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#### **Spines cancels** may 2 sale

**ALAMOSA**—Although Spines is full to capacity during the current CO-VID-19 restrictions, the Friends of the Alamosa Library have decided to cancelits spring sale scheduled for May 2. Adjustments to the proposed sale schedule for June may also be decided at a later time, given the postponement of Summerfest.

Spines continues to accept donations of books by appointment. Contact Rhonda at 719-580-2020 or Allyn at 719-588-9410.

#### Sheriff lifts fire ban

ALAMOSA- With favorable weather forecasted for this week, Sheriff Robert Jackson has lifted the Stage 1 fire ban with the hope of allowing farmers a chance to finish their ag burning.

Jackson said a Red Flag Warning would immediate put the ban back in place.



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**SLV WEATHER** 



Partly Cloudy 65/28

Thur: Evening Showers

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## **Adams State introduces Grizzly Persistence Aid**

ALAMOSA — Adams State University is establishing a new program of emergency financial support called Grizzly Persistence Aid to help students meet unexpected costs and needs due to the CO-VID-19 pandemic and to help ensure Adams State students persist in the pursuit of their degree.

Adams State has been allocated \$784,457 in immediate student emergency relief funds through the federal CARES Act. It has also secured support from other partners, including the El Pomar Foun-

dation and the Project Success Emergency Aid Program, and will combine these funds to establish the Grizzly Persistence Aid program.

In addition to direct emergency financial aid support, Adams State is working quickly and carefully to assist students and families with housing and meal adjustments. The University is evaluating a prorated adjustment for unused housing and dining charges for the Spring 2020 semester for students who lived on campus. Adams State is taking into account a student's financial aid awards, including scholarships, to determine adjustments on student accounts.

Prorated adjustments to housing and meal plans will begin to be made to student accounts starting April 24, 2020.

The Grizzly Persistence Aid program, using \$100,000 of the federal CARES Act relief funds, will distribute immediate awards of up to \$500 through an online application process to undergraduate and graduate degreeseeking students who were taking courses on campus this Spring 2020 semester.

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## **SLV** prepares for post COVID-19 era

SAN LUIS VALLEY

Tuesday, Governor Polis outlined how things may look for the State of Colorado in moving to the next stage. Keep in mind that local counties may need to move at different rates than the State. Of utmost importance is the continued adherence by the general public to social distancing, which will need to be our new normal. Watch for updated state and local public health orders in the coming days and weeks as officials

navigate the way ahead. As we move through this pandemic, the ability to determine who has the virus through testing and contact tracing will continue to be important. Testing is the easiest way to sort out who actually has COVID-19 from someone who has something similar. By understanding who actually has it and who does not, the decision of who needs to be in strict isolation can be made with more certainty as well as who needs to be in quarantine, and who does not. Making it easier to keep COVID-19 at a more manageable level as we slowly prepare to shift to a more sustainable phase of the pandemic, where more people can return to work, with certain workplace restrictions in place.

Representatives from public health, hospitals, and clinics have been working together in an SLV COVID-19 Testing Task Force to try to increase testing capabilities in the San Luis Valley. Until this week, medical professionals were limited to testing only those who met CDC guidelines for Priority 1-- those with symptoms who were either hospitalized patients or healthcare facility workers with symptoms.

In a positive move forward, some San Luis

Valley residents with symptoms who fall outside the narrow scope of Priority 1 are now eligible for local testing. This could include patients in long-term care facilities with symptoms; patients 65 years of age and older with symptoms; patients with underlying conditions with symptoms; and first responders or essential workers with symptoms. Those with symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath) should call a nurse triage line for screening. If they are eligible to be tested, they will be given further instructions. Test samples are taken locally and are

sent to outside labs for processing. Processing time varies.

Nurse Triage Lines: • Rio Grande Hospital

719-657-4990 • SLV Health Nurse Line 719-589-2511 ext. 9• Valley-Wide Health Systems 719-589-3658

What can people do right now?

Continue to wash your hands often, wear masks when you leave home, and support one another virtually while staying home. Remember, the stay at home order is still in place for right now.

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## SLV COVID 19

These cases have been identified by public health agencies as of 5:00 p.m. on April 21, 2020. All numbers are cumulative. If there are discrepancies between these numbers and those showing on the state's data website, use these local numbers.

#### SLV POSITIVE CASES

Alamosa County - 9 Conejos County - 0 Costilla County - 3 Mineral County - 2 Rio Grande County - 7 Saguache County - 3

HOSPITALIZED

ISOLATION COMPLETED

These are SLV positive cases that have completed their isolation period and have been free of symptoms for more than 72

DEATHS



By MEG COLWELL Courier Reporter

ALAMOSA — At 1 p.m., in Alamosa County Court, Antonio Cisneros made his first court appearance in front of Judge Gonzalez. Cisneros is 20 years old, from Antonito; first booked back in Nov. of 2019. Cisneros, along with two others -- Anthony Dominguez and Martin Hernandez Orozco - were arrested and charged with multiple felonies and misdemeanors; following a machete attack.

Today, Cisneros had his first court date. Cisneros Defense Attornev explained to Judge Gonzalez the council and defendant were having difficulties



meeting to discuss their options – thanks to the pandemic. So, the DA requested a continuance and Judge Gonzalez granted it. Cisneros next court date will be on May 19, at 10:15 a.m.

## New online tool for recreation and fire restriction updates and information

**DENVER**— The Rocky Mountain Region of the USDA Forest Service is releasing a new online tool as a place to find recreation updates and closures for any of the 24 national forests and grasslands across Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming.

This online tool provides a one-stop resource for learning about current USDA Forest Service recreation site status updates, alerts, warnings and fire restriction information within the states of Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming.

The Rocky Mountain Region continues to ask all forest and grassland visitors engaging in dispersed recreation, such as hiking, mountain biking or river rafting, to take extra precautions and adhere to the following safety and responsibility guidelines.

Stay close to home to keep other communities

Stay 6 feet apart from others.

Avoid crowding in parking lots, trails, scenic overlooks and other areas.

Take CDC precautions COVID-19.

to prevent illnesses like Prepare for limited or no

services, such as restroom facilities and garbage collection.

Prepare to pack out trash and human waste.

All offices are conducting business and providing virtual services. For specific forest and grassland information, please visit the region's forest and grassland directory.

40,000 Unique Visitors Per Month Shouldn't you be advertising on: www.alamosanews.com

# Record

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Shirley Rose Gallagher 1922-2020

ALAMOSA — Shirley Rose Gallagher died on the evening of April 15 at The Bridge in Alamosa, Colorado. The daughter of Newton Kinney and Rose Pearl (Fortine) Gray, she was born in Los Angeles on October 9, 1922, and lived in southern California during her formative years. She graduated from Alhambra High School in 1940, attended Pasadena Junior College, and, in the mid-1940s, worked as a singer and musician

During the final weeks of World War II, Shirley was selected to join the only USO show sponsored by the United States Navy in the Pacific Theater.

in the Los Angeles area.

Eddie Bracken headlined the show, which played to large and enthusiastic crowds of soldiers, sailors, and Marines on the islands of Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and elsewhere. Following one performance, Rear Admiral Richard Evelyn Byrd, Jr., the noted Arctic and Antarctic explorer, gave her the stars off his collar as a keepsake. She kept a diary during the tour, writing one evening: "Today at the hospital we all got to pin the Purple Heart on some fellows; it was something and a wonderful experience."

Returning to Los Angeles from the Pacific islands in August 1945, Shirley Rose continued to perform for wounded service personnel. In December 1945, an administrator with the Red Cross Camp and Hospital Committee in Los Angeles thanked her "on behalf of the patients at the many hospitals where you have so graciously appeared. Lam sure you know by now how much music means to these wounded men and how important it is that they feel we haven't forgotten them." Shirley cherished memories of her tour in the Pacific and of the friendships she forged, recounting the experience in a limited-edition memoir titled A Never-to-Be Forgotten Adventure: Reminiscences of the Bracken Show in the South Pacific, July-August 1945. The National Archives thought her contributions significant as well, featuring a photograph



of her performing with Bracken and a passage from her diary in a major exhibit of personal accounts of World War II that was created in 1992 and displayed in eleven cities across the United

On June 16, 1946, Shirley married William "Bill" Gallagher, another graduate of Alhambra High who had served four years as an officer in the U.S. Navy during World War II, at the Episcopal Church of Our Savior in San Gabriel, California.

The couple had two sons, Tim and Gary. The family left Southern California in the summer of 1954, relocating to the San Luis Valley, where they lived on a farm east of Alamosa before moving in 1957 to another farm in the Carmel District. They resided in Carmel for more than 40 years, then moved to Alamosa in 1999.

Shirley, always the gracious hostess, enjoyed a wide circle of friends who appreciated her quick wit and bridge skills. She loved art, music, the cinema, and the ocean. She especially enjoyed collecting shells during walks along beaches in both the United States and Mexico. She and Bill frequently spent winters with friends in Puerto Penasco and other favorite places along the Mexican

coast. In recent years,

they enjoyed winters in Green Valley, Arizona.

Devoted to large dogs, Shirley lavished attention on the family pets that were German Shepherds and Dobermans. She also took politics seriously, participating in local and state Republican Party activities and holding organizational offices within the party. For many years, Shirley also played an active role in Child Study Club and the local Chapter AE P.E.O. Another community connection was the "Roller Roundup" that Bill and Shirley built, owned and operated for

several years. Shirley's children and grandchildren knew her best as "Mim," a generous, yet demanding presence who helped prepare them for life's mixture of high points and hard edges. Her competitive nature was evident whether she was playing ping-pong, croquet, or in a game of cards or dominos.

Shirley will be remembered lovingly, and missed deeply, by her friends and most particularly by her family. She is survived by her devoted husband Bill of nearly 74 years, her son Tim and his wife Marsha, her son Gary, her grandchildren William (Yasuko) Gallagher, Angie (Jason) Rossback, Tami (Matt) Sliwkowski, and Marlena Rose (Steven) Halko, and eight greatgrandchildren. At her request, a private family memorial will be held.

Rogers Family Mortuary is in care of the arrangements. To leave memories and your condolences for Shirley's family please visit www. rogersfunerals.com.

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### Benjamin Floyd Shown

MONTEVISTA—Benjamin Floyd Shown, 92, went to be with his Lord on April 14, 2020, at the Colorado State Veterans Center, Homelake, CO. where he had been a resident for 4 years (and who the family wants to thank immensely for their great care of him during that time!

Ben was born in Hagerman, Idaho to Frank and Polly Shown on April 9, 1928. A veteran from the USArmy, he married Bonnie Mock, March 1, 1951. She was his wife for 69 years, no small feat in this day and age. He left very soon thereafter to serve for 21 months in the Korean

conflict.

Upon his return home, he began his family while he worked as a mechanic and other small jobs before moving to Seattle to begin a career with the Boeing aircraft company. For 22 of the 28 years he was there he worked as a quality control inspector for the missile program, a career that well fit his personality as there was: a certain way to do everything according to "By the Book Ben". Through this job, the family moved an average of every 6 months going to 10 different states and having many traveling adventures. He used to say he raised his children "in the field" because they traveled so much and saw so many different things.





He was a very hard worker who never quit.

Ben, when in his normal state of mind never met a stranger. He always had a story to tell or a poem to recite by heart which he always did with a twinkle in his eye. He was a genius in many ways in his prime, you name it he could fix it – Cars, fans, radios, TV's, plumbing, electri-

cal, house repairs, power tools, etc. He was an avid hunter who could hit the target always very accurate so that no animals suffered in any way and taught his sons the same. He also loved to fish anytime anywhere creeks, rivers or lakes it didn't matter.

Son Steve recalls he could make a plant grow from a tiny starter and have a garden if there was room wherever they lived. He had a green thumb. Also, that he was a dad who taught his boys many many things in repairs, hunting and fishing which they spent many hours doing together. Son Merle recalls he was always willing to help people with fixing repairs rides to church or whatever if he could

Ben is survived by his | wife Bonnie Shown of Monte Vista, CO. Two sons Merle (Annette) Shown of Apache Junction, AZ. Steve (Jolynn) Shown of Monte Vista, CO. and daughter-in-law Joan Shown of Lynch-

burg, VA. Also 13 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-

grandchildren. He was proceeded in death by both parents Frank and Polly Shown, three brothers Leon Elvin and John Shown, sister Jane Shown Lapp and eldest son Dan Shown

We will miss you, husband, dad, grandpa and uncle. Party hearty with Jesus we'll see you soon.

### Paulett Kay Lacy, 73

MONTE VISTA—Paulett Kay Lacy, 73, passed away on April 12, 2020, of heart failure.

Ms. Lacy was a longtime resident of Sargent and was employed by

Sargent School where she worked in the kitchen. Ms. Lacy was born Jan. 7, 1947 in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Ms. Lacy was preceded

in death by her\_parents, Kermit and Iris Lacy,

a brother, Rex Lacy, and a nephew, Michael Lacy. She is survived

by a brother, Loren Lacy (Kay)and a niece, Jen (Jeremy) Rehnberg of

Loveland, Colorado, and their children, Brooks and Mackenzie, and extended family members, Dick and Alana McNitt.

The family wishes to thank the Monte Vista Estates nursing home for

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m Ms.}$  Lacy for the past three years, and a special

their excellent care o

thank you to her friend Arturo Cantero for his care and friendship.

Cremation has been completed and there will be a family graveside service at a later date.

#### 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-

ALAMOSA —The Alamosa Kiwanis Club meets on the second, third and fourth Thursdays at noon at IIIOP. 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 Alamosa Rotary Club meets every Monday

at noon at Juanitos

in Alamosa. Contact

Dean Swift, 589-3499

or dean@deanswiftseed.

ALAMOSA — Veterans Therapeutic/Support Group meets every Monday from 5-6:30 p.m. at 315 State Ave. Ste 101, Alamosa. Call 588-8885 to register or email. d.counselingservices@

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

hotmail.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.

TOPS ALAMOSA (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 719-588ALAMOSA — 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 slvpho-

tostephen@gmail.com

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

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

in Alamosa.



## NO SCHOOL



COVID-19

To sponsor the School Menu call 589-2553

#### at 300-400 yards. He was Terese Dionne Duran, 43

ALAMOSA — Terese Dionne Duran, 43, went home to be with the Lord on April 21, 2020, at home with Jesus by her side. Terese came into the world on July 3, 1976, in La Jara, CO the daughter of Alfred and Elaine Barela Duran.

Terese was a loving daughter, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend who enjoyed Latch hooking, horseshoes, being a Bronco fan, fishing, camping, and spending all the time she could with her family and granddaughter Braelynn Cisneros.

Survivors include her Mother Elaine Duran of Alamosa, CO; her father Alfred (Marbela) Duran



of Ortiz, Co; daughter Memi Candelaria, and Granddaughter Braelynn Cisneros both of Alamosa, CO; Brothers Dylan Martinez and Ernest "EJ" Candelaria Of Alamosa, CO one sister Lynnisha

DuPont of Alamosa, CO; two brothers Brian Duran of Alamosa and

Mario Duran of Las Vegas, NV. She is also survived by Aunts, Uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Terese was preceded in death by her husband Ernie Candelaria both sets of grandparents, uncle Steve Barela, cousins Beverly, JoJo and Dominic.

Cremation was chosen and a funeral Mass 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 San Luis

Jack G. Carmichael, 89

**PENDING OBITUARIES** 

MOSCA — Jack G. Carmichael, 89 passed away April 1, 2020 at his home. Ar-

rangements are pending with Rogers Family Mortuary.

# Valley News

## COVID-19 testing to take place at two clinic locations

ALAMOSA — On Monday, Valley-Wide Health Systems will begin testing patients who meet the criteria for symptoms and exposure at the Convenient Care Community Clinic, 1131 Main St in Alamosa. Testing is also available at the La Junta Convenient Care Clinic at 1012 Belmont Ave in La Junta.

Due to the limited supply of these testing kits, patients must meet the criteria before receiving a test. These include: symptoms of COVID-19 such as fever, dry cough, and shortness of breath. Valley-Wide will also provide testing for SLV area healthcare workers who meet

testing criteria.

Testing is available between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Convenient Care Community Clinic and during regular business hours at the La Junta Convenient Care Clinic, for patients who have been triaged and confirmed as qualified for testing. If you need to be tested for CO-VID-19, please call our triage line at 719-589-3658 and press 9 when prompted. Registered nurses staff our triage line, and they can help you determine whether you should



receive testing.

In order to be tested, you must call our triage line, and meet the following criteria:

- showing symptoms of CO-VID-19
  - 65+ years of age, and/or
    Underlying health conditions

• Essential workforce/critical infrastructure employees

Testing will soon be available at the Valley-Wide Cañon City location – we will announce when testing is officially available there.

Additionally, Valley-Wide Health Systems continues to serve patients for non-COVID related needs. Our clinics remain open for patients with chronic or acute illness, obstetrics checks, Medication Assisted Treatment, and well-child checks for infants and children up to age 2. We also have telehealth appointments available for current patients so that you can speak to a provider from the comfort of your home. Telehealth services can be booked by calling your local clinic and requesting a telehealth appointment.

Alamosa Dental Clinic, Edward M. Kennedy Dental Clinic, Rocky Ford Dental Clinic and Valley-Wide Cañon City Dental will remain open, but only for emergency dental services, and on limited schedules, listed below. We are not scheduling any preventative dental services such as check-ups and cleanings at this time

Alamosa Dental Clinic: OPEN, Monday - Friday

Edward M. Kennedy Dental Clinic: OPEN, Tuesdays and Thursdays

Valley-Wide Cañon City Dental: OPEN, Thursdays

Rocky Ford Dental Clinic: OPEN, Wednesdays

## Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease confirmed in Southern Colorado

BROOMFIELD - A highly contagious and fatal disease of rabbits and hares has been detected for the first time in Colorado. Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) and the Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA) report that Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus type 2 (RHDV-2) was confirmed late last week in three wild cottontail rabbits approximately 10 miles southeast of Alamosa in Costilla County, CO. RHDV-2 does NOT affect humans or domestic species other than rabbits, but is highly contagious and lethal among rabbits. RHDV-2 is considered a foreign

animal disease and is of high concern at the state and federal levels. Until recently, RHDV-2 was not considered a virus that would infect North American cottontails or hares; however, cases have now been reported in New Mexico, Arizona, and Texas. After these reports in other Western states, CPW and CDA increased efforts to raise awareness of the potential for this disease

in Colorado.

CPW collected carcasses for testing after a report of dead wild rabbits in Costilla County on April 13th and submitted them to the CPW wildlife health laboratory for necropsy. Testing conducted by the USDA Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory was reported as positive for RHDV-2 on April 17, 2020. Recent unusual mortalities in Colorado wild rabbits have only been reported in Costilla County

to date, but CPW is requesting public assistance in identifying additional mortality events.

This virus has had significant impacts on domestic rabbits as well as wild rabbits and species that prey upon them in Europe. However, multiple dead or sick rabbits can also be a sign of tularemia or plague, diseases that can cause serious illness in people. Do not handle or consume sick or dead wildlife, and do not allow pets to contact or consume wildlife carcasses. RHDV-2 is from a different viral family than coronavirus and is not related to COVID-19.

Guidelines for Wild Cottontails, Hares, and Pika

Please report any sick/dead wild rabbits, hares or pika to your local CPW office.

Do not handle rabbits or rodents that have been found dead.

Do not allow pets or scavengers to feed on found carcasses. Though RHDV-2 is not a risk to pets other than domestic rabbits, a number of other pathogens and parasites from carcasses can affect pets.

Do not handle or consume rabbits or other game animals that appear to be sick. Instead, report these cases to the nearest CPW office.

Meat from healthy rabbits harvested by hunters is safe to consume when cooked thoroughly. Guidelines for Domestic Rabbits

Rabbit owners should exercise extreme caution and biosecurity to avoid accidental exposure of domestic rabbits through contaminated feed, bedding, equipment, or clothing that may have come in contact from infected wild rabbits or birds that could transfer the virus from infected wild rabbits.

Domestic rabbits should not be

housed outdoors in areas where rabbit hemorrhagic disease has been detected in wild rabbits. Contact your veterinarian for more information about this disease in domestic rabbits.

Helpful Links on RHDV-2:

http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/Fact-sheets/pdfs/rabbit\_hemorrhagic\_disease.pdf

https://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal\_health/fs-rhdv2.pdf

https://www.colorado.gov/aganimals/rabbit-hemorrhagic-disease-virus-rhdv2

# Chaffee Sheriff's office and State Patrol end chase

SAGUACHE — On Saturday, April 18th at approximately 10:54 p.m. a Saguache County Sheriff's Deputy initiated a pursuit of a stolen 2017 Chevrolet Silverado southbound on Highway 285 on Poncha Pass within Saguache County.

Officers from the Colorado State Patrol, Saguache Sheriff's Office, Alamosa Sheriff's Office, Center Police Department and Rio Grande County Sheriff's Office responded to assist. The stolen vehicle struck two law enforcement vehicles and attempted to strike a third over the course of the pursuit.

The stolen vehicle was ultimately stopped north of Hooper on Highway 17 after traveling over a tire deflation device and a tactical vehicle intervention maneuver was performed by a responding trooper. Two suspects were arrested with the stolen vehicle and one was apprehended at a nearby residence after fleeing on foot.

This incident is still under investigation. Charges are being filed by the Chaffee County Sheriff's Office.

#### COVID

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As we move towards the "Safer at Home" stage in our own community, it's important to safely support local businesses and one way you can do that is through the https://slvsupportlocal.com/ website. If you are a local business owner you can also submit.

business owner you can also submit your business for this website.

When the statewide stay at home order is lifted next week, it does not mean that restrictions will be lifted all at once, or that we can go back to our old "normal" lifestyles. Just as the restrictions went into effect in stages, they will be lifted in stages. When the stay at home order ends and we begin "safer at home" next

week, you won't immediately see a

change in the operations of critical

businesses that have remained open, such as restaurants and grocery stores. The businesses that were considered non-essential in the past month will have restrictions on what services can be provided, and may not be allowed to open immediately after the stay at home order ends over the weekend. The official documentation on the plan has not yet been distributed by the State of Colorado. Without it, guidance cannot be provided on when you may be able to get the personal services you miss, like a salon visit or a massage. The Spring school semester will not resume this year, and gatherings will still be limited to 10 people or less. Each SLV county has a public

health order specific to the needs of

that county. Be sure to be familiar with

the orders from your specific county. For links to local public health orders, you can visit our website slvemergency.org/slv-covid-19.

April 21, 2020, Saguache County put Stage 2 Fire Restrictions in place. At this time Conejos County and Rio Grande National Forest also have fire restrictions in place. Before burning, please check local burn restrictions and do not burn on days when Red Flag warnings are in effect from the National Weather Service.

If you haven't yet, make sure you are counted in the 2020 Census. The 2020 Census will determine congressional representation, federal funding our area receives each year and provide

data that impacts our community for the next decade. The results of this

number of seats each state has in the House of Representatives. They are also used to draw congressional and state legislative districts. If

once-a-decade count determine the

sional and state legislative districts. If you have not yet completed your 2020 Census, you can complete it online at www.my2020census.gov, or by phone at

844-330-2020 (English) or complete the census that was sent to you by mail-in

March. Please take the time to complete the 2020 Census so that our

gets representation & funding for services within our community.

### Aid

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Adams State will use another \$684,457 in federal CARES Act relief to support the return of students who enroll for the upcoming summer or fall semesters. Current Adams State students who register for summer 2020 courses or the fall 2020 semester at Adams State may receive a credit to their student account to cover costs for the upcoming summer and fall semesters. The credit amount for each student will be based on current financial need and enrollment status. Students registered by May 8 will be given priority consideration and credit awards will be posted to students' financial aid accounts, separate from standard financial aid packages.

Adams State is expected to receive an additional \$784,000 through the CARES Act to bring its total allocation of federal aid to \$1.5 million. It will be used for institutional COVID-19 expenses.

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The Adams State Foundation has also launched a private fundraising effort to help add additional emergency

aid to the Grizzly Persistence Aid

program. Grizzly Persistence Aid will be an ongoing effort by Adams State designed to assist students in dealing with unforeseen financial emergencies, which if not quickly resolved, could cause students to drop out of school. Students pursuing a college degree are sometimes derailed by a temporary financial emergency, such as the loss of a job or an unexpected increase in rent, which may cause them to leave school without earning a credential. Students typically request emergency funds for housing followed by transportation, childcare, and other unexpected costs. Adams State believes the Grizzly

Persistence Aid program will be one more way to remove barriers and increase persistence and graduation rates.

To apply for the Grizzly Persistence

Aid program visit https://www.adams.edu/students/grizzly-persistence-aid/.
Students may view their account at

Students may view their account at www.adams.edu/onestop. Students and authorized payers can view the student account and make payment by logging in to www.adams.edu/ebill.



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## **God Bless** America ...

**HOLLYWOOD** — God Bless America, and how's everybody?

President Trump held the middle ground Monday as he tried to hold together a country that is rapidly splitting in two. Half wants to maintain the quarantine and half wants to get back to work. Has anyone thought of sending in Dennis Rodman to negotiate with the Corona Virus?

High Times magazine marked the worldwide stoner holiday they dubbed 4/20 as National Get High Day on Monday. It's annually the first of three consecutive holidays. National Get High Day is always followed by National Surprise Drug Test Day, followed by National Unemployment

L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti offers a reward to anyone who turns in people who refuse to shut down non-essential businesses or comply with social distancing and home confinement. On this forty-first day of home quarantine in Los Angeles I have just laid off my pants. They're not considered es-



**Argus** Hamilton

Oklahoma City was the site of a back-to-work protest against the business shutdown Saturday in a car rally that rolled through the capitol. It's a miracle it came off so peacefully. Some drivers waved U.S. flags and some drivers waved Confederate flags and not ONCE did they fire on

Fox News aired video of back-towork protest rallies in Texas, Oklahoma and North Carolina Saturday. It's a fact that Southern states are more liberty-oriented. Georgia is opening its bowling alleys Friday but people don't need to be told by the government it's safer to play with their own balls.

The Atlanta Journal Constitution reported that the governor of Georgia is planning to reopen many businesses in Georgia this weekend including gyms, beaches, golf courses, and even the bowling alleys. However there is still a major public health threat. You still have to rent bowling shoes.

The Wall Street Journal reported that oil prices hit an all-time low negative thirty-seven dollars per barrel on Monday. This unprecedented upsidedown oil price has huge political fallout. If gasoline stations end up paying you to fill up your tank in Los Angeles, Trump just carried California.

President Trump told reporters that peace with North Korea remains his goal. By the time you read this, Kim Jung Un may be Kim Jung Gone. That would be the most shocking change for a Kim since Kim Kardashian went from being the first sex tape star to a married Republican housewife.

North Korean dictator Kim Jung Un is reportedly in the hospital in Pyongyang gravely ill. The news is reporting it could anything from a bad heart to COVID-19. Upon hearing that Kim could be dying of COVID-19, China demanded a Nobel Peace Prize for releasing the virus in the first place.

North Korea's news agency claimed Corona Virus is non-existent in North Korea. You'd think if their dictator was dying of a virus, it'd be from the hot tub he shared with Dennis Rodman. Most Americans heard Kim Jung Un was sick in the hospital and just assumed he'd smoked a bad

China's government was accused Monday of taking advantage of the corona virus uproar to step up human rights abuses against China's own citizens. It only sparked America's competitive spirit. The way things are going, Michigan is going to be competitive with China in only a week or two.

Dr. Fauci went on ABC's This Week

with George Stephanopoulos Sunday and warned against Americans returning to work too early. Before starting his work on COVID-19, Fauci was a famous researcher on AIDS. The one thing I would guess they have in common is, no sympathy sex.

The Corona Virus Task Force said Monday Americans are getting lax in safety measures. Last month they asked us to sneeze into our upper arms, but instead we started stock-piling toilet paper. This just confirms a long-standing belief that too many people don't know their ass from their elbows.

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## **Amarah's Corner**

Just last week here in a desirable suburb of my hometown, 4-children overslept. When they realized their parents hadn't wakened them for school, one of the kids went to check on them. She found her parents, both professionals in their 30s, dead from a drug overdose. The poem listed below about drug addiction details what it's like to be affected by drug addiction. The opioid crisis. The methamphet-

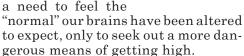
amine crisis. Addiction is not just in

Amarah's

Corner

'Kids Like Me

our inner cities. It's in our "nice" suburban neighborhoods, it's everywhere: in our homes - in our lives - in our children's lives. You see, so many nice, responsible parents like you and me get addicted to opioids after surgery or a painful accident. Dependency turns to desperation, to



Ongoing awareness and education are the key to stopping this epidemic, especially before it trickles down to our children.

When I saw this poem about drugs on Facebook posted by Duran Rakestraw, I knew I had to share it in the hopes that we can build more awareness of this crisis. Drugs and drug addiction beings, but we must, if we want to end this. ~ Jenny Rapson

Check out the powerful words below:

Poem About Drugs

"I destroy homes, I tear families

I take your children, and that's just the start.

I'm more costly than diamonds, more

costly than gold the sorrow I bring is a sight to behold.

And if you need me, I'm easily found. I live all around you, in schools and

in town. I live with the rich, I live with the

I live down the street, and maybe

next door.

My power is amazing - try me you'll

But if you do, you may never break

Just try me once and I might let you go, but try me twice, and I'll own your

When I possess you, you'll steal, and

You'll do what you have to just to get high.

The crimes you'll commit, for my narcotic charms, are 'almost' worth the pleasure you'll

feel in your arms. You'll lie to your mother; you'll steal

from your dad. When you see their tears, you should

But you'll forget your morals and

how you were raised. I'll be your conscience I'll teach you my ways.

I take kids from parents, I take parents from kids,

I turn people from God, I separate friends.

I'll take everything from you, your

looks and your pride, I'll be with you always, right by your side.

You'll give up everything - your family, your home,

your kids, your money, you'll be

I'll take and I'll take, till you've noth ing left to give.

When I'm finished with you, you'll be lucky to live.

If you try me - be warned - this is

If given the chance, I'll drive you

I'll destroy your body - I'll control

your mind. I'll own you completely; your soul

The nightmares I'll give you while

will be mine.

in your heart,

lying in bed. The voices you'll hear from inside

your head.

The sweats, the shakes, the visions you'll see.

I want you to know, these are all gifts from me.

And when it's too late, you'll know

that you are mine, and we shall not

You might think that the COVID-19

## **LETTERS**

**Dear Editor:** 

Saturday Vice-President Pence was at the Air Force Academy telling the graduating cadets that, "America was being tested" and that "when hardship comes Americans come together." The next day a couple of hundred people who I would guess considered themselves patriots were demonstrating at the Capitol in Denver. Unlike the freedom that Americans have fought and died for in the past, the freedom they want is freedom from taxes, freedom from following regulations, and freedom from feeling any responsibility for anyone but themselves. Like the captains of industry who are releasing their workers, but continue to pay dividends to themselves and buy back their stock to increase the share prices that they enjoy, they care only for themselves. They acted as if staying at home was much more than they should have been asked to do to help save others from the spread of the virus.

health emergency would make these patriots question how great America is when black and brown citizens die at rates three and four times those of whites because of health issues such as stress, poor diets, lack of healthcare and living in environmentally unhealthy neighborhoods. How great is an America where a black man knows that his college degree will allow him to be compensated the same as a high school graduate who is a white male? Or a woman who knows that doing the job where a man is paid a dollar, she will only earn \$.81. This kind of fact falls on deaf ears of those who think only of themselves. I believe the real patriots will turn out to be those who take an active part in making the changes that will truly make an America we can be proud of. Don Thompson

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You'll regret that you tried me - they always do.

But you came to me, not I to you.

You knew this would happen - many times you were told, but you challenged my power, you

chose to be bold.

You could have said no, and just walked away. If you could live that day over, now

what would you say? I'll be your master; you'll be my slave. I'll even go with you, down into your

Now that you've met me, what will

Will you try me, or not? It's all up

I'll bring you more misery than words

Come take my hand, I'll lead you to hell."

Signed, DRUGS

Retrieved from https://foreverymom. com/health-fitness/poem-about-drugs-

will-chill-you-to-the-bone/ Write to me at Amarah's Hope for Kids Like Me, P.O. Box 354, Alamosa, CO 81101.

Also, Kids Like Me offers World Bible School Bible Correspondence Courses (free/postage paid) to kids like me and their parents, too. If you know a kid me, or parent, who doesn't have a Bible, contact me and I'll make sure they get a Bible of their very own, "... and all the earth may know there is a God..." (1 Samuel 17:46, KJV).

My goal is to help kids like me, and

I want to help their parents, too. Until next time, remember, Jesus

Loves You, and JESUS IS LORD!

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# Lifestyle

# Food benefits change to help families during pandemic

ALAMOSA — In response to the CO-VID-19 crisis, food benefits, or SNAP, will temporarily increase to the maximum allotment. For a one-person household, that is \$194/month or \$646/month for a 4-person household. This emergency allotment is approved month by month is currently approved through April.

Counties across Colorado are streamlining the application process to get needed food assistance to families as quickly as possible. Anyone is welcome to apply for food benefits online, by phone, or by picking up an application at your county office. For checking your eligibility and applying online, go to Colorado.gov/peak. You can also apply or check your EBT balance through the MyCOBenefits app.

Community outreach partners will assist you in applying over the phone. Call the SLV Local Foods Coalition at 719-539-5606 (Mobile); 719-937-2319 (Leave a Message); or Hunger Free Colorado's Hotline 855-855-4626.

For general information about food resources in the San Luis Valley, visit the online directory at https://sites.google.com/view/slv-covid-food-resource/home.

And for any other questions, you may call the SLV COVID information hot-line between 9 am- 12 pm and 4-7 pm seven days a week. For English: (719) 480-8719 o en Español: (719) 315-5019.

The San Luis Valley Local Foods Coalition and its food bank partners are very interesting in learning about anyone who may be sheltering at home without the ability to drive and needs food support or other assistance. For this call 719-539-5606; or fill in the form found at the covid online directory mentioned above and also available through the SLVLFC website at www.slvlocalfoods.org. Be Safe and Be Well!

## How to handle the mental challenges of social distancing

The concept of "social distancing" was no doubt a mystery to millions of people prior to 2020. But in the wake of the outbreak of COVID-19, anovel coronavirus that was first discovered in China in late 2019 but soon spread across the globe, social distancing became a household term.

Social distancing refers to actions deliberately designed to increase the physical space between people to avoid spreading illness. The American Psychological Association notes that social distancing typically requires that people stay at least six feet apart from each other while also avoiding gathering spaces such as schools, churches, concert halls, and public transportation. In an effort to prevent community spread, many state and provincial governments mandated the closure of all businesses deemed "nonessential," forcing many working professionals to work from home full-time and temporarily putting millions of additional workers out of work.

Social distancing measures are designed to serve the greater good, and these efforts can be effective at stopping the spread of harmful viruses like COVID-19. But social distancing also can produce unwanted side effects. The APA notes that research has shown that people who are social distancing may be vulnerable to fear and anxiety; depression and boredom; anger, frustration or irritability; and stigmatization. However, the APA also notes that research has uncovered successful ways to cope with social distancing

stancing. • Maketimeforfun activities. Psychologists recommend balancing time spent on news and social media with other activities unrelated to social distancing or quarantine. Make a conscious effort each day to read a book, listen to music or even learn a new language.

• Get news from reliable sources. Inaccurate information about COVID-19 can spread fear, making it even more difficult for people to cope with social distancing. The APA recommends people get their information from news outlets that rely on trusted organizations like the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization.

• Maintain virtual connections with others. Face-to-face interactions may not be possible, but the APA notes the value of phone calls, text messages, video chat, and social media. These channels of communication provide an opportunity to stay connected with loved ones and express emotions.

• Maintain a healthy lifestyle. The APA advises everyone to get enough sleep, eat well and exercise while social distancing. Do not cope with the issues that result from social distancing by using alcohol or drugs, which may only exacerbate feelings of anxiety and depression. People also can consider their telehealth options so they can access psychotherapists to help them through.

Social distancing has proven challenging for millions of people across the globe. As difficult as social distancing can be, there are ways for people to cope and stay in touch with their loved ones. More information about social distancing is available at www. apa.org. TF206002

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## Earth Day

## Earth Day 50: Time to Restore Our Earth

By SUSAN BASS

While the exact origin and cause of the coronavirus continues to be debated, scientists are sounding the alarm that unless we take better care of the planet, we risk more and even deadlier viruses ravaging our communities. As the 50th anniversary of the first Earth Day (April 22, 1970) approaches, it is time to listen to the science and take stock of what we need to do — and not do — to heal our planet and prevent future pandemic

outbreaks. The transmission of viruses from wildlife to people rises as contact between people and wildlife increases. Trade-in wildlife and live animal markets are identified as major suspects for virus transmission. However, contact is also increasing as a result of deforestation, habitat fragmentation and expanding agricultural borders.

Among the startling statistics that scientists are sharing is that "almost half of the zoonotic disease that have emerged in humans since 1940 resulted from changes in land use, from changes in agricultural or other food production practices or from wildlife hunting." Zoonotic diseases are those jump from animals to humans. Among the diseases that fall in this category are SARS, Ebola, West Nile, Lyme, MERS.

Arecent Stanford University study focused on contact between humans and primates in western Uganda confirmed that forest loss resulting in fragmented patches is increasing the likelihood of viruses jumppeople. The key point here is that people are intruding on animal habitats, not vice

You don't need to travel to remote lands to encounter these viruses. Here in the United States, we are only too familiar with Lyme disease, which is linked to forest fragments in suburban and rural communities. Lyme disease is transmitted from wildlife to humans via ticks.

Biodiversity loss also contributes to the spread of disease. West Nile virus is transmitted by mosquitoes with several bird species acting as host. There is a strong correlation between low bird diversity and increased human risk or incidence of West Nile encephalitis in the U.S.

Unfortunately, we are losing the battle globally on stemming deforestation and biodiversity loss.

Since humans have started cutting trees, the number of trees globally has dropped by 46% with 15 billion trees being felled every year.

In 2020, the World Economic Forum announced the launch of the One Trillion Tree Initiative platform for governments, businesses, and civil society in support of the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration. As of February 2020, 13 billion trees had been planted.

However, tree planting may be fraught with peril. Planting the wrong types of trees or planting trees in the wrong places may harm ecosystems and cause problems for local wildlife. Tree-planting programs

priority of maintaining and protecting existing forest stands, which provide habitat and sequester significant amounts of carbon.

Global biodiversity which serves as the safetynet for our health and welfare — is increasingly threatened. The IPBES Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service found that one million animal and plant species are currently threatened with extinction. Native species populations in land-based habitats have fallen by 20%. The main culprits in order of impact are changes in land and sea us, direct exploitation, climate change, pollution, and invasive alien species.

Visible from space, the historic bushfires this past year in Australia killed half a billion, mammals, reptiles, birds and insects, threatening the survival of iconic species, such as koalas and kangaroos. An extreme drought and extended heatwave brought on by climate change contributed to the unprecedented magnitude and length of the fires.

In response to this dire situation, the U.N. is calling for the protection of at least 30% of the world's land and oceans in order to prevent the loss of the world's biodiversity. Governments were scheduled to meet later this year in China to adopt a new set of biodiversity goals, but the meeting has been postponed because of COVID-19.

Similarly, the global climate change conference scheduled for November in Glasgow has also been coordinated action on climate change.

Our Earth cannot wait for

are two Earth Days – one on April 22 and the other on Election Day in November.

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Source: Seth Wynes and Kimberly Nicholas, Lund

## **How Earth Day and environmental** consciousness have evolved

Reduce, reuse, recycle is a mantra for many people. It's difficult to imagine that just 50 years ago awareness of the state of the environment was not part of the collective consciousness.

An emerging public consciousness about the planet began amid environmental issues like increased air pollution and massive consumption of fossil fuels in the 1960s. The bestselling book "Silent Spring" by Rachel Carson also raised public concern for living organisms and the links between pollution and public health. The push for environmental reform gained even more momentum on April 22, 1970, when the first Earth Day was celebrated. Then-Senator Gaylord Nelson from Wisconsin put Earth Day on the national stage following a large oil spill that struck off the coast of Santa Barbara, Calif. Before this disaster, recycling was not a word in the popular lexicon. But when the disaster struck, people began to reason that changes would have to be made to save the planet. Since the first Earth

Day 50 years ago, many strides have been made in the environmental movement. This grassroots initiative gave rise to the establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act. Environmental awareness has become much more mainstream and is a less polarizing issue than it was in the 1970s, although there are still debates about the reality of climate change and other risk factors. Public demand for environmental safeguards grew in the second half of the twentieth century, and those demands have grown stronger in recent years. Legislation is continually evolving to protect the air, land and water. Sustainability has joined the buzzwords of the movement, and most industries now have a vested interest in changes that can minimize risk to human health and the

Mitigating or avoiding environmental effects, proper waste disposal, reduction in water discharge, and emphasis on reducing, reusing and recycling have become important components of environmental wellness. And people are being educated at earlier stages on the importance of environmental mindfulness. For example, core subjects of the environmental movement are increasingly covered in elementary

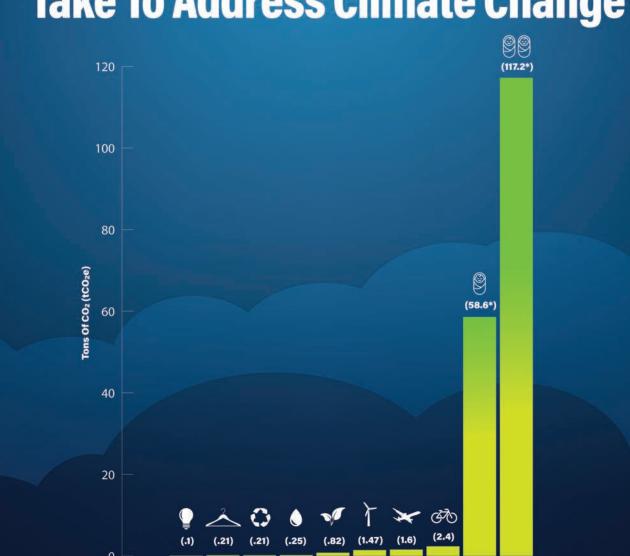
environment.

schools. Twenty million people turned out for the first Earth Day in the United States. Today, more than 190 countries are engaged and more than one billion individuals are mobilized for action every Earth

Day, advises the Earth

Day Network. To mark the 50th anniversary, the most pressing topic for the year is climate change. Climate Action is the 2020 Earth Day theme to engage the global public. There is still work to be done, but great progress has been made since 1970. TF204864

> **Top Personal Actions You Can Take To Address Climate Change**



Annual CO2 Savings In Tons For A Person Living In A Developed Country

**Avoid One Roundtrip Transatlantic Flight** 

**Choosing to have One Less Child** 

**Choosing to have Two Fewer Children** 

**Choose Green Energy** 



Courtesy Photo

**Upgrade Light Bulbs** 

**Wash Clothes in Cold Water** 

**Eat a Plant-Based Diet** 

**Hang-Dry Clothes** 

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# Conejos

## Hints for health

#### By SYLVIA LO-**BATO**

**CONEJOS** — Conejos County Public Health has released an order related to COVID-19 as an effort to slow down its spread so it doesn't over stress our Health Care System, Conejos County Emergency Management has announced.

The State of Colorado has announced there have been no deaths recorded in the county since the outbreak began and there are no COVID-19 positive patients in Conejos County at this time.

There also were few in The San Luis Valley cases are expected. To keep up to date go to official sites, either Conejos County sites or slvemergency@org.

Taking preventative action is called "flattening the Virus spread curve,' making this much more manageable, but it takes everyone's cooperation to be successful! The county commissioners, administration, elected officials, public health and emergency manager are all working tirelessly to keep us all safe. "Take everyday actions

to protect yourself and those you love," the order says. There are effective ways to reduce the risk to yourself and the people you care about.'

Frequently and thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol.

Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, or use your inner elbow or sleeve. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands. Use regular household products to cean surfaces in your home and personal items such as cell phones.

Things to remember

It is normal to be scared, distressed or angry when you hear about a disease outbreak, even when you are at a low risk of getting sick. Be careful not to turn fear and anger towards people who have become sick. Ask yourself:

Would you think or do the same thing if this was a different infectious disease, like the flu?

Does what I'm doing make people safer or does it create more fear or harm?

The risk of COVID-19 is not at all connected with race, ethnicity, or nationality. Blaming others will

not help fight the illness. Seeking and sharing accurate information will.

Recognize signs of stress in yourself. Identify what you are afraid of. Figure out if what you fear is something that you can address right now. If not, know what activities help you release energy from stress and fear, such as physical activity, listening to music, or talking with someone you trust. Do something that puts you in a positive mood.

Higher-risk people Certain people are at higher risk of getting

very sick from COVID-19, including: Older people (over age

60), especially those over People who have chronic medical conditions like

heart, lung, or kidney disease or diabetes. Older people with chronic medical conditions are

at the highest risk. People at higher risk should take action now to be prepared for this virus if there is an outbreak in

their community. CDC has the information you need to prepare. Everyone's daily preventive actions are important in reducing spread to people who may experi-

ence more severe illness.



## **Healthcare** issues

**CONEJOS** — While Conejos County is working to weather the coronavirus COVID-19 health crisis, Conejos County Health Director Denise Jiron explains to residents and visitors alike, "We are experiencing some of the complications of living in a rural area. These complications include, but are not limited to the following:

· Resources: The local health care system, Conejos County EMS and Conejos County Sheriff are not equipped to handle cases of coronavirus with increased population. Grocery stores: Please be aware

that grocery stores in Conejos County have limited quantities of stock and availability.

• Health care: "Valley Wide Health Services and SLV Health are extremely

limited in their capacity to care for those affected by COVID-19." SLV Hospitals have very limited testing resources. Hospital beds and ICU capabilities throughout the Valley are very limited. An influx of population would potentially put added pressure on nearby regional hospitals that will be taxed by other areas, as well.

 Altitude: Conejos County's high altitude is not well suited for a respiratory illness, such as COVID-19

 Quarantine: Conejos County is requesting you to self-quarantine in your home for 14 days upon returning to the county for the prevention or spread of coronavirus.

Colorado Gov. Polis has asked that we all wear a face covering or a mask when venturing out into the public stores, businesses and the like.

• Finally, and due to the COVID-19 circumstances, The Conejos County Department of Public Health strongly advises summer visitors to delay their summertime plans until June 1.

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#### **Groceries** for those in need

LA JARA — On Thursday morning, April 23 at the Northerners Senior Center in La Jara seniors will be provided groceries and essentials. Thanks to a grant from El Pomar essential items including food and toiletries will be provided for seniors all over Conejos County. Those in need and veterans are also encouraged to attend. The grocery distribution will take place from 10-11 a.m. on Thursday.

## Don't clog

ANTONITO — The Antonito Public Works Department has faced two major sewage blockages in Antonito due to baby and disposable wipes. The sewer system and pump stations are not designed to pump and treat wipes. Please DO NOT flush baby and disposable wipes or paper towels down the toilet. Continued blockages cause expensive pump damages.

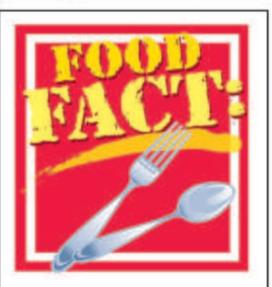
#### Maintenance still available

LA JARA — Citizens of the Town of La Jara! Our town employees (maintenance workers) are still available to assist with limited tasks, such as running errands or picking up meds, etc. The Hown Hall phone numberis 274-5363. The town is seeking grants to assist with payroll down the road for our

employees. This "stay at home" policy has been challenging for all of us, say town trustees, but is the best practice for now. "Don't hesitate to call the town clerk if you need anything. We cannot buy groceries, but the clerk has information about food bank and Care and Share. The Northerners Senior Center is applying for some assistance to help with supplying staples like milk, eggs, bread potatoes, beans and toilet paper. The senior population will be served first and then those citizens that are truly in need. Details regarding this assistance

will be forthcoming





ONE OF THE FIRST "CANDIES" WERE MADE FROM HONEY MIXED WITH FRUIT OR NUTS IN THIS COUNTRY.

ANSWER: EGYPT

### What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?





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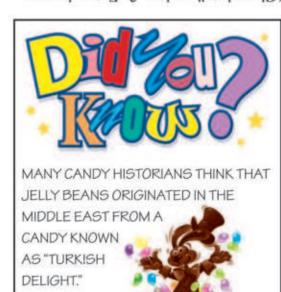


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### **Public Notices**

ORDINANCE NO CONEJOS COUNTY 2020-1 OF THE BOARD OF CONEJOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CONEJOS COUNTY RE: ORDINANCE RESTRICTING OPEN FIRES AND OPEN BURNING IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF CONEJOS COUNTY, COLORADO.

C-01-20
WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. §30-11-107 et seq., and §30-15-401 et seq., the Board of County Commissioners of Conejos County, Colorado (hereinafter the "Board"), has the general enabling power to adopt Ordinances for the control or licensing of those matters of purely local concern, and to do all acts and make all regulations which may be necessary or expedient for the promotion of the health, safety and welfare of the present and future residents of Conejos County; and

and WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-15-401(1)(n5), the Board has specific authority to adopt an Ordinance banning open fires to a degree and in a manner that the Board deems necessary to reduce the dangers of wildfires within those portions of the unincorporated areas of the County where danger of forest or grass fires is found

areas of the County where danger of forest or grass fires is found to be high; and WHEREAS, C.R.S. § 30-15-405 provides that except for Ordinances calling for special elections or necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety and containing the reasons making the same necessary, such Ordinances shall not take effect and be in force before thirty days after they have been so published; however, an excepted Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption. As an excepted Ordinance, a second reading and subsequent publication by reference to title only are not required; and

cepted Ordinance, a second reading and subsequent publication by reference to title only are not required; and WHEREAS, the Sheriff of Conejos County ("Sheriff") is authorized under the provisions of C.R.S. §§ 30-10-512 and 30-10-513, to act as Fire Warden of the County in case of prairie or forest fires, and to assume charge thereof or to assist other governmental authorities in controlling or extinguishing forest or prairie fires; and WHEREAS, open fires and open burning can be a prime cause of forest and prairie fire in Conejos County; and WHEREAS, the Sheriff has advised the Board that atmospheric conditions, including lack of moisture and other local conditions, create a high danger of forest and prairie fires in Conejos County, thereby

ditions, including lack of moisture and other local conditions, create a high danger of forest and prairie fires in Conejos County, thereby making open fires and open burning within the unincorporated areas of Conejos County hazardous; and WHEREAS, the Sheriff monitors fire weather conditions and fire danger ratings, such as the U.S. Forest Service and Colorado State Forest Service rating systems; and WHEREAS, changing atmospheric conditions require that fire restrictions need to be implemented and/or released in a timely manner; and

and WHEREAS, the Board, upon the advice of the Sheriff, finds that for

those days on which the National Weather Service notifies Conejos County Sheriff's Office Communication Center of a "red flag warning" County Sheriff's Office Communication Center of a "red flag warning" (a term used by fire-weather forecasters to call attention to limited weather conditions of open burning) within those sections of unin-corporated Conejos County that are subject to the "red flag warning," shall be prohibited and persons or entities shall be prohibited from open burning and subject to Stage 1 Restrictions regardless of any burn permit that may have been issued by a fire district or CDPHE within unincorporated Conejos County; and WHEREAS, the Board finds that competent evidence has been pre-sented indicating that the danger of forest and prairie fires in Cone-

WHEREAS, the Board finds that competent evidence has been pre-sented indicating that the danger of forest and prairie fires in Cone-jos County is periodically high, and therefore it is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Conejos County to occasionally impose a restriction on all open fires and open burning within the unincorporated areas of Conejos County; and WHEREAS, the County has not previously adopted an Ordinance regarding fire restriction in the unincorporated Conejos County; and THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CONEJOS COUNTY AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1: TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known and referred to as the "Coneios County Open Fire and Open Burning Restriction Ordinance," and may be cited and referenced as such. SECTION 2: PURPOSE

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The purpose of this Ordinance is to preserve and protect the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Conejos County, Colorado, by restricting open fires and open burning in the unincorporated areas of Conejos County in order to prevent forest and prairie fires given the high danger of such fires as a result of atmospheric condi-

tions, including lack of moisture and other local conditions in Conejos SECTION 3: AUTHORITY

This Ordinance is authorized by, inter alia, generally, part I of article 11 of title 30, and part 4 of article 15 of title 30, and specifically, part 4 of article 15 of title 30 at C.R.S. §401(1)(n-5).

SECTION 4: INTERPRETATION This Ordinance shall be so interpreted and construed as to effectuate

its general purpose to preserve and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Conejos County, Colorado, by restricting and wellare of the citizens or Conejos County, Colorado, by restricting open fires and open burning in the unincorporated areas of Conejos County in order to prevent forest and prairie fires given the high danger of such fires in Conejos County. Section heading and any cross references, if any, of this Ordinance shall not be deemed to govern, limit, modify, or affect in any manner the scope, meaning, or extent of the provisions of this Ordinance or any section thereof.

SECTION 5: APPLICATION

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Conejos County, including public, private, state, and federal lands and to any incorporated town or city which elects by Ordinance to have the provisions thereof apply. SECTION 6: DEFINITIONS Fire Restriction Evaluation Guidelines: That set of evaluation criteria

currently in use by local Federal, State, and local fire suppression/ management agencies for monitoring fuel moistures, fire danger class, current impacts on suppression resources, current fire cause types, fire weather forecasts, and other indicators of predicted fire danger. Fireworks: As defined in C.R.S. § 12-28-101(3)(a), including any com-

Fireworks: As defined in C.R.S. § 12-28-101 (3)(a), including any composition or device designed to produce a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation, and that meets the definition of articles pyrotechnic, permissible fireworks (per Section 12-28-101 (8)(a)), or display fireworks.

Open fire or open burning: For purposes of this Ordinance, open fires or open burning shall be defined as any outdoor fire, including, but not limited to, bonfires, campfires, warming fires, charcoal grill fires, fires in wood-burning stoves, the use of explosives, outdoor welding or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame other than in an area cleared of all flammable materials, fireworks of all kinds or brirdation or drainage ditches, fence lines or rows, fields, farmlands.

brands, burn barrels without screens, and the prescribed burning of irrigation or drainage ditches, fence lines or rows, fields, farmlands, rangelands, wild lands, trash and debris.

Red Flag Warning: a term used by fire-weather forecasters including, but not limited to, the National Weather Service ("NWS") to call attention to limited weather conditions of particular importance that may result in extreme burning conditions.

Stage 1 restrictions—Prohibits the following activities:

1. Open burning, excepting fires and campfires within permanently constructed fire grates in developed campgrounds and picnic grounds, charcoal grills and wood burning stoves at private residences in areas cleared of all flammable materials, and those other exceptions/exemptions as noted in Section 10: xceptions/exemptions as noted in Section 10:

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2. The sale or use of fireworks (as defined in Section 6) pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-15-401(1);
3. Outdoor smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials. Stage 2 Restrictions—Prohibits the following activities:
1. All open burning as defined other than those exceptions/exemptions in Section 10.

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2. The sale or use of fireworks (as defined in Section 6) pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-15-401(1)(n.7).

3. Outdoor smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building.

4. Operating or using any internal combustion engine is not permitted on public lands without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order meeting either:

a. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Standard 5100-1a; or b. Appropriate Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) recommended practice 5335(b) and J350(a).

5. Welding, or operating acetylene or other similar torch with open flame, unless said work is performed in an area at least thirty (30) feet in diameter that is clear of flammable vegetation and unless the worker has ready access to a fire extinguisher or water supply suitable to suppress any fire that results from the welding operation.

5ECTION 7: DECLARATION OF AN OPEN FIRE BAN:

The Conejos County Board of County Commissioners or the Conejos County Sheriff, or his designee, shall have the authority to declare an open fire ban whenever the danger of forest and grass fires is found to be high, and without further proceedings or Ordinance. Any declaration and the properties of the second of county of the properties of ordinance. found to be high, and without further proceedings or Ordinance. Any declaration of an open fire ban made pursuant to this section shall specify the Stage level restriction, the parameters of the ban and the duration of the ban as deemed necessary and appropriate, and shall

duration of the ban as deemed necessary and appropriate, and shall be promptly published through a general press release to local television, radios and print media, Conejos County website, and social media. Likewise, when conditions indicate a reduction or increase in restrictions, or the suspension or release of restrictions, the same notification to the public shall occur.

SECTION 8: NO OPEN FIRE OR OPEN BURNING WHEN RED FLAG WARNING IS IN EFFECT:

No person or entity shall initiate or continue an open fire in unincorporated areas of Conejos County on a day in which the National Weather Service has issued a "red flag warning" for any part of unincorporated areas of Conejos County. Any existing burn projects must be extinguished when a "red flag warning" has been issued. For the purposes of this Ordinance, when the National Weather Service issues a red flag warning, Stage 1 Restrictions shall be in effect and oppen fire or burning during a red flag warning period shall be treated as a violation of Stage 1 burn restrictions as set forth in this Ordinance. A declaration pursuant to Section 7 of this Ordinance shall not be necessary. not be necessary. SECTION 9: UNLAWFUL ACTS:

SECTION 9: UNLAWFUL ACTS: It shall be unlawful for any person to build, maintain, attend or use an open fire or conduct an open burn in the unincorporated areas of Conejos County in violation of this Ordinance, including public, private, state, and federal lands and to any incorporated town or city which elects by Ordinance to have the provisions of this Ordinance apply.

Section 10: EXCEPTIONS/EXEMPTIONS:

The following activities shall be exempt from this Ordinance:

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(1) Commercial or community fireworks displays properly permitted by the Sheriff or other appropriate authority.

ate authority.

(2) Fires contained within liquid-fueled or gas-fueled stoves.

(3) Indoor fireplaces and wood-burning stoves.

(4) Outdoor charcoal grills and wood-burning stoves during Stage 1
Restrictions providing they are at private residences and in an area cleared of all flammable materials including dry vegetation.

(5) Burn barrels providing they are at private residences and in an area cleared of all flammable materials including dry vegetation and covered with a screen. During Stage 2 restrictions, burn barrels are

prohibited from use. (6) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise pro-

(a) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

(7) Any federal, state or local law enforcement officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting agency in the performance of an official duty.

(8) Any further exemptions to either the meaning of terms or the enforcement of this Organized shall be greated only by the Sheriff or the

forcement of this Ordinance shall be granted only by the Sheriff or the Sheriff's designee, or for exemptions upon or within state or federal lands located within Conejos County, by the administering state or federal agency, and only if the proposed action is deemed by the Conejos County Sheriff, or the Sheriff's designee, to be safe.

SECTION 11: ENFORCEMENT: This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Sheriff, through his Deputies in conjunction with fire code officials and upon receipt of a statement of probable cause, the Fire Chief of any fire protection district or his designee, the administering agencies of the state and federal lands

located therein, or Fire Chief or his designee, of any incorporated city or town who adopts this Ordinance, and any peace officer in and for the State of Colorado as described in C.R.S. § 162.5-101, and they shall have authority to order any person to immediately cease any violation of this Ordinance. This authority shall include, but not be limited to, the right to issue a penalty assessment notice and the right to take such person or persons into temporary custody if necessary. SECTION 12: VIOLATIONS:

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(1) Any person who violates this Ordinance from the effective date to and including the day prior to suspension or rescission of this Ordinance, commits a Class 2 Petty Offense under C.R.S. § 30-15-402(l) and, upon conviction or confession of guilt thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each separate offense plus a surcharge of ten dollars (\$10.00), under C.R.S. § 30-15-402(2). Fines are to be set by the County Court, unless the violator wished to confess guilt and pursuant to the penunless the violator wished to confess guilt and pursuant to the pen-alty assessment procedure within twenty (20) days of issuance of the ticket, pay the fine indicated plus the ten-dollar (\$10.00) surcharge (2) Each violation of this Ordinance shall be deemed separate

(2) Each volation of this Ordinance shall be deemed separate and distinct from any other violation of this Ordinance or of any other federal, state, or local law rule, order, or regulation.
(3) Criminal prosecution may be brought against a violator in accordance with C.R.S. §§ 30-15-402 and 30-15-410, and under the penalty assessment procedure provided in C.R.S. §16-2-201. The Sheriff's Office is authorized to devise a ticketing system in conformance with C.R.S. § 16-2-201.
(4) The penalty assessment procedure provided in C.R.S. § 16-2-201. The penalty assessment procedure provided in C.R.S. § 16-2-

(4) The penalty assessment procedure provided in C.H.S. § 16-2-201 may be followed by any arresting law enforcement officer that is provided with a statement of probable cause from a fire code official for any such violation. The graduated fine schedule for such penalty assessment procedure shall be:

(a) Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for the first offense;
(b) Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the second offense within sixty
(c) Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for the third offense within sixty (\$60) days of the first offense;

(c) Seven runtined and ruly Dollars (5/30.00) for the finite offense; (d) One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each additional offense within sixty (60) days of the first offense. (e) In addition to the penalty prescribed in this Ordinance, persons convicted of a violation of this Ordinance are subject to a surcharge of the deliver (\$10.00).

convicted of a violation of mis Ordinance are subject to a surcharge of ten dollars (\$10.00). (f) Regardless of any penalty imposed under this Ordinance, persons convicted of a violation of this Ordinance shall be held liable for costs to the county for fire response, fire control, fire recovery, and material

to the county for life response, life control, life recovery, and material damages.

SECTION 13. DISPOSITION OF FINES:

All fines paid for the violation of this Ordinance shall be in negotiable funds made payable to Conejos County and submitted to the Conejos County Treasurer's Office, 6683 County Road 13 (P.O. Box 97) Conejos, CO 81129. All fines for the violation of this Ordinance received by the County shall be remitted to the Conejos County Treasurer and deposited into the general fund. All surcharge dollars shall be paid by the defendant to the Clerk of the Court and credited to the Victims and Witnesses Assistance and Law Enforcement Fund of the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of Colorado pursuant to C.LS. § 30-15-402(2)(a). The defendant shall also pay court costs. 402(2)(a). The defendant shall also pay court costs. SECTION 14: ADDITIONAL REMEDIES: The remedies provided in this Ordinance shall be cumulative and

The remedies provided in this Ordinance shall be cumulative and in addition to any other federal, state, or local remedies, criminal or civil, which may be available. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to preclude prosecution under any applicable statute, including but not limited to, prosecution under C.R.S. § 18-13-109, or any applicable local, state, or federal statute, Ordinance, rule, order, or regulation.

SECTION 15: SAFETY CLAUSE:

The Brard hereby finds, determines, and declares that this Ordinance.

The Board hereby finds, determines, and declares that this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation and protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Conejos County, Colorado. This is an excepted Ordinance.

SECTION 16: SEVERABILITY:

Should any section, subsection, clause, sentence, or phrase of this Ordinance be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the other provisions of this Ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid provision. SECTION 17. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS

All former County Ordinances, rules, or regulations, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed. SECTION 18: PUBLICATION/EFFECTIVE DATE:

The Board orders that this Ordinance be published in full in a public newspaper published in Conejos County, Colorado, and that a second reading and adoption shall occur no less than ten (10) days after ond reading and adoption once of the publication.
This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption as an ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption as an ordinance ordinance shall remain in effect until such time as this

excepted Ordinance and shall remain in effect until such time as this Ordinance is amended by the Board, or enforcement is temporarily suspended by the Board A second publication of the ordinance after adoption shall be by title

SECTION 19: REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS

All former County ordinances, resolutions, rules or regulations, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed. INTRODUCED, AND READ on April 16, 2020, and ordered published in the Vellus Couries.

in the Valley Courier.
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY
OF CONEJOS, COLORADO
Mitchell Jarvies, Chair

Steven McCarroll, Commissioner Carlos Garcia, Commissioner Nathan Ruybal, Conejos County Clerk & Recorder

Published in the Valley Courier on April 22, 2020.

#### COMBINED NOTICE OF SALE PUBLICATION (CRS §38-38-103) FORECLOSURE SALE No. 2020-1 To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard

following Deed of Trust:

On January 21, 2020, under Reception No. 20000097, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand

Original Grantor(s): Marvon Greg Richardson
Original Beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Nominee for U.S. Bank, N.A.
Current Holder of the Evidence of Debt Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
Date of Deed of Trust:
December 20, 2007

December 20, 2007
County of Recording Conejos
Recording Date of Deed of Trust Recording Date of Deed of Trust Peccording Information (Reception No and/or Book/Page No.)
Original Principal Amount \$94,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$76,031.92
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: Failure to pay the monthly installments of principal and interest due.

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
The legal description of the Property that is subject to the Notice of December 21, 2007

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIED.

The legal description of the Property that is subject to the Notice of Election and Demand in accordance with CRS §38-38-101(4)(g) is:

a commencing for a tie at the Quarter Election and Demand in accordance with CRS §38-8-101(4)(g) is: A tract of land described as commencing for a tie at the Quarter Corner between Sections 28 and 29, Township 33 North, Range 7 East N.M.P.M.; thence South on the Section Line a distance of 1605 feet to a point on the North right of way boundary for Colorado State Highway No. 17; thence North 84°02' West along said right of way a distance of 112 feet; thence North 02°04' East a distance of 210.4 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 34E and the point of beginning; thence North 84°02' West a distance of 174 feet; thence North 01°05' West a distance of 210 feet; thence South 84°02' East a distance of 186 feet; thence South 02°04' West a distance of 210.4 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, excepting a strip of land 15 feet wide less, to the point of beginning, excepting a strip of land 15 feet wide along the North boundary of said lot to be used for road right of way,

along the North boundary of said lot to be used for road right of way, in Conejos County, Colorado.

Also known by street and number as: Lot 34B Fox Creek Road, Antonito, CO 81120

THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRIEST

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 21, 2020, at the office of the Conejos County Public Trustee, Conejos County Courthouse, 6683 County Road 13, Conejos, CO 81129, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Pur-

allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED.

First Publication Date: March 25, 2020

Last Publication Date: April 22, 2020

Name of Publication: The Valley Courier

Date: March 23, 2020

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Public Trustee in and for the County of Conejos, State of Colorado

Public Trustee in and for the County of Conejos, State of Colorado. The name, address, telephone number and bar registration number of attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: Karen J. Radakovich, Esq., A.R.#11649 Frascona, Joiner, Goodman and Greenstein, P.C. 4750 Table Mesa Drive, Boulder, CO 80305-5575 Telephone: (303) 494-3000 Facsimile: (303) 494-6309 FJGG 7192-13920/RICHARDSON, MARVON 0002704319 The attorney above is action as a debt collector and is attempting to

The attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that pur-

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#### **District Court** Rio Grande County, Colorado

Court Address:
925 6th St., Del Norte, CO 81132
Parent/Petitioner: Jessica Trujillo
for Minor Child: Stone Palmgren
For a Change of Name to: Stone Trujillo
Caso Number: 2020/15 Case Number: 2020CV5 PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Public Notice is given on April 14, 2020 that a Petition for a Change of Name of a Minor Child has been filed with the Rio Grande Court. The Petition requests that the name of Stone Walker Palmgren Stone Walker Trujillo
Stone Walker Trujillo
By Pearl Gutierrez
Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published in the Valley Courier on April 22, 24, and 25, 2020

COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 914-20
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On February 11, 2020, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Alamosa records. Original Grantor(s)

Edward H. Lvell

Edward H. Lyell
Original Beneficiary(ies)
San Luis Valley Federal Bank
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt
San Luis Valley Federal Bank
Date of Deed of Trust
February 21, 2006
County of Recording Alamosa Recording Date of Deed of Trust

February 23, 2006 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)

Original Principal Amount \$134,850.00 Outstanding Principal Balance \$99,295.49

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure

covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

Tract 2 of the Cody Division of Land No. 2, located in the NE1/4 of Section 33, Township 37 North, Range 9 East, N.M.P.M., the Plat of which was filed November 29, 1990, under Reception No. 253718 of the Alamosa County, Colorado, records, in Alamosa County, Colorado. Together with all water and water rights, ditches and ditch rights, wells

and well rights, and rights of way appurtenant thereto Also known by street and number as: 2770 County Road 11 South, Alamosa, CO 81101 THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROP

FROTE TO DESCRIBE THE FROM THE FROM THE FROM THE FROM THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 06/10/2020, at County Office Building, 8999 Independence Way, Alamosa Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication 4/15/2020

Name of Publication
IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; DATE: 02/11/2020
Amy McKinley, Public Trustee in and for the County of Alamosa, State of Colorado
By: Amy McKinley

By: Amy McKinley, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registra-

tion number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: Jeffrey E. Motz #35972 Jeiliey E. Motz #379/2 Paul E. Motz #7740 Motz Law Firm, LLC P.O. Box 779, Alamosa, CO 81101 (719) 589-

The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that pur-

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COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION

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CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 915-20
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On February 14, 2020, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Alamosa records.

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Original Grantor(s)
John P. Ortega, Jr. and Maria Ortega
Original Beneficiary(ies)
Morgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc as a nominee for GNL
Inc., DBA Freedom Mortgage and Loan
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust
June 25, 2004
County of Recording
Alamosa

Recording Date of Deed of Trust

Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)

November 03, 2004

Re-Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) Re-Recording Date of Deed of Trust Original Principal Amount

Outstanding Principal Balance \$82,173.29

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of

trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
LOT 31 AND 32, BLOCK 64 THE CITY OF ALAMOSA, COUNTY OF ALAMOSA, STATE OF COLORADO

Also known by street and number as: 329 8th Street, Alamosa, CO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROP-

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NOTICE OF SALE

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THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 06/17/2020, at County Office Building, 8999 Independence Way, Alamosa Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

4/22/2020 Last Publication 5/20/2020 Name of Publication Valley Courier

IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE. THE

DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; DATE: 02/14/2020

Amy McKinley, Public Trustee in and for the County of Alamosa, State of Colorado

By: Amy McKinley, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registra-

tion number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E. Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Cen-

tennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122
Attorney File # CO-20-879095-LL
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attemptit to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that put pose. ©Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 1/2015

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NOTICE OF LOST STOCK CERTIFICATE

The Centennial Ditch Company, a Colorado Mutual Ditch Company, pursuant to C.R.S.A. §7-42-115 causes this NOTICE to be published on the 2nd day of April 2020 and once every week thereafter for five successive weeks the fifth publication being on the twenty-eighth day after the first publication." CRS 7-42-115, in the Valley Courier, a newspaper of general circulation in Alamosa County, in which the principal office of the Centennial Ditch Company is located. In accordance with the terms of C.R.S.A. §7-42-114 to §7-42-117, the Estate of Mike Bryn Green, has filed a Notice with the Centennial Ditch Company making Demand for the issuance of duplicate certificates for stock certificates No. 329, for 2 shares each, respectively, of capital stock in the Centennial Ditch Company. The Centennial Ditch Company will issue, on or after the 30th Day of May 2020, thirty days after the last publication date, duplicate certificates to the registered owner, as above stated, unless a contrary claim is filed with the Centennial Ditch Company, Attn: Secretary, 118 Washington Street, Monte Vista, Colorado 81144, prior to the date stated in this NOTICE. The Centennial Precident The Centennial Ditch Company Jim Higel, President Attest: Lyla Davis, Secretary

**District Court** 

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Rio Grande County, Colorado

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Court Address:
925 6th St., Del Norte, CO 81132
Parent/Petitioner: Jessica Trujillo
for Minor Child: Zane Palgrem
For a Change of Name to: Zane Trujillo
Case Number: 2020CV4
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Public Notice is given on Andi 14, 2020 that a Petition for a

Public Notice is given on April 14, 2020 that a Petition for a Change of Name of a Minor Child has been filed with the Rio Grande Court. The Petition requests that the name of Zane Edward Palmgren be phosped in the Petit Zane Edward Trujillo
By Pearl Gutierrez
Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk

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missed. It's surprising how often I think of you, I turn to speak to you and realize you're not right there as I expect you to be. I guess I hold you so

to understand sometimes,

Matilda (Tillie)

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Manzanares

It's been 17 long years since

you left us, I just want you

to know how much you are

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**MEMORIALS** 

That you aren't close in person. But I want to let you know I'm always thinking of you and wishing we could talk and just be together awhile. You're always in my heart, I miss you sooo much! So, here's wishing you another

Love you Mama, Sincerely, Brenda & Villagomez Family

Happy Birthday!

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**LOST & FOUND** 

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

221 **HELP WANTED** 

cepting applications for a Third Grade Teacher. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience is posted on the district website. Monte Vista School District offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, and life coverage. Applications may be submitted by May 5, 2020, or until the position is filled. The application may be accessed on the district website http://ww2.monte. k12.co.us/employmentopportunities.html. For questions contact the District Administration Office at 719-852-5996.

(5/12)(4/16)MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for an Alternative Education Campus & Online Secondary Science Teacher. The Byron Syring DELTA Center & the Monte Vista On-Line Academy seek an enthusiastic, interactive, relationship-based science teacher to join a dynamic team serving nontraditional students. A complete list of

the district website. Monte Vista School District offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, and life coverage. Applications may be submitted by May 5, 2020, or until the position is filled. The application may be accessed on the district website http://ww2.monte. k12.co.us/employmentopportunities.html. For questions contact the District Administration Office at 719-852-5996. (5/12)

TOR POSITION AVAILABLE- A Rural Health Clinic in Lake

City, CO seeks a medical director to oversee clinical operations in a beautiful, remote mountain town! The Responsibilities Include: Overseeing two seasoned advanced practice providers, providing primary & urgent care to residents & tourists, & overseeing operations of the laboratory & dispensary. This position offers a flexible schedule and negotiable pay. Malpractice costs would be covered by the clinic. Interested applicants can send their CV to: lakecitymc@gmail. com OR call (970) 944-2331 with any questions. CV due date is June 15,

2020.(5/12)

#### **221 HELP WANTED**

TOWN OF DEL Norte is hiring part-time-Code Enforcement Officer. Must be at least 21 years of age, have a valid Colorado driver license and be a credible witness in court and have no felony convictions. High school diploma or the equivalent. Position is on year to year basis depending on Town budget. Approx. 20 hours a work week. Patrols limits of the Town to detect and identify violators of Tomorrow is your birthday! municipal ordinances including vehicle owners, property owners and residents. Inform citizens of ordinance violations, issue written notices of violations, and issue written summon complaints to offenders. Knowledge of Town close in thought that it's hard Codes and experience dealing with citizens under stressful situations are preferred. Works closely with Del Norte Police department. Send resume to Del Norte Police Department or job application available online at delnortecolorado.com and submitted to email address delnorte1860@outlook. com or mailed to Del Norte Police Depart-

SANGRE DE CRIS-**TO** School District is looking for highly motivated Middle School Science Teacher that has a desire to teach and the ability to pass their passion of learning onto students. For more information please contact Mr. Stagner at 719-378-2310 or bstag-MONTE VISTA ner@sangreschools.org. SCHOOL District is ac-Teaching applications may be downloaded from sdc.schooldesk. net. Positions open until

ment 525 Grand Avenue,

Del Norte, Co 81132 or

call 719-657-2600 EOE.

filled.(4/25) SOUTH CONEJOS SCHOOL District is now accepting applica-tions for a .5 graphic design & photography teacher. Qualifications: Must hold a Colorado Teacher's License, or such alternative to the above qualifications as the Board of Education may find appropriate and acceptable. Please submit a District application, resume, cover letter, transcripts and credentials to apply@ southconejos.com. Deadline 4/16/2020.

THE SAN LUIS Care Center in Alamosa are currently taking applications for the following positions: Full Time night shift RN, PRN Nurses/all shifts, Full Time Nurse Staff Development Coordinator PRN Cook, PRN Diet Aide, and PRN Hostess. Please apply in person at the San Luis Care Center, 240 Craft Drive in Alamosa or call 719-

desired qualifications and 589-9081.(4/29) experience is posted on MONTE VISTA ES-**TATES** Nursing Home is seeking a full time day shift RN to add to our amazing team! Shift is 6am-6:30 PM-Wednesday, Thursday, Friday (one week) Thursday, Friday Saturday (second week) rotating schedule. The open positions are essential roles in the overall care offered to our residents. Seeking a full time day shift CNA Sierra Grande School district is accepting applications for middle school girls volleyball coach. Applicants must MEDICAL DIRECbe willing to meet all CHSAA guidelines. For more information, contact Mr. Lucero at mlucero@sierragrandeschool.net. Applications are available at Sierra Grande School district at 17523 Hwy 160, Blanca,

> portunity employer.(5/8) SANGRE DE CRISTO School District is seeking a girls Middle School Basketball coach for the 2020 / 2021 season. For more information contact Brady Stagner at 719-378-2310 or bstagner@sangreschools.org. Applications are available at sdc.schooldesk.

net.(4/25)

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SIERRA GRANDE accepting applications for Girls high school head basketball coach; applicants must be willing to meet all CHSAA guidelines. For more information, please see the school website for detailed information or contact Mr. Lucero at mlucero@sierragrandeschool.net. Applications available on website or at Sierra Grande School District at 17523 Hwy 160, Blanca, Co 81123 or www.sierragrandeschool.net. Application deadline is open until filled. Sierra Grande is an equal opportunity employer.(5/8)

MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for a Middle School Math Teacher. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience is posted on the district website. Monte Vista School District offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, and life coverage. Applications may be submitted to the District Office, 345 E. Prospect Ave., Monte Vista, CO 81144, until the position is filled. Applications may be downloaded from the district website http:// ww2.monte.k12.co.us/ employment-opportunities.html or call 719-

852-5996.(4/28)

MONTE VISTA

SCHOOL District is accepting applications for a Second Grade Teacher. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience is posted on the district website. Monte Vista School District offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, and life coverage. Applications may be submitted to the District Office, 345 E. Prospect Ave., Monte Vista, CO 81144, by April 23, 2020, or until position is filled. Applications may be downloaded from the district website http:// ww2.monte.k12.co.us/ employment-opportunities.html or call 719-

### **HELP WANTED**

ISTRATOR-- HINS-DALE County is seeking to hire a County Administrator. This position directs the day-today operations of Hinsdale County in accordance with policies and other direction provided by the Hinsdale Board of County Commissioners. Hinsdale County is located in southwestern Colorado and has 843 residents plus seasonal and second home owners. The annual budget expenditures (all funds) for 2020 is \$5,745,653. Hinsdale County employs 34 full time and 8 part time employees. County services include: Road and Bridge, Coroner, Building, Code Enforcement, Transfer Station, Sheriff, Health & Human Services, General Administration and other. For a full job description, please contact accounting@ hinsdalecountycolorado. us or 970-944-2225 ext. 103 or check the County website at: https://www. colorado.gov/pacific/ hinsdalecounty/humanresources-7. Applications are due May 1st at 4:00 p.m. MST.(5/9)

THE UPPER RIO Grande (previously Del Norte) School District is seeking applications for a Jr/Sr High School Principal for the 2020/2021 school year. Applicants must hold a current Colorado Principal license. Previous experience as a Principal or Asst. Principal is preferred. Applications may be obtained online at www. dncsd.org. Please submit your application, resume, and cover letter to: Chris Burr, Superintendent, cburr@urtigers. co, 719-657-4040.(5/9)

SANFORD SCHOOL IS seeking a self-motivated special education paraprofessional willing to assist with multiple grade levels K-12 for the 20-21 school year. Duties include small group, one-on-one instruction, assist with lesson planning, and curriculum. Applications can be downloaded at www.sanfordschools. org Position opened until filled. Sanford Schools is an EOE.(5/9)

#### 221 **HELP WANTED**

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**INGS** & Loan is seeking a Mortgage and Consumer Loan Officer to join our team in the Monte Vista office. The Loan Officer is responsible for promotion of RGSLA products and services, including, but not limited to home purchase loans, home refinances, consumer loans, and home construction loans. Qualified candidates will have excellent written and verbal communication skills, superior customer service skills, and the ability to work independently, as well as cooperatively in a team environment. Prior lending experience or other applicable experience is preferred, but not required. Salary commensurate with experience. RGSLA also offers a rich benefit program including a 401k match and a family health insurance plan, along with a stable and enriching work environment. For additional information please contact Denise Heersink @ 719-852-7048 or deniseh@ rgsla.com. Applications available at www.rgsla. com/contact and can be submitted to kater@rgsla. com - deadline is April 27, 2020.(4/25)

THE SAN LUIS Valley Board of Cooperative Educational Services has positions for a full time occupational therapist and physical therapist. Interested applicants should hold a valid Colorado Special Services License or be eligible for a Temporary Educator Eligibility (TEE). 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. Application deadline is April 17, 2020 or until positions

are filled.(4/22) JONES OIL COMPA-NY seeking route drivers. Need to have CDL Class A or B with hazmat and tanker endorsement. Clean MVR. Must be 21 or older. Call 719-754-2221 for application.(4/22)

## **HELP WANTED**

THE TOWN OF Romeo is hiring for a Town Clerk and A Town Maintanance. Both Positions are part-time. For details and applications contact the Romeo Town Hall @719-843-5785 on Tuesday thru Thursday from 9am to 4pm. The closing date is May 15th.(5/1)

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SANFORD SCHOOL

**DISTRICT** is accepting

applications for a Second-

ary Spanish/PE Teacher.

Applicants must have a current Colorado teaching license. Applications can be downloaded at www.sanfordschools.org. Sanford School is an EOE & E.(5/5) TORRES BUILDERS, LLC is now hiring skilled

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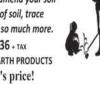
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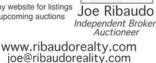
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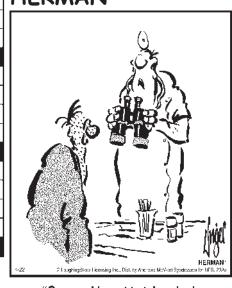
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by Luis Campos

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## Brain injury alters friend's personality in negative ways

DEAR ABBY: "Stella" for 25 years. Two years ago, she was in a car accident and suffered a traumatic brain injury. She has since recov-

ered and returned to work. Stella's personality has changed a lot since the accident. Her language and clothing are inappropriate. At 65 years old, her wardrobe now consists of miniskirts, spike heels, over-the-knee lace-up boots, halter tops, etc. She says suggestive things to my boyfriend in front of me. He no longer wants to be around her. Most of Stella's friends have distanced themselves, and her husband has moved out of their home.

once were, and I don't want to end the friendship, but I don't think I can tolerate being around her. How can I help her and keep my sanity? --TOOMUCH CHANGE IN

TEXAS DEAR TOO MUCH: Be

gentle with Stella because her change may be beyond her control. Help her by trying to talk frankly with her. Explain how much her changed since the accident, and that some of her actions have made people so uneasy they have distanced themselves. Tell her that her comments to your boyfriend

made him uncomfortable, and you need them to stop.

will react, but you may get and I have been close friends through to her. If not, she may end her friendship with you, and you can retain your

> DEAR ABBY: My significant other, "Bob," and I have been together for 30 years (never married). The past 10 years of our relationship have not been so good in the bedroom.

> Bob has ED and refuses to see a professional about it. He is well aware of how unfair it is to me because my sex drive is still in full swing. Would it be wrong to tell him that since he doesn't want to seek help for his problem, I am going to find a "friend with benefits"?

I have reached the point I remember how close we where I want to leave him. If he would get help for his problem, our relationship would improve, and I would be willing to stay. PRIVED IN OHIO

DEAR DEPRIVED: Bob may be so embarrassed about his ED problem that he's afraid to have a frank talk with a doctor about it. It's a shame because in many cases there is help for it.

Because you have reached personality and image have the end of your tether, discuss your feelings with him as openly as you have with me. If you do, it may jolt him into doing something for himself that he should have done a decade ago.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law passed away a year I can't predict how she ago. Since then, my husband



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and his sister have been letting my father-in-law stay with each of us on different nights. He's with us every Friday and Tuesday and with my husband's sister Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

My father-in-law is healthy and capable of doing everything for himself. I am getting SO tired of this arrangement! It is cramping my life in a big way. What do I do? -- RUINING MY LIFE IN THE SOUTH

DEAR RUINING: Start making plans for yourself on Friday and Tuesday nights so you will feel less encroached-upon. And introduce your father-in-law to some ladies his age -- providing he is willing. (Men in his demographic are a hot commodity, and I'm betting that he will be willing.)

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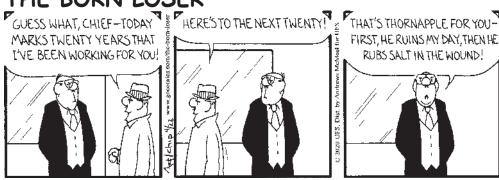
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