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SLV Today Bingo cancelled

ALAMOSA — Both the Elks Lodge and the American Legion of Alamosa have cancelled bingo due to health concerns.

Courier office hours change

ALAMOSA — Based on staff cuts, the Valley Courier office will be closing from 1-2 p.m. daily.

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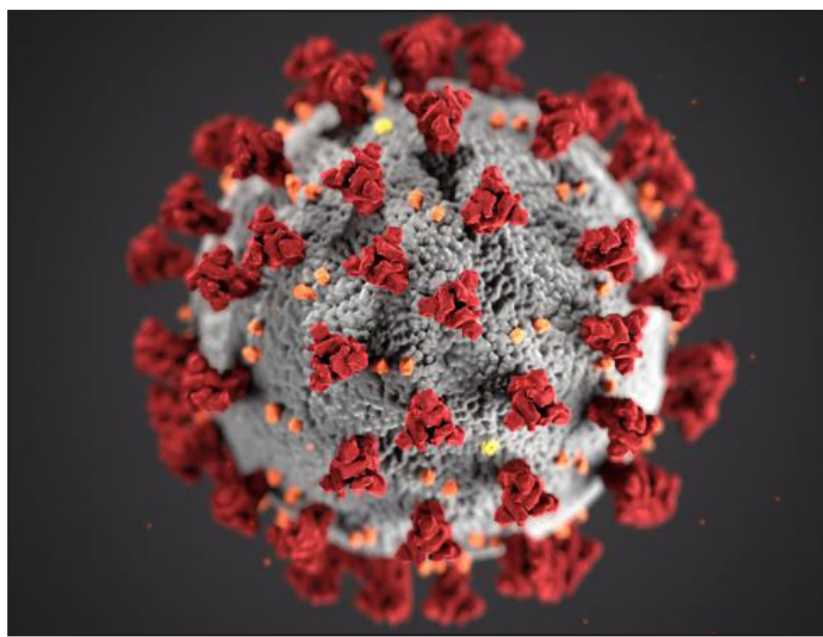
DEL NORTE — RELATED TO EVENTS

Pursuant to Section 25-1-506 (2)(a) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, this Order is effective

within the entirety of Rio Grande County, including all towns within the County, until May 10, 2020.

On March 10, 2020, the Governor of Colorado declared a state of emergency related to

the presence of COVID-19 in the State. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has confirmed that



Rio Grande continued the recent trend of different counties around the valley declaring a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.

COVID-19 continues to spread throughout the State of Colorado.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency due to COVID-19.

On March 15, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued guidance to cancel or postpone in-person events that consist of 50 people or more throughout the United States for 8 weeks.

dations to avoid gatherings of 10 or more people.

The age, condition, and health of a significant portion of the population in Rio Grande County places it at risk of serious health complications, including death, from COVID-19.

Although most individuals who contract COVID-19 do not become seriously ill, persons with mild symptoms and asymptomatic persons with COVID-19 may place other vulnerable members of the public at significant risk.

See RIO GRANDE page 3

Alamosa Schools look to avoid COVID-19

ALAMOSA — All ASD schools are closed through Friday, April 17, 2020. Timely updates will be provided as new information is received.



SLV REC offering assistance to impacted members

SAN LUIS VALLEY — San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors is actively engaged in ensuring that the vital utility services of electricity, Internet and phone continue to all members and customers in these challenging times.

services continue through this crisis.

As many citizens are being forced to work remotely, Cielo is strengthening its network and working with residents, students, hospitals, schools and other vital businesses to maintain and increase availability.

REC and Cielo will continue to provide regular status updates to keep members and customers informed of our critical services. With questions or concerns, please call 719-852-3538.



Saguache County DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER 03/19/2020



Gatherings of MORE THAN NINE(9) PEOPLE are prohibited. In addition...

If you are UNDER AGE 60 and IN GOOD HEALTH

Minimize social contact

Follow social distancing recommendations

Adhere to relevant social, business, and Order herein

If you are AGE 60+ or have an UNDERLYING CONDITION

Do not attend any Events or gatherings

Do not enter the workplace or conduct any workplace activities

Eliminate in-person social contact

Follow social distancing recommendations

ORDERED CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Schools, Daycares, Libraries Recreational Centers, Pools, Spas

Short term lodging, hotels, motels, bed and breakfast, lodges and retreats

Non-essential Retail

Restaurants and bars are closed. Takeout and delivery is allowed.

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BIRTHS

MONTE VISTA — Maddex William Maestas was born into this world on March 12, to mother, Alexandria Paige and father, Kelly William Maestas; both of Monte Vista. Maddex was born in the San Luis Valley Health hospital; at 7 lbs., 12 oz. and 19.5 in. long. Maddex's maternal grandparents are Mike and Mona Sanchez of Del Norte. His paternal grandparents are Kelly and Kim Maestas of Monte Vista. Maddex has one sibling, Liam Kai Martinez.

OBITUARIES

Gloria Mott Wuckert, 91

SANDY, Utah—Gloria Mott Wuckert, age 91, passed away peacefully on March 15, in Sandy, Utah of natural causes incident to age. She was born on September 17, 1928, in Alamosa, to Jacob Lyman Mott and Elsie Sowards — one of 12 children.



Gloria married the love of her life, Donald James Wuckert, on June 25, 1950, in Alamosa.

After graduating from high school, Gloria went to cosmetology school in Denver and received her license to be a hairdresser/beautician.

After marrying Don and settling into Alamosa, she became a housewife which she thoroughly loved as it reminded her of growing up on a farm in a large family in the Carmel district near Alamosa.

From this marriage two children were born: Alan Kent and Pamela Jo.

Throughout her life, Gloria gave unwavering support to Don in his many businesses. These included: the Home Lumber Co., First National Bank in Alamosa (which later grew to include other branches in the San Luis Valley), Alamosa Plaza Apartments, Appletree Storage (which they jokingly called Easy Street), among other ventures.

Gloria was an excellent seamstress, knitter and cook. She made many beautiful items for friends and family. Her cooking

was legendary and loved by all. Favorites that she made included: chicken tamales, kraut bierok, wilted spinach salad and rhubarb pie — just a small sampling of her cooking prowess.

She loved candy and treats and always had a secret stash which she thought nobody knew about, but we all did.

Gloria was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and loved the Gospel dearly.

Gloria is survived by her children: Alan (Janice) Wuckert, Murray, UT and Pam (Chris) Morgan, Draper, UT; five grandchildren: Heidi, Kristjan, Nick, Taylor and Caitlin.

Also surviving are nine great-grandchildren: Maren, Porter, Ben, Indy, Heath, Cole, Olivia, Emma and Amelia. She is also survived by her siblings: Donna (Betty), Carol, Kathleen, Joe and Jeanne.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her

husband Don; and her siblings: Lyman, Maurice, Winfred, June, Marilyn and Joyce.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the many people who have given great care and assistance to Gloria over the past many years. This includes: her neighbors and friends in Alamosa her live-in roommates: Kandace, Casey, Lisyuri and Nicole.

Also, the staff at Cedarwood in Sandy, and Encompass Health and Hospice are due special recognition and our heartfelt gratitude for their kind and tender care.

Due to the Covid-19 epidemic, our family is concerned for the health and safety of all those family and friends who loved our mother. We have decided that it is best for us to not have a viewing and funeral for her at this time.

A private graveside service and interment will take place at the Alamosa Cemetery under the direction of Rogers Family Mortuary. A family celebration of our mother's life will be held at a later date. We appreciate all of your love and support.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation in Gloria's honor to San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center in Alamosa, or to a charity of your choice. To leave online condolences or words of strength for the family, please visit www.rogersfunerals.com.

Melissa Elaine Hall, 91

ALAMOSA —Melissa Elaine Hall, 91, passed away on Tuesday March 17th, at the San Luis Care Center in Alamosa.



Melissa was born on March 6th, 1929 in Leadville, to Frank and Christine Robinson. On November of 1949 she married William Walter Hall in Taos, and together they grew their family. She loved her family dearly.

Elaine is survived by her children, Walter (Julie Donald) Hall; John (Linda) Hall; Richard (Jeannette) Hall; and Sharon (Jim) Stanley; daughter-in-law, Roberta Hall; seven grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; siblings, Mary Jo

Nason, Barbara Erwin, Marleene Moore and John (Debbie) Robinson; brother-in-law, Jeff Lay; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in

death by her parents, Frank and Christine; husband, Bill; infant daughter, Edith Jolene; infant grandsons, Matthew and Gregory Hall; great-grandson, Alec Hotz; and nine of her siblings.

There will be a viewing at Rogers Family Mortuary in Alamosa on Thursday March 19th, from 6-8 p.m. and a Graveside Service at the Alamosa Cemetery on Friday March 20th at 10 a.m.

Rogers Family Mortuary of Alamosa is in care of the arrangements. In lieu of attendance, we encourage you to leave online condolences or words of strength for the family, please visit www.rogersfunerals.com.

Robert Duran, 52

LA JARA — Ortiz resident Robert Duran, 52, passed away peacefully March 18, at the San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center with his loving family by his side.



Robert was born on April 14, 1967, in La Jara, the son of Albert P. Duran and Rufinita Duran. Robert worked for Red Hill Lava as a heavy equipment operator for many years.

In his free time, he enjoyed ranching, farming, being in the mountains and listening to music. Robert was an avid sports fan and enjoyed the time he was able to spend with family and friends.

Survivors include: his loving wife, Joanne Duran; daughter, Rheanna Duran (Joshua Duran); son,

Johnathon Duran (Megan Smith); the light of his life, his grandson Brayden Duran, all of Ortiz; mother-in-law, Arlene Sisneros of Antonito; sister, Gina (Ernest) Mathews of Texas City; special aunt, Leah Duran of Alamosa; brothers-in-law, Estevan

(Rachel) Sisneros of Albuquerque and Ernie Sisneros of Grand Junction. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Rufinita Duran; brother, Paul Duran; father-in-law, Ernie Sisneros and brother-in-law, Ronald Ruybal.

A small private family Mass of the Resurrection will be held Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Conejos. Interment will follow at the Ortiz Cemetery. To leave online condolences please visit romeroufuneralhomes.com. The arrangements have been placed in the care of Romero Funeral Home of Antonito.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

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

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

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

7 p.m. Community Church on Main St., Creede
7:30 p.m. Creative Resource Center at 304 Walnut St., La Jara

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

12 p.m. First United Methodist Church at 2005 Mullens, Alamosa
6 p.m. Senior Citizen's Building at 710 Main St., Antonito

THURSDAY

12 p.m. First Christian Church at 1st and State, Alamosa
6 p.m. Senior Citizen's Building at 710 Main St., Antonito

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

5:30 p.m. at 929 State Ave., Alamosa
6 p.m. Senior Citizen's Building at 710 Main St., Antonito

WEDNESDAY

12 p.m. First United Methodist Church at 2005 Mullens, Alamosa
6 p.m. Senior Citizen's Building at 710 Main St., Antonito

6 p.m. Amistad of San Luis at 403 Main St., San Luis
7:15 p.m. RV Park in Blanca
7:30 p.m. Masonic Hall at 598 Spruce, Del Norte

8 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church at 607 4th St., Alamosa

7 p.m. Community Church on Main St., Creede
7:30 p.m. Creative Resource Center at 304 Walnut St., La Jara

7:30 p.m. Ables/Disables, Baptist Church at 751 Lincoln St., Monte Vista

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

AL-ANON

TUESDAY
8 p.m. 15 Country Club Dr. Monte Vista

WEDNESDAY
5:30 p.m. SLV Behavior Health Group at 8745 CR 9S., Alamosa

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS (NarcAnon)

TUESDAY
7 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 607 4th St., Alamosa
7:30 p.m. Baca Grande Library at Road T, Crestone

THURSDAY
7 p.m. SDA Church at 313 Craft Drive, Alamosa

SATURDAY
9 a.m. Little Shepherd Episcopal Chapel at Alder St., Crestone
7 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 607 4th St., Alamosa

ALAMOSA — Open drop-in meditation for health, stress management and spiritual growth, is held at 10:45 a.m. the second Sunday of the month at St. Thomas Episcopal Parish Hall, 607 Fourth St., Alamosa, with Mountain Institute, A Kriya, Meditation & Lamplighting School. Contact Martin at 575-758-5876 or talentolocal@live.com

ALAMOSA — Youngsters are invited to the Alamosa Public Library Story Room every Friday morning to sing, color, dance, read, enjoy adventures, share with friends and giggle. Babies and toddlers are welcome at 9:30 a.m. and preschoolers at 11 a.m.

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MONTE VISTA — Valley Fiber Art Guild — VFA is a group for anyone interested in fiber arts: knitting, crocheting, weaving and spinning. We work on our individual projects, sometimes do projects together and learn from each other. We meet the fourth Saturday of every month from 1 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at 757 County Rd. 29, Monte Vista. Call or email Wanda Couzens-Smith for more information at (719) 852-5000 or wcouzenssmith@gmail.com

ALAMOSA — Alamosa Masonic Lodge meetings are every first and third Thursdays at 7 p.m. (except June, July and August) at the Alamosa Masonic Lodge, Main and San Juan.

ALAMOSA — Alamosa Toastmasters meets on Mondays at noon at The Bridge in Alamosa at 3407 Carroll Street. Participants will find a supportive learn-by-doing environment that allows them to achieve their goals at their own pace. Call (719) 588-5127.

ONGOING VALLEY MEETINGS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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@hotmail.com

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

ALAMOSA — The Alzheimer's Caregiver's

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

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

ALAMOSA — Search and Rescue meetings are the fourth Tuesday at the Alamosa County Sheriff Office, 1315 17th St., at 6 p.m. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer is welcome. Call Suzi at 719-588-9236.

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

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

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

589-0543.

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PENDING OBITUARIES

ALAMOSA — Alamosa resident Adrian D. Getz, 69, passed away surrounded by his family at the San Luis Valley Health Regional Medical Center in Alamosa on March 18. Services will be announced through Rogers Family Mortuary of Alamosa.

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The Courier charges \$30 for each obituary per day. Pending arrangements or death notices are free. This charge affects funeral homes, family or other representatives that place obituaries. All paid obituaries are published on www.alamosanews.com, for no additional fee.

Please email obituaries if possible to news@alamosanews.com If the newspaper errors in publishing an obit, corrections will be made and the obit

Valley News

'Dick Boyce' Memorial Book Scholarship

MONTE VISTA—The Monte Vista Rotary Club is proud to announce that it will once again offer the Dick Boyce Memorial Book Scholarship to a qualifying high school senior from either the Monte Vista or Sargent High School. It is also open to a Monte Vista Rotary member's child who is a graduating senior attending a high school elsewhere in the San Luis

Valley. One scholarship is awarded annually. The application deadline is April 3, 2020.

"We strongly encourage all Monte Vista and Sargent High School Seniors to apply for this scholarship opportunity," says President David Hinkley. "We really want to have a strong slate of candidates to choose from."

This scholarship is designed to pay book fees



cifically, it will pay book fees for up to and including the sum of \$500 per year for a total of four consecutive years. It is eligible for Adams State University for four consecutive years or Trinidad Jr. College for two years and then Adams State University for the subsequent two years if the student transfers to Adams State University from Trinidad Jr. College.

"I encourage eligible students to apply for this scholarship," said Gracie Burkhardt, 2019 recipient. "This scholarship has financially helped me so much with the purchase of my books, and it is not a difficult application to complete."

Dick Boyce was a very active Rotarian from the Sargent area who believed

in his local community and the education of its youth.

The Monte Vista Rotary is a civic club that has been in existence since 1920, serving the Monte Vista community in many ways. We annually complete two highway clean-ups, a cemetery clean-up, and support financially many other community projects throughout the year. The Ski Hi Stampede BBQ is our largest fundraiser.

For more detailed information, contact either the Monte Vista or Sargent High School Councilors or you can also contact Monte Vista Rotary members David Hinkley (852-3442), Diana Paulson (850-2004), Linda Weyers (852-3322), or Karla Shriver (850-5808) or any other Monte Vista Rotarian.

"We strongly encourage all Monte Vista and Sargent High School Seniors to apply for this scholarship opportunity,"

- David Hinkley, Monte Vista Rotary Club President

for a 2020 graduating high school senior who will be attending either

Adams State University or Trinidad Jr. College on a full-time basis. More spe-

Narrow Gauge Book Co-op announces temporary hours

ALAMOSA—In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Narrow Gauge Book Cooperative is taking the following steps:

We will be moving to a 4-day week. Beginning the week of March 22, we will be open from Wednesday-Saturday 10 AM – 6 PM (closed Sunday-Tuesday). These new hours are temporary and will begin on Wednesday, March 25.

The NGBC is largely volunteer-staffed, so we have asked our volunteers to take a break in an effort to reduce exposure (many of our volunteers are in the high-risk groups). Though you may not see our volunteers for a while, NGBC employees will still be working to keep the store open for our valued customers.

We are thoroughly disinfecting the store each morning and throughout the day. We will be complying with all Colorado Department of

Health recommendations. Stay tuned for any changes that may come as a result of tightening regulations by state and local authorities.

All bookstore events are postponed until further notice. This includes the John Rawinski event that was scheduled for Saturday, March 21.

All online and telephone orders will qualify for a 10% discount, and applies to in-stock items or special orders. Order through our website at narrowgaugebooks.com. Click on the 'special order' tab or call us at 719-589-3464. We can ship your book(s) for a \$5 shipping fee for the first book, and \$1 additional each book thereafter.

Need a greeting card sent? Call or email us. We can either pick one for you or we can go over our selection with you. You pay for the card and stamp; we will write your message and send it out

for you. We have a very large selection of post cards and greeting cards in stock for every occasion.

Support the Co-op now by purchasing a gift certificate. We'd be happy to send your gift certificate out for you. Just call or email us for further information.

We are an owner and member-supported cooperative. Please show your support by becoming an owner or member today. Ask us for details.

For any questions, please don't hesitate to call the store at 719-589-3464, or go online at narrowgaugebooks.com.

Public Health Update on COVID-19

One of the most common questions being asked right now related to COVID-19 is regarding testing in the San Luis Valley. It may help to understand more about how the process works. We talk a lot about testing, but what is actually happening is that test samples are taken here and then sent out to a lab for the test to be conducted on that sample.

When a person is experiencing symptoms (cough, fever, or shortness of breath), they should contact their doctor or one of the nurse call lines that have been set up by SLV Health or Rio Grande Hospital. (If it is a medical emergency like difficulty breathing, call 911 instead.) The health care provider will help evaluate the person's risk factors and symptoms. They must weigh many factors into the decision about whether to test for COVID-19 or not. In some cases, they will start by ruling out another illness, like the flu. If it is determined that the person may have COVID-19, the person will be given instructions to isolate, unless they referred to the

emergency room. Our current test supply in the San Luis Valley does not allow every possible case to be tested. And not everyone who is tested has COVID-19. So far, for those who have been tested, we have received back only negative test results, although there are some results pending. The results are taking longer than initially anticipated, so the advice will be to safely self-isolate.

If you would like to volunteer to assist with the response to COVID-19 or make a donation, you can do so by visiting www.HelpColoradoNow.org.

General COVID information: CO HELP line 1-877-462-2911 (English and Spanish)

SLV updates: <https://www.slvemergency.org/>

Colorado updates and guidance: <https://covid19.colorado.gov>

CDC updates and guidance: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

Small Business - www.choosecolorado.com

One-vehicle crash, Sanford man in critical condition

ALAMOSA—A 45-year-old Sanford man was critically injured in a one-vehicle accident just south of Alamosa Wednesday morning.

Orlando Juarez was driving a 2016 GMC pickup about 6:15 a.m. on County Road 109 at County Road 11 South when the accident occurred. According to a Colorado State Patrol report, he was northbound on Road 109 (Old Sanford Highway) when he failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway.

The Juarez vehicle reportedly skid-

ded over 50 feet before traveling off the right side of the roadway and skidding an additional 72 feet and collided with a dirt embankment. It then went airborne for approximately 45 feet colliding with a ditch embankment and coming to rest facing north on its wheels in a ditch filled with water.

Juarez was transported to San Luis Valley Health and was later flown to Penrose Hospital where he remains awaiting family.

The cause of the crash is still under investigation according to CSP.

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A large surge in the number of persons with serious infections can compromise the ability of the healthcare system to deliver necessary healthcare to the public.

Public Health The limitations on large gatherings and the use of social distancing decreases the risk of COVID-19 transmission to our most vulnerable populations, and is especially important for people who are over 60 years old and those with chronic health conditions due to their higher risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19. This

Order will reduce the likelihood that many individuals will be exposed to COVID-19 at a single event, and will, therefore, slow the spread of COVID-19 in our communities.

This Order is adopted pursuant to the legal authority set forth in sections 25-1-506 and 25-1-508, Colorado Revised Statutes. Under these laws, the local Public Health Director has the duty to investigate and control the causes of epidemic or communicable diseases and conditions affecting public health and to establish,

maintain, and enforce isolation and quarantine, and in pursuance thereof, and for this purpose only, to exercise physical control over the property and over

the persons of the people within the jurisdiction of the agency as the agency may find necessary for the protection of the public health. All events must follow the requirements stated herein.

I. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Order:

An "Event" is a group gathering that takes place indoors or outdoors with a capacity of 10 or more persons and that have 10 or more persons present in one room or continuous space.

"Event" does not include activities that are primarily individual or occur in small groups or in non-congregate settings, such

as places of employment and restaurants, as long as persons present are able to maintain adequate social distancing, as well as hygiene and sanitation recommendations as defined below. At this point, this order also does not pertain to schools.

II. ORDER

A. All events 10 people or more are prohibited.

B. Events with fewer than 10 attendees are prohibited unless the following

steps are employed to mitigate risks:

1. Older adults (age 60 and older) and individuals with underlying medical conditions that are at increased risk of serious COVID-19, including

employees, are encouraged not to attend.

2. Social distancing recommendations must be met. These include limiting contact of people within 6 feet from each other for 10 minutes

or longer, and any other applicable guidance. See Section 111b,e low.

3. Individuals who are sick must stay home.

4. Proper hand hygiene and sanitation must be readily available to all attendees and employees.

5. Environmental cleaning guidelines from the US Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention (CDC) are followed (e.g., clean and

disinfect high touch surfaces daily or more

frequently).

III. FURTHER GUIDANCE

Further guidelines for social distance are available at:

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/2019-novel-coronavirus>

IV. GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PERSONS AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER

RIO GRANDE COUNTY

Rio Grande County Public Health is tasked with protecting the health and welfare of the

citizens of Rio Grande County, Colorado by investigating and controlling the causes of epidemic and communicable diseases. This Order is necessary to control any potential

transmission of disease to others. See section 25-1-508, Colorado Revised Statutes.

Immediate issuance of this Order is necessary for the preservation of public

health, safety, or welfare.

Any person aggrieved and affected by this Order has the right to request judicial review by filing an action with the Rio Grande County District Court within 90 days of the date of this Order, pursuant to section 25-1-515, Colorado Revised Statutes. However, you must continue to obey the terms of this Order while your request for review is pending.

This Order is in effect until midnight Mountain Standard Time May 10, 2020, and is subject to continuing review by the Public Health Director consistent with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

We will not be actively searching for violations, but if we receive reports of events contrary to the order, we will reach out to the organizer to educate, provide guidance,

and enforce the provisions of this order, if necessary.

Homelake Foundation Dinner and meeting cancelled

MONTE VISTA—The board of the Homelake Historic Preservation and Restoration Foundation has decided to cancel the annual foundation meeting and dinner slated for March 25 at Dos Rios.

However, the annual meeting, held every March, will be handled via a conference call at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, 2020. Those signed up for the dinner and meeting will be contacted with particulars on how to log on to the conference. Foundation members can

contact Board President Erin Macgillivray Smith at 719-588-4469 for particulars if they aren't contacted in the next few days.

Smith said Tuesday, "In light of the pandemic coronavirus and to keep our population safe—many are elderly and have compromised immune systems—the board has decided to cancel the dinner and meeting slated for next week. We hope to reschedule a get-together at a later date, perhaps in the summer."



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Opinion

God bless America ...

HOLLYWOOD—God Bless America, and how's everybody? Florida's governor refused to shut down beaches to the thousands of kids partying for Spring Break. I say let them enjoy college life before they're forced to join us out here. We live in a world today where the richest 10% own 90% of the wealth and the dumbest 10% own 90% of the toilet paper.

Vons Grocery Store managers explained to irate customers in West Hollywood on Wednesday night they can no longer purchase toilet paper online for home delivery. It's bad. Last night my neighbor's house got TPed, and today it's listed in the L.A. Times Real Estate section for \$125 million.



Argus Hamilton

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced Monday that Canada will be closing its borders to protect their people, their businesses and their jobs. It's humiliating. Just three weeks ago the United States was the world's number one economic superpower and today we're Canada's Mexicans. Media Watch noted that cable news channels were feverish Wednesday as CNN accused Fox News of negligent homicide in its soft virus reporting. CNN and MSNBC are labeling the crisis Trump's Katrina or Trump's Chernobyl. The solution to this hysteria is to quarantine the media for two weeks.

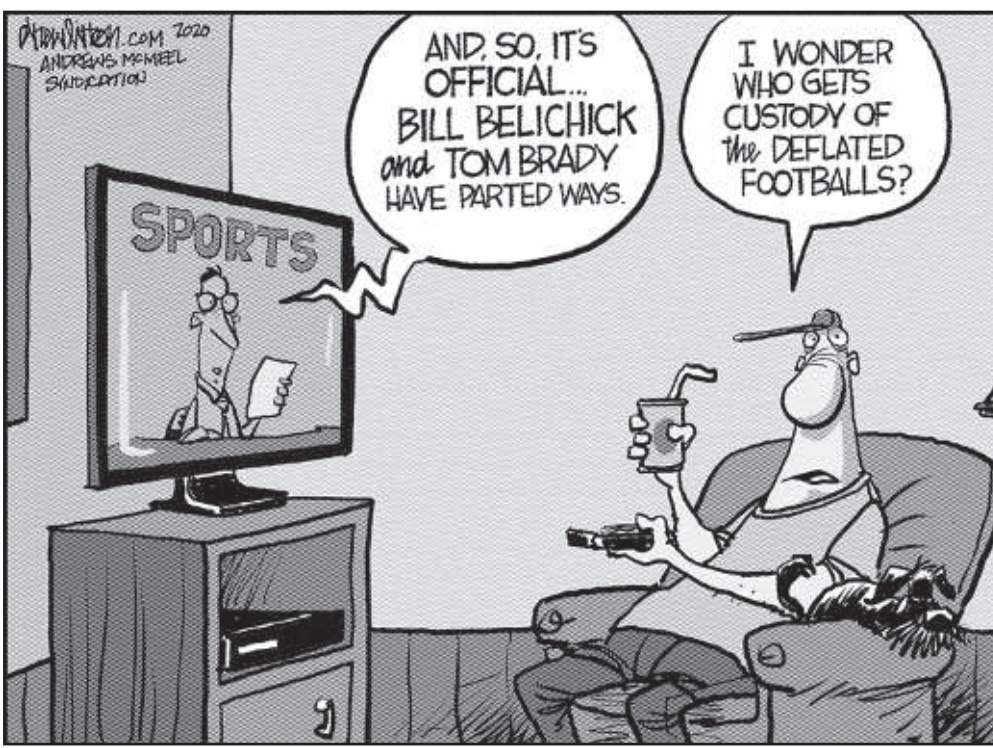
President Trump was slammed by CNN Wednesday for not providing authoritative leadership in the war on the virus. For three years the media called him Hitler, and now suddenly he's not being Hitler enough. The media can never quite agree on just how much is the right amount of Hitler. President Trump encouraged a two-week home quarantine Monday and promised to give cash and tax payment delays to all. Here in L.A. they are delivering pot, they are delivering booze, and we'll soon be mailed one-thousand-dollar checks. And we didn't even have to elect Bernie.

The Supreme Court suspended its term and put all cases on hold until the Corona Virus threat subsides. The High Court hasn't canceled its session since 1918 during the Influenza Epidemic. Just three of the current Justices were members of the court back then and remember what it was like. President Trump admitted Wednesday the U.S. is on war footing like no other time since World War II. The paranoia is more like the Fifties. The difference between today and when I was a boy in the late Fifties is, we could hear Grandma cough without thinking maybe it's time to put her down. National Institute of Health Director Dr. Anthony Fauci urged people to observe protocol greeting each other in public. These guidelines play right into the Chinese plan to kill us all. First they tell us to cough into our elbows and not our hands, then they tell us not to shake hands and touch elbows.

The Centers for Disease Controls urged Americans to stay at home from work if they feel the slightest bit sick to keep from spreading the virus, and whenever possible, to simply work from home. My cleaning lady is working from home today. She'll be texting me instructions on what to do. The London Daily Mail reported a medical breakthrough in France Tuesday when French doctors announced testing results showing that a long-used malaria drug kills COVID-19. You can't make it up. A pill that kills the Chinese Virus is also the pill that keep you from turning yellow.

White House former chief physician Dr. Randy Jackson verified Trump's claim that he's tested negative for COVID-19 after he'd met with world leaders who'd been exposed. There is skepticism. The only evidence Democrats have that Trump didn't pass the test is that the results got him admitted into USC. Pope Francis issued a public prayer for the eradication of the COVID virus Tuesday. A new Revised Bible translation just came out. During the trial of Jesus, when Pontius Pilate washes his hands of the matter, Jesus reminds him to sing Happy Birthday twice before he finishes washing.

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Caught by the latest panic

I have been self-quarantining. Not because I'm sick, but because I have allergies. Mostly because if a person with grey hair sneezes where someone can hear it, someone else may be afraid.

At this time of year, my sinuses rebel and their declarations are similar to what we know about COVID-19.

The medications that can stop it also stop me. Snore...

Televised finger-pointing hasn't looked beyond the current situation with the virus.

The fact that my allergies masquerade as the Corona Virus was pounded into me by persons who saw and heard me.

I made a quick run to the store and went on lock-in.

I never imagined there would be such a stampede to the store for such items as paper towels, toilet tissue, paper napkins and varied cleaning supplies.

I buy a certain supply, but

Native Writes



Sylvia Lobato

never what one would call a stockpile. I know what my household needs and I meet that reality. Yet computer entries are showing women cramming extreme amounts of bathroom tissues into shopping carts and battling their way outside, where they turn every inch of their vehicles into supply transport and still tie more on their hoods and trunks.

We prepared for Y2K by accumulating non-perishable foods. That excess held out until 2005. I still have six bags of beans. I gave away the last of the macaroni two years ago. Good thing

macaroni and cheese are one of my favorite meals. I still buy a couple of packages each month. Sharing was common.

The flour we stockpiled turned into tortillas, bread and biscuits. Y2K came and went.

The current stockpiling of household paper products and other cleaning supplies boggles the mind. As I recall, the Y2K frenzy began after midnight in 1999. We ate posole as the new century dawned. I vocally wished we had bought enough antacid.

I drank bottled water during the Salmonella outbreak, but cooked food, washed dishes, took baths, washed clothing and mopped the floors, in defiance of the naysayers. Not that many people got sick, there were few deaths and the source was pinpointed. Though the fear remains, despite a huge water treatment plant in Alamosa

and precautionary treatment in other communities. When I was a kid, Alamosa water was the best possible. Now, we have gotten used to chlorine.

That's why I can't understand going crazy about one item and not another.

I have been advised that the meat shelves in most supermarkets have also been slim pickings.

So, as I await results from my sinus meds, I have the television on and hear a lot of information developed by countless sources, warning that young people are not immune, the elderly should shop during certain times for essentials, which are closely monitored at the check stands.

Where the heck did I stash that crystal ball? Will this "Magic 8-Ball" left behind by one of the boys work? Maybe I can help the TV experts make accurate predictions.

LETTERS

Awash in water worries

Oh my! I read and have been thinking about Sean Tonner's response to Heather Dutton's article concerning the Renewable Water Resources (a beautiful name for a lie) project. Evidently, RWR conducted a phone 'survey' calling unsuspecting San Luis Valley residents, asking loaded questions concerning their plan to pump water from our deep confined aquifer. My Blood is Boiling! It is bad enough that they have come to the valley with fists full of money and bribes but now their tactics, targeting vulnerable individuals, extracting answers that are masked to support their despicable scheme is more than shady.

The residents of the San Luis Valley are discerning people who have been down this rocky road before. They will make up their own minds and don't need fast-talking interlopers to tell them what to think or how to make decisions.

Mr. Tonner says that we need

to help other "water needy citizens" in Colorado. Do the people of this valley, citizens, ranchers, farmers need to relinquish their livelihood and lifestyle to support greed and unregulated growth on the front range? I don't think so! Since the 1880's we have been growing crops here. We brave harsh weather and short growing seasons, many families have been here for generations. It is not an easy life but we do it and love it. And why? Because we have clear skies and clean water. We know it is a great place to raise our families. Should we give that up to please RWR and those "water needy citizens" who have chosen lives in other parts of the State? I don't think so! Mr. Tonner said, "it is easy to be against something, far harder to be for something". Is it difficult for me to be for saving our precious resource, water, I don't think so!

But everyone is free to do what they wish with their water rights, that is their right. My desire is that before

Don't part with your pets

A Letter to the Community from Valley Humane League:

We know times are tough right now, but we need our community's help. If you are considering relinquishing your dog, but it is not an emergency, please wait until this crisis has passed. Our shelter is overwhelmed with homeless dogs and we need space to continue helping lost and stray dogs.

If you or someone in your family gets Covid-19, as long as your health is not greatly diminished and you are able, please keep your pet in your home, and give them plenty of love! Your pet is not going to get sick from Covid-19, and you'll find them to be a comfort during turbulent times.

If you are healthy, but know your neighbor or friend is ill and considering relinquishing a pet, please offer to temporarily care for their pet until they

are well.

If you are unable to work during this time and need assistance with feeding your pets please attend the Colorado Pet Food Pantry on March 30th from 12-2 pm. This will be a drive-up only event in the parking lot at 513 6th Street Alamosa.

Lastly, if you are able, please adopt! This will help us free up space for more dogs. And if you can't adopt, consider donating to help all dogs in our care. Valley Humane is open for adoptions by appointment. Please call 719-589-3385.

You know the saying, it takes a village, right now our community is one amazing village that can truly support one another. We can get through this together.

Sincerely,
The Staff and Board of Valley Humane League

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Religion

Cracking the tradition of hiding Easter eggs

Come Easter Sunday, eager children wake up to see if the Easter Bunny has visited their homes. For many families, Easter would not be the same without an annual egg hunt. From chocolate confections to money-filled plastic shells to colorful, hand-decorated hard-boiled eggs, the Easter Bunny (and his parental helpers) hide eggs all around. As with many traditions, people may engage in the festivities without really understanding the origins behind the fun. It can be interesting to unearth just how such egg hunts were hatched. As with many religious

traditions, Easter egg coloring and hunts trace their origins to pre-Christian societies. These societies developed rituals surrounding nature, the seasons and more. Some traditions were adapted to link them to the Christian faith. Eggs held associations with new life and spring. However, early Christians turned the egg into a symbol of the Resurrection and the empty shell became a representation of Christ's tomb. Eggs also were important components of the Easter holiday, as they were prohibited (like meat) during Lent. But on Easter, fasting ended and eggs were a part of Easter



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celebrations, particularly for the poor who couldn't afford meat.

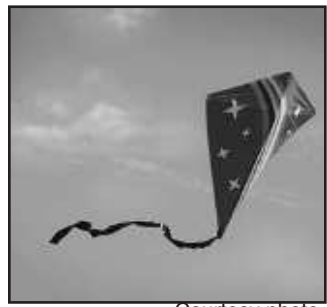
There are two widely known accounts of the ori-

gins of Easter egg hunts. The religious version has Protestant reformer Martin Luther organizing hunts for his congregation. The men would hide the eggs for women and children to find, which mirrors Resurrection accounts in the Bible in which women discovered Christ's empty tomb. Another account traces the tradition to the Dutch tale of the "Oschter Haws" ("Osterhase" in German), which was a hare that laid eggs in the grass. Children would build and decorate nests for the eggs and wait to see if they would be populated, according to Discovery.com. This tradition became popular

in America with the arrival of Dutch and German settlers in Pennsylvania in the 1700s. By the 20th century, decorated Easter nests were replaced with baskets, and Osterhase was more affectionately known as the Easter Bunny, who chose to leave eggs as well as treats and candy. Easter celebrations continued to marry both the religious and secular to form many of the customs that are known widely today. Easter egg hunts are enjoyed by the young and old on Easter. They're a key part of celebrations. Just remember to find all those hard-boiled eggs in a timely fashion. TF204828

Let kites soar: A Lenten tradition takes flight

The Christian season of Lent and the Easter holiday are laden with time-honored traditions that are both secular and religious. Many such traditions are universal, but people still find ways to celebrate their Christian faith in their own unique ways. Each Good Friday, residents of Bermuda take to the beach to fly kites. The tradition began from a legend that says a local teacher was attempting to explain to Sunday school students about Jesus' ascension to heaven. The students were not grasping the concept, so the teacher purportedly launched a kite in the shape of a cross into the air to explain the matter. The students followed the



Courtesy photo.

teacher to a hilltop, set the kite flying, and then the teacher cut the string and the students watched it sail. In Bermuda, kite-flying remains a much-anticipated Good Friday tradition. Good Friday can be a solemn day, but it also is a day of joy in which the faithful give thanks for Jesus' ultimate sacrifice for his people. Launching

beautiful kites into the air toward heaven can transform the sky into an awe-inspiring mosaic of shapes and colors. Traditional Bermudian kites are crafted from colorful tissue paper and white pine wood, with rattan or bamboo used as the head-stick bender. Great care and artistry is put into the crafting of these kites. Those who are short on time purchase pre-made kites for convenience. The kite-flying extravaganza in Bermuda is followed by a meal of codfish cakes and hot cross buns. Families looking for a special way to honor Christ during Lent may want to incorporate this vivid tradition of kite-flying into their celebrations. TF204826

Living Water cancels hymn sing

ALAMOSA — The Living Water Bible Fellowship's monthly Hymn Sing on the 22nd of March was cancelled. They hope to reconvene in April. Please continue to pray for those that may be effected by the COVID-19 virus and the leadership of this Nation as well as those in our massive health care system.

First United Methodist Church

ALAMOSA — Sunday Service change ~ We will worship together online using ZOOM-meeting online or through the app. Join us for worship, prayer & devotion. SUNDAYS @ 10:15 a.m. using meeting ID # 979-465-6715.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Your Guide To Local Houses of Worship

<p>All-Denominational Church of the Living God 11611 2nd Avenue, Hooper 719-376-2080</p> <p>Sunday, 10 a.m. - Worship Sunday, 6 p.m. - Book of Acts Study Monday, 7 p.m. - Youth Thursday, 7 p.m. - Bible Study</p> <p>San Luis Valley Christian Center 305 S. Broadway (3rd & Broadway), Monte Vista 719-852-6168</p> <p>Sunday, 10 a.m. - Worship Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. - Bible Study</p> <p>Prayer House Church 410 Main Street, La Jara Pastor Jaime Flores - 719-298-0007</p> <p>Sunday Morning Service, 10:30 am Wednesday Family Ministry, 6:30 pm Friday Night Bible Study, 7:00 pm</p> <p>Sargent Community Church 6667 N. County Rd. 2 E, Monte Vista (across from Sargent School) Pastor Hugh Harris - 719-852-2980</p> <p>Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Back Row Church - Church Community In the Alamosa Presbyterian Church Building Alamosa www.backrowchurch.com Kim Nipple - 303-532-9342</p> <p>Worship Service - Wednesday Evening at 5:00 pm</p> <p>Apostolic Alamosa Apostolic Church 510 First St., Alamosa</p> <p>Meets Sundays 1-2 p.m. 2-3 p.m. - Lunch 3-5 p.m. - Worship Service</p> <p>Antonio Apostolic Church 710 Main St., Antonio</p> <p>Meets sundays 11-12 p.m. - Sunday School 12-1 p.m. - Worship service</p> <p>Apostolic Pentecostal Church of Champions, Acts 2:38 9056 Hwy 285 South, Alamosa - 719-587-3351 Dan Dawning Pastor, 719-588-7307</p> <p>Sunday, 1:00 p.m. - Service</p> <p>Assembly of God River of Life Church 2602 Clark Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 10 a.m. - Worship Wednesday, 7 p.m. - Service</p> <p>Center Assembly of God 7th & Miles • P.O. 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Bill Walstrom, 719-937-1451</p> <p>Worship: 9:30; Sunday School: 11:00 am Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Living Water Bible Fellowship 2910 Clark Street, Alamosa 719-589-6351</p> <p>Sunday, 9:00 & 10:45 am Worship Services** Sunday, 10:45 am Children's Ministry (Pre-K-5th grade) Sunday, 10:45 am Teen Bible Study (6th-12th grade) Tuesday, 7:00 pm Young Adults/College Group Wednesday, 6:30 pm Bible Quizizz (1st-9th grade) Wednesday, 6:30 pm Reign Youth Group (10th-12th grade) Wednesday, 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study** Saturday, 5:00 pm Prayer** **Nursery is available (pre-K-preK)</p> <p>College Heights Baptist Church 2045 Church Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 11 a.m. - Morning Worship</p> <p>San Luis Valley Baptist Church 930 State Avenue, Alamosa 719-589-5938</p> <p>Pastor R.L. McDonald</p> <p>Wednesday 7 p.m. - Worship Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 11 a.m. - Worship Sunday, 6 p.m. - Evening Worship</p> <p>Spanish Ministry- Iglesia Bautista Rehoboth Pastor Sa Garcia, 589-3020</p> <p>Calvary Bible Chapel 7160 Brush Lane, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Worship Sunday, 10:20 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 11 a.m. - Ministry of the Word</p> <p>Spanish Ministry- Iglesia Bautista Rehoboth Pastor Sa Garcia, 589-3020</p> <p>Calvary Baptist Church Pastor Matthew Leonard - 719-379-3317</p> <p>Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - Service Wednesday, 6:30pm - Community Get to Know You</p> <p>Calvary Baptist Church 2160 Sherman Ave., Monte Vista</p> <p>Sunday, 9:45 a.m. - Bible Study Sunday, 11 a.m. - Worship Tuesday, 6 p.m. - C.L.A.Y. Youth Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study</p> <p>South Fork Baptist Church 0130 Four Seasons Dr. (Old Chizum Bldg), South Fork (East side near laundromat & car wash)</p> <p>Sunday School, 9:30am Sunday, 10:30am - Worship</p> <p>For more information - Pastor Paul Moon - 719-496-7702</p> <p>Catholic Sacred Heart Church 715 4th Street, Alamosa</p> <p>Saturday, 5:15 p.m. - Mass Saturday, 7:00 p.m. - Spanish Mass Sunday, 8 a.m. - Mass Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Mass Sunday, 5 p.m. - Mass</p> <p>Catholic Mass Student Union Room 308 - ASC Campus, Alamosa Every Sunday, 8 p.m. - Mass</p>	<p>Hooper Church 3rd and Adams, Hooper</p> <p>Sunday, 9 a.m. - Morning Worship</p> <p>Meditation, Kriya Mountain Institute Alamosa - (575)758-5876</p> <p>United Church of La Jara 522 Walnut, La Jara 719-274-6250</p> <p>Terry Buckman, Pastor Cell Phone: 339-8444</p> <p>Office Hours: Mon: 9:00 am - 12:00 Sunday 9:00 am - Contemporary Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am</p> <p>Christian Science Services 400 Ross Avenue, Society Hall, Alamosa</p> <p>Services - Sundays at 10:00 p.m. The second Wednesday of each 4 p.m. Thanksgiving Day 10 a.m.</p> <p>Pioneer United Church in Del Norte, Colorado A Congregation of Evangelical Covenant Order Presbyterians 630 Spruce St. (1.5 blocks south of Hwy. 160) Adult Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Sunday Coffee Fellowship - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. Sunday</p> <p>Church of the South Fork 0116 Landen Dr., South Fork, Co, 81154</p> <p>Sunday are at 9 am - Services School Room. Choir is held on Wednesday at 6pm during the summer months with a final practice at 8:15am on Sunday</p> <p>Christian Bethel Christian Church Pastor Erik Lira</p> <p>Worship Service Sunday 3:00 p.m. Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Bilingual Services Monday Free Music Classes Instrumental Classes 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Voice & Bass Guitar 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Word of Faith Christian Center 401 Santa Fe, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Friday, 6:00 p.m. M.O.S.H. Youth Night</p> <p>The Peak Community Church 510 San Juan, Alamosa</p> <p>Sundays, 6 p.m. - Fellowship Sundays, 7 p.m. - Worship & More</p> <p>Pentecostal Alamosa Pentecostal Church 164 East 2nd St., Alamosa - 719-589-0475</p> <p>Pastor Carl Sutter</p> <p>Bible Stud Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Sunday School Sunday 1:00-1:45 Worship 2:00-3:00</p> <p>Christian Fellowship Church The Door 1300 West 12th St., Alamosa</p> <p>Pastor Martin Montoya - 719-587-6197</p> <p>Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - Worship Sunday, 6:30 p.m. - Victory Service Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. - Revival</p> <p>Christian Independent Alamosa Christian Church 410 McQuerry, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Worship Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. - Family Night & Youth Group</p> <p>Christian Reformed Alamosa Christian Reformed, 719-589-3493 1861 Rd 10 S, Alamosa</p> <p>Pastor Philip VanderWindt</p> <p>Sunday, 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 10:15 a.m. - Worship</p> <p>Churches of Christ Alamosa Church of Christ 408 Victoria Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Bible Classes Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Worship Wednesday, 7 p.m. - Bible Study Healing Hearts, a Bible-based 12 step group meets, every Friday at 7 p.m.</p> <p>South Fork Church of Christ 205 Birch St. South Fork, 719-873-1259</p> <p>Kevin Bradley Pastor</p> <p>Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Central Church of Christ 200 Franklin Street, Monte Vista, 719-852-3811</p> <p>David L. Baker Preacher</p> <p>Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Bible Class Sunday, 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. - Worship Wednesday, 7 p.m. - Bible Study</p> <p>San Luis Valley Church of Christ 704 Del Sol, Alamosa, 719-589-2114</p> <p>Sunday Bible Study 9 am Sunday Worship 10 am Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm</p> <p>Cornestone Community Church Hwy. 160 Del Norte next to Rio Grande Medical Clinic Pastor Mark 719-657-9107</p> <p>Sunday 9:50 a.m. free breakfast Sunday 10:20 a.m. Contemporary Worship & Children Sunday School Wednesday 5:15 p.m. Dinner, music, fellowship, teachings</p> <p>Episcopal Saint Thomas Episcopal Church 10607 4th Street, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9 a.m. - Service</p> <p>Saint Stephen the Martyr 729 3rd Avenue, Monte Vista Sunday, 10 am Service</p> <p>First Christian Church 518 First St. (First & State) Alamosa 589-8805</p> <p>Sunday, 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - Church Service Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. - Bible Study</p> <p>Valley Fellowship 240 East 5th Street, Center - 719-754-3804</p> <p>Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Contemporary Worship, Prayer and Bible Study</p> <p>*Bible Studies during the week, call for information.</p> <p>First United Methodist First United Methodist Church 2036 Mullins Ave., Alamosa 719-589-2243</p> <p>*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors* Morning Worship - Sunday, 10:15 am Children's Church - Sunday, 10:30 am</p>	<p>Community Churches United for Christ Community Church (SBC) "Community Centered Around Love" 7th & Broadway in Blanca 719-379-3317</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30-10:30 Worship Service 11am</p> <p>Bible Believers Community Church 11762 E US HWY 160 Alamosa, Co 81101 719) 206-3239</p> <p>Sunday worship 10:30 Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm www.bbcbchurch.com</p> <p>Presbyterian Alamosa Presbyterian Church 330 San Juan Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Traditional Worship</p> <p>Hispanic Pentecostal Iglesia Pentecostal Unida L.A. 907 Tenth St, Alamosa Gustadalupe Salazar Pastor 719-587-3546</p> <p>Wed. 7:00 p.m. Service Sat. 7:00 p.m. Youth Service Sun. 10:00 a.m. Worship Sun. 5:00 p.m. Worship</p> <p>New Hope Church "The Church on the Hill" 25258 Hwy 160, South Fork, Co, 81154 Interim Pastor Ed Fleming - 719-873-1202 www.newhopest.com</p> <p>Morning Worship - 10:00 am Sunday School for all ages - 9:00 - 9:45</p> <p>Anabaptist Fellowship of Alamosa 330 San Juan Ave., Alamosa, CO 81101 alamosafellowship@gmail.com</p> <p>Sunday 4:30 PM Worship in the north wing of the Alamosa Presbyterian Church</p> <p>Independent, Fundamental Baptist First Baptist Church of Costilla County 9717 County Rd H, Mesita 719-206-0011</p> <p>Pastor Paul Jones</p> <p>Sunday, 9:45 am - Sunday School Sunday, 10:45 am - Morning Worship Sunday, 12 Noon - Potluck Dinner Sunday, after dinner - Afternoon Worship Thursday, 7:00 pm - Mesita Bible Study and Prayer meeting Home Bible studies in Costilla County Meeting in different locations</p> <p>DEAF MINISTRY FOR ALL SERVICES Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Alamosa Y S A Ward 300 Richardson Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Alamosa</p> <p>Second Ward 927 Weber Drive, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> <p>Alamosa Third Ward 300 Richardson Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> <p>Alamosa Fourth Ward 927 Weber Drive, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Sierra Vista Branch (Spanish Language) 300 Richardson Avenue, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 10:15 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.</p> <p>Lutheran St. Peters Lutheran Church & School Church: 1821 Grande Avenue, Monte Vista School: 330 Faraday Street, Monte Vista</p> <p>Sunday, 10:15 a.m. - Services School: K-8, Monday-Thursday</p> <p>Trinity Lutheran Church & School 52 El Rio Drive, Alamosa</p> <p>Sunday, 8:45 a.m. - Bible Study Sunday, 10 a.m. - Worship</p> <p>*Small Bible Study Groups Throughout the Week* Pre-School through 5th grade Church: 589-4611, Phone: 589-3271 Conejos Canyon Community Chapel 20062 State Hwy. 17 (between mile posts 21 and 20) Fellowship Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday, 9:00 a.m. - Worship Service</p> <p>Mountain Valley Church 408 State St. 17 Alamosa Pastor: Richard Pinkerton 589-2859 or 589-7652</p> <p>Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Worship Service</p> <p>Presbyterian Church of Monte Vista 702 Second Avenue, Monte Vista (719) 852-2555</p> <p>Sunday, 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School Sunday, 11 a.m. - Sunday Worship</p> <p>Seventh-day Adventist Seventh-day Adventist Church 315 Craft Drive, Alamosa</p> <p>Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - Worship</p> <p>United Methodist Mosca United Methodist Church 5385 Barker Street, Mosca 720-254-5564</p> <p>Reverend Hugh Harris Sunday Worship: 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Unitarian Universalist Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 330 San Juan Ave., Alamosa</p> <p>*North Wing of Alamosa Presbyterian Church 719-587-5529*</p> <p>Service & Youth Programs at 10:30 am Sunday.</p> <p>United Presbyterian Church of Antonio P.O. Box 665, Antonio</p> <p>Office Hrs: Tues, 9:00am-12:00 Sunday 9:45am - Sunday School 10:45am - Service</p> <p>Valley Church of the Nazarene 228 Madison, Monte Vista - 852-5868 Sunday Morning Worship 10:15 a.m.</p> <p>Sunday School Classes 9:00 a.m. Every other Wednesday 6 p.m. (757)58-5876 for information for class schedule</p> <p>Church of Scientology 511 Main Street, Suite #12, Alamosa 719-587-5554</p> <p>Monday and Wednesday, 7-10 p.m. - Services</p> <p>Grace Assurance Ministry Church without Religion 9851 CR 4 S, Alamosa, CO Sunday Mornings - 10:30 Randy Brown - 719-588-7004 Eric Wolf - 719-480-3977</p>
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Getting What You Really Want in Life

The things we pursue in life have everything to do with our joy and fulfillment. While it's certainly not wrong to desire success, a better paying job, or a higher standard of living, the Bible tells us that seeking after "things" and making them our priority will make us miserable in the end!

Seek is a strong word. It means "to crave, pursue, to make sacrifices to get, to go after with all of your strength and all of your heart."

I encourage you to take a moment and ask yourself, "What am I seeking? What am I spending most of my time talking about? Where do I invest the majority of my energy?"

Romans 14:17 (NIV) says, "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."

In other words, the Kingdom of God is not about us simply trying to get what we want. Instead, it's about seeking a relationship with God and experiencing true Kingdom benefits. It's about having a greater understanding of His righteousness (our right standing with Him through Jesus Christ), His peace and His joy in our lives. Only then will we find what we are truly looking for.

In the beginning of our relationship with God, it's all about us...and for a while, this is fine. I believe this is where we all start. We come to Him with our list of needs and desires. We bring Him our problems and want Him to fix everything. But eventually, the time comes for us to grow and mature.

I remember coming to a point in my life when I had a lot of "things" but realized I simply wasn't happy. After praying and asking the Lord what was wrong, He spoke to my heart and said, "Joyce, you are too shallow—it's time to go out into the deep."

That was difficult to hear, but I knew exactly what He meant. It was time for me to start living the "deeper life"—to begin seeking God for who He is and



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not just what He can do for me.

You see, shallow Christians want the fruit, but they are not concerned about the roots. I love Isaiah 37:31. It says, "...Take root below and bear fruit above."

Just look at nature. Large trees with thick, full branches have a massive underground root system that spreads both deep and wide. Without this support system, the tree could never weather a storm.

In the same way, we must develop deep spiritual roots before we can truly enjoy the big, full life God has intended for us. This includes cultivating a relationship with the Lord, finding out what He says about us in His Word, and becoming rooted and grounded in His love.

Many times, we come at it the wrong way. We want to have all of the benefits—more privileges, more influence, more "stuff"—before we ever establish our roots. But without a strong foundation in God, these things can actually hurt us more than they can help. And without deep roots, we'll never endure the storms of life.

The truth is, the Lord is more concerned about your inner life than your outer life. He knows that when you are spiritually strong on the inside, then you are able to handle any situation that arises in your life on the outside.

I think sometimes we're afraid that if we stop chasing after all of the "things," we'll never get what we want in life. But the exact opposite is true... Psalm 37:4 says, "Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart."

As we place our focus on God, we not only begin to experience His righteousness, peace and joy...but He even causes our desires to be in line with His plan and what's best for our lives.

Years ago, while I was praying (probably for something I wanted), the Lord spoke a life-changing truth to my heart. He said, "Joyce, seek My face and not My hand. If you seek My face, My hand will always be open."

Matthew 6:33 says it this way: "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

I can tell you from experience that when you make God your number-one priority, He not only fills your life with His amazing peace, joy, and satisfaction, but He also gives you the desires of your heart.

Make a decision today to pursue the One who matters most. Seek God for who He is and make your relationship with Him a priority. As you do, I believe you'll discover what you've been looking for all along.

For more on this topic, order Joyce's four-teaching CD series Pursuing What Matters Most. You can also contact us to receive our free magazine, Enjoying Everyday Life, by calling (800) 727-9673 or visiting www.joycemeyer.org.

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Public Notices

EXHIBIT VIII-H INVITATION FOR BIDS

Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. will receive Bids for the remodel of an existing building into a Dental Clinic located at 135 E 6th St, Center, CO 81125 until 1:30 local time on the 23rd day of April at 128 Market Street, Alamosa, CO 81101, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the jobsite at 135 E 6th St, Center, CO 81125 on Thursday, April 2nd at 10:30 am local time.

Bids are invited upon the items and quantities of work as follows: Item 1 Remodel of existing building into Dental Clinic Contract documents, including Drawings, Technical Specifications, and the Wage Determination are on file at the office of Weidner & Associates LLC at 830 N. Main Street, Suite 140, Pueblo, Colorado 81003. Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained by stopping by the offices of Weidner and Associates between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm and asking for a copy, or by emailing Greg Van, greg@weidnerandassociates.net and requesting an electronic copy to be distributed digitally.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. in negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. (Davis Bacon Wages)

In the event that the bidder anticipates hiring employees to work on this job, the bidder should contact the local manpower office for qualified candidates. (Section 3)

Prior to the awarding of the Contract, the Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. may defer its decision for a period not to exceed (30) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

Date: March 18th, 2020 Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. By: Jania Arnoldi Title: President/CEO No. 1355 Published in the Valley Courier on March 18, 19, and 20, 2020

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION and CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Northwest Conejos Fire Protection District, Conejos County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 5th 2020 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 11-13.5-513(6) C.R.S.

The following candidates are hereby declared elected: Henry Schimpf 3 until May, 2023 (2 or 4 year term) Austin Valdez 3 until May, 2023 (2 or 4 year term) Ron Eschmaman 3 until May, 2023 (2 or 4 year term) Justin Rogers 3 until May, 2023 (2 or 4 year term)

Contact Person for the District: Robert Marquez Telephone Number of the District: 719-274-5537 Address of the District: Po Box 359, LaJara, CO 81140 District Facsimile Number: 719-274-0250 District Email: nw_conejos_fd@centurytel.net Division of Local Government - Department of Local Affairs - 2012 Election SD-11 Revised 2/25/2014 No. 1363 Published in the Valley Courier on March 20, 2020.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the Conejos County Board of Adjustments will be on Monday, April 20, 2020 at 6:45 PM. The hearing will be held in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Conejos County Courthouse. The purpose of this hearing is to consider an application for a Variance to the zone district required setbacks in a Rural Zone District.

The landowner is Rodney Reinhardt 10270 County Rd DD and Silvia Fuentes, 25270 County Rd 10, La Jara CO 81140. The subject property is legally described as: A fraction of the Southwest Quarter in Section 14, Township 36 North, Range 8 East, NMPM, Conejos County, Colorado. County Parcel #556114200045 The full details of this application are available for public inspection in the Office of the Land Use Administrator at the Conejos County Courthouse during regular office hours of 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Interested persons may appear to be heard at the public hearing. Linda DeHerrera Land Use Administrator No. 1364 Published in the Valley Courier on March 20, and April 7, 2020.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing before the Conejos County Board of Adjustments will be on Monday, April 20, 2020 at 7:15 PM. The hearing will be held in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Conejos County Courthouse. The purpose of this hearing is to consider an application for a Variance to the zone district required setbacks and lot size in a Rural Zone District.

The landowner is Conejos County Library District, 17361 US Highway 285, La Jara CO 81140. The subject property is legally described as: A 10 Acre Tract I the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 35 North, Range 9 East, NMPM, County, Colorado. County Parcel #572127400903 The full details of this application are available for public inspection in the Office of the Land Use Administrator at the Conejos County Courthouse during regular office hours of 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Interested persons may appear to be heard at the public hearing. Linda DeHerrera Land Use Administrator No. 1367 Published in the Valley Courier on March 20, and April 7, 2020.

RIO GRANDE DISTRICT COURT

Rio Grande County, Colorado Court Address: 6th and Cherry Street, Del Norte, Colorado 81132 Telephone: (719) 675-3394 Fax (719) 657 2836 COURT USE ONLY

Plaintiffs: RUDY J. MARTINEZ AND LYDIA M. MARTINEZ as Trustees of the RUDY J. MARTINEZ AND LYDIA M. MARTINEZ LIVING TRUST, dated June 30, 1995

Defendants: RALPH PEREZ, GAY ELIZABETH LUJAN, RICARDO JESUS FALCON, JR., AGNES LOVIDA SOLIS, ANGELICA MARIA SANCHEZ, JANICE SANCHEZ, DAVID EDWARD PACHECO, ROSANNE PACHECO, KEVIN ATENCIO, DAVINE ATENCIO, EARNEST MILTON MARTINEZ, the estate of OPHELIA DOLORES MARTINEZ, the estate of EPIFANIO MARTINEZ the UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD, and all unknown persons who may claim an interest in the subject matter of this action.

Attorney for Plaintiffs: William F. Dunn, Reg. 1036 585 Columbia Avenue, Del Norte, Colorado 81132 Phone Number: (719) 657-3323 FAX Number: (719) 657-3324 E-mail: bill@dunn-law.com Case Number: 2019CV030030 Division: Courtroom: SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO ALL ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION:

You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the Complaint To Quiet Title filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 30 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the Complaint to Quiet Title may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court.

If you fail to file your Answer or other response to the Complaint to Quiet Title in writing within 30 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be entered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the Complaint o Quiet Title without further notice. This is an action in rem to quiet title to a tract of land containing 2.80 acres, more or less, located in the NW?NE? of Section 7, Township 39 North, Range 7 East, N.M.P.M., Rio Grande County, Colorado. A complete legal description of the subject property is attached to the Complaint now on file with the Clerk of the District Court in the above captioned case. Dated this 18th day of March, 2020. Published in the Alamosa Valley Courier First Publication: March 20, 2020 Last Publication: April 17, 2020

William F. Dunn, Reg. No. 1036 Attorney for Plaintiffs No. 1368 Published in the Valley Courier on March 20, 27, April 3, 10, and 17, 2020.

099 ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIDS BEING SOUGHT for garage door installation at the Bus Garage of the Upper Rio Grande School District. For more information, please contact the Administrative Offices at 719-657-4040. Bids due by April 1.(4/1)

185 - SERVICES & REPAIRS

FLU PREVENTION CLINIC Every Thursday in March. Be proactive and strengthen your immune system at the Acu Center Community Clinic located in Del Norte, 990 6th st. Call for appointment 360-821-9006.(4/3)

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221 HELP WANTED

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for the following position: Building Night Janitor (AHS) Applications are available online at https://dist.alamosa.k12.co.us For more information, contact Mindi Van Ry at 719-587-1600. Application deadline March 27, 2020. EOE(3/27)

THE COSTILLA COUNTY Conservancy District is now hiring for an Administrative Assistant position. Job requirements: High School Diploma, Microsoft Office experience, and Email and computer skills. Preferred qualifications: Accounting/bookkeeping (Quickbooks) skills and Good communications/writing skills. Position is for 30 hours per week, Monday - Friday. Please email resume along with letters of recommendation and references to info@costillaccd.org by April 2, 2020.(4/4)

RIVER VALLEY INN Nursing home is now hiring LPN's and RN's. Come join our team! Must have a current license and CPR. Days and Night shift With night shift differential. Please stop in for an application at 1335 6th st in Del Norte Co or call 719-657-1105 Ask for Susan or Cheley. (RVI is EOE.)(4/3)

RIVER VALLEY INN Nursing home in Del Norte Co is seeking a Director of Nursing must have a current Colorado license and in good standing. We offer insurance and competitive wages if interested please stop in @ 1335 6th st to apply or if you have any questions please feel free to contact us @ 719-657-1105 ask for Susan. (RVI is EOE.)(4/3)

WE ARE LOOKING for a candidate who possesses strong general bookkeeping knowledge and good time management and good communication skills. Positive attitude, dependability and willingness to work with others is a must! Experience using Quickbooks and/or Epicor is extremely helpful. The role for this position is assisted by the use of an outside professional accounting service. This is a full time position. Beginning pay is negotiable depending on experience. Please send resume to katie@slvproperties.com or drop off in person at 157 Craft Drive. (3/24)+

WANTED FULL-TIME position on organic sheep and hay farm in La Jara, CO. Must have good people skills, be honest and dependable. Experience with animals, farm work a plus. Must have phone and transportation. Our mission is to be leaders in sustainable agriculture and sustainable living. Living quarters on farm an option. Call Colin 719-588-1035. (3/24)

221 HELP WANTED

A&L COORS HIRING for a full-time driver/delivery person. Position is physically demanding. Applicant requirements: self-motivated, good communication skills, dependability, attention to detail, clean driving record, must pass a drug test and work well with others. Positive working environment with an opportunity to acquire a CDL license. Pick up application at 1905 State Street, Alamosa, CO. After 4:00 PM. No phone calls please.(3/24)

SAN LUIS VALLEY Health is seeking qualified candidates to fill positions as a Maintenance Mechanic, Maintenance Worker, and Housekeeper. please visit https://www.sanluisvalley-health.org/careers/ for a full job summary for these positions, as well as our other job opportunities. (3/27)

MONTE VISTA ESTATES 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. (3/28)

221 HELP WANTED

NIGHT STAFF NEEDED at La Puente Home. Need Mature, dynamic, compassionate person, able to deal with all types of people. Must be able to work weekend and graveyard shifts. (21+). Bilingual preferred. Looking for the unique applicant who will be a part of an awesome team of individuals helping others. Join our staff of dedicated professionals and learn the joys and satisfaction of helping others. Send resume to: hr@lapuente.net. (3/31)

MONTE VISTA ESTATES Nursing Home is Seeking a full time day shift CAN seeking a full time evening shift (2-10) shift CAN If you love working with the elderly and enjoy making a difference in the lives of our residents, please contact us. We look forward to having you join our team. (3/28)

221 HELP WANTED

THE BOE OF Center Schools is now accepting applications for Elementary Teacher for the 2020-2021 School Year. 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. For information and application materials please call (719) 754-3442 or visit the District's website at www.center.k12.co.us and click on the Employment Opportunities and "Certified Staff Application". Application Deadline: Until Position is Filled. EOE.(3/20#1)

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221 HELP WANTED

THE BOE OF Center Schools is now accepting applications for Secondary Math Teacher for the 2020-2021 School Year. 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. For information and application materials please call (719) 754-3442 or visit the District's website at www.center.k12.co.us and click on the Employment Opportunities and "Certified Staff Application". Application Deadline: Until Position is Filled. EOE. (3/20#2)

221 HELP WANTED

A PARTMENT MANAGER. OVER the Rainbow Apartments, down-town Alamosa seeks a live-in skilled property manager. Responsibilities include lease management, facility upkeep, handling tenant needs and issues. Qualifications: mature, good communication and computer skills, good references. Knowledge of human services helpful. Compensation includes salary, apartment, paid utilities and benefits. Serious applicants, please submit resume to hr@lapuente.net. (3/28)

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221 HELP WANTED

MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is accepting applications for a Health Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. The person in this position will teach health in grades 6th through 12th. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience is posted on the district website <http://ww2.monte.k12.co.us/employment-opportunities.html>. 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 1, 2020, or until the position is filled. Applications may be downloaded from the district website or call 719-852-5996.(3/28)

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SANGRE DE CRISTO 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 bstagner@sangreschools.org. Teaching applications may be downloaded from sdc.schools.net or picked up at school office. Positions open until filled. (3/27)

221 HELP WANTED

ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY'S Department of Teacher Education is seeking applications for a Part-Time Program Assistant. Please submit letter of application addressing qualifications, curriculum vita with unofficial transcripts: Names and contact information for 3 references: Mr. Curtis Garcia, Search Committee Chair, 208 Edgemont Blvd, suite 3050, Department of Teacher Education, McD 246, Alamosa, CO 81101. curtislgarcia@adams.edu <https://www.adams.edu/hr/administrative-positions/>. Review of completed applications will begin immediately. Priority considerations will be given to applications received on or before March 15, 2020. (3/21)

PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST NEEDED immediately. Need to be dependable. Bring resume to Valley Courier, Attention Keith.(TFN)

MONTE VISTA SCHOOL District is seeking dynamic, people oriented candidates for the position of Monte Vista Middle School Principal. Start date will be August 1, 2020, with a competitive salary based on experience, plus an attractive benefit package. Interested individuals should submit application materials electronically in pdf format to mary@monte.k12.co.us by March 26, 2020. A full description of desired qualifications and experience may be viewed on the district website <https://ww2.monte.k12.co.us/employment-opportunities.html>. Applications are available to download on the district web site or call (719)852-5996. (3/24)

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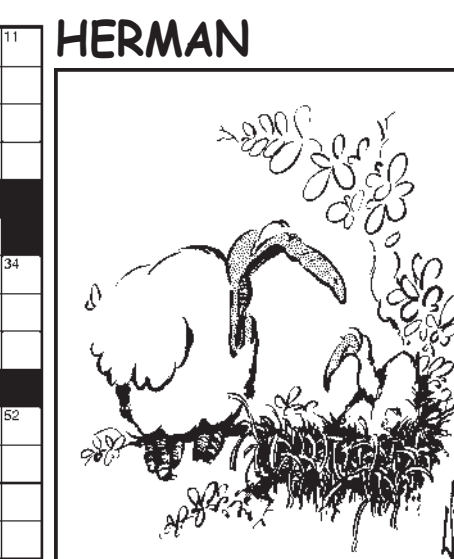
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"I had over 200 hours of flying time when I was your age."

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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

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 V R G B P A T I T Z F T B . " — K M G S O D H F

TODAY'S CLUE: A stenza Z

Man leaves wife, daughters at curb after birthday dinner

DEAR ABBY: I coordinated and paid for a 70th birthday party for my terminally ill husband. Fourteen people were invited, and seven of them were related to my only sister, "Carla."

During the dinner, her husband was rude to the waitress and at the end of the party was screaming and yelling at Carla over the valet parking ticket. As they left the restaurant, he shoved her. He then got in their car and left my sister and her stepdaughters (from a previous marriage) standing there. They had to order a rideshare to get home.

I texted her later to be sure she and the girls had arrived safely. She said yes and told me she would talk to me the next day. When I didn't hear from her, I followed up. The next time we talked, she acted like nothing had happened! When I pursued the discussion and asked what prompted his strange behavior, she said, "I don't know what to tell you." I said, "You don't know?" and she replied, "I didn't say that. I said I don't know what to tell YOU."

After a lengthy discussion, I told her that unless we had some assurance that the incident wouldn't be repeated, we didn't want to see her husband again. She said it wouldn't be a problem. I have invited her to numerous family events, and she comes solo,

but now she is blaming me for "tearing the family apart." What can I do now, if anything? -- IN A MESS IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR INAMESS: Your sister is apparently married to an abuser with a short fuse and has resigned herself to it. She has my sympathy, but she should not blame you for any of it. She could really use some help from a support group for abused partners, because things will not get better. If you prefer not to see her horror of a husband, stand your ground and do not allow yourself to be guilted or coerced into it. He owes all of you an apology.

DEAR ABBY: I am engaged to a wonderful, sweet, hard-working 30-year-old man. We get along well and make each other happy. The trouble is how he comes across to others. He is so eager to be friends that he opens up much too quickly, revealing and venting about things like his work problems. It makes people uncomfortable.

He has been called out on it several times by various people (some even straight-up called him "creepy"), and he will stop for a while. But he falls into the same pattern the next time he meets somebody new. This whole thing is a problem. I have invited him out on this behavior,



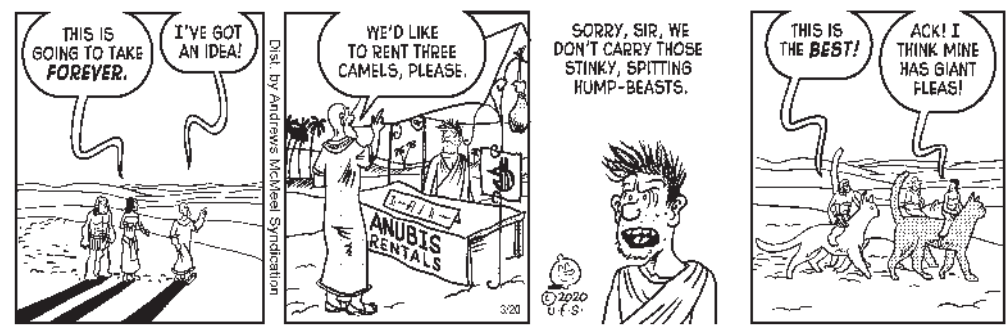
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he experiences crippling panic attacks. They cause him to apologize profusely, which only exacerbates the problem.

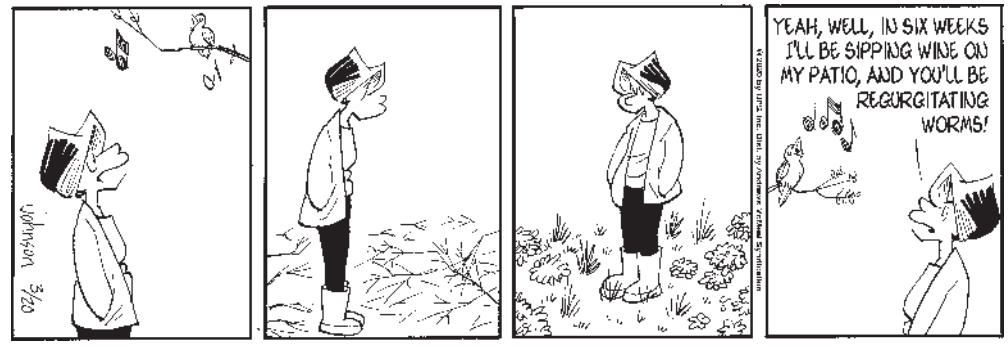
He refuses to seek therapy or treatment for his anxiety. I am at a loss about how to help him, other than listen to his troubles and offer support when I can. What should I do? -- CHALLENGED FIANCEE

DEAR FIANCEE: Your fiance may be a great guy, but unless you want to spend your life with a partner who refuses to get help for his emotional problems and doesn't seem to learn from his mistakes, it may be time to step back and re-evaluate this relationship. Much as you would like to, you can't fix what's wrong with him. Only he can do that. If you marry him, the chances are you will wind up as socially isolated as he is. What a shame.

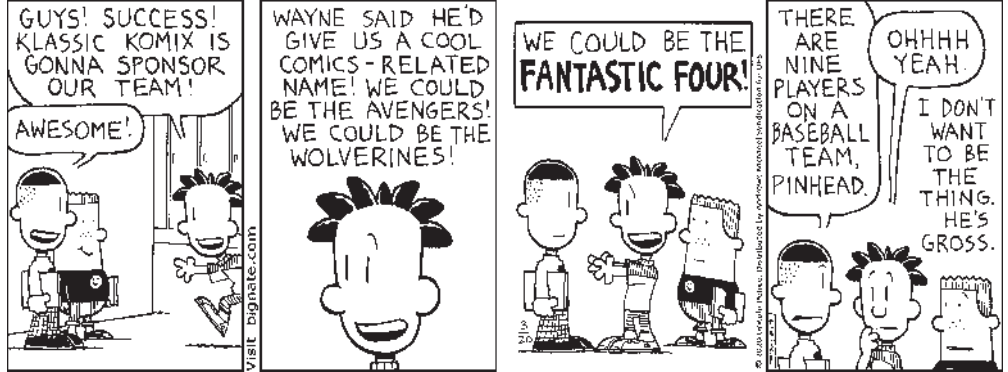
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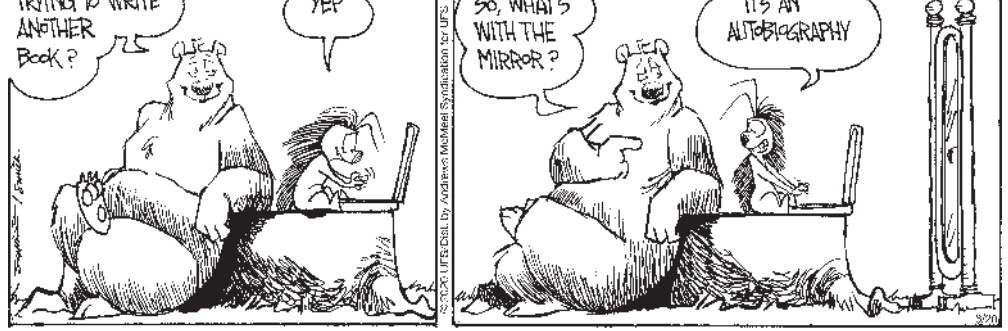
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SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION:

Basic Qualifications- Generally, each of the following statements must be true to qualify for the senior citizen exemption. The qualifying senior:

Must be at least 65 years old on January 1 of the year the application is filed; and

Must be the current owner of record, and listed as the owner of record for at least 10 consecutive years prior to January 1; and

Must occupy the property as his/her primary residence, and must have done so for at least 10 consecutive years prior to January 1.

Exceptions to Basic Qualifications- The applicant may still qualify if one or more of the following statements are true:

Ownership is in the spouse's name, and the spouse also occupies the property;

Ownership has been transferred to or purchased by a trust, corporate partnership or other legal entity solely for estate planning purposes;

The qualifying senior or his/her spouse was or is confined to a health care facility;

The applicant was forced to move when the prior residence was condemned in an eminent domain proceeding;

The applicant is the surviving spouse of a senior who met the requirements on January 1, 2002, or on any January 1 thereafter.

The qualifying senior citizen's prior residence was destroyed or otherwise rendered uninhabitable by a natural disaster.

How to Apply- To apply, you must complete the appropriate application form and return it to the assessor by July 15. The assessor must accept late applications until August 17. The "Short Form" application may be used by qualifying senior citizens who meet each of the basic qualifications. The "Long Form" application must be used by applicants who satisfy one or more of the exemptions to the basic qualifications. If you would like to receive an application form or a brochure that explains the senior citizen exemption in greater detail, or if you have any questions regarding the exemption, please call the as-

essor's office at (719) 589-6365.

DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTION:

Basic Qualifications- Generally, each of the following statements must be true to qualify:

The applicant must be a veteran who sustained a service-connected disability while serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. This includes members of the National Guard and Reserves who sustained injuries while serving on active duty;

The applicant must have been honorably discharged;

The Federal Department of Veterans Affairs has rated the applicant's service-connected disability as a one hundred percent permanent disability through disability retirement benefits pursuant to a law or regulation administered by the department, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, or the Department of the Army, Navy, or Airforce.

The applicant must be the owner of record and must have been the owner of record since January 1 of the current year.

Exceptions to Basic Qualifications- The applicant may still qualify if one or more of the following statements are true:

Ownership is in the spouse's name, and the spouse also occupies the property;

Ownership has been transferred to or purchased by a trust, corporate partnership or other legal entity solely for estate planning purposes;

The qualifying disabled veteran and his/her spouse was or is confined to a health care facility.

The applicant was forced to move when the prior residence was condemned in an eminent domain proceeding.

The applicant is the surviving spouse of a previously qualified veteran who met the requirements through the Colorado Division of Veterans Affairs.

How to Apply- To apply, you must file a completed application with the Colorado Division of Veterans Affairs by July 1. The Division of Veterans Affairs may accept late applications until August 3 if the applicant can show good cause for missing the July 1 deadline. The surviving spouse of a prequalified veteran must apply directly to the assessor's office no later than July 1. If you would like to receive an application form or a brochure that explains the disabled veteran exemption in greater detail, or if you have any questions regarding the exemption, please call the assessor's office at (719) 589-6365.



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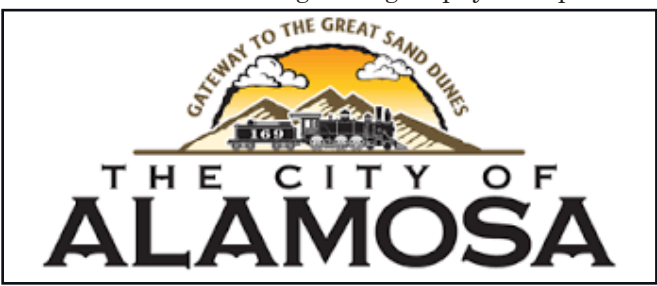
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this time of emergency. Meters will still be read and monthly bills will still be sent out. For those who have been directly impacted financially by COVID-19, please contact the Finance Department at (719) 589-2593 to arrange a payment plan.



Valley Life

Adams State students will finish spring semester online

ALAMOSA — As part of its ongoing efforts to address COVID-19 and to ensure the health and safety of its students, faculty and staff, Adams State University will continue to use its online course management system Blackboard for all courses for the remainder of the 2020 spring semester.

Beginning Monday, March 23, through the completion of the spring semester in May, all course delivery will be through Blackboard. This decision, made in consultation with faculty, ensures all students will be able to complete their spring semester without interruption.

Adams State is also announcing these additional steps, which will be in effect through the end of the spring semester 2020:

- Adams State Nielsen Library will remain open to students and employees, but with limited hours. A campus ID will be required to enter Nielsen Library.

- Access to academic buildings is limited to campus employees only.

- Richardson Hall, the main administrative building, will remain during regular business hours.

- All non-University events scheduled for the Adams State campus have been suspended through the end of May 2020. Future events will be considered, based on guidance from state and federal agencies combating COVID-19.

- Virtual tours of Adams State will be available for prospective students and families. In-person campus tours and visits

are suspended through the end of May.

Adams State will strive to hold as many of its traditional end-of-semester events as possible, in a virtual environment. Those events include Student Scholar Days, Employee Recognition Awards, and Student Leadership Awards.

Of course, the most significant and meaningful event Adams State hosts each spring is its commencement ceremonies. The University is actively exploring alternatives to its traditional University-wide commencement celebration currently scheduled for May 9.

“Our sincere desire is to provide commencement events while protecting the health and safety of all participants,” said Adams State President Cheryl D. Lovell. “More details will be forthcoming as we explore alternative ways to make our ceremonies rewarding and memorable.”

“We appreciate the extraordinary efforts our faculty and staff are undertaking to make this transition to Blackboard-only instruction through the end of semester as smooth and seamless as possible,” President Lovell said. “I am confident Adams State will continue to serve our students well and continue to make great stories at Adams State.”

To stay up to date on Adams State’s response to COVID-19, please visit <https://www.adams.edu/police/safety/coronavirus/>. Additional FAQs and resources for students and the campus community are on Adams State’s COVID-19 web page.

CDE announces pause on 2019-20 state assessments, accountability state working on a possible solution for PSAT, SAT

DENVER — The administration of end-of-the-year assessments, including the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS), will be paused for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year due to extensive school closures throughout Colorado to prevent the spread of COVID-19, Colorado Education Commissioner Katy Anthes announced today.

“With the extraordinary actions we are taking to prevent the spread of COVID-19, it’s clear that we need to press pause on our CMAS tests this year,” Commissioner Anthes said. “Students and educators need to feel a sense of stability and normalcy before state tests can be administered and produce valid results. This also means we plan to pause our school and district state accountability system as it relates to state assessments for a year.”

CDE is working with The College Board to generate possible solutions for the administration of the PSAT and SAT tests, which offer unique roles in Colorado’s system in terms of scholarships and college entrance. Additional information will come from CDE as it becomes available.

CDE intends to engage with the U.S. Department of Education to address implications, including those related to federal accountability, and will complete waiver documentation as necessary, Anthes said.

“I’m a big fan of accountability and transparency in public education, but we will simply have to forgo incredibly useful data on student achievement for a year to help contain the virus,” said Colorado Gov. Jared Polis. “Right now, students, families, and educators need to be focused on doing everything they can to keep families safe and stable. It is clear that COVID-19 will put extraordinary stress on our education system for the coming weeks and months. In order to ensure our schools and educators are able to spend as much time as possible on online instruction in a difficult situation, I support the decision to pause assessments and school accountability for this year only.”

Making the decision to pause testing now allows schools and districts to concentrate on determining ways to deliver continued instruction to the extent they are able during this unprecedented disruption in education, Anthes said.

The department will continue working with schools and districts that are already identified for improvement to help support instruction, including options for instruction during and after school closures.

CDE has compiled resources about Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) for schools and districts on its website, <http://www.cde.state.co.us/safeschools>.

City Market Offering Special Hours for Senior Citizen Shoppers

ALAMOSA — Effective Friday, March 20, City Market will dedicate the first shopping hour on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 7am-8am, exclusively to the shopping needs of senior citizens. For all other customers, store hours will be 8am-8pm, Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 7am-8pm on all other days. These hours are temporary as we seek to provide the best service possible during these times of uncertainty.

City Market wants to provide our at-risk customers with the ability to purchase the items they need while avoiding busier and more crowded shopping times. We request that customers respect these hours for the health of our community. We appreciate all customers for their kind consideration, whose concern contributed to our decision to provide designated shopping hours for seniors.

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communities working together to shop on behalf of seniors and other at-risk customers. We are asking our customers to be patient, to be kind to one another and our associates, and to shop responsibly and purchase what you need, knowing that we will continue to replenish stores daily with the supplies and products our customers need most. In every decision we make we are striving to balance the safety of our associates with our commitments to

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