



### Alamosa Farmers Market

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

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

We will be enforcing social distancing so please wear and 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.

### SDC BOE Meeting

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

## **Tickets on sale for Round-UP**

ALAMOSA – The 2020 Alamosa Round-UP is "Taking the Leap!!" The Round-UP will go on, August 27-30, 2020 as scheduled.

The coronavirus has stolen a lot from the community this year already, the Alamosa Round-UP is committed to not being one of those stolen things.

"This community and the people that live here mean a lot to us, this is home and this event is important," said Dawn Honeycutt. "Our Western Heritage is important, and having a fun, family friendly, community event is important."

The crowd size and ticket sales will be very limited, so that the Governor's guidelines can be adhered to. (less than 15% of normal capacity) The Round-UP is working with the Health Dept. to ensure the safety of all involved. Social distancing and the wearing of masks are recommended.

Tickets are on sale now, online only. Visit the Alamosa Round-UP website (www.alamosaroundup.com) for tickets to the PRCA Rodeos, the Chancey Williams and the Younger Brothers Band Concert, the demolition derbies and to sign up for the mutton busting. No tickets will be sold at the events, and the tickets are expected to go fast and

## Rear-end accident at Victoria and Main





Courier photos by Keith R. Cerny An Alamosa County Sheriff's Department vehicle was involved in a rear end collision about 7:45 p.m. hursday at the corne Main and Victoria. Details were not available but there were no apparent injuries from drivers of either vehicle. Alamosa Police Department, ACSO, **Colorado State Patrol and** Alamosa Fire responded to the scene to deal with the investigation and traffic control.



Alamosa Round-UP

August 27-30

Taking the

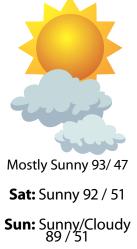


SAN LUIS VALLEY — Four new cases for the SLV were identified on Thursday: 1 each from Alamosa and Conejos Counties, and 2 from Mineral County. The total number of cumulative cases is was 450. As of Thursday, there were currently 39 known active cases in our region. SLVH RMC hospital on any given day was 6. The number of COVID-19 patients in the hospital have been trending down over the past week. (\*The jump from 31 to 41 total hospitalizations that we reported earlier this week was a reflection of data tracking delays, not an actual jump on that date. We are looking at better ways to communicate that piece of information in the future.)

6:30 p.m. and an Open Session starting at 6:30 p.m.



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## SLV Physicians bring mask issue to Board of County Commissioners

By STEPHEN JIRON Interim Courier Editor ALAMOSA — The Alamosa Board of County Commissioners elected to make a lateral step, 'strongly' recommending the use of masks in public spaces following a presentation from Dr. Kris Steinberg and Dr. Lauren Sonderegger regarding a mask mandate in Alamosa County.

Ultimately the presentation would not achieve it's intended goal as the Board elected instead to move forward with another recommendation much like the recommendation from March.

Doctors Steinberg and Sonderegger presented to the Alamosa City Council last Wednesday and were referred to the County Public Health Department. This week they brought the issue before the Alamosa Board of County Commissioners.

Steinberg began the presentation saying, "We are officially representing Valley-Wide Health Systems and come before you to ask that you consider passing a municipal order for Alamosa County maskwearing in public spaces to help control the spread of the novel coronavirus." Steinberg used materials from various sources to make her case including the Center for Disease Control (CDC), The Colorado Department of Health and Environment(CDPHE)The medical journal The Lancet, the Dean of the Colorado School of Public Health (Jonathan M. Samet M.D.) the Hospital Association, the Medical Association and

the Nurses Association. "In the last two weeks, Alamosa and Adams County share the highest infection rate in Colorado." Steinberg attributed the large rates to an influx of travelers from Arizona and Texas, both states with large infection numbers. According to The Lancet study, masks reduce transmission by 85%.

Sonderegger began by acknowledging the suffering of the economy nationwide and within the San Luis Valley before going on to say "We believe as public health stewards that it's all of our jobs to protect local business workers their employees and contribute to everybody's community health by wearing masks while being in businesses so that we can safely reopen." See MASK page 3 Numbers are updated weekdays at slvemergency. org/slv-covid-19/.

A few more answers to frequently asked questions:

Q. I am asymptomatic. I was tested for COVID after close contact with someone who tested positive, and my test came back negative, when can I get tested again?

A. If you have been instructed to quarantine, you should continue to quarantine even if you have a negative test. If you develop symptoms later within the 14-day quarantine period, check with your doctor or one of the nurse lines about whether you should be tested again.

Q. Why can't everyone who wants a test get a test?

A. In general, a test is not necessary unless you have had close contact with a known positive case or are symptomatic. For more information, see https://covid19.colorado. gov/covid-19-in-colorado/ about-covid-19/testing-forcovid-19.

Q. What is the status of hospitalizations?

A. There have been 41 SLV patients hospitalized with COVID-19 since the beginning of the pandemic.\* Hospitalization rates lag behind reported cases by 1-3 weeks. We have seen peaks in positive cases in late May and mid-June. During the last two weeks of June, the average number of COVID patients in the

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

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



Record

### **OBITUARIES**

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### **Maurice Weir Smith**

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

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

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

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



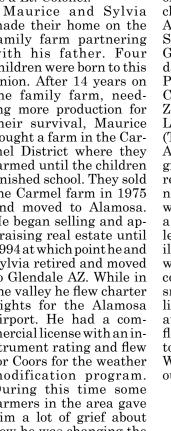
got to fly a P51.

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

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



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

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

Hoping there are airplanes in Heaven

#### **Jack Gilbert Carmichael 86**

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 Brother Dick Carmichael. Grandkids are Karley, Paton, Cindy and Kristy Carmichael.

MONTEVISTA-Levi J Romero 89 passed away July 4, 2020, at the Colorado State Veterans Center in Monte Vista, Colorado. He was born August 28, 1930, to Bravlio Romero and Cleotilde Manchego. Levi married his beloved wife, Helen Mascarenas, on August 26, 1953.

Levi belonged to the Monte Vista VFW an American Legion in Cheyenne, Wyoming. He was an Army Veteran in the Korean War. He was a cement finisher for C & W Construction for many years. He enjoyed fishing, listening, and dancing to Spanish music, shooting pool and going for walks, but most of all he loved spending time with his family.

Levi is survived by his sister Clorinda Mascarenas, his children Manual (Toni) Romero, Leonard (Linda) Romero, Leroy (Olivia) Romero, Yvonne (Andres) Arrendondo, and

### Joseph Agapito "Pete" Ortega

SAN LUIS — Joseph Agapito "Pete" Ortega, 92, went to his eternal rest on July 8, 2020, under Hospice Care with his loving family by his side. Pete came into the world on October 19, 1927, in San Luis, Colorado the son of Jose B. Ortega and Cedelia Roybal Ortega. Pete served and was a veteran of the United States Navy. After completing his duties and time in the service he was Honorably discharged and went on to marry the love of his life, Ida Serna on August 29, 1949. He was a member of the UCC of San Pedro and the V.F.W. Post #6101. Pete was a loving husband, father, grandfather, greatgrandfather, brother, uncle, cousin and friend who enjoyed gardening, being outdoors, watching baseball and spend-



Jack is preceded in death by mother and father, sister Mildred Carmichael, brother Bob

### Levi J Romero



Ralph (Rosie) Romero.

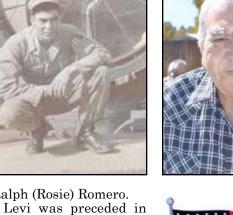
death by his parents and his siblings Edith Gold, Fred Inez Romero, Mary Martinez, Adam Romero, Reuben Romero, Emma Romero, and Lucy Lobato.

Levi was very well known and loved by everyone who came across his path. He was a genuinely nice, gentle soul and will be missed by everyone who knew him.

A Memorial Service will be held at Strohmayer's Funeral Home on Satur-



death by his parents Jose and Cedelia Ortega,





Carmichael, daughters

Jacklyn Carmichael and

Misty Dawn Carmichael.

Service will be held on July

13, 2020, at 1 pm at the

Hooper Baptist Church.

Cremation was chosen.



day, July 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Due to the COVID pandemic, a graveside service with only the immediate family will follow.

Arrangements in care of Strohmayer's Funeral Home.

### Sylvia Cook

BLANCA — Sylvia Cook, 79, went to her eternal rest on June 2, 2020, at her home with her loving friend by her side. Sylvia was born on May 3, 1941, in Louisiana. Sylvia was a kind, generous and loving person. A friend to all. Some of her hobbies included going shopping, going on drives, going gambling and being with her husband's friends.

Sylvia is survived by her husband Palmer



Book of Canon City, CO; her special friend whom she loved like a daughter

Mary Ortega of Alamosa, CO. She is also survived by many cousins and friends.

Sylvia was preceded in death by her parents.

Cremation was chosen, and per her wishes, Sylvia's ashes will be spread in Blanca at a later date. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes. com. The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.



ing time with his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife Ida Ortega of San Luis, CO; daughter Katherine Ortega of San Pedro, CO; Larry Ortega of Alamosa, CO; 4 grandchildren, 9 greatgrandchildren, sister Donna Medina of Albuquerque, NM. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

daughter Evelyn Ortega, great-grandson Carlitos Romero, daughter-inlaw Priscilla Ortega, three sisters Margaret Sanchez, Ellen Abeyta, Dorris Rogers, two brothers Eppie Ortega and Eddie Ortega.

Cremation was chosen and services will be held at a later date. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

#### ONGOING VALLEY MEETINGS

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

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

ALAMOSA—La Leche League of the San Luis Valley holds its monthly meetings on the fourth 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 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 — 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 — The Alamosa Rotary Club meets every Monday at noon at Juanitos in Alamosa. Contact Dean Swift, 589-3499 or dean@deanswiftseed. com

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

#### VALLEY COURIER POLICY ON OBITUARIES

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The Valley Courier charges a flat fee of \$30 for each obituary published. Pending arrangements or death notices are run at no charge.

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In the event the newspaper errors in publishing an obit, corrections will be made and the obit will be rerun. If the errors are on the part of the submitting party, an additional fee will be assessed.

### **PENDING OBITUARIES**

### John Colin Murphree

CRESTONE — John Colin Murphree, passed away July 8, 2020. Arrangements are pending and will be announced through Romero Funeral Home of Monte Vista.





VACATION To sponsor the School Menu call 589-2553

Valley News

## **SLV AAB discusses spending entitlement funds**

STAFF REPORT ALAMOSA – The Alamosa County Airport Advisory Board met at 8:15 a.m. on July 9, to share updates and plans for the future. Big items on the agenda included the airport's upcoming September inspection and achieving a record 10,000 enplanements this past year.

Will Hickman, Airport Manager, stated: "This is a huge milestone for this airport, as it is the first time in history we've reached this number." With this achievement comes eligibility for a whopping \$1 million dollar grant and partnership with a larger airline. The Department of Transportation ap-

proval is pending and should be decided on by August 1, 2020.

The Board spent much of the June 9 meeting discussing what should be done with the grant money. There are still questions surrounding whether or not there are spending rules and deadlines for this money. These questions hope to be answered by the Board's next meeting. Until then, possible actions include, spending the money on – more seating inside the airport, repaving airport hangars, informational highway signs, snow and ice removal equipment, and a building to store that equipment in.

The Board also spent

time preparing for September's routine inspection, which Hickman believes the airport will pass "with flying colors."

In other news, the airport is looking to hire a part-time aircraft refueler. Chris Martinez thanked Jessica Taylor, Airport Operations Manager, and Hickman for their exceptional implementation of social distancing measures. Advisory Chairwoman, Donna Wehe, encouraged airport staff and employees to reach out regarding preparation for the inspection and how to spend the grant money.

The Board's next meeting will be on September 10, at 8:15 a.m.

## US 160 asphalt overlay job to begin west of South Fork in south-central Colorado

MINERAL & RIO GRANDE COUNTIES - The Colorado Department of Transportation announces improvements to US Highway 160 beginning the week of July 13. The project will improve approximately 11 miles of US 160 in Mineral and Rio Grande Counties, beginning west of South Fork at Mile Point 185 and ending at near the Wolf Creek Tunnel, MP 174. The work consists of mill-

ing and overlaying old worn asphalt, improving shoulders, replacing guardrail, and replacing faded sign panels. The project was contracted to Oldcastle SW Group, and is expected to be completed by the end of October 2020.

The project will greatly enhance safety for travelers on this narrow two-lane highway. When completed motorists will experience a smoother roadway with improved safety. Busy highways must bear heavy commercial truck traffic as well as passenger vehicles. About every 10-15 years asphalt roads need to have their top layers milled and resurfaced. Periodic resurfacing of the top layer of asphalt and timely repairs can greatly extend the life of the highway pavement.

TRAVEL IMPACTS During work hours motorists are asked to use caution when approaching and driving through the work zone. Travelers are urged to check COtrip for

updated traffic impacts,

possible width restrictions,



and speed reductions. Currently, impacts for the project include:

Crews will begin work at the east end of the project limits, MP 185, near South Fork, with operations advancing west toward the Wolf Creek Tunnel.

Project work hours are daylight hours, Monday through Friday. No weekend work is currently anticipated.

Expect travel delays of up to 15 minutes.

Motorists will encounter brief stops with single-lane alternating traffic, guided by flagging personnel.

The speed limit is reduced to 40 mph through the work zone.

Flagging personnel will be on sight to direct travelers through the area as construction equipment enters and exits the work zone. Drive with extreme caution

PROJECT AND TRAV-**EL INFORMATION** 

For additional information about this project, contact the project team.

Project Hotline: 970-426-5795Project email: us160 over-

lay2020@gmail.com Project web page: www. codot.gov/projects/us160-

resurfacing-ewolfcreek Travel conditions visit:

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**REMEMBER: SLOW** FOR THE CONE ZONE

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

Do not speed in work zones. Obey the posted speed limits.

Stay Alert! Expect the unexpected.

Watch for workers. Drive with caution.

Anticipate guidance from flagging personnel and merge when directed to do so.

Avoid using mobile devices such as phones while driving in work zones.

Expect delays, especially

necessarily. Turn on headlights so

that workers and other drivers can see you. Be especially alert at

night while driving in work zones.

Be patient!

COVID-19

Safe transportation infrastructure is essential for emergency first responders and freight drivers as Colorado navigates the COV-ID-19 pandemic. With that in mind, road maintenance and construction continue on CDOT projects with social distancing and other health safety measures to reduce COVID-19 exposure on the worksite. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment announced guidelines for construction activities. The public is urged to join the campaign for #DoingMyPartCO by practicing social distancing, wearing face

when possible, and avoiding nonessential travel. With fewer vehicles on the

roads, CDOT crews will be able to work more efficiently and safely.

## CSFP to hand out food boxes

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) works to improve the health of low income persons at least 60 years of age by supplementing their diets with nutritious USDA Foods. Individuals must be at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines.

Food packages include a variety of foods, such as nonfat dry milk, UHT 1% low fat milk, juice, farina, oats, readyto-eat cereal, rice, pasta, peanut butter, dry beans, canned meat, poultry, or fish, and canned fruits and vegetables.

This food box is free to those who meet the income guidelines.

Costilla County Commodity Program will be in Alamosa on Tuesday, July 28th, from 10:00am to 12:00pm, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1112 8th Street, Alamosa.

Please bring a picture ID. Remain in your vehicles. The food package will be delivered to your vehicle.



## Pueblo foundation grants 10 SLV groups

Eastern CO

NE and Western IA

masks, staying at home

Allow ample space be-tween you and the car in front of you.

during peak travel times. Don't change lanes un-

PUEBLO- The Robert Hoag Rawlings Foundation Board of Directors recently approved 36 grants for a total of \$652,425 and awarded \$50,000 in college scholarships to various nonprofit organizations and higher education institutions throughout Southeastern Colorado.

Through the Foundation's grant application process, the following San Luis Valley organizations were awarded grants:

Monte Vista Ski Hi Event Center to help remodel new multiuse event and conference center that serves the entire San Luis Valley

San Luis Valley Theatre Company to rebuild the stage

Land Rights Council (San Luis) to inform community of land rights

Alamosa Live Music Association to support live music performances throughout the Valley

Boys and Girls Club of the

## Mask

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She then said that Arizona and Texas were examples of what could happen if a state reopens too soon. She went on to say that some local businesses expressed the desire for a mandate so there would be teeth behind a 'masks required' sign.

Sonderegger also agreed that she, like many others, does not like being told what to do by anyone much less the government but contrasted that mindset, "no one ever minds being asked to help their neighbor, no one minds being asked to help their community – a place that they would like to see remain healthy...it is 'I wear a mask because I respect you, I respect your health"".

The presentation swayed Public Health Director Della Cox-Viera who felt a mandate could would be a helpful measure for the local schools within the county as a new season approaches. "We are actively working with our educational partners to reopen so kids can get back to school. And all of that conversation

San Luis Valley for program support Tu Casa (Monte Vista) to

provide medical equipment for sexual assault victims

Tri-County Senior Center (Monte Vista) for elevator replacement in their senior housing facility and commercial kitchen upgrades to support their valley-wide senior meal program

Costilla County Library (San Luis & Blanca) for new computers for library patrons

La Puente Home (Alamosa) to help remodel kitchen unit in Adelante Family Resource Center

Creede Repertory Theater to support their Young Audience Outreach program to underserved communities throughout southern Colorado

The Rawlings Foundation gives yearly scholarships to the following institutions to help students residing in the 18-county area including Adams State University

is truly dependent on our ability as

a community to keep transmission

on a low enough level so that it's

safe for kids to stay in school, so it's

safe for parents to stay at work, so

it's safe for all of the functions of a

community to be possible. A mask

order would greatly support that."

not in agreement with making the

mask order mandatory and also

questioned the enforcement of such

an order, "I don't have a problem

with going with the information

we have here and making a rec-

ommendation... what I do have a

problem with is making it an order

to where you're going 'ok you must

wear a mask but there will be no

Della-Cox addressed the enforcement question likening the issue to smoking in public, "There was

no expectation that people would

be criminalized or even fined for

every infraction". The Public Health

Director continued on to draw a

enforcement"

Commissioner Darius Allen was

and Trinidad State College.

The Robert Hoag Rawlings Foundation is a private family foundation with a mission to enhance Southeastern Colorado and the San Luis Valley through arts, education and culture. The foundation was created in 1988 to find ways to give help in the communities in Southeastern Colorado whose citizens were loyal subscribers to The Pueblo Chieftain/Star-Journal Publishing Corporation, which was owned by the family for over 100 years.

Nonprofits that are in the following counties are eligible for funding: Pueblo, Mineral, Chaffee, Saguache, Rio Grande, Conejos, Fremont, Custer, Alamosa, Costilla, Huerfano, Las Animas, Crowley, Otero, Kiowa, Bent, Prowers and Baca.

Grant requests for the fall cycle will be accepted on August 1, 2020, with a deadline of September 15, 2020. For more information, please visit www.RHRfoundation.org





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#### parallel to the stay at home order from months ago, "I, unfortunately, had to ask the city police department to follow up on a handful of those situations, and everybody got used to it.' Commissioner Michael Yohn cast doubt on the efficacy of masks, "You

can have these masks on 24 hours a day, take it off for one hour and that may be the one hour you get your infection.'

With numbers in Alamosa flattening out from the recent outbreaks, Yohn and Allen were unwilling to move forward with any mandate,  $instead \, businesses \, were \, encouraged$ to self-manage any restrictions they place on their customers. "They have the authority to put on their front door, just like 'No Shoes, No Shirt, No Service''' said Allen.

The end result was a strong recommendation to visitors and residents of Alamosa to wear a mask passing with Commissioner Helen Sigmond in dissent.



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Letters policy



HOLLYWOOD - God Bless America, and how's everybody?

Arizona and Texas reported huge spikes in Covid infections Tuesday, setting off a panic south of the border. Mexican citizens lined up their cars across the roads entering Mexico, blocking Americans from entering. So, Trump finally got Mexico to pay for building the wall, Buick by Buick.

President Trump told reporters Wednesday that he'll warn state gov-

ernors to re-open schools this September and he will cut off their federal funding for education if they don't do it. Trump is lobbying hard to re-open the schools. He's determined to prove he could have passed the SAT himself.

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The Justice Department ordered extra security for Jeffrey Epstein's pimp Ghislane Maxwell

after she was transferred to a Brooklyn federal jail following her arrest last Friday. Last year, Epstein died in federal custody after his arrest. For a switch, HE was the one taken too early in life.

Argus

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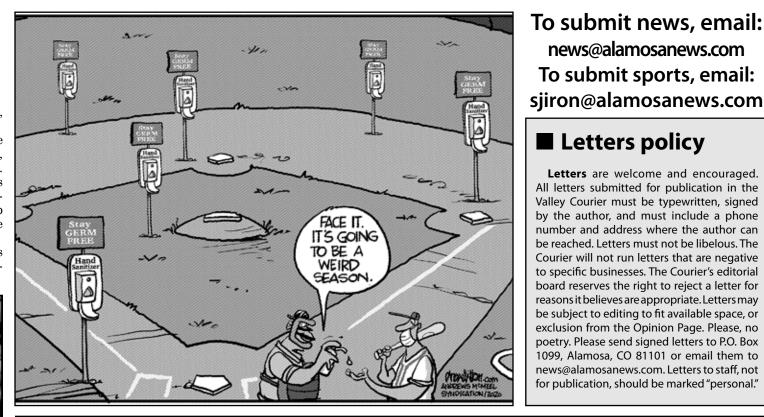
L.A. health officials advised residents to stay indoors if possible due to poor air quality because of the summer heat. July always marks the start of smog season. The Los Angeles air quality this week is so bad, that whenever Snoop Dogg rolls down his window, the smoke actually pours INTO the car.

The Weather Channel reported a brutal heat wave in the Desert Southwest Wednesday that sent areas into tripledigit temperatures. Arizona is boiling under one hundred and twenty degree heat. Phoenix is so hot that street vandals are putting the copper wiring back into the air conditioners.

The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse released a study showing that twenty-five percent of Americans engaged in binge-drinking in the last year. It also shows the richer you are, the more likely you are to binge-drink. This could explain why Joel Osteen has been slurring his words lately.

Mary Trump just wrote a book about uncle Donald titled Too Much and Never Enough: How My Family Created the World's Most Dangerous Man. She claims that Donald paid a guy to take his SAT test for him. No, he didn't wind up going to USC, but he always made it a point to use Trojans.

President Trump in his last two speeches ripped the academia cartel in American colleges for indoctrinating students The dislike is mutual Accord from college professors is at zero percent, but that's up fifteen points from where he was a month ago. Mexico's President López Obrador arrived at the White House Wednesday to sign a trade deal with the United States. It's part of an annual exchange program. Once a year the U.S. president goes to Mexico to visit our jobs and once a year Mexico's president comes to the U.S. to visit his people. Boeing vice president Niel Golightly resigned after the Cancel Culture discovered an article he wrote 30 years ago opposing the use of women in combat. This is insane. The good news is, if I ever get my talk show on the air, they won't know WHICH jokes I gave Richard Pryor in the late Seventies. A White House advisor compared people protesting police brutality to civil rights icon Rosa Parks. It so happens I was jogging down the street Sunday a week ago and saw a billboard advertising a Showtime movie about Rosa Parks. With God as my witness, the billboard was on the back of a bus. The Federal Election Commission forecasted a huge election turnout in November. The FEC revealed that the number-one recipient of write-in votes in the 2016 Trump-Clinton presidential election was Mickey Mouse. And now four years later, it seems like either way, Goofy is going to win.



## Common Sense should be in control

July 4 didn't seem like the anniversary of the nation's birthday.

An impromptu parade was nice, but many people didn't know it was going to happen.

There was no pancake breakfast, no fireworks and emotions downtown weren't exactly celebratory.

I agree the coronavirus calls for widespread concern, but we need to know more about how it's spread before too many more financial losses are felt by the general public.

In addition, we have "Black Lives Matter" causing problems with law enforcement.

It goes on and on and TV doesn't make it better.

The printed news does, to a degree, but there are still tensions.

To me, all lives matter and I don't see them in colors.

A friend who has retired as a clinical psychologist agrees, but says, "ethnic people of color."

We are all of color, going all the way from, as an old recording once sang, "A Whiter Shade of Pale" to all shades of people in rap and hip hop.

Hatred is uncomfortable for me. I

make it a habit of not judging people like Obama. by what they're wearing or their skin color.

Multiple experiences can tell a lot. That's how I feel about the latest televised gloom and doom. Native Writes

I have questions.

If talcum powder causes cancer in females, why doesn' t it begin in those baby days when small bodies are covered in talc, and why does it occur when grown women suffer uterine cancer and how does the powder get that deep in the body?

People litigate over almost anything and some attorneys want to sue.

No one deserves permanent, lifethreatening injuries over political differences.

If someone is armed, he or she should be trained to use that firearm. County sheriffs offer classes teaching them how.

Firearm enthusiasts decry this, countering that it's just another way for the government to take away guns.

Several years ago, the anti-gun message was shared by people who didn't

"He's coming for your guns," I was warned.

I was prepared, with green chili in the freezer, along with hamburger and corn taco shells. I kept a bottle of Samuel Adams in the back of the fridge. They exceeded their shelf life and

no one came.

Conspiracy theories and false reporting are abundant. One needs to employ common sense. Think about it.

The Coronavirus is bad, but a worldwide depression would be worse. No one knows and punishing John Q. Public for the pandemic is to blame for the psychological depression that besets us all. The restrictions seem like punishment.

Wear a mask, wash your hands regularly and don't go out if you're feeling sick.

And PLEASE, please, let medical science do what it needs to do to cure and control it.

I am asking the governor to lessen restrictions on places people, eat, educate and recreate. Common sense will help a great deal. Stay home if you're feeling sick.

All lives matter. Think.

## **Risk and reward**

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

The following letter is one we had

"the laws of nature and of nature's port of this Declaration, with a firm

reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."



to one poll, President Trump's support hoped would be published prior to July 4. We have revised it to reflect past tense in hopes that it will appear in a future edition of the Valley Courier.

Risks. Every day we face situations that require us to assess their risk, be they physical, psychological, social, or financial.

Some situations have minimal risk. Some have great risk.

Those 56 delegates to the Continental Congress in those early days of July 1776, faced huge risks in what they were about to do. One can only imagine what went through their minds as they contemplated the risks associated with what they were about to do.

Yet, on July 4, they unanimously voted to sign the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that by signing they were committing an act of treason, punishable by death, against the most powerful sovereign on earth. Yet, as they did this, they made the claim that they were acting according to certain laws, higher laws,

God. Alexander namilton lurther expounded that these laws were written "as with a sunbeam, in the whole volume of human nature, by the hand of divinity itself."

With regard to the parade/protest that occurred in Alamosa on July 4, we also assessed a risk, the risk of attending. Given that we would be out in the Colorado sunshine and fresh air and standing at a safe distance from others, our chances of falling victims to the current virus were very, very low. We took precautions to care for our safety and that of others in attendance. The risk of participating in this event certainly paled in comparison to those taken by the signers of the Declaration of Independence. We chose to attend. We chose to honor those who began a course of events that would forever change the way men and women could formulate and construct the way they were governed.

By our attendance, we honored and stood with those who had the courage to write these words: "And for the sup-

## Women's Conference Cancelled

The 33rd Annual Women's Con-The New York Times told Joe Biden to ference sponsored by Calvary



Bible Chapel that was scheduled for October 22, 23 and 24 has been postponed due to the concerns of the Corona Virus. We are in the process of rescheduling the conference in the fall of 2021 and have every hope that Kim Meeder of Crystal Peaks Youth Ranch in Bend, Oregon will be able to reschedule with us. Kim rescues abused horses and pairs them with neglected and abused children and their families at no charge. Kim is also a featured speaker on Focus on the Family and has been instrumental in helping start ranches in the Colorado Springs and Denver areas. Watch for an announcement of the new conference date in the Valley Courier and SLV Lifestyles.

Kay Jones for Calvary Bible Chapel

Jay and Susan Robinson, Alamosa

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Religion

## Baseball diamond parables are part of the American story

Fans who crack open baseball history books are sure to find photographs of Jackie Robinson stealing home and wreaking havoc on the basepaths.

It's less likely they will learn about him teaching Sunday school classes. Nevertheless, Brook-

lyn Dodgers President Branch Rickey saw a connection between those skills.

When they met in 1945 to discuss breaking the major-league color barrier, Rickey quoted Jesus and the Sermon on the Mount while describing the challenges ahead: "You have heard it said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also.<sup>\*</sup>

"God is Rickey said: with us in this, Jackie." In the movie "42," that thought turned into this memorable quip: "Robinson's a Methodist. I'm a Methodist. God's a Methodist. You can't go wrong."

This bond changed history. When broadcaster Larry King praised the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., as the "founder of the Civil Rights Move-

**On Religion** 

Terry Mattingly

ment," King Jr. responded: "The founder of the Civil Rights Movement was Jackie Robinson.'

On one level, that's a baseball story. But it's also an example of how baseball has played a mythic,

strangely spiritual role in American life, said Bryan Steverson, author of "Baseball: A Special Gift from God."

'Look at it this way: The object of baseball is to get home. And you are trying to make it home safe. Sometimes, someone on my side may even need to make a sacrifice for me to get home safe. Think about it," he said.

There's nothing new about scribes finding spiritual lessons in athletics, including numerous New Testament examples from St. Paul. But something about baseball's language and imagery encourages a special kind of rever-

ence for many fans, said Steverson, a member of the Society for Ameri-

can Baseball Research. This unique role in the American story is especially obvious whenever baseball is missing -- due to a global pandemic or mere labor disputes.

Part of the appeal is the intricate nature

of the sport's picky rules, and even its structure -starting with what many scribes hail as the perfection of the diamond's 90foot basepaths. Steverson dedicated an entire book chapter to the practical and symbolic roles that the number three -- think Christian trinity -- plays in baseball.

Baseball is also a sport that can be mastered by giants -- think Aaron Judge of today's New York Yankees -- but also by unique athletes like the diminutive Jose Altuve of the Houston Astros. Almost any fan, said Steverson, can identify with

## **Bible Digest**

Friday, July 10, 2020 "For God has not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ," (1 Thessalonians 5:9 AKJV) Wrath and Judgment are coming but the saved will be safe in the arms of the Lord forever. Amen!

#### Saturday, July 11, 2020

"Will you not revive us again: that your people may rejoice in you?" (Psalms 85:6 AKJV)

We need to pray like this. Lord, have mercy and send a much needed revival.

Sunday, July 12, 2020 Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil." (1 Thessalonians 5:19-22 AKJV) This is God's will for all of His followers. Let's follow Him.



#### 2020

"Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other." (Psalms 85:10 AKJV)

What a beautiful picture of what life can be when we walk with the Lord

#### Wednesday, July 15, 2020

"And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:" (2

someone on his or her local baseball team. Kids just need a bat and ball.

There's more. For fans, the season is woven into daily life. Instead of a dozen or so contests each year, baseball offers a 162-game marathon before the playoffs. The sport is built on patience, endurance, teamwork and gritty survival. All of this produces volumes of statistics, rules, history and traditions that true believers quote with almost scriptural reverence.

With that many games, year after year, there are sure to be times when faith and sports become intertwined in the lives of players. The most famous example was probably the great Sandy Koufax's decision, as an observant Jew, not to pitch when Yom Kippur clashed with Game 1 of the 1965 World Series. That made headlines and became the stuff of legends.

But when Steverson thinks about faith and baseball, he keeps coming back to lessons learned during interviews with 250-plus African American players when he researched their lives in baseball's Negro Leagues and beyond. He collected roughly 4,000 pages of stories about hard times

and victories, fury and forgiveness, vicious slurs and acts of sacrifice.

Most of all, he decided that baseball -- like all of life -- requires players to learn from their failures. At bat, even superstars fail roughly 70% of the time.

"Losing a game may not mean much in the long run. There's always tomorrow, if you can learn from your mistakes," said Steverson. "That's baseball. That's also a lesson about life, if you have the eyes to see it. ... Baseball is not the only mirror in which we can see spiritual truths, but it's a really good one.'

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Your Guide	To Local House	s of Worship
Al-Denominational	Hooper Church	Community Churches
Church of the Living God	3rd and Adams, Hooper	United for Christ Community Church (SBC)
11611 2nd Avenue, Hooper	Sunday, 9 a.m. + Morning Worship	"Community Centered Around Love"
719-378-2080	Meditation, Kriva	7th & Brodawy in Blanca
Sunday, 10 a.m Worship	Mountain Institute	719-379-3317
Sunday, 6 p.m Book of Acts Study	Alamosa - (575)758-5876	Sunday School 9:30-10:30
Monday, 7 p.m Youth	United Church of La Jara	Worship Service 11am
Monday, 7 p.m Youth Thursday, 7 p.m Bible Study	522 Walnut, La Jara	Bible Believer's Community Church
San Luis Valley Ohrstian Genler	719-274-5250	11762 E US HWY 160
305 S. Broadway (3rd & Broadway), Monte Vista	Terry Buckman, Pastor	Alamosa, Co 81101
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Tuesday, 5:30 p.m Bible Study	Sunday 9:00 am - Contemporary	Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm www.bibcchurch.co
Prayer House Church 410 Main Street, La Jara	Cofee Felowship 10:00 am Christian Science Services	Presbyterian
Pastor Jaime Piores - 719-238-0007	400 Ross Avenue, Society Hall, Alamosa	Alamosa Presbyterian Church
Sutday Matrine Source 10/20 an	Services - Sundays at 10:00 p.m.	330 San Juan Avenue, Alamosa
Sunday Morning Service, 10:30 am Wednesday Family Ministry, 6:30 pm	The second Wednesday of each 4 p.m.	Sunday, 10:30 a.m Traditional Worship
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Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Sunday	719-687-3546
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In the Alamosa Presbyterian Church Building	Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. Sunday	Sat. 7:00 p.m. Youth Service
Alamosa	Church of the South Fork	Sun. 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
www.backrowchurch.com	0116 Landen Dr., South Fork, Co, 81154	Sun. 5.00 p.m. Warship
Kim Nipple + 303-532-9342	Sunday are at 9 am - Services	New Hope Church
Worship Service - Wednesday Evening at 5:00		" The Church on the Hill"
Apostolic	at 6pm during the summer months	25258 Hwy 160, South Fork, Co. 81154
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510 Fist St. Alamosa	Christian	www.newhopesf.com
Meets Sundays 1-2 p.m.	Bethel Christian Church	Moming Worship -10:00 am
23pm - Lurch	Pastor Erik Lina	Sunday School for all ages - 9:00 - 9:45
35 p.m Worship Service	Worship Service Sunday 3:00 p.m.	Anabaptist Fellowship of Alamosa
Antonito Apostolic Church 710 Main St. Antonito	Elble Study Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	330 San Juan Ave., Alamosa, CO 81101
	Blingual Services	alamosatelowship@gmail.com Sunday 4:30 PM Worship in the north
Meets sundays 11-12 p.m Sunday School	Monday Free Music Classes Instrumental Classes 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	wing of the Alamosa Presbyterian Church
12-1 p.m Worship service	Voice & Bass Gutar 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Independent, Fundamental Baptist
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Dan Dawning Pastor, 719-588-7307	Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.	Pastor Paul Jones
Sunday, 1:00 p.m Service	Friday, 600 p.m. N.O.S.H. Youth Night	Sunday, 9:45 am - Sunday School
Assembly of God	The Peak Community Church	Sunday, 10:45 am -Morning Worship
River of Life Church	510 San Juan, Alamosa	Sunday, 12 Noon - Potluck Dinner
2602 Clark Avenue, Alamosa	Sundays, 6 p.m Fellowship	Sunday, after dinner - Attemport Worship
Sunday, 10 a.m Worship	Sundays, 7 p.m Worship & More	Thursday, 7:00 pm - Mesita, Bible Study and
Wednesday, 7 p.m Service	Pentecostal	Prayer meeting
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7th & Miles + P.O. Box 507, Center, CO 81125	184 East 2nd St. Alamosa - 719-589-0475	Meeting in different locate
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Wednesday Worship, 7:00 p.m.	Sunday School Sunday 1:00-1:45	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Assembly of God	Worship 200-3:00	Alamosa Y S A Ward
Sons And Daughters Of God Ministry	Christian Fellowship Church	300 Richardson Avenue, Alamosa
677 Madison Street, Monte Vista	The Door	Sunday, 1230 p.m 230 p.m. Alamosa
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New Life Fellowship	Sunday, 11:00 a.m Worship	Alamosa Third Ward

Monday, July 13,

#### Tuesday, July 14, 2020

"He that has no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls." (Proverbs 25:28 AKJV) Self-control is a virtue that will pay good dividends.

Thessalonians 2:8 AKJV) God wins! Time will reveal it.

Thursday, July 16, 2020

"In the day of my trouble I will call on you: for you will answer me." (Psalms 86:7 AKJV)

Pray. God can help you.



God who can do anything-has invited us to have a personal relationship with Him through our faith in Christ and in prayer.

Prayer is a privilege, not an obligation. but many times it seems people feel prayer is a religious duty they need to fulfill. Prayer is communication with God, knowing that He personally hears us and He wants to speak to our hearts. Hebrews 4:16 (NIV) says we can

"approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." And Ephesians 3:20 says God "is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine." The Amplified Bible translation says God is able to "do superabundantly more than all that we dare ask or think [infinitely beyond our greatest prayers, hopes or dreams].

God wants us to come to Him boldly because He's able to do greater things than we can even comprehend, and He wants us to be persistent in asking for His purpose, plan, and promises to be fulfilled in our lives. This is so awesome because even though we don't deserve it, God does good things for us because HE is good. God loves us and He wants us to ask Him to do bigger things in us and through us.

#### The Parable of Persistent Prayer

In Luke 11:5-13, we read Jesus' parable of the man who goes to his friend's house at midnight asking for three loaves of bread because he needs food for a visitor who has come to stay with him. At first, the man refuses to get up because he and his family are in bed, but Jesus says that because of his persistence and boldness in asking for bread, the friend will eventually get up and give him what he needs.

Prayer is astounding! It truly amazes Jesus then says, "Ask and keep on asking, and it will be given to you; seek and keep on seeking, and you will find; knock and keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who keeps on asking [persistently], receives; and he who keeps on seeking [persistently], finds; and to him who keeps on knocking [persistently], the door will be opened (vv. 9-10 AMP).

In His Word, God promises to give us what we need, when we need it, and the way we need it if we will persistently ask Him to help us and not give up until we get it. It's as if He's saying, "Come on, just see if you can bother Me.

The question is, have you given up on praying about something? Maybe you've prayed a year or more and nothing has happened, so you decide it's never going to change and you move on to something else. I know what it's like to become weary of asking God to do something and be tempted to give up. I prayed for my father's salvation off and on for about 30 years before he received Christ and became a changed man. He was 83 years old when I had the privilege of baptizing him-the man who had abused me throughout my childhood -- before he passed away three years later.

#### Passive or Persistent?

Are you the kind of person who gives up easily? It's important to know yourself and be painfully honest, if necessary, about this tendency. If God convicts you of being too passive or lethargic in your prayer life, understand that He's convicting you to help you. As you admit your weakness and take responsibility for it, the Holy Spirit will strengthen you to overcome it.

Or maybe you've given up because of some challenge or adversity that's facing you. Have you ever noticed that



difficulties come up when you make a positive change? Maybe you've started going to church on a regular basis or having a prayer time every day or giving more of your time, talent or finances to help others. If you're battling resistance to be diligent in anything God is leading you to do, remember that the devil hates you and he will do whatever he can to try and stop you from growing closer to God and walking in His plan for your life. We must be determined to outlast the enemy's attacks.

Romans 12:12 encourages us to "be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer" (NIV). And James 1:12 assures us that "the one who perseveres under trial...will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him." Refuse to give up because God loves it when we are boldly persistent in praying for His plans and purposes to be fulfilled!

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## How college students can confront returning to campus

The world's response to the outbreak of the CO-VID-19 virus left no aspect of life untouched. People from all walks of life had to make sacrifices to prevent the spread of the potentially deadly virus, and college students were no exception.

Many colleges and universities abruptly canceled in-person classes in mid-March 2020, forcing students to finish their coursework via remote learning. That response had a significant impact on the 2019-20 school year, and the virus figures to affect the upcoming school year just as much. In fact, many colleges and universities are beginning the coming school year early in the hopes that students can livered remotely.

continue their educations on campus but be safely back home by late November, when many scientists are anticipating a second wave of COVID-19 infections will arrive.

Schools that are reopening this summer insist that it is safe to do so, and have even indicated their intentions to implement new practices to ensure their campuses are safe and healthy environments in which to learn. For example, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is reconfiguring inperson course instruction to include physical distancing provisions. Small classes will meet in larger spaces, while lectures may be de-

Despite such measures, some students may still be hesitant to return to campus at a time when so much about the COVID-19 virus remains a mystery. The following are some ways students can confront any nervous feelings they may have about returning to campus for a new school year.

· Determine your options. While many colleges and universities are returning to campus, some may be allowing students to learn remotely. For instance, students with preexisting conditions that make them vulnerable to COVID-19 may be allowed to continue learning from home. Many schools' roadmaps to returning are fluid, so students concerned about

returning to campus likely have options that do not require them to sit out the semester.

 Learn about residential life. Many college students live in dorms that feature double or even triple occupancy rooms. Such an environment will compromise students' ability to practice social distancing. Some schools, including Binghamton University in New York, are converting triple occupancy rooms into double occupancy. Both Binghamton and UNC Chapel Hill also are designating one residential hall as temporary housing for students who test positive for COVID-19. In addition, some schools may be designating certain residential

facilities for at-risk stu dents. Students who want to avoid the dorms should inquire about off-campus, single-person housing.

· Ask about testing. Students have a right to know about COVID-19 testing protocols and should not hesitate to ask what those protocols will be. Due to the fluid nature of schools' roadmaps to return, testing policies may not yet be set in stone, and are likely to evolve as the school year progresses. Students should look into the testing policy specifics and ask if they have any recourse if they feel the testing policy is inadequate.

Students who are hesitant to return to campus this summer or fall can do



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their due diligence to determine if they're comfortable going back to campus. BS208206

## **Community colleges:** A better alternative than a gap year

#### BY LIZ KAPSNER

COVID-19 has disrupted many of our lives, especially high school seniors who were excited to graduate and begin a new chapter at a university in the fall.

Much of the four-year experience is about exploring an extensive campus, living in the dorms, attending large lectures, enjoying big events and eating with hundreds of students in the cafeteria. But in the midst of a pandemic, this type of environment may cause more anxiety than excitement for incoming freshman.

Surveys have shown that graduating high school seniors are considering a gap year – delaying their plans to attend a four-year university. But a gap year in 2020 looks much different than it has prior to COVID-19. A traditional gap year typically consists of domestic or world travel and volunteering, gaining real-life experience with an internship, or taking on a full-time job while living at home and saving money for college expenses. Due to the pandemic, travel has been restricted, human interaction limited and increased community colleges can unemployment has caused economic vulnerability. But amidst times of uncertainty – whether it's high unemployment and financial instability or not knowing what field to consider for a career - community colleges have been the solution for many young adults. Below are five reasons to choose a community college over a gap year.

an affordable price

COVID-19 has caused economic insecurity for many of us, and you, as well as your parents, may not be ready for the financial burden of a high tuition bill. While a normal gap year would offer more job opportunities and time to save up money, the current pandemic has decreased job openings and increased competition.

Community colleges are known for their affordability due to no campus housing fees, food plans and other overhead costs associated with a larger university, as well as more opportunities for students to qualify for financial aid like scholarships and grants. And affordability doesn't mean low quality. NWACC's academic standards are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, so you can be rest assured that you're earning highly valued credits, certificate or degree.

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#### 1. Get a head start

If you're not comfortable heading straight into a university just yet, and a gap year no longer seems promising, take the opportunity to check those required general education courses off your list at a community college this summer and fall. Community colleges such as NorthWest Arkansas Community College (NWACC) offers these as well as major-specific courses that can transfer to numerous four-year institutions.

And if you decide to only take a few courses over the summer, you'll start your freshman year a few credits ahead, saving you time and money.

#### 2. Closer to home

Leaving home to travel or volunteer for a gap year, or packing up and moving your belongings to a university out of state, may limit your ability to easily get home to your family in case of possible shelter-inplace orders. Community colleges are located within your community and easily accessible with a short drive or if you need to remain home, by a click of a mouse. Being closer to home also gives you assurance that you'll be able to take care of yourself or a loved one if they were to become ill.

3. Quality education at you've envisioned.

in-demand academic programs or career training, or if it's to swiftly accommodate students and offer different modes of instruction during a pandemic. While you may feel uncertain about the next year, community colleges like NWACC can offer you individual attention and a variety of options - day and evening classes, online, and this fall, a hybrid of in-person and online courses – all to fit fluid life circumstances.

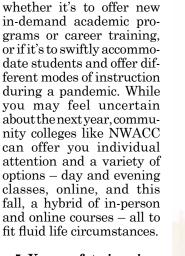
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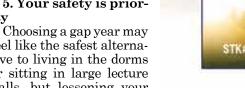
feel like the safest alternative to living in the dorms or sitting in large lecture halls, but lessening your

With student feedback, NWACC has made plans to welcome students back to campus in the fall while having numerous safety measures in place and contingency plans on hand. NWACC's response to CO-VID-19 is easily accessible to students, employees and the community online: www.nwacc.edu/coronavirus

#### It's possible

Life may feel unsettled and your future unclear, but be assured, community colleges continue to make higher education attainable. NWACC and the nation's other community colleges can be your pathway to a bright future with a four-year degree or trade skills and a career that





 $human \, contact \, doesn't \, have$ to mean placing your college dreams on hold. Community colleges are able to really tap into students' concerns and provide answers and reassurance when it comes to their safety and academic experience.



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# CDOT launches new seat belt campaign to coincide with Click It or Ticket enforcement beginning July 12

**STATEWIDE** — Starting Sunday, July 12, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) and local law enforcement agencies statewide will begin a weeklong Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement period.

The summer enforcement period also marks the launch of CDOT's latest seat belt safety campaign, Common Bond. The campaign features a variety of contrasting images to underscore that, even though Coloradans hold passionate opinions and may not agree on everything, we can all get behind seat belts. The Common Bond campaign underscores that despite our differences, the majority of Coloradans do buckle up.

As a state, Colorado's seat belt use rate currently sits at 88% — slightly below the national average of 90%.

CDOT's campaign is featured on billboards, posters, bus tails, social media, and radio PSAs.

In 2019, 196 unbuckled drivers and passengers were killed in crashes in the state, accounting for more than half of the 377 total passenger vehicle deaths. The counties that had the most unbuckled deaths in 2019 were Adams (25), Weld (23) and El Paso (15).

In 2018, eight unrestrained fatalities involved children ages 14 or younger.

"Choosing to wear a seat belt can be a lifesaving decision. Drivers and passengers wearing seat belts are much more likely to survive a crash. It's an easy choice," said CDOT Executive Director Shoshana Lew. "Please remember to buckle up and remind fellow drivers and passengers to do the same."

During the statewide Click It or Ticket enforcement last year, 775 unrestrained drivers and passengers were issued citations in communities across Colorado.

"Unfortunately, there are people who continue to believe they do not need to fasten their seat belt. Some drivers think that because there is less traffic or they are only traveling a short distance that seat belts are not always necessary," said Col. Matthew Packard, chief of the CSP. "That couldn't be further from the truth. The reality is, 52% of collisions occur within a 5-mile radius from home, and 69% occur within a 10-mile radius of home. We hope every citation issued is a reminder to always buckle up every time you enter a vehicle."

In 2019, the top five counties with the lowest seat belt use in Colorado were all rural, according to a CDOT study. Those counties include:

Moffat (71%)
Cheyenne (74%)
Pueblo (80%)
Delta (81%)
Weld (81%)

#### COLORADO'S SEAT BELT LAWS

Adults — Colorado has a secondary enforcement law for adult drivers and front seat passengers. Drivers can be ticketed for violating the seat belt law if they are stopped for another traffic violation.

Teens — Colorado's Graduated Drivers Licensing (GDL) law requires all drivers under 18 and their passengers, regardless of their age, to wear seat

belts. This is a primary enforcement, meaning teens can be pulled over simply for not wearing a seat belt or having passengers without seat belts.

Lifestyle

Children — Colorado's Child Passenger Safety law is a primary enforcement, meaning the driver can be stopped and ticketed if an officer sees an unrestrained or improperly restrained child under age 16 in the vehicle.

Fines for not buckling up in Colorado start at \$65, and parents or caregivers caught with an improperly restrained child can receive a minimum fine of \$82.

From 2013 to 2017, 30 children aged 0 to 8 were killed in passenger vehicle crashes in Colorado. Among these, more than half were in an improperly used or installed car seat — or no car seat at all. Parents and caregivers can learn more about Colorado child passenger safety laws, recommendations and recalls at CarSeatsColorado.com.

WHOLE SYSTEM. WHOLE SAFETY.

To heighten safety awareness, CDOT recently announced its Whole System — Whole Safety initiative. This project takes a systematic statewide approach to safety combining the benefits of CDOT's programs that address driving behaviors, our built environment and the organization's operations. The goal is to improve the safety of Colorado's transportation network by reducing the rate and severity of crashes and improving the safety of all transportation modes. The program has one simple mission—to get everyone home safely.



## VanWinkle in as CCA's Next President

Janie VanWinkle was elected as Colorado Cattlemen's Association's (CCA) 115th President during CCA's Leadership Election and Social Hour on Wednesday, July 1. VanWinkle has served on CCA's Board of Directors for over six years, and has spent countless hours promoting and advocating on behalf of the beef industry. Janie follows Steve

Wooten, outgoing CCA President, from Kim, Colo. Janie and her husband, Howard, own and operate VanWinkle Ranch, LLC, located in Mesa County just outside of Fruita, Colo.

Janie has a diverse background, including working in a corporate environment as well as a small-business owner. The VanWinkle family have been active members of CCA for over 30 years. Janie,

Howard, and their son Dean, the fifth generation on the ranch, proudly provide safe and nutritious beef for consumers in their local community and beyond.

"Thank you to CCA's membership for having the confidence in me and allowing me the opportunity to serve as your President. It's certainly very humbling. One of my intentions as President is to focus on our connection to the consumer. I believe that this could help us with a myriad of issues, particularly the



Photo courtesy of CCA Janie VanWinkle

wolf ballot initiative, which is imperative to defeat this November," said VanWinkle. "We need to connect better with our consumers and build trust, because our consumers are the reason we are in business," VanWinkle continued.

As the industry continues to face unprecedented challenges in the coming year, the Colorado Čattlemen's Association will benefit from its strong leadership and its grassroots connectivity to individual beef producers. "I am looking forward to advocating for CCA and its membership throughout Colorado and our country on issues and opportunities pertinent to producer sustainability. I firmly believe we must find new and engaging ways to promote our way of life," said VanWinkle.

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the AI sa County Land Use Administrator will be held on August 10, 2020 at 2:00 PM, at the Alamosa County Annex Building, 8999 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Replat submitted by Kathy Johnson for the Crowder Living Trust The applicants are proposing to replat in order to give an additional 2 acres to the existing home on the property.

The legal description is: The W?SE? of Section 26, Township 37 North, Range 9 East,

SAVE AND EXCEPT a tract of land located in the SW?SE? of Section 26, Township 37 North, Range 9 East, N.M.P.M., which tract is more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of the tract herein described whence a brass cap witness corner for the South 1/16 corner be tween Sections 26 and 27 of said Township and Range bears North 72°14?' West, 3506.20 feet distant, and also whence the South 1/16 corner between said Section 26 and 27 bears North 72°23? West 3534.80 feet distant; thence South 0°45' West, 270.00 feet to the Southwest corner of the tract herein described, a point in 11 Mile Road; thence North 89°54' East, 250.00 feet to the Southeast corner of the tract herein described, a point in 11 Mile Road; thence North 0°45' East, 270.00 feet to the Northeast corner of the tract herein described; thence South 89°54' West, 250.00 feet to the Northwes corner of the tract herein described, the Place of Beginning;

ALSO SAVING AND EXCEPTING a tract of land located in the East Half of the Southeast Quarter (E?SE?) and a fraction of the West Hal of the Southeast Quarter (W?SE?) of Section 26, Township 37 North, Range 9 East of the New Mexico Principal Meridian, as shown in Correction Bargain and Sale Deed to Mike D. Curto and Peggy R. Curto, dated June 8, 2007, and recorded August 22, 2007, under Reception No. 332163 of the Alamosa County, Colorado records, being more

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 26 monumented by a 3.25" aluminum cap marked "RUSSELL 22583"; Thence South 89°46'50" West a distance of 1347.30 feet to the Southwest corner of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 26 monumented by a 30" long #6 rebar with a 3.25" aluminum cap marked "RUSSELL 22583"; Thence North 00°43'54" East a distance of 31.47 feet to a point on the West line of the East Half of the Southeast Quar ter of said Section 26, also being on the apparent North right of way for County Road 11 South, monumented by a 24" long #4 rebar and plastic cap marked "Russell 22583"; Thence for the following three (3) courses along an existing fence line, each corner monumented by a 24" long #4 rebar with a plastic cap marked "RUSSELL 22583"; 1) Thence North 87°32'04" West a distance of 51.93 feet;

2) Thence North 71°59'46" West a distance of 25.21 feet 3) Thence North 03°21'30" West a distance of 30.68 feet

Thence North 43°09'09" East a distance of 115.87 feet to a point on the West line of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section

#4 rebar and plastic cap marked "RUSSELL 22583"; Thence North 00°43'54" East along said West line a distance of 2548.42 feet to the Northwest corner of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 26, monumented by a USDA Resettlement 2" pipe and cap; Thence North 89°48'58" East along the North line of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 26 a distance of 1323.55 feet to the East Quarter Corner of said Section 26 monumented by a 3.25" aluminum cap marked "RUSSELL 22583"; Thence South 00°13'43" West along the East line of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 26 a distance of 2703.98 feet to the point of beginning, in Alamosa County, Colorado.

A tract of land located in the SW?SE? of Section 26, Township 37 North, Range 9 East, N.M.P.M., which tract is more particularly de-Scribed by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the tract herein described,

whence a brass cap witness corner for the South 1/16 corner be-tween Sections 26 and 27 of said Township and Range bears North 72°14? West, 3506.20 feet distant, and also whence the South 1/16 corner between said Section 26 and 27 bears North 72°23?' West, S34.80 feet distant; thence South 0°45' West, 270.00 feet to the Southwest corner of the tract herein described, a point in 11 Mile Road; thence North 89°54' East, 250.00 feet to the Southeast corner of the tract herein described, a point in 11 Mile Road; thence North 0°45' East, 270.00 feet to the Northeast corner of the tract herein described; thence South 89°54' West, 250.00 feet to the Northwest corner of the tract herein described, the Place of Beginning, in Alamosa County, Colorado.

Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in the Alamosa County Land Use Office 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular office hours.

Rachel Baird Land Use Administrator

Alamosa County

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> TOWN OF ANTONITO ANTONITO, CO WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

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lump sum basis, with additive alternate bid item as indicated in the Bid Form. The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Atencio Engineer-

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Davis Engineering Service, Inc., 1314 11th Street, Alamosa CO Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. located at 1314 11th Street, P. O. Box 1840, Alamosa, Colorado 81101 upon payment of \$ 50.00 for digital copies or \$250.00 for full size paper copies. All inquiries can be directed to Clinton Phillips; phone number (719) 589-3004 ext. 115. No refund will be made for returned copies.

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Prior to the awarding of the Contract, the Town of South Fork, Colo-rado may defer its decision for a period not to exceed (30) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

Date: June 19th, 2020 Dan Hicks, Town Administrator

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MAN ELECTRICIAN full time year round work. Call Mike 719an official State appli-588-4142.(8/12) cation. http://agency. governmentjobs.com/ THE ALAMOSA colorado Contact Nina

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

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following positions: Alamosa High School-

#### 221 **HELP WANTED**

TOWN OF CENTER is accepting applications for Municipal Judge. The Town of Center is seeking a qualified individual for the Municipal Judge opening. The ideal candidate must reside in the San Luis Valley, be a U.S. Citizen and have knowledge of U.S. and Colorado Constitutions, Colorado State Statutes, Laws and judicial systems; Municipal Court Rules, Procedures, and town ordinances pertaining to traffic, civil, and ordinance violation cases. Ability to communicate effectively, orally, and in writing, to a diverse audience in a tactful, patient and courteous manner. A demonstrated ability to establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others. Ability to hear and weigh testimony and evidence, and impose appropriate penalties in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado and Town of Center. Be able to read, interpret, apply, and explain codes, rules, regulations, policies, procedures and to analyze situations accurately and adopt an ethical and effective course of action. Must be able to manage a case load, work independently, make difficult decisions under stress, be open minded and committed to equal justice under the law. Deadline to submit resumes will be 1 pm on Friday July 31st. Submit resume to Brian Lujan, Town Manager, Town of Center, PO Box 400, Center, CO 81125, or drop them off at Town Hall at 294 S. Worth Street or e-mail them to brian@centerco.gov. For more information, call

719-754-3497.(7/18) MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applica-tions 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. (7/29)

#### 221 HELP WANTED

THE TOWN OF Manassa is now accepting applications for a police officer position. You may pick up ap-plications at the Town Hall in Manassa Monday

- Wednesday 8-4.(7/28) THE CITY OF Alamosa is accepting applications fill multiple full-time Water/Wastewater Technician I positions. Job duties include performing operations, maintenance, and repairs within the water and sewer divisions under the supervisor of senior personnel. This position is also responsible to provide on-call service on a rotating basis to cover after-hours repairs and maintenance, as required. Starting salary is \$16.46 per hour including a comprehensive health benefits package, CO PERA retirement, and vacation, personal, and sick leave. A full job description, announcement, and application are available at www. cityofalamosa.org. The position is subject to preemployment tests. Deadline is July 24, 2020 at 5 pm.(7/24)

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

SAGUACHE COUN-TY, COLORADO, is seeking to fill the position of Public Health www.slvbhg.org.(7/25) Director. The position requires a master's degree in a public health discipline; a nurse candidate shall be licensed to practice in Colorado within six months of hire; OR, similar experience to a nurse with exemplary history and at least two years of administrative experience in public health, and willing to seek additional public health education and experience within five years of hire. A complete job description and qualifications are available online at: http://www. saguachecounty-co.gov. Must possess and maintain a valid driver's license. Saguache County is a drug-free workplace. All inquiries should be decounty.org or may 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:

### HELP WANTED

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

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**RETAIL MANAG-**ER: LOOKING for a job with 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:

#### **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.riogran-

221 HELP WANTED

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) 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 Educa-tor Eligibility (TEE). Successful experience with working with students with special needs preferred. Application is available at the BOCES office or on-line www. slvboces.org. Process requires application, letter of interest, and three current letters of reference. Send completed application process to Nita McAuliffe, Director of Exceptional Student Services, SLV BOCES, 2261 Enterprise Drive, Alamosa, CO 81101 or nmcauliffe@slvboces. org. Application deadline is July 15, 2020 or until positions are filled. (7/24)

#### CDL DRIVER WANT-ED, please call 719-589-

9070 or email rmmp. 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)

LOOKING FOR A career opportunity and being a part of your local community? 1st Southwest Bank is hiring a Senior Credit Analyst, offering a strong benefit package & career growth opportunities. EOE. Go to https://www. fswb.bank/who-we-are/ careers/ for more details & to apply.(7/11)

THE ALAMOSA

SCHOOL District is ac-

cepting applications for

the following position:

Technology Support

Technician. Identify,

analyze, troubleshoot

and resolve technical

service requests. Provide

assistance on usabil-

ity and functionality of

software and hardware

products. Identify, ana-

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Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions

Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All listed iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flang es, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced pre cast concrete, and construction materials. The deminimis and minor

components waiver apply to this contract. Owner: Town of Antonito

By: Aaron Abeyta

Title Date

Mayor Initial Publication of Advertisement, Valley Courier July 10, 2020 No. 1528 Published in the Valley Courier on July 10, 11, 14, 17, and 24, 2020.

Saguache County is currently accepting proposals for the Saguache County 2020 Fiscal Year audit. The ideal firm or individual will have extensive knowledge and experience related to conducting govern-mental audits in accordance with generally accepted accounting and auditing standards, and preparing financial statements that conform to all state, federal and industry guidelines.

All interested parties should submit a letter of interest and a proposal for services by November 6, 2020 at 3:00 PM to: Saguache County Administration office. For additional information contact Saguache County Administration at 719-655-2231 or wmaez@saguachecountyco.go

No. 1526

Published in the Valley Courier on July 10, 17, 24, 31, August 7, 14, 21, 28, September 4, 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2020.

Assistant Softball Coach, Assistant Cross-Country Coach and Assistant Volleyball Coach. Ortega Middle School Assistant Cross-Country Coach and Intramural Volleyball Coach. Applications are available online at http://alamosa.k12.co.us. For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until

filled. EOE.(7/18) 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) 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)

med tech or related. 5 yrs exp as a med tech or related, which must incl: setting up new laboratory & preparing standard operating procedure in all areas of the lab; monitor continuous team compliance & implement technical & QA policies based on established standards to ensure a successful accreditation & reaccreditation: initiation & implementation of new test method validation & setting up fundamentals for laboratory testing; perform antibody identification, elution, & phenotyping; & performed & oversaw validation experiments of new tests. To apply, mail resume to Brent Lehto & refe#1004 Brent.Lehto@ slvrmc.org.(7/10)

for assistance at 719-

852-8215. For questions

regarding available open

shift(s) for LPN position

contact Tracy Vargas,

ADON at 719-852-5118.

MEDICAL TECH-

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(7/18)

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)

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 Saguache County Adshould accept duties of ministration, P.O. Box construction, repair, 100, Saguache, CO maintenance, and op-81149 wmaez@saguaeration of these systems. Applicant must also opchecounty-co.gov. Faxed and emailed applications are accepted.(8/7) erate trucks, backhoe, and other equipment in the performance of MONTE VISTA these duties. The duties SCHOOL District is also included are heavy accepting applications manual labor and utilifor two Middle School zation of large variety Football Coaches, a of hand tools. Applicant Middle School Volleymust also have the ability ball Coach, and a Middle Schools Boys' Basketball Coach. Applications may be submit-

to interact with customers and possess good communication skills. Applicant must also pass ted through our online a background check and employment application pre-employment drug http://ww2.monte.k12. testing. The candidate co.us/employment-opwill also be subject to portunities.html, by July random drug testing 8, 2020, or until the posiupon hiring per CDOT regulations. CDL Litions are filled. For questions contact the District cense preferable but not Administration Office at

719-852-5996.(7/21)

required.(7/17)

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 longtime, 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)

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

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)

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

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ROOM/1 bath HOME

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Del Norte. \$600/mo., in-

clusive of water and sew-

er. No pets; no smoking;

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Call 719-\$50-0750.(7/17)

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#### 221 **HELP WANTED**

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

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)

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)

COME BE PART of something incrediblejoin the team at Centennial School District R-1! We are currently seeking community-minded. student-centered educators for the following posi-tions: High School Social Studies and K-12 Music. We also have exciting grant-funded positions for a work-based learning coordinator/alternative education teacher, Friday School/ Family Engagement Coordinator, and a Restorative Justice Coach. You can also join our athletics department as a High School Boys Basketball Coach. High School Cheer Coach, Wrestling Coach,Track Coach, or Cross-Country Coach. To apply for one of these positions visit https://www. centennial.k12.co.us/o/ centennial-r1/page/ teaching-certified-staffpositions or send resume, cover letter, unofficial transcripts, three current letters of reference, and a copy of any appropriate licenses to tmelster@ centennialschool.net. It's a great time to become a Ram!(7/15)

#### 221 HELP WANTED

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

Sanford School is an EOE & E.(7/14)

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)

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.

**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

#### 221 **HELP WANTED** NEED A SECOND IN-HERITAGE BREED

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

> 324 - FEED & SEED

NATIVE GRASS HAY for sale. Small bales, horse hay quality. USDA. Call Ed 719-852-3069.(7/14)

HORSE AND COW hay: grass, grass/alfalfa, alfalfa. 3x3 and 4x4 bales, various quality and pricing. 719-850-8917 (7-13-TFN)

### 341 - GARAGE SALES

**MULTI FAMILY GA-**RAGE sale Sat 7/11 8am-? 4851 Sierra Vista Rd, Alamosa. Too much to mention!!(7/11)

GARAGE SALE 7/10 & 7/11. Lots of Stuff. 8am. Masks please. 702 Craft, Alamosa.(7/11)

YARD SALE JULY 11. 8am. 204 Bonney Dr. Lots of good stuff.(7/11)

MOVING SALE - many items including Baby Grand Piano, Bose Wave Music system, garden equipment, man's bike, housewares, collectible dishes and much more. Call 719-589-3489 for information and appointment.(7/28)

YARD SALE FRI, Sat, Sun. Corner of Hwy 17 and 12 in Hooper. Watch for signs.(7/11)

FRI, SAT, SUN. 8am-4pm. 2019 Angel Place Alamosa.(7/11)



SALE REGISTERED BLACK Angus Bulls and semen sales Brink Livestock Services admin@brinklivestock.net www.brinklivestock.net 88-641-3750 / 719-480-3932.(7/15)

PIGS FOR SALE \$1.00 lb. live weight. 570-395-0184 (TFN)

#### 369 - PETS & SUPPLIES

FREE TO GOOD home. Female mix pup. Needs running room without chickens. Text 719-5806930 if interested.(TFN)

MALE RABBITS \$15. Call 719-480-5303.(7/15) 5 FREE KITTENS to good home. Call 361-798-

3707.(7/11) NEED CATS FOR mousers? Want to adopt kittens? Help trap/neuter/ release efforts? Donate food/litter/supplies? Low cost spay/neuter clinic for cats. http://www.catsalivesly.com 719-298-

7028. (TFN) FREE TO GOOD home. Adults and kittens. NO MOUSERS OR BARN CATS. Spay/ neuter clinics coming to Alamosa in near future. Call Donna K 719-589-5952 or 719-580-9078.

(TFN)

#### 387 - WANTED TO BUY LOOKING FOR A 2 or 3 bedroom Mobile Home 1981 or higher for \$15,000 or under. Call or text 719-580-9525(TFN-409 FARM & **RANCH LAND** PASTURE FOR RENT. 46 acres. Stock well. 4 miles east of Alamosa. Call 913-626-8573.(8/5)

FOR SALE 2-HOMES, 5.2 ACRES, 3 wells, RV spot with all hookups, chicken house,

corrals. \$175,000. Call

415 - HOMES

420 - LOTS & ACREAGE

970-640-9562.(7/25)

FOR SALE: SUR-VEYED 25 acres, Sangre De Cristo Ranch near Mountain Home Lake, creek runs through property, well & electric, good hunting & fishing. Call Al 719-588-2930. (7/31)

#### 420 - LOTS & ACREAGE

FOR SALE: 80 acres land 2.5 miles w. of San Acacio, surveyed. Call Al 719-588-2930. (7/31)



ZACH'S EUROPE-AN MOUNTS. Professional work, low prices. 719-580-0398. (TFN)

#### 601 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** for rent \$800 includes utilities. Call Glenna 719-580-3720.(7/11)

Tierra Nueva Alamosa Apartments is accepting applications for 3 & 4 Bedroom Apartments. Residents must be farm workers or work in agricultural industry. Applications available at 600 S. Craft Dr. Alamosa, CO 81101 719-587-0208 TTY 1-800-659-2656

Tierra Nueva Center Dorm Apartments s accepting applications for dorms. Residents must be farm workers or work in agricultural industry. Applications available at 980 S. Broadway

Center, C0 81125 719-754-9050 TTY 1-800-659-2656 Tierra Nueva

#### Center Family Apartments is accepting applications for 3 & 4

Bedroom Apartments. esidents must be farm workers or work in agricultural industry. Applications available at 980 S. Broadway Center, C0 81125 719-754-9050 TTY 1-800-659-2656 These institutions are

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#### 601 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

LOOKING FOR AN APARTMENT OR HOME FOR RENT? We have the best ones! Call Eclipse Property Management at 719-581-RENT or visit our website at RentEclipse.com. (TFN-6/27)

**RENT 1 BEDROOM** Apt Alamosa some utilities included 800-641-3750 / 719-480-3932.



**REMODELED 1 BED-ROOM/1** bath HOME or OFFICE studio unit in Del Norte. \$600/mo., inclusive of water and sewer. No pets; no smoking; credit report required. Call 719-850-0750.(7/17)



3 BR 2 Bath Home; Alamosa: Near Carroll Park: Garage, fenced front/ back yards. \$925/month; No pets, tenant pays utilities. Available early August Tex 719-580-1592. (7/28)



F350 1 TON dually with 12ft bed. 61,000 miles. \$5800 / OBO. Call 720-201-3857.(7/22)

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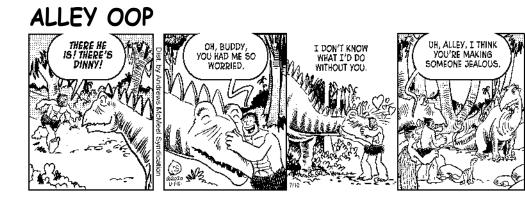


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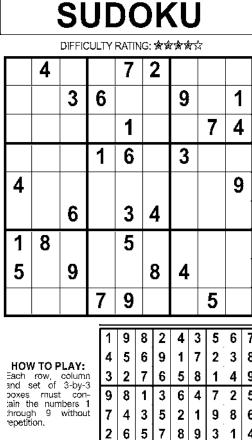


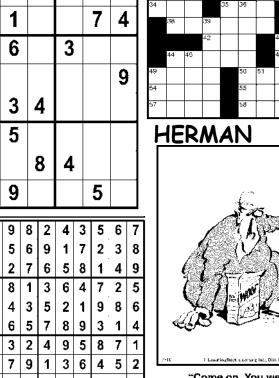
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Come on. You were all excited when you saw it on TV.'

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## **Cross-country relationship** is kept a secret from mom

lives across the country in people for advice about in those conversations. this before and mostly just looking out for you." I don't believe it.

relationship, and I would like to meet him in person. We met on a game about a year and a half ago. We've dated twice before for about a month or two. But now we have been dating for almost five months.

When I told my mom about him, she didn't like him. She doesn't even know him! How can I convince her that he's a good person and she just has to get to know him so she'll let me see him? I'm afraid to tell her because the idea makes me nervous. She refuses to understand that he is good to me, and he loves me and I love him. Although we're only teenagers, we have me? -- STRUGGLING IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR STRUGGLING: Yes, I do, and I hope you will take to heart what I I am not patronizing you. has never met in person friends try to talk to her.

DEAR ABBY: I'm in and neither have you. Yes, high school. My boyfriend you have been talking, but there is no guarantee that a different state. He is a he is everything he has teenager, too. I have asked represented himself to be

It is a mother's JOB to gotten the same answer. protect her child. There is They say, "Wait 'til you're truth to the statement that older," or, "Your mom is she is "just looking out for you." I believe the feelings you have for this young So I'm asking for advice man are valid, but I also on how to tell my mom feel that if he lived close that I'm in a long-distance by and your mother could meet him, things might be different.

For the time being, continue communicating with him and perhaps a more serious relationship will develop. However, consider this: What would you do if you finally found yourself in the same room with him and the chemistry wasn't what you expected it would be? This has been known to happen. (Trust me on that!) Time will tell if this is the real thing.

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend and I have been separated for nearly a year. Prior to this we dated for nearly four years.

After her mom passed, talked about forever. Do she fell into a depression you have any advice for and was grieving deeply. I went to see her and she said it was over. We've had some contact, but it has dwindled to nothing. I brought my cat into the am about to say because relationship, and now she won't give it back. She Look at this from your isn't answering my phone mother's perspective. This calls or texts. I'm blocked. young man is someone she I've tried letters and had



### ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

It's just mind-boggling.

She's 57 years old. She's not a spring chicken. I will have to go to small claims court to get my cat back. I'd like to salvage the relationship and try to avoid all this. -- CAT PROBLEMS IN FLORIDA

DEAR CAT PROB-LEMS: You seem like a nice person, and I sympathize, so I will offer this observation. You deserve an apology from that woman for her behavior. Do not try to salvage the relationship, which appears to have ended when her mother died. In time, you will find a lady friend who will reciprocate your feelings. DO take her to small claims court to get your cat back because, as it stands, it is the safest and most legal way you are going to have your furry family member returned.



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