. Others are shipped

out and can vary from 24 to 48 hours.

If you wish to pursue testing, there are several testing clinics scheduled for July around the Valley. You must call the day before to schedule an appointment:

Tuesday, July 14 from 9-11 at Guadalupe Health Center in Antonito. Call 719-587-2874 on July 13th starting at 8 am to schedule an appointment.

Tuesday, July 21 from 8-11 at Mountain Valley School parking lot in Saguache, need to call 719-587-2901 on July 20th starting at 8 am

You may also contact your primary care provider or one of the numbers listed below to begin the screening process:

For 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, 719-480-8719

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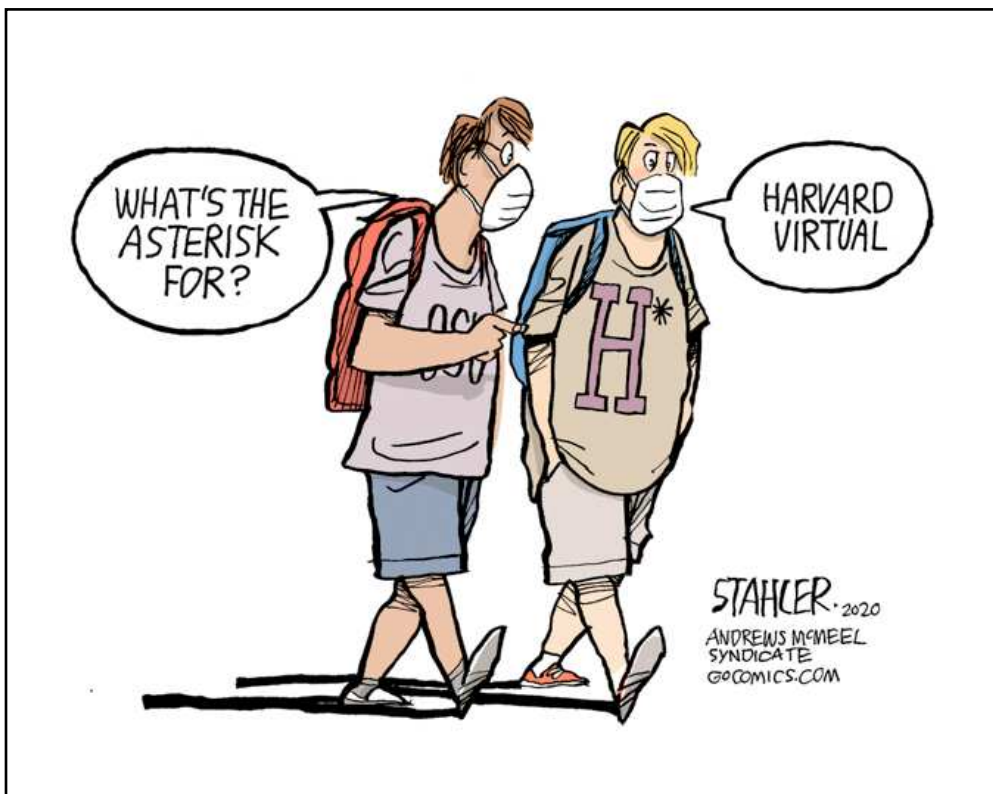
Year-to-date 2020 census data for the San Luis Valley is reported to be at 50 percent response or less for most of our six counties. Why is this a problem?

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Amarah's Corner

Heroin is highly addictive. Hollywood celebrities who have spoken openly about their prior heroin-use shed light on the risks and complications that can occur. Read on to learn about five-additional celebrities who spoke openly about their experiences with heroin:

Courtney Love

She had dabbled with drugs before, but singer and actress Courtney Love says her heroin use became real after a party at Charlie Sheen's house at the urging of a friend. "At some point, Jennifer - who has been very clean for 16 years now - convinced me to shoot-up. 'Come on, everyone's doing it.' So that's when my whole heroin drama began." Love told sobriety blog, The Fix, in 2011.

A few years later, she quit as part of a promise to a boss. "I finally quit in 1996, when I gave my word to [The People vs. Larry Flynt' director] Milos Forman that I would not do any drugs while he was filming that movie," she told The Fix.

Kurt Cobain

Courtney Love's husband and lead singer of rock band Nirvana, Kurt Cobain openly struggled with heroin-use like his wife. In an unreleased 1992 letter to his fans, Cobain detailed his heroin-use.

"So after protein drinks, becoming a vegetarian, exercise, stopping smoking, and doctor after doctor I decided to relieve my pain with small doses of heroine for a whopping 3 whole weeks," he said. "It served as a band-aid for a while but then the pain came back so I quit. It was a stupid thing to do and I'll never do it again and I feel real sorry for anyone who thinks they can use heroin as a medicine because um, duh, it don't work."

Cobain was never able to stop using heroin, and in April 1994, he died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. His autopsy revealed high levels of heroin in his bloodstream at the time of his death.

Tatum O'Neal

As the youngest person to be awarded an Academy Award, Tatum O'Neal grew up in the bright lights of Hollywood stardom. Her father, Ryan O'Neal, was a famous actor and boxer. Her mother, Joanna Moore, was likewise a famous television star. Later in life, O'Neal married tennis legend John McEnroe and had a family. But all of that wasn't enough to keep the allure of drugs away. She began using at an early age. She got clean and started a family, but that wasn't enough to silence the pull of drugs. She lost custody of

her children because of her heroin-use.

"I hated the way I felt inside. I had this exterior life in Hollywood that looked great. Little girls wanted to be me, boys wanted to date me. But I was being treated like the most terrible daughter that ever lived," O'Neal told The New York Times. "All I wanted was my mom, and she wasn't there. So when I finally met John and that didn't work out, I had such a hole in my gut. I didn't know what to fill it with. It was so empty. I kept filling it with heroin, then stopping, then going back. But I got clean. And I did two years of urine-testing, and I did get my kids back, damn it!"

O'Neal was arrested again in 2008 for buying drugs in Manhattan.

Keith Richards

English musician and guitarist for the Rolling Stones, Keith Richards has long been associated with heavy drug use. The band's tours were notorious for free-flowing drugs, and the members were arrested several times over the course of their careers for possession. All of these brushes hasn't stopped Richards, though he did stop using heroin in 1978. In fact, he's quite candid about his heroin-use and the benefits

he thinks came from it.

In an interview with Men's Journal, the magazine asked, "Your book suggests you did heroin because it allowed you to work. I find it hard to believe heroin was part of your Protestant work ethic."

"It was either stay-up-or-crash-out-or-wake-up. It was always to do something," Richards said.

"Also, I've got to confess, I was very interested in what I could take and what I could do. I looked upon the body as a laboratory - I used to throw in this chemical and then that one to see what would happen; I was intrigued by that. What one would work against another; I've got a bit of alchemist in me that way. But all experiments must come to an end." Retrieved from https://www.healthline.com/health/celebrities-heroin-addiction#1

Stay tuned for next week's column, Jerry Moe-Part 1.

Every Kid Like Me needs a Hero. Mr. Erwin Young is my local Hero; Mr. Jerry Moe is my Hero for me and for all Kids Like Me - no matter how old-or-young. Jerry is an adult Kid Like Me and he understands.

You don't want to miss this!

Artists of the San Luis Valley

This week's feature has brought some much-needed hope into my life and hopefully yours. Blake Parsons is an Alamosa native, who left and returned to the Valley. Parsons says: "Coming home to Alamosa saved my life." In his time being home, he has obtained a BFA in

painting and two business minors from Adams State University. After graduating, Parsons opened Valley ART Supply and Gallery, located on 1425 Main St., here in Alamosa.

Parsons says, while he'd always been interested in art, he never really took it seriously until attending ASU in 2014. "I used to draw all the time as a kid and spent a lot of time in high school drawing goofy characters with friends ... I never took it seriously until recently. I had some amazing professors and mentors who helped to fuel my passion for art."

Now, Parsons says: "Painting is my Zen. I truly feel at peace when I paint. It is an amazing feeling, especially in the tumultuous world we're living in today."

"My life was a mess before I came back [to Alamosa]. I had a serious

substance abuse problem and had lost just about everything. I am so blessed to have the support of an amazing family and wonderful friends; but I believe art has played a huge part in my recovery, as well.

"My art is an escape from this crazy world. Painting is spiritual for me ... I really do believe painting has played a huge part in my sobriety. I love sharing my work, but if no one could ever see another one of my paintings, I would continue to paint."

Parsons sees art as an outlet for everyone, not just himself. "My paintings don't have a deep political message or anything, but I feel like sometimes people need a break from the information dumped on them 24-hours a day, by TV and social media."

"I hope that when people look at my paintings, it gives them a chance to just be, even if it is only for a few seconds."

Parsons' vulnerability comes across in his work and knowing his backstory makes it all the more engaging to me. What's more, I appreciate Parsons open mind and willingness to grow. After all, an artist with an ego is an artist with a short career.

Parsons said: "I have grown in many ways, but I also have so much to learn. I have only been painting for five years, so I don't try to pretend I'm some kind of master painter. I love to paint with other artists and learn from them. The Valley has some amazing artists and they have always been willing to share their knowledge and experience with me."

Parsons plans to show his appreciation of the art community's support, by featuring their work in his gallery. "I'll be having open receptions for each artist, giving Alamosa another venue to promote local art. Once we get through this pandemic, I will be getting that started."

He also nodded to the City of Alamosa's effort to promote artists: "Alamosa has been working to promote art and artists with things like the Art Walk and the Art Gala ... It's great to see the art community come together and support each other."

Looking ahead, Parsons is running his store and working on his art.

Meg Colwell



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SLV COVID-19 increase not due to out-of-state visitors

Saguache County ranks 3rd, Alamosa County 5th for COVID-19 cases per 100K

By TREY SPAULDING

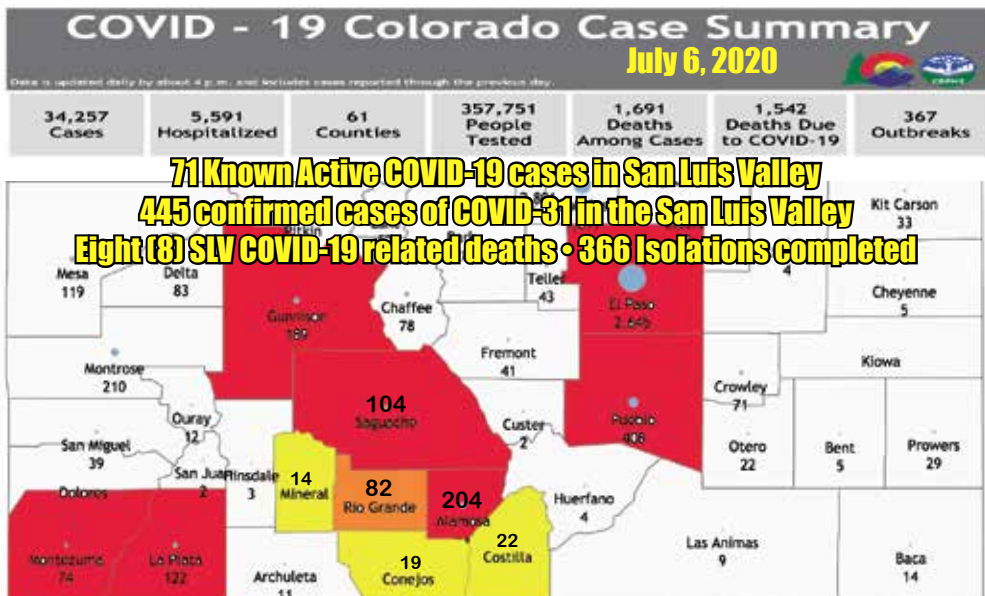
SAN LUIS VALLEY – As of Monday, July 6, the San Luis Valley Public Health Partnership announced the total number of cumulative SLV cases is now 445. This is an increase of 65 new cases in the Valley over the past two weeks. Many are suggesting that the increase is due to the influx of out-of-state visitors to the Valley who are testing positive. However, this is not the case. If someone is from out-of-state, and they test positive at a local hospital, their positive test result is reflected in their County of residency and not in the San Luis Valley county where they were tested. This policy was put in place by all 50 states in order to avoid duplication of case counts.

Colorado's positive tests began to increase last week due to what health officials stated was caused by more public interaction. Positive COVID-19 tests percentages had dropped to 3.6 percent but increased to 5 percent, resulting in Governor Polis closing bars and nightclubs before the busy Fourth of July weekend. Polis' action was due in part to his observations of what was occur-

ring in states like Texas and Arizona which opened up too quickly and now have rampant outbreaks of COVID-19. According to data from the COVID-19 Tracking Project, in Arizona 25.6 percent of COVID-19 tests are coming back positive. In Texas 13 percent of tests are positive and Utah is at 9 percent.

As of July 7, the seven day average for positive tests in Colorado is 4.9 percent. Within the San Luis Valley we have much higher percentages than the state average. Of the 391 tests conducted in Saguache County 26.6 percent came back positive. Of the 151 tests in Costilla County 14.5 percent were positive. In Alamosa County 1,900 tests have been conducted with 10.7 percent being positive. For Rio Grande County 1,272 tests have been made with 6.4 percent coming back positive. Mineral County has seen an increase in positive cases the past two weeks with among 149 tests conducted 9.4 percent were positive. In Conejos County there have been 225 tests given with 8.4 percent being positive.

As of July 6, there have been 445 total cumulative cases in the San Luis Valley with 71 known active cases. Thirty-one total people have been hospitalized, and 366 have completed their isolation period. There have been 10 fatalities in the SLV of individuals with COVID-19 with two fatalities being reported on Tuesday. Alamosa County has the most reported cases with 204, followed by Saguache with 104, Rio Grande County at 82, Costilla County 22, Conejos County 19 and Mineral County with 14.



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Sports

ASU Baseball says 'good-bye' to coach that brought it back

By **JORDAN MELLOTT**

ASU Interim Sports Information Director ALAMOSA — James “Jim” Capra was named as the head baseball coach in 2012 to the newly added baseball program after a 35-year absence. Being named as the head coach for this new era could not have been a bigger moment for the ASU alum Coach Capra. “Given the opportunity to restart the baseball program at ASU was a dream come true. My freshman year at Adams State (1975-76) was the last year the school played baseball before dropping the program prior to the 2012-2013 season. The facilities, academics, location, RMAC, and administration made it much easier to recruit and compete in one of the strongest conferences in the nation.”

However, all dreams come to an end to allow for new dreams and paths to begin. This is the case for Coach Capra as he has decided to retire as the Head Baseball Coach at Adams State after 8 seasons at the helm.

“The most difficult part of retiring now was the timing. Because of the COVID19 pandemic, we were not able to complete our season. There were also no goodbyes or exit meetings. We went from practicing on Wednesday to everyone packing up and going home on Friday. Not being able to say goodbye to the players and friends on campus was difficult,” said Capra. “I also never had the opportunity to thank Larry Mortensen in person because of COVID19. He gave me the opportunity to come to Adams State and coach baseball and work with the greatest group of coaches in D2. I have worked for many AD’s in my forty years of coaching, Larry is at the top of

the list. I will miss him, my friends, colleagues, players, and all my golf buddies. Thank you and good luck!”

When Coach Capra was asked about the most memorable seasons he said, “Every year was a memorable year, but the 2015 and 2016 seasons stood out as the most memorable. Qualifying both years for the conference tournament when only the top four teams made it was unforgettable. Both years losing a game by one run was heart-breaking, but showed the heart and competitiveness of our players.” However, this season, or this “incomplete” season, as his last at ASU might be a close contender to the 2015 and 2016 seasons, but in a less favorable way.

During Capra’s tenure, the program has had 11 players receive All-RMAC honors and 3 Golden Glove recipients. A couple of those recipients stand out to Coach Capra for what they achieved on the field both personally and as a team. The two players he spoke of were Chris Morley, OF, Westminster Colo (2013-2016) and Andrew MacMahon, RHP, San Diego California (2014-2015). Chris was a part of both trips to the RMAC Tournament and the first ASU Baseball player to receive RMAC All-Conference (2nd team) and All-Region (2nd team) postseason honors. Chris was a 4-year starter for the program who embodied everything Coach Capra wanted for his newly added program on the field and off the field graduating with RMAC All-Academic Honors. “Andrew (MacMahon) was our Friday night starter and always gave our team an opportunity to win game #1 of each series,” said Capra. However, he was also quick to talk about his first recruiting class as a

whole, “The first recruiting class of 2012-2013 will always remain as the most accomplished. Most players who were four-year starters went through the learning process of the program and grinded their way to be the foundation of the program. I will never forget that four-year journey.”

From the time Coach Capra was hired on at Adams State 8 years ago there have been two faces that have been through it all with him in different ways, Larry Mortensen newly retired ASU Ath-

letic Director and Bruce DelTondo as his right-hand man on the field.

“Coach Capra was the right man for bringing back baseball at Adams State. He has laid a solid foundation for the future. He ran a well-rounded program. His student-athletes had one of the department’s highest graduation rates. Coach Capra was a team player in the department, an outstanding alum and friend. He will be missed,” said Larry Mortensen.

“Adams State baseball is synonymous with Coach



Courtesy photo

ASU’s James “Jim” Capra retires.

about time with the family, “I’m currently with my wife in North Carolina seeing my six-week-old

fall. After the summer I might look at coaching somewhere in Denver/Arvada.”

NFHS Network offers schools two free Pixellot units to stream events

INDIANAPOLIS — As high schools nationwide continue to deal with the fallout from COVID-19 and make plans for the restarting of activities this fall, the NFHS Network — the leader in streaming live and on-demand high school sports — has announced an unprecedented offer for schools that are facing possible attendance restrictions at events during the 2020-21 school year.

Through its High School Support Program, the NFHS Network is offering up to two free Pixellot automated-production units for schools that lack production capabilities to stream events on the NFHS Network.

The offer of two Pixellot units — one for indoor events and the other for outdoor contests — has been extended to all 19,500 high schools in the 51 NFHS member state associations. The NFHS Network is a joint venture of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), its member state associations and PlayOn! Sports.

In addition to receiving two free Pixellot production units, schools will receive a larger percentage of subscription revenue generated from their events, effective August 1, in an effort to offset revenue losses from reduced attendance.

“We recognize that the next several years will be challenging for our high schools and state associations,” said Mark Koski, CEO of the NFHS Network. “Many are facing budget cuts and reduced resources, and attendance

at athletic and other school events may be restricted. From the NFHS Network’s inception seven years ago, we have been driven by the goal to create a platform that showcases every high school event across every sport and every level of competition. Consistent with this goal, we want the High School Support Program to demonstrate our continued commitment to helping our partner schools manage through the inevitable complications created by COVID-19.”

The Pixellot automated production solution was introduced to high schools three years ago and has quickly become an integral component of the NFHS Network’s offerings. The Pixellot solution allows every event to be streamed live without requiring personnel to produce the games. There are currently more than 5,000 Pixellot units in high schools across the country which will produce in excess of 250,000 live games this upcoming school year with no human involvement.

In addition to livestreaming 27 different sports, the NFHS Network also covers performing arts, graduations, award ceremonies and other school events. To date, the NFHS Network has distributed more than \$25 million back to participating high schools and state associations.

For more information about the High School Support Program, please visit www.nfhsnetwork.com/supportprogram.

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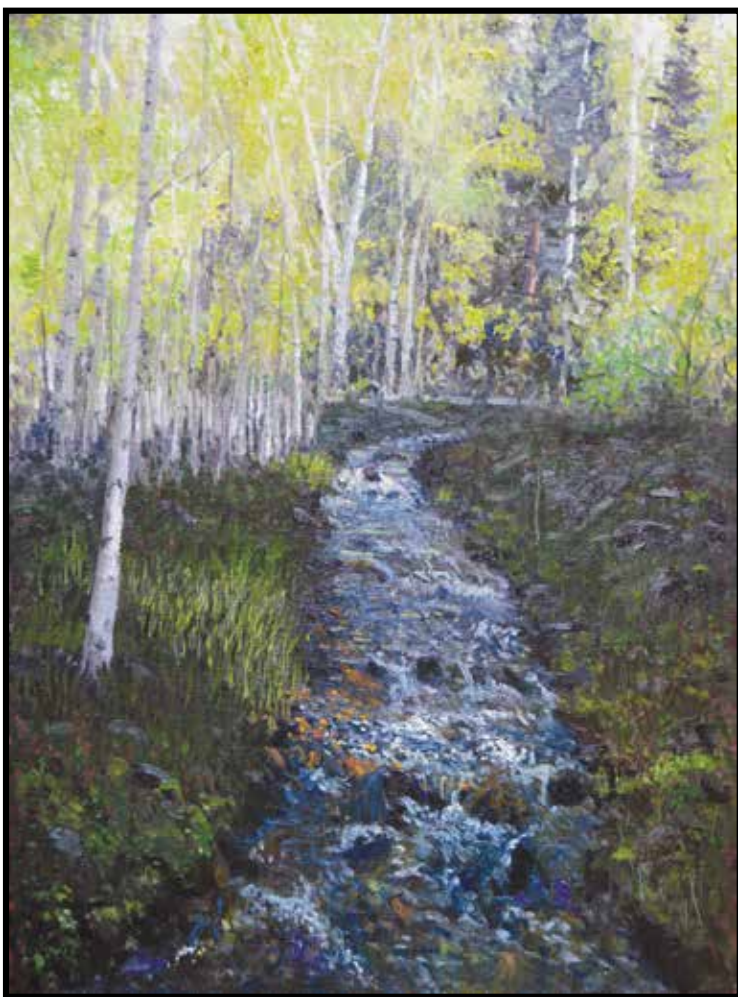
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Montgomery takes first at Western Rendezvous art show

LA VETA — Alamosa artist David Montgomery won 1st Place at the Western Rendezvous Art Show and Sale in La Veta, Colorado sponsored by the Spanish Peaks Art Council (SPACE). The exhibition is up at the SPACE art center gallery in downtown La Veta and can be seen during regular business hours until July 25. The show can also be seen on the SPACE website www.spanishpeaksarts.org. Available works include sculpture, stained glass, fused glass and paintings. Several other Alamosa artists are also in the show including Cathy Morin, Mary Susan Eldrege and show judge Coni Grant.



Courtesy photo
Montgomery's winning painting "Aspen Creek", an oil painting based on a view of San Francisco Creek near Del Norte.

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Montgomery has been a fixture in the SLV art community for decades and has his stu-

dio in the historic Masonic Building in downtown Alamosa. His works can also be seen at Firedworks Gallery in Alamosa

and the C.Waters Gallery in Creede. For more information go to www.DavidMontgomeryPaintings.com.

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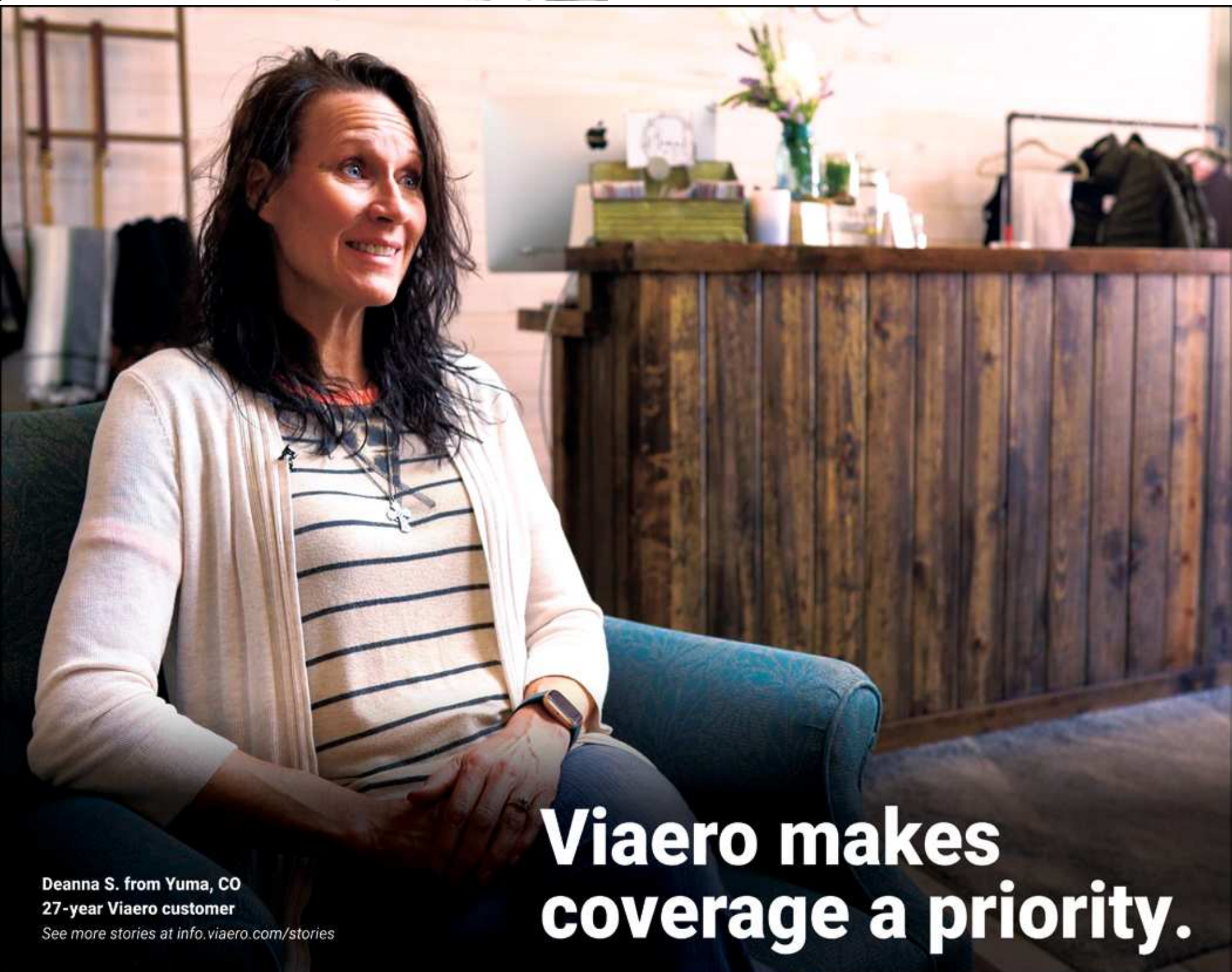
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Public Notices

CONCERNING THE ABANDONMENT LIST OF WATER RIGHTS IN ALAMOSA COUNTY

The Division Engineer, in accordance with §37-92-401, Colorado Revised Statutes (2019), has compiled the list of absolute water rights that he or she "has determined to have been abandoned in whole or in part and which previously have not been adjudged to have been abandoned."

A complete list of water rights that have been abandoned, in the opinion of the Division Engineer, may be found on the Division of Water Resources (DWR) website <https://www.colorado.gov/water>.

If you wish to object to the inclusion of any water right on the Division Engineer's abandonment list, you must file a written statement of objection with the Division Engineer by July 1, 2021. We request that objections be submitted using DWR's Abandonment Objection Form, which can be obtained on the DWR website (search keyword "Abandonment 2020") or from any

The Abandonment List, with any revisions made as a result of written statements of objection, will be filed with the Water Court by December 31, 2021. Once the list is adjudged by the entry of a decree by the Water Court, such decree will be conclusive as to the abandonment of the water right.

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

Structure Name	Water Source	Decreed Amount	Aband Amount	Remain Amount	U	Abandoned	Place
82CW063 WELL NO 453F	Rio Grande	1.1100	0.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
83CW054 WELL NO 01 (83CW21)	Rio Grande	0.4500	0.4500	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
85CW040 WELL NO 06S	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.0000	0.0000	1.3300	0.0000	C	All Uses No
85CW040 WELL NO 06SS	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.0000	0.0000	0.7700	0.0000	C	All Uses No
92CW004 WELL NO 03S	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.0000	0.0000	0.6700	0.0000	C	All Uses No
96CW23 WELL NO 16673-F	Rio Grande	2.2300	2.2300	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
AMBER SPRING NO 01	Pioneer Creek	0.0220	0.0220	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
CARP LAKE D	Rio Grande	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
G M D	Rio Grande	6.8000	6.8000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
HIDDEN CREEK D	South Urraca Creek	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
KING SPRING NO 1 D	Trinchera Creek	0.4000	0.4000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
KING SPRING NO 2 D	Trinchera Creek	0.2000	0.2000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
KING SPRING NO 3 D	Trinchera Creek	0.4000	0.4000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
KING SPRING NO 4 D	Trinchera Creek	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
KING SPRING NO 5 D	Trinchera Creek	0.2500	0.2500	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
KING SPRING NO 6 D	Trinchera Creek	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
LAGOON OVERFLOW D	Rio Grande	2.0000	0.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
SEIDMAN SEEPAGE D	Rock Creek	10.0000	10.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
TRUJILLO D Sand Creek	13.3300	13.3300	0.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0093 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	2.2300	2.2300	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0218 WELL NO 01	Unconfined San Luis Valley	3.1200	3.1200	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0231 WELL NO AD 2428	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0670	0.0670	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0365 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	2.0000	2.0000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0415 WELL NO 01	Rio Grande	0.3100	0.3100	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0426 WELL NO ART 11	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0560	0.0560	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0443 WELL NO 01	Rio Grande	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0451 WELL NO 12	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.6700	2.6700	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0457 WELL NO ART 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0480 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	2.5000	2.5000	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0501 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.4400	2.4400	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0501 WELL NO 06	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.4400	2.4400	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0631 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0780	0.0780	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0631 WELL NO 05	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0670	0.0670	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0652 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0690 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	1.0300	1.0300	0.0000	C	IRR,STK	No
W0690 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	1.0300	0.9180	0.1120	C	DOM	No
W0730 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1560	0.1560	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0730 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1560	0.0446	0.1114	C	DOM,STK	No
W0751 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0560	0.0560	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W0830 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2230	0.1116	0.1114	C	All Uses	No
W0851 WELL NO 02	Rio Grande	0.1110	0.0000	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W0989 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.4460	0.4460	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1034 WELL NO 02	Rio Grande	0.0560	0.0560	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1058 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1670	0.1670	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1058 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1670	0.0556	0.1114	C	STK	No
W1065 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1266 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0890	0.0890	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1266 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1311 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0220	0.0220	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1311 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1329 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2230	0.2230	0.0000	C	All Uses	Yes
W1329 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.4460	0.0000	0.4460	C	All Uses	Yes
W1329 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1355 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0670	0.0670	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1355 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0890	0.0890	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1355 WELL NO 05	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0890	0.0890	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1355 WELL NO 06	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0670	0.0670	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1355 WELL NO 07	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2230	0.2230	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1418 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1780	0.1780	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1425 WELL NO DOM IRR 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0960	0.0960	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1435 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0580	0.0580	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1435 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1070	0.1070	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1435 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0930	0.0930	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1435 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0180	0.0180	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1435 WELL NO 05	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1452 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1670	0.1670	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1452 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.3340	0.3340	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1465 WELL NO 11	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1530 WELL NO 02	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.6700 (AP)	2.6700	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1807 WELL NO 10	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1612 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1612 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1612 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1622 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	1.1100	1.1100	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1622 WELL NO 09	Rio Grande	0.2790	0.2790	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1648 WELL NO 02A	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0560	0.0560	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1648 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0560	0.0560	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1648 WELL NO 06	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1648 WELL NO 11	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0560	0.0560	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1648 WELL NO 12	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1648 WELL NO 14	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1664 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0110	0.0110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1712 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	1.7800	0.0000	1.7800	C	All Uses	Yes
W1782 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1793 WELL NO 03	Rio Grande	1.8900	1.8900	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1805 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1864 WELL NO 07	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1906 WELL NO 09	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1906 WELL NO 11	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1906 WELL NO 12	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1906 WELL NO 17	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W1933 WELL NO 07	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1380	0.1380	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W1989 WELL NO 07	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.0100	2.0100	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2030 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.6680	0.6680	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2034 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	IRR,FIS	No
W2042 WELL NO 07	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.4460	0.4460	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2051 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	1.0000	0.8886	0.1114	C	STK	No
W2051 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2051 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.4000	0.2886	0.1114	C	STK	No
W2051 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.4000	0.4000	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2097 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0450	0.0450	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2097 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0400	0.0400	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2097 WELL NO 05	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0330	0.0330	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2145 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.3340	0.3340	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2172 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.2580	0.2580	0.0000	C	IRR,DOM	No
W2172 WELL NO 03	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.2580	0.1466	0.1114	C	STK	No
W2201 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2090	0.2090	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2201 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1290	0.1290	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2389 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.3340	0.2230	0.1110	C	STK	No
W2389 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.3340	0.3340	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2389 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.3900	0.2790	0.1110	C	STK	No
W2389 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.3900	0.3900	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2389 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2670	0.2340	0.0330	C	STK	No
W2389 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2670	0.2670	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2431 WELL NO 05	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.5570	0.4456	0.1114	C	DOM,STK	No
W2431 WELL NO 05	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.5570	0.5570	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2431 WELL NO 11	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.5570	0.4456	0.1114	C	STK	No
W2431 WELL NO 11	Unconfined San Luis Valley	0.5570	0.5570	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2516 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.5570	0.4456	0.1114	C	All Uses	No
W2518 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.2230	0.2230	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W2998 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2998 WELL NO 02	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2998 WELL NO 03	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2998 WELL NO 04	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2998 WELL NO 05	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2998 WELL NO 06	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W2998 WELL NO 07	Confined San Luis Valley	0.1110	0.1110	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W3136 WELL NO 01	Unconfined San Luis Valley	3.1200	0.8900	2.2300	C	All Uses	No
W3343 WELL NO 01	Unconfined San Luis Valley	1.6700	1.6700	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W3440 WELL NO 01	Confined San Luis Valley	0.0770	0.0770	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W3690 WELL NO 01	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.2300	2.1190	0.1110	C	STK	No
W3690 WELL NO 01	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.2300	2.2300	0.0000	C	IRR	No
W3883 WELL NO 01	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.2300	2.2300	0.0000	C	All Uses	No
W3883 WELL NO 02	Unconfined San Luis Valley	2.2300	2.2300	0.0000	C	All Uses	No

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DISTRICT COURT, ALAMOSA COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO

Civil Action No. 2020 CV 030023, Division No. C SUMMONS (BY PUBLICATION)

CARL DEAL and FRANCES DEAL, Plaintiffs,

vs. WARREN H. DEAL aka WARREN HARRISON DEAL,

and all other persons who claim as heirs, devisees, creditors or otherwise under said defendants, and all unknown persons who claim any interest in the subject matter of this action, Defendants.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the claims of the Complaint filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the Clerk of this Court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within thirty days after the service of this Summons upon you. Service of this Summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the Complaint may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court.

If you fail to file your answer or other response to the Complaint in writing within thirty days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint without further notice to you.

This is an action to quiet title to the following described property situated in the County of Alamosa and State of Colorado, to-wit:

The SW7/4NW7/4SW7/4 of Section 23, Township 38 North, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M.,

(the "Property"), free and clear of all liens and encumbrances.

DATED: June 9, 2020.

MOTZ LAW FIRM, LLC

By /s/ Jeffrey E. Motz

Paul E. Motz, Reg. No. 7740

Classifieds

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the Conejos County Planning Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, 15, 2020 at 6:15 PM and a hearing before the Board of County Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 10:15 AM. The purpose of these hearings is to consider an application submitted by Kent Mortensen-Highland Cabinets for a Special Use Permit for a Cabinet Shop - Fabrication and Sales.
 The property is zoned rural and is legally described as 8 Acres described as Lot 3 Replat of Arroyo Minor Subdivision located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 35 North, Range 9 East, NMPM, Conejos County Colorado. Parcel number 572115400021. The full details of this application are available for public inspection. Call the Land Use Office 719-376-2014 for review procedures or submit a request by email to landuse@co.conejos.co.us. Any interested person may appear to be heard at the public meeting.
 Linda DeHerrera, Conejos Land Use Administrator
 No. 1514
 Published in the VALLEY COURIER on July 3, and 8, 2020.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED
 To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the herein-after Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:
 Miguel Codorniu and Sandra Codorniu
 1131 NW 99 Terrace
 Pembroke Pines, FL 33024
 You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 12th day of November 2015, the then County Treasurer of Alamosa County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to Alamosa County the following described property situate in the County of Alamosa, State of Colorado, to-wit:
 DEER VALLEY MEADOWS LOT 7 BLK G UNIT 1 2.75AC TRD REC #330075 02-21-07
 Parcel Number: 541718107007
 Certificate Number: 66
 And said County Treasurer assigned a certificate of purchase on the 12th day of November 2015 to Alamosa County.
 That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2014;
 That said property was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of Miguel Codorniu and Sandra Codorniu for said year 2014;
 That on the 7th day of February 2020, said Alamosa County assigned said certificate of purchase to Elegrment LLC;
 That said Elegrment LLC on the 6th day of February 2020, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;
 That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to Elegrment LLC on the 28th day of October 2020, unless the same has been redeemed;
 Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
 This Notice of Purchase has also been published in Valley Courier on July 7, 2020, July 14, 2020 and July 21, 2020.
 Witness my hand this 29th day of June 2020.
 Amy McKinley, Treasurer of Alamosa County, Colorado
 No. 1525
 Published in the Valley Courier on July 8, 14, and 21, 2020.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED
 To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the herein-after Described Land, Lot or Premises and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having an Interest or Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to;
 1) Brodie Tyler and Lindsey Tyler, whose last known address was 634 W Ramsbrook St, Meridian, ID 83646-6241.
 THE N1/2 SW1/4 NE1/4, SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST OF THE N.M.P.M., COUNTY OF CONEJOS, STATE OF COLORADO.
 You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 20th day of November A.D. 2013, the then County Treasurer of the County of Conejos, in the State of Colorado, offered for sale at a public tax lien sale the above described real estate situated in the County of Conejos, State of Colorado, to satisfy the delinquent taxes assessed against said real estate for the year 2012.
 That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of Brodie Tyler and Lindsey Tyler, for the said year 2012.
 That at said sale, said real estate was struck off to Conejos County, whose address is P.O. Box 97, Conejos, CO 81129 and the Treasurer's Certificate of Purchase was issued therefore to Conejos County.
 And whereas, the said Conejos County whose address is PO Box 97, town of Conejos, County of Conejos and State of Colorado, did on the 27th day of May A.D. 2020 duly assign the certificate of sale of the tax lien on said property aforesaid and all his rights, title and interest in said property to Elegrment, LLC, whose address is 5880 Highway 6, Suite 214, Town of Missouri City, County of Fort Bend, State of Texas; and as present holder of the certificate he has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for deeds to said real estate.
 That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said real estate to the said Elegrment, LLC at 3:00 P.M. on the 21st day of October A.D. 2020 unless the same has been redeemed.
 Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
 Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of July A.D. 2020.
 Mack M. Crowther
 Conejos County Treasurer
 No. 1512
 Published in the Valley Courier on July 1, 8, and 15, 2020.

163 LOST & FOUND

LOST FEMALE CAT
 Found around Lane 104 N and 5 N, Mosca area. Black stripes, light brown, white belly, black spot on back right foot. If found call 719-992-4676. REWARD.(7/11)

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

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

THE SAN LUIS Valley Local Foods Coalition is 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)

221 HELP WANTED

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

LOOKING TO HIRE year round hire man for large potato and grain farm. Must have experience. Call 719-850-2137.(7/22)

221 HELP WANTED

THE CITY OF Alamosa is accepting applications fill multiple full-time Water/Wastewater Technician I positions. Job duties include performing operations, maintenance, and repairs within the water and sewer divisions under the supervisor of senior personnel. This position is also responsible to provide on-call service on a rotating basis to cover after-hours repairs and maintenance, as required. Starting salary is \$16.46 per hour including a comprehensive health benefits package, CO PERA retirement, and vacation, personal, and sick leave. A full job description, announcement, and application are available at www.cityofalamosa.org. The position is subject to pre-employment tests. Deadline is July 24, 2020 at 5 pm.(7/24)

SEEKING CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR for Nonprofit company, CRHDC. F/T 40 hrs per week, to assist families with new home construction in Alamosa evenings and weekends. Construction exp. required. \$17 p/h+benefits. Resume and cover letter to melanie@crhdc.org.(7/15)

SAGUACHE COUNTY, COLORADO, is 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 within six months of hire; OR, similar experience with exemplary history and at least two years of administrative experience in public health, and willing to seek additional public health education and experience within five years of hire. A complete job description and qualifications are available online at: http://www.saguachecounty-co.gov. Must possess and maintain a valid driver's license. Saguache County is a drug-free workplace. All inquiries should be directed to: Saguache County Administration. E-mail: wmaez@saguachecounty-co.gov phone: 719-655-2231, fax 719-655-2635. Applicants must submit a job application, cover letter, and a resume. Resumes must not exceed three pages in length. The job application is available online at http://www.saguachecounty-co.gov/administration-home. Submit cover letter, job application, and resume to the following address: Saguache County Administration, P.O. Box 100, Saguache, CO 81149 wmaez@saguachecounty-co.gov. Faxed and emailed applications are accepted.(8/7)

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 pre-employment drug test. Applications will be accepted until filled. Applications and job descriptions may be found on www.saguachecounty.net or may be emailed to you, please contact April Quintana at 719-655-2231. Saguache County is an equal opportunity employer.(8/7)

221 HELP WANTED

RETAIL MANAGER: LOOKING for a Mission? Join Western National Parks Association as the FT, Park Store Retail Manager at Great Sand Dunes National Park & Reserve. Find out more about this adventurous opportunity by visiting www.wnpa.org/jobs. Equal Opportunity Employer: disability/veteran and other protected classes.(8/7)

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

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

THE SAN LUIS Valley Regional Science Fair (SLV-RSF), a long-time, 504-©3 tax exempt organization, seeks an Executive Director. The duties include, but are not limited, to fund raising, coordinating with science teachers in the 14 SLV school Districts, the State and International Fairs. The Director is responsible for scheduling, organizing, and operating the SLV-RSF. The Director reports to the SLV-RSF Board of Director at monthly meetings. The deadline for applications is July 19, 2020 but will remain open until filled. Detailed information regarding the position and application materials is available from Dr. David Holm, SLV-RSF Board President at David.Holm@colostate.edu or 719-480-2511.(7/14)

SLV FEDERAL BANK is now accepting applications for a Loan Officer in our Monte Vista office. Applications and position descriptions are available at www.slvfed.com or at each branch location. Equal opportunity Employer, including considering individuals with Disabilities and Veterans/Affirmative Action Employer.(7/24)

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS now hiring - breakfast attendant - room attendants and laundry. Apply in person.(7/11)

MEL'S CUSTOM MEAT Processing looking for reliable and dependable person. No experience needed. Apply in person after 5:30pm. 602 2nd Ave, Romeo.(7/8)

221 HELP WANTED

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

CDL DRIVER WANTED, please call 719-589-9070 or email rmpm.rhonda@yahoo.com if interested. End dump experience necessary.(7/24)

LOOKING FOR A career opportunity and being a part of your local community? 1st Southwest Bank is hiring a Portfolio Manager, offering a strong benefit package & career growth opportunities. EOE. Go to https://www.fswb.bank/who-we-are/careers/ for more details & to apply.(7/22)

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THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position: Technology Support Technician. Identify, analyze, troubleshoot and resolve technical service requests. Provide assistance on usability and functionality of software and hardware products. Identify, analyze, troubleshoot and resolve network connectivity issues. An AA degree or certification in Computer Science, MIS or Engineering, and at least 1-year related work experience preferred. Candidate must pass a background check, have reliable transportation and valid driver's license. Full time position, salary depending on experience \$17.00-\$18.00 per hour and full single health coverage included. Applications are available online at http://www.alamosa.k12.co.us/. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.(7/11)

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

221 HELP WANTED

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position: Part-time District Health/Wellness Coordinator. Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Health and Wellness, Exercise Science, Healthy Lifestyles, Sports Management, or a related field. Possibility of expanding to full time if funding is available. Applications are available at the Office of the Superintendent, 209 Victoria Ave., Alamosa, CO 81101 or online at http://alamosa.k12.co.us. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE.(7/8)

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

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MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for two Middle School Football Coaches, a Middle School Volleyball Coach, and a Middle Schools Boys' Basketball Coach. Applications may be submitted through our online employment application http://www2.monte.k12.co.us/employment-opportunities.html, by July 8, 2020, or until the positions are filled. For questions contact the District Administration Office at 719-852-5996.(7/21)

SANFORD SCHOOLS IS seeking a highly motivated Music/Band teacher to join our Team of great educators and instruct our talented students. Applications can be downloaded at www.sanfordschools.org. Position open until filled. Sanford Schools is an EOE & E.(7/21)

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CDL DRIVERS AND Heavy Equipment Operators wanted. CDL Minimum 1 yr driving experience. Knowledge of Forestry Equipment helpful, must pass drug test. No Overnight driving. Send resume to: pagosaland@pagosa.net.(7/10)

221 HELP WANTED

SANFORD SCHOOL IS accepting applications for a highly motivated high school business teacher to work with our talented students who are our future. Applicants must hold a Colorado Teacher's License and be willing to become vocational certified. Don't miss this opportunity to join our team and become a part of a great educational culture. Applications can be downloaded from the our website, www.sanfordschools.org. Position is opened until filled. Sanford School is an EOE & E.(7/14)

COSTILLA COUNTY IS seeking a full-time Options for Long Term Care case manager who will primarily work in Conejos County and some travel to Costilla County. Responsibilities include: Intake/screening/referral and assessment of client's needs, development of care plans, management of a caseload and interviewing clients including conducting home visits. Ability to meet deadlines in a fast-paced work environment a must. Bachelor's Degree in a human services field Sociology/Psychology or Humanities preferred. Bi-lingual skills a plus. Experience as a case manager with the long term care client population may substitute for the required education on a year by year basis. Background check and pre-employment drug screening are required. Position is open until filled. Costilla County Public Health Agency is an equal opportunity employer. Costilla County Public Health Agency has the right to refuse any and all applications. Applications are available on the Costilla County website at https://colorado.gov/pacific/costillacounty under the Jobs tab or call 719-672-3332.(7/18)

ALAMOSA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT Opportunities, Job Descriptions, and Applications are available on the County's website www.alamosacounty.org.(7/10)

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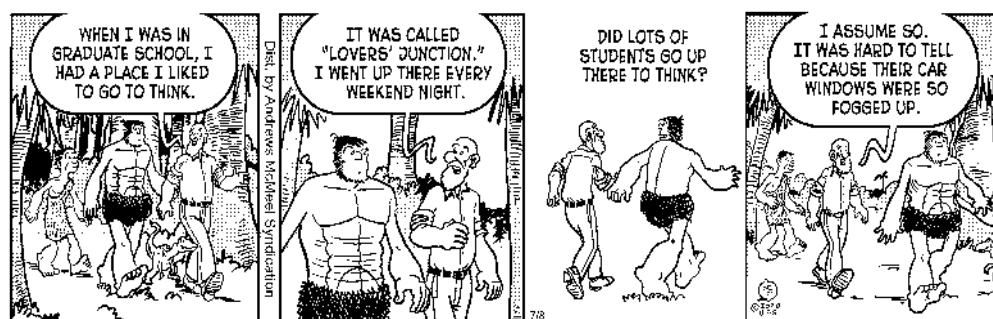
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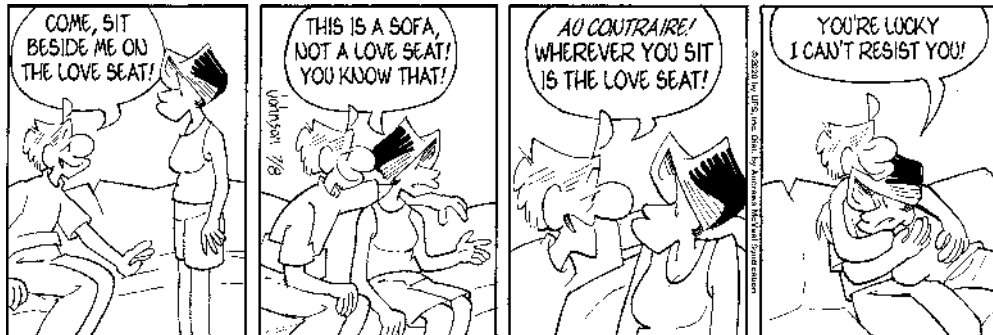
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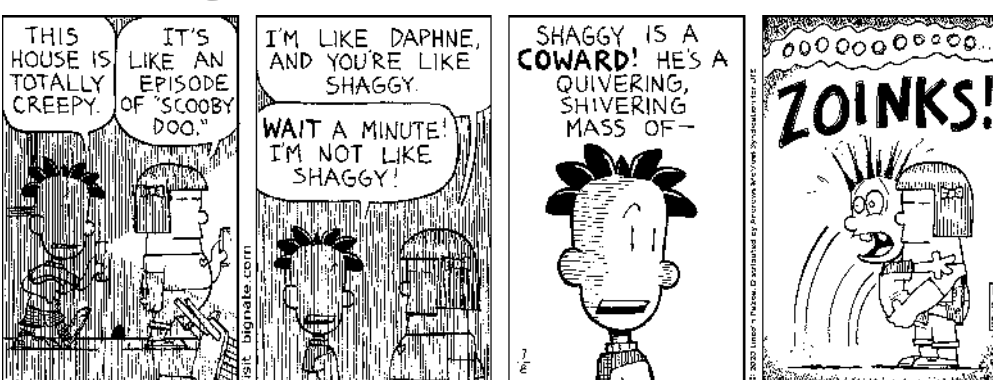
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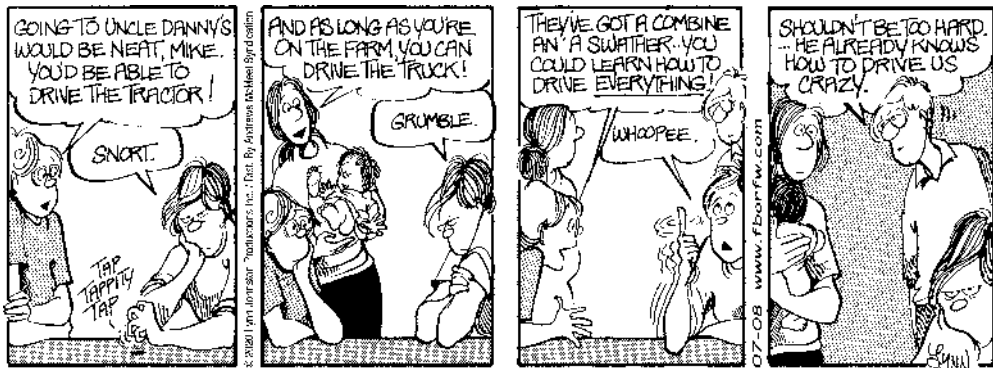
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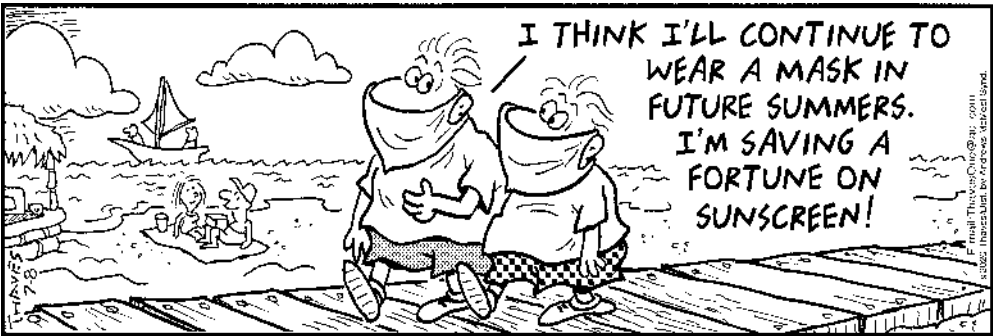
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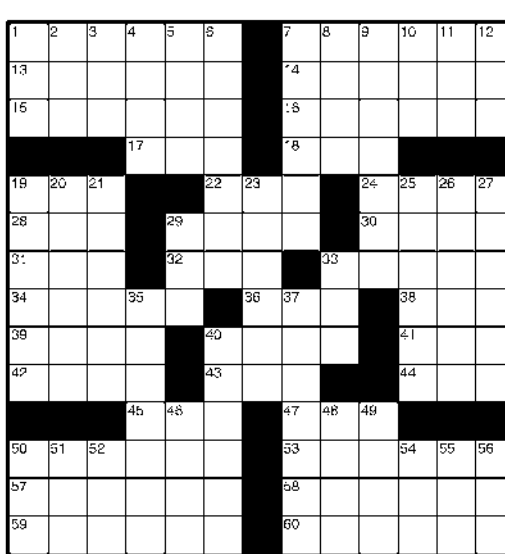
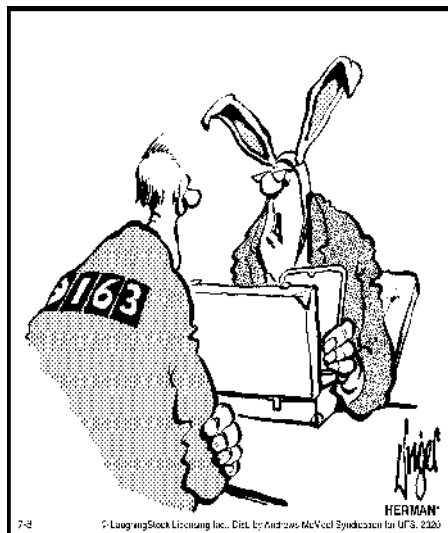
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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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

"SL IR, SFR GZS LC ILHTRX TX SL
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 WTHR TS SFR TVVEXTLD LC ORUSF."
 PTVVTGI CZTROMTD

TODAY'S CLUE: d r e n e b e r i

Previous Solution: "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head." — Matthew 8:20

Heartbreak awaits sons when dad is released from prison

DEAR ABBY: Three years ago, I found out my husband had sexually abused one of his nieces. He took a lie detector test, failed it and confessed. Learning the truth was devastating, and I felt like a fool for having believed him.

We have two children together, both teenagers. I had to give my boys the bad news about what their father had done and the reason I could no longer be with him. He had to move out because he was restricted from being with minors. There were so many changes.

Then came the news that their father was arrested and sentenced to six years in prison. I was emotionally drained. I have always been honest with my boys and have never kept anything from them. Because I've had to give them so much bad news, I have tried my best to give them the happiest times that I could. Soon after, he was sent away.

I received word that when he gets out, he will be deported to Mexico. This is something I haven't told my boys yet. They are talking about having a life with their father. When he gets out, they will both be adults. My youngest talks about living with him.

When they find out, they will be heartbroken. They have been doing so well. We've come a long

way, and we're finally in a happy place. I don't know how or when to tell them. Should I do it now or wait until closer to his release date? I'm just over the sadness. -- EMOTIONALLY DRAINED

DEAR EMOTIONALLY DRAINED: Hang onto your happiness because you deserve all of it that is coming your way. You and your sons have been put through an ordeal not of your making. I see no reason to burden them further with this unhappy news until closer to the time of your husband's release. By then they will be older and better able to adjust to what it will mean if they choose to live with or spend time with their dad.

DEAR ABBY: I am an older woman who is not very attractive. I didn't inherit good looks. This bothers me because all my women friends are married or have been in relationships.

People say looks don't matter, but they are mistaken. The first thing someone sees is your face and physical presence. I keep myself neat and nicely groomed, but I'm not pretty. What do I do to lift myself from this depression? I'm ashamed of my face. -- FACING IT IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR FACING IT: Everyone has strong points that make them unique. My mother used to say that the most effective cosmetic



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is a smile. You might have better luck if you focus less on what you think you don't have and start concentrating on what you DO have to offer.

Not everyone is a beauty contest winner, and they manage to couple up and have healthy relationships with the opposite sex (and sometimes the same sex). Do you have a special talent, a pleasing personality or a good sense of humor? You appear to have a serious case of low self-esteem.

The solution to your problem might be as simple as widening your circle of acquaintances by getting involved in activities you enjoy. But before doing that, it might be in your interest to talk with a licensed mental health professional for help in becoming less critical of yourself.

Lifestyle

Fort Collins Nurse Helps to Create a Brain Health Program for MS Patients

FORT COLLINS — A change in cognitive function or cognitive dysfunction is common in MS as more than half of all people with Multiple Sclerosis will develop problems with cognition, according to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. It is sometimes the first symptom of MS. For most people, the changes in cognitive function are mild and may involve one or two areas of cognitive functioning while others may find changes in cognitive function to be more challenging. Now, Sara Schaefer, an MS nurse practitioner at UHealth Neurology, has worked with MS specialists in Northern Colorado to design a Brain Health Program for newly diagnosed MS patients and their care partners. This program is designed to create learning opportunities and simplify the health care decision-making process for patients, care partners and clinicians by providing access to clear, up-to-date information in MS run by local experts with knowledge of MS.

Through the support of EMD Serono and the International Organization of Multiple Sclerosis Nurses (IOMSN)'s 2020 Nightingale Award, Schaefer has the funding she needs to make her innovative program a reality.

Schaefer is one of 10 recipients of the 2020 Nightingale Award, honoring significant achievements in MS nursing. The award honors Schaefer and her MS nurse peers as part of the International Year of the Nurse and Midwife, which was designated by the World Health Organization to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth. The award is presented by the IOMSN with support from EMD Serono (the biopharmaceutical business of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany in the US and Canada).

Schaefer, whose program launched in early June as a Zoom program, will use her Nightingale Award to secure a virtual space for patients and an honorarium for speakers.

"We are hoping to promote Brain Health in patients with MS through multiple modalities like wellness, nutrition, physical and psychological health," says Schaefer. "By promoting brain reserve, we aim to help patients avoid co-morbidities that we know can lead to disease progression."

Schaefer has worked in Neurology since 2008 and with MS patients specifically since 2012 as a bedside RN, infusion nurse and now as a nurse practitioner.

"I have always been impressed in how involved patients and their caregivers are in educating themselves on the disease and how they can better themselves to prevent disease progression," Schaefer adds. "This is part of what sponsored this Brain Health Program to help patients get information from reliable sources from local experts."

About the Nightingale Award in celebration of the World Health Organization (WHO)'s International Year of the

Nurse & Midwife, the International Organization of Multiple Sclerosis Nurses (IOMSN) and EMD Serono are proud to announce the 2020 Nightingale Award, which is awarded to 10 eligible candidates in the U.S.. The IOMSN and EMD Serono are proud to collaborate on this unique project which marks a new opportunity to recognize the unique and valuable role that nursing profes-

sionals play in the lives of all those affected by multiple sclerosis <http://iomsn.org/nightingale-award-2020/>

About IOMSN International Organization of Multiple Sclerosis Nurses (IOMSN) is the first and only international organization focusing solely on the needs and goals of professional nurses, anywhere in the world, who care for people with multiple sclero-

sis. Mentoring, educating, networking, sharing - the IOMSN supports nurses in their continuing effort to offer hope. <http://iomsn.org/>

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