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Following a reported mountain lion sighting near Cattails Golf Course, the City of Alamosa relayed some safety tips for people. This mountain lion photo was taken in Alamosa in May of 2021.

Mountain Lion sighting near **Cattails Golf** Course

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ALAMOSA — A recent mountain lion sighting near the Cattails Golf Course has been reported. The Alamosa Parks and Recreation Department would like to remind residents and trail users of some practical advice. Following these tips can help keep you safe and help avoid interactions with mountain lions:

• If you meet a lion: Stop! Stay calm. Look big. Raise arms. Pull jacket, pack above your head. Lift your bicycle in front of you. Talk firmly and loudly. Back away slowly. If attacked, fight back!

• On the trail: Talk, make noise. Hike with others. Carry a stick. Keep kids close. Keep dogs on leash.

 At home: Clear brush. Don't feed wildlife — other animals can attract lions. Make deer, racoons, etc., unwelcome.

 Pets and Livestock: Keep animals inside or in a fully enclosed kennel and roof included. Bring animals in at night. Keep pet food, livestock feed inside.

Report any mountain lion activity spotted in Alamosa to the regional Colorado Parks and Wildlife office in Monte Vista by calling 719-587-6900.

SLV WEATHER



Mostly Sunny 56/21 Wed: Sunny, Breezy

60/24

Thurs: Sunny 63/27

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Proclamations and resolutions on commissioners' agenda

By PRISCILLA WAGGONER This week will also be declared District Report and Treasurer's that it may be discussed and Courier Reporter

ALAMOSA — During this week's regularly scheduled meeting, the Alamosa County Board of Commissioners will designated as both Sexual Assault Awareness Month and

National Public Telecommunica- March Fund Report. tors Safety Week.

be addressing a number of dif- limited to Conditional Approval by the board of commissioners ferent topics, including making of Award for Upper Rio Grande without discussion. However, three proclamations: April is Transmission Study, Public any member of the board, any Child Abuse Prevention Month. Alamosa County Weed Control from the consent calendar so

Typically, due to what is gen-Council is expected to approve erally perceived as their nona number of items on the con- controversial nature, consent sent calendar, including but not items as a group can be voted on Health SLV Emergency Pre- staff member or any individual paredness Statement of Work, can request an item be removed

considered as a single issue.

There will also be several public hearings during Wednesday's meeting, including a public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant Business Loan Fund with Dan Scinto, Director of the Business Loan Fund with SLV Resources Development Group included in the

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Hundreds 'Share the Love' at community mural project

CONTRIBUTED

ALAMOSA — Artists Katie Dokson and Bianca Maestas helped the community bring their vision to life as hundreds of community members came out to show their support and share the love last Saturday during the "The Share The Love Community Mural project". The event was hosted by 'Visit Alamosa" and held on South River Road.

According to Samantha Bogle, communications specialist with the group, those who attended "played the day away as they worked on 12 paint-■ See SHARE page 3

Artist Katie Dokson paints alongside a community member during the share the love community mural project.

Photo courtesy of Visit Alamosa



State Troopers cracking down on impaired drivers



Photo courtesy CDPS

DEL NORTE BANK

Surge enforcement set for San Luis Valley Region

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jos, Rio Grande, and Sa-Sunday, April 14.

serious injury crashes **COLORADO** — The over the past five years. includes the counties of for these crashes is im- See DRIVERS page 3

Alamosa, Costilla, Cone- paired driving.

State troopers will be guache. The enforcement dedicated to the detecevent will occur from tion and apprehension Friday, April 12, through of drivers who may be impaired by or otherwise This region has expe- under the influence of rienced 65 fatal crashes alcohol, drugs, or a comand an additional 235 bination of these substances

"We will also be in-Colorado State Patrol Most of these incidents creasing enforcement on will conduct saturation occurred late Friday and excessive speed and a patrols through the San into Saturday nights. lower tolerance on those Luis Valley area, which The leading causal factor driving over the limit;

Trooper stands on the side of the road. SLV CSU Extension grateful for CPAC's support

Donations still being accepted

CONTRIBUTED MONTE VISTA — On March 21 at the monthly Colorado Potato Administrative Committee (CPAC) meeting led by the executive director Jim Ehrlich, the San Luis Valley Colorado State University Extension Foundation was gifted \$25,000. This donation is going toward the Endowment Fund being used for the hiring of the second 4-H youth specialist and 4-H programing.

lacksquare ${f Supportsymbol{PORT}}$ ${f page}$ ${f 3}$ Staff at SLV CSU Extension accepting \$25,000 donation from CPAC.



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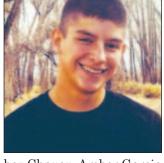
OBITUARIES

Ivin Jake Chavez

Jake Chavez Ivin passed away on April 4, 2024, in his hometown of Alamosa, Colo. Ivin was born on Dec. 10, 1999, to Chasity Espinosa and Ismael Chavez.

Ivin will be greeted in heaven by his Father Ismael Chavez, his maternal grandparents Sharon Espinosa and Amarante Archuleta, his paternal grandmother Gloria Chavez, his uncles Shawn Chavez and Oscar Chavez.

Ivin is survived by his mother Chasity Espinosa and stepfather Daniel Garcia, Sisters Ebony Chavez, Devyn Sisneros, his brothers Daniel Michael Garcia and Christian Moreno, his maternal great-grandparents Efren (Mary Ellen) Gomez, paternal grandfather Dave Chavez and step-grandmother Teresa Chavez, step-grandparents Abel (Vera) Garcia, his uncles and aunts Tara Espinosa, Steve (Mindy) Chavez, Isaac Chavez, Lea Chavez, Trish (Jason) Rogers, Charles Benskin, Sarah (Augustas) Quintana, Ja-



bez Chavez, Amber Garcia and Arron, cousins Mya Espinosa, Nolan Bonney, Josiah (Tausha) Chavez, Chavez, Zydon Chavez, his Niece Ellena Marquez and many more family and friends.

Ivin was a dedicated employee at Mortensen's Landscaping, where he contributed his skills and work ethic with quiet pride. His interests were as kind and genuine as his character, he loved exercising, fishing, and bowling. Ivin had a special bond with his family and cherished the time they spent with them, especially his little brother Daniel.

Described by those who knew him as kind, loving, and thoughtful. Ivin

was a quiet, soft-spoken young man whose beautiful smile could light up a room. His caring spirit and gentle ways left a lasting impact on the hearts of those fortunate enough to have crossed his path. Ivin's gentle presence and warm smile were a blessing to all who knew him throughout his 24 years of life

Ivin's memory be cherished and kept alive by the many lives he touched. His absence leaves a void that cannot be filled, but his spirit will continue to inspire kindness and love in the hearts of his family and friends.

Cremation has chosen and a memorial service will be held Saturday, April 13, 2024, at 2 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 514 Fourth St., Alamosa, CO.

Rogers Family Mortuary is in care of the arrangements. To leave online words of comfort, remembrances, or condolences for Ivin's family, please visit www.Rogers-Funerals.com.

Thomas Henry Parker

Thomas Henry Parker, 76, passed away on March 19, 2024, after a hardfought battle with cancer. He spent his last days at home, surrounded by family. Tommy's life began in Alamosa, Colo., on June 4, 1947, where he was the youngest of five children. He was born to Harriett and Clayton Parker. He grew up there and eventually graduated from Alamosa High School in 1965.

He joined the U.S. Navy in 1966 and was stationed in Long Beach, Calif. He served aboard the U.S.S. Bennington CVS20, as a Damage Controlmen dur-

ing the Vietnam War. During the summer of 1967, while home on leave, he met the love of his life and married later that year. were

Tom and Charlotte (Nickson) Parker married Dec 29, 1967, in Alamosa, Colo., and shared 56 years together. During their time together, they built a home Colorado

Springs, Colo., and raised four children.

Tommy graduated from Trinidad State Junior College in 1971, with an Associate's Degree in Applied Science with an emphasis in Building Trades. His professor and lifelong friend Dave Gonzales was a critical part of his education. He then went on to run his own business, Parker Masonry, for 35 years. He retired from Glover Masonry, out of Denver Colorado as a Foreman in 2015. In reality, Tommy never retired as he worked for Hertz

Rental from 2018 until his

cancer diagnoses in Au-



gust of 2023.

Tommy loved his family and spending time with them was what he lived for. He enjoyed weekends at the lake, summers at Lake Powell, camping, fishing, and family reunions. Early on, Tommy was an avid hunter. As liere, Dixie (Alan) Rogers time went on, he became and numerous cousins, more appreciative of the beauty of nature and the sport. He thoroughly just loved to see and look at pictures of Elk and all

As his children grew and started families of their own, he adored the time spent with his nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Tommy and Charlotte also enjoyed road trips to Las Vegas, cruises, family vacations, and watching grandkids play sports! Since his semi-retirement, he has thoroughly enjoyed time with all his Buddies at coffee. He'll be remembered most by his witty comments that made us laugh and cry at the same time, even up to the day he

passed. Tommy prided himself on working hard throughout his life. During his later years, he took up gardening, with special interest in growing tomatoes. In the summer, his sunroom and greenhouse of Tommy for his family, would become a forest of tomato plants, complete

with a self-engineered pully-system to keep everything growing upright. Throughout the growing season, he loved to send pictures to his kids, pleased with his dai-

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Charlotte (Nickson) Parker, four children Neil (Kim) of Palmer Lake, Colo., Terry (Michelle) of Lewis, Colo., Paula of Alamosa, Colo., and Kelly (Brady) of Moffat, Colo., nine grandchildren, Taylor (Ryan) Rhoades, Zach (Lauren) Parker, Ryanne (Dylan) Greco, Hannah, Hailey, Emma, Parker, Tymberlynn, and Deagon, five great-grandchildren, sisters Joanie (John) Cavaniece Tommy was blessed with four generations of namesakes, with the most recent being the arrival of his great-grandson born late last year.

Tommy was preceded in death by his mother and father, Clayton and Hariett Dodds Parker, his sister Annie Parker Roberts, brother-in-law Jim Roberts, his brother Clayton James Parker, and sisterin-law Yolanda Nickson.

A celebration of life will be held at 610 Pioneer Haven Point, Palmer Lake, CO 80133 at 2 p.m. on April 13, 2024.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. on April 19 at the Alamosa Cemetery. A Celebration of Life will follow at Knee Knockers at Cattails Golf course from 2-5 p.m.

Rogers Family Mortuary is in care of the arrangements. To leave online condolences, words of comfort, or remembrances please visit www.Rogers-Funerals.com.

Teddy Bear Clinic: positive associations for foster kids and doc visits

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ALAMOSA — Did you know that stuffed animals get boo-boos too? When they do, they go to the Hope and Home Teddy Bear Clinic. When children enter the

foster care system, they do so with a history of hurt, brokenness, and distrust of people. Many children in foster care can recall the day they had to visit a doctor to have their health and wellbeing assessed — sometimes including documentation of injuries or evidence of neglect. Can you imagine how traumatic this would be to a young child who feels alone in the world? Enter, the Teddy Bear Clinic.

Hope and Home's "Teddy Bear Clinic" is all about helping children create positive associations with the medical community. Foster children bring their favorite stuffed animal in for a wellness check, which includes a general workup, an eye exam and a dental cleaning. In some cases, a "stuffy" in really bad shape may require a visit to the triage unit for MRI's, X-ray's, and surgery.

We are happy to sew up a bear in need of more stuffing, glue on a new eyeball, or provide a bandage or two for a "scraped knee." While all this may be make-believe, the healing and catharsis a child



A Teddy Bear Clinic is scheduled for April 20 at Hope and Home in Alamosa. experiences is real.

Getting to meet real doctors and nurses and comfort their stuffed animal through each station of the Teddy Bear Clinic is deeply therapeutic for children who have only known fear and confusion in the context of a doctor's visit. We would like to say a huge thanks to SLV Health for sponsoring this transformative event both financially and through volunteerism.

While The Teddy Bear

YOU'RE INVITED! Clinic is designed for chil-

dren in foster care, any child can come. It will take place on Saturday, April 20, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Hope and Home, 605 3rd St., Alamosa.

If you have ever considered becoming a foster parent, this event would be a great opportunity to meet some local professionals and get more information. To RSVP, email Annie Reed, at areed@ hopeandhome.org.

ALAMOSA POLICE REPORT

Alamosa Police Department report for week of March 29 to April 5

Angelic Sanchez, 29, of Monte Vista was cited for 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree assault, domestic violence, disorderly conduct and obstruction. Skyler Smith, 27, of

Alamosa was cited for unlawful distribution of a controlled substance x4, special offender, prohibited use of weapon. Maria Sisneros, 28, of Al-

amosa was cited for offenses relating to marijuana, tampering with evidence. Ann Gallegos, 71, of Ft.

Garland was cited for trespassing, theft under \$300. Keely Williams, 29, of ing without valid license.

playing fictitious plate and amosa was cited for failing uninsured vehicle. Tasha Whitescarver, 33,

unlawful possession of a controlled substance. Ryan Morales, 31, of

Alamosa was cited for unlawful possession of a controlled substance, obstruction x2. James Casados, 25, of

Alamosa was cited for control, care and treatment of animals x2.

Alyssa Chavez, 23, of Alamosa was cited for control, care and treatment of animals x2. Anthony Garcia, 30, of

La Jara was cited for eluding/attempting to elude police officer, number plate obstructed by device and uninsured vehicle. Andrew Balderas, 40, of

Colorado Springs was cited for driving under restraint, uninsured vehicle, unlawful possession of controlled substance.

Keisha Sanchez, 30, of Alamosa was cited for unlawful possession of controlled substance.

Julio Herrera, 37, of Alamosa was cited for DUIalcohol. Michele Silva, 47, of

Alamosa was cited for obstruction of view or driving mechanism, driving under restraint. Destiny Davis, 39, of

Monte Vista was cited for expired plates (30-59 days). Quinn Colwell, 26, of Al-

amosa was cited for follow-

ing too closely. Abelardo Garcia, 55, of Canjilon, N.M., was cited for unlawful parking in

safety zone. Anthony Meder 14 Alamosa Failed to notify police of accident, made unsafe

turn at intersection, driv-

to stop at stop sign.

Anna Morton, 54, of of Alamosa was cited for Monte Vista was cited for uninsured vehicle.

Jamie Berry 31 Monte Vista Unlawful possession of controlled substance

Ezekiel Naranjo 21 Alamosa Indecent exposure

Jan Brandt, 32, of Del Norte was cited for criminal attempt, 2nd degree assault, domestic violence, unlawful possession of controlled substance, 1st degree burglary.

Bryan Jaramillo, 43, of Alamosa was cited for violation of restraining order, uninsured vehicle, failed to drive in designated lane, dui-alcohol. Ann Lopez, 53, of Ala-

mosa was cited for vicious animal, dog at large.

Yasha Ledbetter, 20, of Alamosa was cited for disorderly conduct.

Erica Gonzalez, 35, of Alamosa was cited for disorderly conduct.

Eduardo Molina Molinar, 64, of Blanca was cited for failing to yield ROW when

proceeding from stop sign. Dennis Wood, 61, of Alamosa was cited for seat-

belts required.

Rosalie Ruybal, 65, of Antonito was cited for seatbelts required.

Collin Grant, 36, of Alamosa was cited for seatbelts required.

James Ryan, 31, of Sanford was cited for speeding (5-9 over).

Roman Cisneros, 34, of Alamosa was cited for seatbelts required, Kristen Rafael, 23, of

Alamosa was cited for uninsured vehicle. Patrick Garcia, 54, of Al-

amosa was cited for criminal mischief. Esteban Patrocinio, 26,

failing to stop at stop sign, uninsured vehicle, driving under restraint.

Joe Garcia. 37. of Denver was cited for changing lanes when unsafe, drove without valid license, fictitious plates.



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Valley Courier



Presentation of 'The Woolly West' a huge success

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book 'The Woolly West.' Gul-

liford captivated the audi-

ence with his stories and

insight into the research he

did for his publication stat-

ing that he found a passion

and fascination with sheep

herders throughout history.

DEL NORTE — Keynote speaker Dr. Andrew Gulliford addressed a full County Museum on Friday, March 29, for his presentation on his recently published book "The Woolly West." The book takes a detailed look into the history of sheep herders in the Valley and surrounding southwest including firsthand accounts from sheep herd-

Gulliford opened by stating that he began his research for the book with a sincere fascination with the operations of sheep herders and it was not long before he found himself in a world that full of devotion.

in front for everyone to see," said Gulliford as he began to explain the importance of sheep herding throughout the American West. "I created a new word; sheepscape.

And I became very inti- for works of art that are writing this book."

sheep herding through- much more personal. out southwestern Colorado and beyond. The book captivates readers with not only accurate history of the lives of sheep herders and the violent relationships they had with cattlemen as ranching took on new forms throughout history, but accounts from sheepherdamong their flocks.

Gulliford spent hours, borglyphs in many cases. was unique, artistic, and days and even weeks on end looking for the in- into the San Luis Val-"It was something that famous sheep herder ley's origins and provides artwork known as ar- a peek at what life was something secret but at borglyphs that graced like for sheep herders the same time right there the surface of thousands throughout the West. of trees deep within Aspen groves in mountains be found online at Texaround the southwest as portion of Colorado.

These trees served as not only guides for fellow herders, but as canvases

mate with sheepscapes baffling for the public throughout the process of eye to behold. From risqué portraits of human With a little help from forms to cartoons meant house at the Rio Grande his wife, Gulliford at- to lighten the burden of tacked his research for being alone for months, his book with passion sheep herder artwork and increasing fascina- transforms the basis of tion with the diversity of the job into something

> In addition to the arborglyphs, Gulliford also came across monuments he thinks were made by sheep herders as a way to mark locations or to serve as beacons during severe weather so that lost herders could find their way. Stacked rocks that rise also with the firsthand towards the sky can be found in several sheeper's and how they lived scape locations and are accompanied by the ar-

> > The book gives insight

Gulliford's book can A&MUniversity Press at this address www.tamupress.com/ book/9781623499303/thewoolly-west/.

pating in the surge of avoided by getting out enforcement include the of the way. Contact the ing *CSP (*277), 9-1-1 or 719-589-5807. Be prepared to provide the following information: ve-

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hicle description, license plate number, location and direction of travel, driver description, and the driving behavior being demonstrated. All emergency calls can be made to 9-1-1.

grateful and appreciative of all who have generously jumped on board and contributed to the project. Once our funding in the endowment fund is secured, this community driven project will leave a lasting legacy for our youth," officials stated.

Donations are still being accepted at the SLV CSU Extension Office. You can drop them off at 1899 E Highway 160, Monte Vista, or mail donations to: PO Box 30 Monte Vista, Co 81144. For more information, contact the Extension Office at 719-852-7381.

Society Hall welcomes back Junior and Mickie Vasquez

Society Hall is welcom-

ing back a couple of last year's crowd favorites, Junior and Mickie Vasquez, with their beautiful voices and uplifting songs, for a concert at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, at 400 Ross Ave., Alamosa.

Doors open at 6:30 pm with the show beginning at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$20 and are available online at www.societyhall.org and in Alamosa at The Green Spot, 711 State Ave. The concert will also stream live on both the Society Hall Facebook page and You-Tube channel.

Calistro "Junior' Vasquez is a singer and songwriter, born in Lubbock and raised in West Texas. He has been playing professionally for over 45 years. Junior began playing guitar at the age of 10 and fronted his first band at age 11.

From the early 70's to the early 80's, Junior fronted several bands, including Peyote, Texas Rain, Junior's Farm, and Rhema, and traveled throughout Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma. They opened for several national acts including David Alan Coe, Styx, Batdorf and Rodney and many more.

"Music is the universal language — it knows no boundaries," says Vasquez. "It reaches down to the soul and makes a person laugh, cry, reminisce, dance... My hope is that my music will do just that."

Society Hall board member and area musician and music producer Don Richmond adds, "Junior and Mickie's gorgeous vocals and great songs just transport you to a wonderful place, where life is amazing, and the world is full of beauty. Can't help but love them."

Born and raised in Lubbock, Texas, Junior has been an integral part of the music scene in Lubbock and the surround-

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Junior Vasquez, pictured, and his wife, Mickie, will be performing at Society Hall on April 13.

ing area since 1973. His bring years of experience music is acoustic guitar to their gigs. Having a driven folk/Americana wide and varied reperinfluenced by the likes toire, to include finely of America, Batdorf and crafted original works, Rodney, James Taylor, they come prepared for Dan Fogelberg, The Bea- any occasion. And 'pretles and others. He and pared' means in every his wife, Mickie, have earned the respect of technically-sound, musimany fellow successful cally knowledgeable, relimusicians who've encouraged them to take their music to the music lovers throughout the US. Here's some of what their musical friends and peers

Mickie Vasquez for over most important gift that 50 years. Their songwrit- music — and its practiing and vocal goodness is second to none. Their live shows are stellar and compelling. And, besides all the talent, they are good Human Beings. I'm glad they are finally taking their music to the Natalie Maines)

Vasquez are consummate musicians. Brilliant singers and instrumentalists Junior on guitar and Mickie on keys — the two producer.

way: practiced, rehearsed, able, dependable. But of even greater importance, Junior and Mickie are consummate human beings. They bring a bright and genuine presence to their music, a cheery "I've known Junior and soulfulness which is the tioners — can bestow. They're the real deal." -Andy Wilkinson, writer/ performer/teacher.

"Junior and Mickie Vasquez are a husbandand-wife team I have followed for decades and World" — Lloyd Maines, proudly proclaim myself as musician and producer a fan from the beginning. (and father of The Chicks The perfect duet harmony, level of musicianship, "My friends and he- and original compositions roes Junior and Mickie combined with selective choice of cover material guarantees to win you over as a new fan." — Jay Boy Adams, singer/songwriter/

Drivers

■ Continued from Page 1 both regarding alcohol and speed," officials stat-

The agencies partici-

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porter of the SLV 4-H pro-

gram that helps promote

leadership and life skills

education for our SLV

Beginning in 2021, the

SLV Extension office has

been in a rebuilding pe-

riod. After years of insta-

bility and a reduction of

staff, Larry Brown has

stepped into the leader-

ship role to rebuild the

extension in the San Luis

In just two short years,

youth," officials stated.

'CPAC is a huge sup-

Support

statewide DUI team with Colorado State Patrol afthe Colorado State Patrol ter you pull over by call-

and Troop 5B. If you encounter a suspected impaired driver, should be

driver full-time staff has Youth Development/4-H doubled, now operat- Specialists on staff. ing with a Director/ Ag Specialist, a Youth Development/4-H cialist, a Family and Consumer Science Specialist,

tor. The newest addition, opment/ 4-H Specialists. made possible by 3 years. In those 12 years they of funding from the Out- have had a single specialcalt Foundation, is a second 4-H Specialist.

The team's focus now is to secure permanent funding for a second 4-H agent. Historically in the San Luis Valley Area Extension Program there have been two full-time

six counties can be over-Spewhelming for even two Specialists. Because of limited funding, it has been twelve years since

a Juntos 4-H Specialist, and office administra-

specifically a review of 1041 regulations facilitated by Jason Kelly, attorney for the county of

And finally, there will be discussion of a 1041 application and RWE Hubler, Land Use Direc-

The meeting is sched-

uled to begin Wednesday via Zoom may be limited.

morning at 8:30 a.m. and will be held in commissioners' chambers at 8900 Independence Way. The public is invited to attend either in person or via Zoom, Meeting ID#270-314-6874, or by calling 253-215-8782 or 669-900-6833 and use Meeting ID# 270-314-6874. Please be advised that accessibility

Share

■ Continued from Page 1 by-number murals that will ultimately be proudly Welcome Center."

bers who came from far Ave., Alamosa. and wide to participate in this project.

"We are so proud to be a part of such a generfun community! We are Park."

so excited for you all to see your hard work be an evergreen display in our community," said Bogle.

The unveiling of the displayed at the Colorado murals is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, at 1 Visit Alamosa thanked p.m. at the Colorado Welall the community mem- come Center, 610 State

"We hope to see all of you who made this project possible and bring a friend as we continue to ous, enthusiastic, and celebrate our National

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Valley.

discussion. Also, as the Board of

County Commissioners has to account for expenditures in the Alamosa County Local Marketing District Fund, the board is going to consider a resolution appropriating an additional \$25,000 to that

fund to offset expenses that are in excess of the amount of funds budgeted by the county. County controller Maricruz Mora and Kale Mortenson, executive director of Visit Alamosa, are on the agenda in connection with the Clean Energy. Richard resolution.

There will also be dis- tor, and Jason Kelly will cussion of the Guidelines be guiding that discusand Regulations for Water Projects for Export,

Alamosa.

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sion, at least initially.

Lifestyles

Biden proposes new student debt relief plan for millions of borrowers

By ARIANA **FIGUEROA** Colorado Newsline WASHINGTON

Monday will announce the rollout of a student debt forgiveness proposal that the White House believes is narto survive legal chal-

would include a onetime cancellation of all accrued interest for 23 million borrowers. It would also cancel the full amount of student loan debt for 4 million borrowers and provide more than 10 million borrowers with at least \$5,000 in student debt

The president will unveil the Department of Education proposed regulations during a speech in Madison, Wisconsin, White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre told reporters on a call Sunday.

announcement comes seven months ahead of the November elections, in which student debt forgiveness remains a key issue for voters, especially younger ones. Some of those younger voters who back a ceasefire have been turned off by the administration's support of Israel in its war against Hamas in

The proposed rule will be released in the coming months, and the Biden administration expects some provisions, such as the interest cancellation, could

debt for as many borrowers as possible, no matter how many times Republican elected officials try to stand in his way," she said.

The proposal is likely

to face legal challenges, similar to the battle that engulfed Biden's original student debt forgiveness plan. The Supreme Court struck it down last year when it was challenged in

lawsuits backed by six Republican-led states - Nebraska, Missouri, Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas and South Carolina. Senior administration

officials told reporters

that the Biden administration carefully studied the Supreme Court's opinion last year, which turned aside the adminargument that Education Secretary Miguel Cardona had the legal authority under the HEROES Act to enact a one-time student debt relief plan of up to \$20,000 for some

A senior administranew proposals "address specific situations and

specific populations in ways that we feel very automatically confident are covered debt for borrowers eligiby what the secretary's ble for that forgiveness President Joe Biden on long-standing authority under the SAVE, Public under (the Higher Edu- Service Loan Forgivecation Act) allows him ness or other programs to do, and we're confi- like the closed school dent that we're acting loan discharge who within the scope of the have not yet applied for rowly targeted enough law, as set forth by the those programs. Supreme Court."

The plan, if finalized, Court ruling, Biden di- be able to use its own rected the Department data to identify those of Education to take a borrowers who would more targeted route to be eligible for student provide student debt re- loan debt forgiveness, lief through the Higher but have yet to apply. Education Act in an- The Biden administraticipation of legal chal- tion estimates that this lenges.

> making process is how we change and improve ize the proposals.

ing process can take student loan debt canmonths or years, Car- celed. Those borrowers dona has the ability to would need to be on an designate provisions for income-driven repayearly implementation, ment plan in order to a senior administration qualify for that relief. official said.

About 43.5 people have student rowers who enrolled debt, \$1.73 trillion, according programs, which means

debt relief programs the Biden administra- tended institutions or tion already has rolled programs that lost eliout, such as the Sav- gibility to participate in ing on a Valuable Edu- the federal student aid cation Plan, known as program or were denied the SAVE plan, or any recertification would be other income-driven re- eligible to have their payment plans. For the student loans canceled. SAVE plan, borrowers And borrowers who atbe implemented as who make monthly pay-tended those instituearly as this fall, Jean- ments are not charged tions that either closed accrued interest; pay- or failed to provide "President Biden will ments are based on a "sufficient value" would use every tool available borrower's income and be eligible for relief. to cancel student loan family size; and the plan forgives balances after a this could include some set number of years.

> Under the proposed regulations, there would advantage" of borrowbe a one-time cancellation of up to \$20,000 have an unusually high of unpaid interest regardless of a borrower's income level. Low-andmiddle-income borrowers enrolled in any De- rowers who are expepartment of Education riencing some sort of income-driven repayment plan would be eli- lives that creates a gible to have the entire barrier to paying back amount of their interest loans. Some of those accrued balance can-financial celed. Eligibility would would include medical apply to single borrowers who earn \$120,000 or less and married tion is aiming for this borrowers who earn \$240,000 or less.

> tration estimates that that some additional 25 million borrowers information would be would benefit some type of interest ers who qualify under cancellation.

"The interest forgiveness is currently crafted as a one-time benefit ity of things like infor example, but going forward, borrowers will benefit from substan- attended programs that tially more favorable didn't deliver financial treatment through the tion official said the SAVE program," a senior administration of- administration official ficial said.

The plan would also

The Department of After the Supreme Education would also would cancel debt for "The negotiated rule- about 2 million borrow-

Under the proposed our higher education plan, borrowers who bepolicies," Cardona said gan repayment of their to reporters Sunday, undergraduate student adding that the Depart- loans 20 years ago, ment of Education is and borrowers who bemoving to quickly final- gan repayment of their graduate loans 25 years While the rulemak- ago, would have their

The plan also aims million to cancel debt for bortotaling in low-financial-valueto the Federal Reserve. the total cost of attend-The new plan builds ing exceeded the finanstudent cial benefits.

Borrowers

Cardona added that training programs that have "taken ers, or institutions that student loan debt default rate.

The plan would also provide relief for borhardship in their daily hardships debt or child care.

While the administradebt relief to be immediate, a senior admin-The Biden adminis- istration official said from required for the borrowthe hardship relief.

> "Our goal is for the overwhelming majorterest, loans that are older, borrowers (who) value, to do that all automatically," the senior

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Lifestyles

University of Colorado achieves \$428 million in operating efficiencies over six-year period

Efforts at campuses, system deliver greater value to students and more

By UNIVERSITY OF **COLORADO**

DENVER — Delivering on the University of Colorado's commitment to carrying out its educational and research mission efficiently, the CU system achieved \$428 million in operating efficiencies from the 2017-18 fiscal year through the 2022-23 fiscal year.

as part of CU's annual report on its ongoing efstudents, departments, campuses and employees. Chad Marturano, vice president and chief financial officer for the CU system, presented details to the Board of Reduring its most recent meeting.

the concrete efficiencies ficiencies are achieved reflected in this report,' said CU President Todd Saliman. "We must do

These actions across the supporting the highresearch missions on our campuses."

The \$428 million figure totals cost savings to CU's four campuses and system administration, cost savings to departments gents Finance Committee and units, costs avoided, cost savings to students, reallocation of resources "At CU, we're proud of and other measures. Ef-

The figure was reported der control and tuition in efforts, including the pur- and less use of paper and \$1.1 million; the CU Ancheck, and we are. We're suit of low-cost sources printing further achieves schutz Medical Campus, always looking for oppor- of books and educational forts to increase efficiency tunities to operate as ef- materials like open eduand deliver greater value. ficiently as possible while cational resources (OER), tal, \$96.4 million in ef- savings, \$79.5 million, with savings passed on ficiencies were achieved were realized at the syssystem result in savings quality education and to students. Reduced energy costs in buildings achieved with installment of LED lights and better boilers, roofs, insulation and other equipment — further the gains in efficiency. Personnel savings are realized by restructuring, reorganizing administrative areas, and implementing new last year, CU Boulder ings (\$30.4 million estisystems. Increased reli- achieved \$4.3 million in mated annual savings).

cost savings.

that total, which is then applied to reducing ongoing operation costs, redirected to other areas of need, or saved for investment.

our part to keep costs un- through a wide range of ance on digital processes efficiencies; CU Denver, \$7.7 million; UCCS, \$3.9 Of the \$428 million to- million. Most of the cost during the most recent tem administration level, fiscal year completed, where service centers 2022-23. Some 323 ac- achieve efficiencies systions were taken to reach temwide. Risk Management oversees the university's self-insurance program (\$18 million in estimated annual savings), and CU's Treasury refinanced bonds and campuses achieved other debt sav-

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100 years ago, in the San Luis Valley — April 1924

give the name of the party that asked him to deliver it or the recipient. He was unable to give bond and was fined \$100. Another man was fined \$1,000 bond and 120 days in jail for illegal procession of li-

A man working in a shop nearly lost an arm when a fellow worker heated a plow share to white hot, swung it to the anvil and accidently struck the man in the forearm. A deep wound to the bone resulted but it hardly bled because the continued to work though the barn floor, puncturing his spine.

good house and a lot in your wife's name, or build up for her a respectable bank account, than to sing to her "Yes my darling, you will always be young and fair to me."

For the woman with a slender figure consider the Combination Corset Brassiere to wear for sports or around the house at \$1.49. The Parrot Beauty Shop located above Fassett Store advertised Marcel and Bob Hair Styling. Hummingbird Pure Silk Hosiery guaranteed, positively will not break, or weaken by being laid away.

Want ads reflected the spring planting season advertising: russet seed, teams of mules, seed peas and Peachblow seed potatoes. Tobacco was 12ϕ a can, salmon 17 1/2 ¢ a can, matches 5¢a box, 2 lbs. salt $7 \frac{1}{2} \phi$. If it is hard to get your horses in shape for spring work, get some conditioning powders for them at Full-

"Ignorance in urban areas as to all things rural. The farmer not ever, enjoy an 8, 10- or divorce laws in the U.S.

hour dav. There was a spread of rabies and heavy losses April 1924 editions of the of livestock in Fort Gar- Monte Vista Journal

By BARBARA KRUSE land and Blanca. Fifty SAN LUIS VALLEY— head of cattle and a like A farmer with two moth- number of sheep and hogs erless children, living and several dogs were afsouth of Monte Vista fected. It was thought to was found walking at come from attacks of coy-2:00 a.m. with a gallon otes, wolves and bobcats. of liquor in a sack on his Later in the month, a shoulders. He would not Fort Garland school bus driver reported a mad dog 6 miles south of town. The dog was found wandering down the road with unmistakable signs of madness. A Hooper farmer found a rabid coyote in his yard. He said it made no attempt to escape and was shot. Vaccines for rabies were available for dogs. All dogs must be restrained and/or muzzeled.

The Hooper oil well work will commence as soon as new machinery arrives.

The road to Rock Creek wound had been seared was in the worst condiby the hot plow share. He tion of any place in the district. Heavy rains his shift. In Conejos the and melted snow made third child to be buried by the roads at the west end the Chacon family in two of Rio Grande County years died from falling impassable. The road backward onto a bolt on east of Plaza was cut off by floods. School buses around Del Norte were "It is better to put a having considerable difficulty.

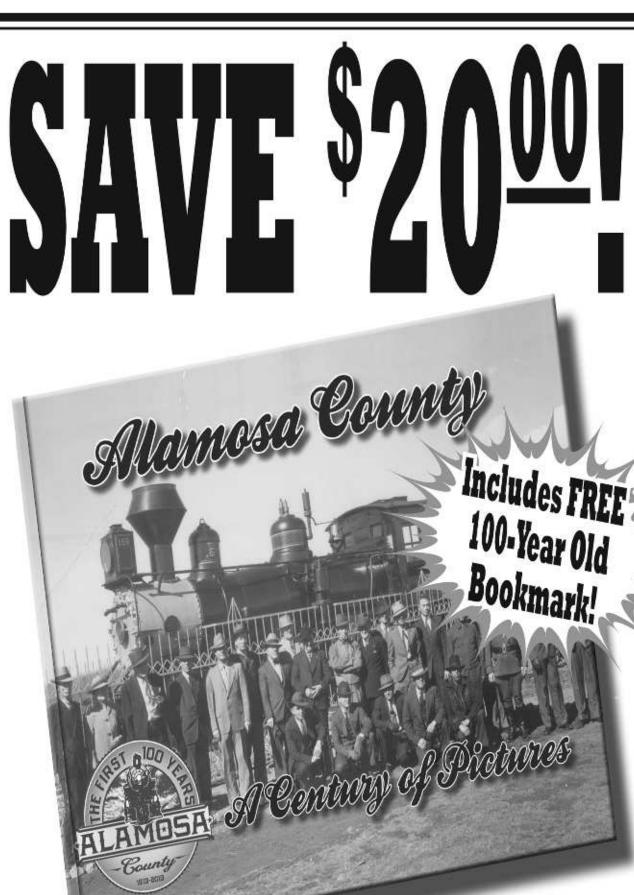
April 21-27 is Forest Protection Week. Forest Service will show a feature film on Fire Prevention. A valley wide essay contest for 11th and 12th grades about 'Why Protect Our National Forests from Fire', with first

prize of \$30. A speaker at various service clubs and the high school represented "All for All Colorado" whose main purpose was to increase tourism through-

out the state. K. Nakagawa was in the valley to lease land in the area. Last year the Japanese near Mesita shipped 6000 crates of cauliflower and 1520 crates of head lettuce. Arrangements have been made to bring 10 Japanese farmers into the valley to work 135 acres of land at South Fork and 40 acres south of Monte Vista. They were to have experimental farms with celery, onions, and cauliflower. (Some unkind persists things were said about this project.)

Let's hope that there will not soon, probably is a movement to unify 12-hour workday until a so men and women may federal injunction will re- no longer be made crimistrain storm clouds...un- nals in one state and imtil weeds quit growing... mune in another. This and herds quit breaking article contended that pasture fences...horses lack of obedience to the quit going lame during twelve commandments, plowing and until blight, breakdown of family and drought, aphids, weevils schools were responsible and rot declare for a 7 for the rate of divorce.

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Mean Moose comeback falls short in loss to Demons

By KEN HAMRICK Courier sports editor ALAMOSA - The

Alamosa High School baseball team dug a big hole when it hosted Durango on a blustery Saturday game at Ortega Middle School.

The Mean Moose went into their final at-bats trailing 16-3. They made a valiant comeback effort but the rally fell four runs short as Alamosa lost to the Demons 16-12.

Durango took the early lead with four runs in the top of the first inning. Dylan Burns led off with a single and he advanced to second on an error. Austin Romero then received a base on balls, and both runners scored on Jack Englund's triple.

Landin Padilla reached on another error and Englund scored on the play. Ian Szura and Dawson McInnes both drew walks to load the bases, and Coen Anderson was safe on an error and Padilla came home on the play.

The Mean Moose scored once in their half of the first. Carlos Garcia walked and took second on Nelson Arambula's groundout. Gus West's single plated Ryan Higareda who was courtesy running for Garcia to cut the deficit to 4-1.

The Demons scored two runs in the second. Romero started the rally with a single and three wild pitches allowed him



Courier photo by Ken Hamrick

Alamosa answered with

Alamosa High School's Jayden Mizokami heads to first base toretire a Durango batter in Saturday's game at Ortega Middle School. The Mean Moose lostt to the **Demons 16-12.**

to score.

Ollie Anderson reached on a fielder's choice and he came home on Szura's

Durango put another Freeney for a 7-1 lead.

run on the board in the third. Cully Freeney had a leadoff single and he stole second. Tate Rose walked, and Romero singled home

Sanford at Antonito

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Prep baseball

Bayfield at Alamosa

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Branson/Kim JV at

Trinidad at Sargent

Sierra Grande, 1 p.m.

Prep track and field

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Creede, Del Norte,

Moffat, Monte Vista,

Sanford, Sangre de

Cristo, Sargent, Sierra

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Golf Course), 9 a.m.

Centennial, 3 p.m.

(2), 11 a.m.

a run in the bottom of the third. Arambula and West both singled, and Jonah Pittman was hit by a pitch to fill the sacks. Xavier Lujan's sacrifice fly plated Arambula to bring the Mean Moose within 7-2.

The Demons tallied two more runs in the fourth. Szura began things with a double and McInnes singled to bring home Szura. Errors allowed McInnes to score.

Durango scored once in the fifth. Burns led off with a single and stole second. He scored on Rose's single for a 10-2 advantage.

The Mean Moose scored a run in the bottom of the sixth. Brennan Maez got on base on a fielder's choice and he stole second. Tony Griego drove Maez home with a single to bring Alamosa within 10-3.

Durango had another big inning in the seventh as it scored six runs. Burns reached on an error to begin the inning and Rose was hit by a pitch. Romero drew a walk to load the bases, and Burns scored on a wild pitch. Anderson walked to

again fill the sacks, and Szura singled home Rose and Romero. Kam Lucero was hit by a pitch, and Anderson walked to drive home Anderson.

Burns' single plated Szura and Lucero for a 16-3 Durango lead.

The Alamosa rally in the bottom of the seventh $began\,with\,Arambula\,and$ West receiving walks and Pittman reaching on a fielder's choice to load the bases. Lujan singled home Arambula and West, and Jaidyn Burciaga's double

brought home Pittman. A.J. Mackey, who was pinch-running for Lujan, scored on a wild pitch to cut the deficit to 16-7.

Jayden Mizokami singled home Burciaga, and Griego was hit by a pitch. Jo David, who was pinch-running for Mizokami scored on Garcia's groundout.

Arambula's single plated Griego, and after West singled, Pittman singled home Arambula and West.

The Mean Moose put another runner on base as Lujan was hit by a pitch, but the final two runners were left stranded as the game ended.

Kiko Ruybal was

Alamosa's starting pitcher and he was dealt the loss. He allowed 10 runs and nine hits and he struck out two and walked five. West went to the mound in the fifth and he gave up six runs and two hits with three strikeouts, three walks and two hit batters.

The Mean Moose had 11 hits and were led by Arambula who went 3-4 with one RBI, and West who went 3-4 with one RBI.

Alamosa (1-11) will open Intermountain League play on Saturday as it will host Bayfield. The first game begins at 11 a.m.

Durango 16, Alamosa 12 Durango 421 210 6 - 16 11 2 Alamosa 101 001 9 - 12 11 7 Freeney (W), Lucero (5), McInnes (7), Rypkema (7) and Szura. Ruybal (L),

West (5) and Garcia.

Lady Mean Moose win first two league games

By KEN HAMRICK Courier sports editor

ALAMOSA - The Alamosa High School girls soccer team is off to a good start in Intermountain League play as it won its first two conference contests of the season this past weekend.

On Friday, the Lady Mean Moose traveled to Pagosa Springs and they defeated the Lady Pirates 4-0.

Alamosa led 1-0 at halftime and it put the game

Moose. Kennedy Hillis had the other goal. Lexany Heredia had two assists and Kynlei Curtis had one.

On Saturday, Alamosa hosted Bayfield and defeated the Lady Wolverines 1-0.

Araceli Molina accounted for the only goal of the

Tibbitts had 16 saves.

Alamosa (3-3, 2-0) will travel to Del Norte on Tuesday for a nonleague contest. The opening kickoff is at 4:30

Its next league game is on Friday as it will travel to Montezuma-Cortez for an 11 a.m. kickoff.

Sports Bulletin

Follow sports editor Ken Hamrick on X. His handle is @KenHamrick1.

SCOREBOARD FRIDAY Prep baseball

Antonito 19, Branson/Kim JV 4, 4 inn. Antonito 8, Branson/ Kim JV 8, tie Monte Vista 17,

Rangely 12 Sierra Grande 10,

Manzanola 5 Sierra Grande 21, Manzanola 4, 4 inn.

Prep girls soccer Alamosa 4, Pagosa Springs 0

College baseball Colorado School of Mines 13, Adams State

College women's softball

Colorado-Colorado Springs 7, Adams State

Adams State 8. Colorado-Colorado Springs 7

SATURDAY Prep baseball

Bayfield 23, Centauri 7, 4 inn. Bayfield 22, Centauri

4, 4 inn. Center at Sargent

(2) – postponed Durango 16, Alamosa 12

La Veta at Sierra Grande – postponed Meeker 6, Monte Vista 5

Trinidad 11, Del Norte 10 Trinidad 14, Del Norte 4, 5 inn.

Prep girls soccer Alamosa 1, Bayfield 0 Banning Lewis Academy 11, Del Norte 2 College baseball

Adams State 11, Colorado School of Mines 5

College men's lacrosse Colorado State Pueblo 14, Adams State 12

College women's

softball Colorado-Colorado Springs 12, Adams State 1, 5 inn.

Colorado-Colorado Springs 12, Adams State 2, 6 inn.

SUNDAY College baseball

Adams State 28, Colorado School of Mines 15

Colorado School of Mines 6, Adams State 2

SCHEDULE TUESDAY Prep baseball

Centauri at Del Norte, 4 p.m.

Centennial at Antonito, 4:30 p.m. Sanford at Sargent, 4:30 p.m.

Sierra Grande at Custer County, 4:30

Prep girls soccer Alamosa at Del Norte, 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY Prep baseball Center vs. Las Animas (at Runyon Sports

Complex), 4 p.m.

THURSDAY Prep baseball Sargent at Sierra

Grande, 4:30 p.m. Prep girls golf Monte Vista at Canon City Invitational,

Prep girls soccer Del Norte at Crested

Butte, 4 p.m. Prep track and field Alamosa at The Clas-

sical Academy Invitational, 4 p.m. College men's

lacrosse Tusculum (Tenn.) at Adams State, 3 p.m.

College outdoor track and field Adams State at Bryan Clay Invitational (at Azusa, Calif.), TBA

FRIDAY Prep baseball Custer County at

Monte Vista (2), 11 a.m.

away with three goals in the second half.

Jayden Wubben had a hat trick for the Lady Mean

Emily Wubben had 14 saves as Alamosa's goalkeeper.

game. Leah Higareda was credited with the assist.



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KENNETH W. FORD, DOROTHY E. FRANK, REGINA HOFER, AR-

and all other persons who claim as heirs, devisees, creditors or otherwise under said defendants, and all unknown persons who claim any

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE ABOVE-

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend

against the claims of the Complaint filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the Clerk of this Court an answer or other response. You

are required to file you answer or other response within thirty days

after the service of this Summons upon you. Service of this Summons

shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the

Complaint may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court.
If you fail to file your answer or other response to the Complaint in

writing within thirty days after the date of the last publication, judg-

ment by default may be rendered against you by the Court for the

Lot 15, Block 5, San Luis Valley Ranches, Unit 11; and Lots 18 and 19, in Block 45, The Zapata - Unit Two, the Plat of which

relief demanded in the Complaint without further notice to you. This is an action to quiet title to the following described property situate in the County of Alamosa and State of Colorado, to-wit:

Lot 42, Block C, Deer Valley Meadows, Unit 1;

Lot 35, Block E, Deer Valley Meadows, Unit 1: Lot 16, Block 3, San Luis Valley Ranches, Unit 11;

the Clerk and Recorder of Alamosa County, Colorado

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

THUR M. WILLIAMS, BRIAN C. WOOD, RACHEL A. WOOD,

Civil Action No. 2023 CV 030034, Division No. D

interest in the subject matter of this action,

NAMED DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS (BY PUBLICATION)

Public Notices

DISTRICT COURT, CONEJOS COUNTY, COLORADO

6683 County Road 13, Conejos, CO 81129 VALERIE MORALES, an Individual, and AMY REGNIER,

an Individual Plaintiffs,

DARLENE LETEY, an Individual Defendant. A COURT USE ONLY A

Attorney for Plaintiffs: Samuel J. Scheurich, #46270 BURNHAM LAW 2760 29th Street, Suite #IE Boulder, CO 80301 Phone: 303.990.5308

Fax: 303.200.7330 sam@bumhamlaw.com Case No.: 2022CV30010

Division: C NOTICE OF LEVY NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 25, 2023, a Writ of Ex-

ecution was issued out of the District Court for the County of Cone-jos directing the Sheriff of the County of Conejos, State of Colorado, to levy upon and seize certain property of Darlene Letey, the above named Defendant, and the Sheriff of the County of Conejos did levy upon, seize and take into possession the following described prop-

Lot 3, Block 12, Manaassa Parcel No. 2, County of Conejos, State of Colorado

Now, therefore, you Darlene Letey, Defendant, take notice, that within

fourteen (14) days from the date of service hereof, exclusive of the day of service, if served within this state, or if served by publication, you may make and file with the Clerk of the above-entitled court a written claim of any exemption which you may have under the statutes of the State of Colorado; and in case of your failure to make and file such written claim of exemption with the Clerk of said Court you shall be deemed to have waived your right of exemption under the statutes of this state.

Witness, Garth Crowther, Sheriff of Conejos County, Colorado, this 30 day of November, 2023.

GARTH CROWTHER CONEJOS COUNTY SHERIFF

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS COSTILLA COUNTY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

SAN LUIS, CO GUADALUPE SANCHEZ DITCH PROJECT

General Notice
Costilla County Conservancy District (District) in conjunction with the

landowner, ditch, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service landowner, directly, and the Natural nesources Conservation services is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project. These bids will be reviewed and approved by the District as a special district and the financial agent for the project.: Guadalupe Sanchez Ditch Project Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Costilla

County Conservancy District located at 324 Main Street, PO Box 42, San Luis, Colorado 81152 until _24_, of ___April___2024 at 4:00 PM local time. On ___April 26______, 2024, at 12:30pm the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The Project includes the following Work: Construction of the Guadalupe Sanchez Ditch Works of Improvement

The District anticipates that the Project's total bid price will be approximately \$300,000. The Project has an expected duration of approximately 6 months with a goal deadline of completion of October, 2024.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents. Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Costilla County Conservancy District Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Costilla County Conservancy District 324 Main Street, San Luis, CO 81154

Pre-bid Conference A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on Tuesday, April 16th at 1pm at Costilla County Conservancy District, 324 Main

Street, San Luis CO 81152. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required. This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: Costilla County Conservancy District Ronda Lobato as Secretary of the Board of Directors

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Request for Proposal Coneios County Board of Commissioners are seeking * Redesign services and construction for the front exterior doors at

the Conejos County Courthouse. * Retrofit entrance and courtroom doors to ADA Accessibility Stan-

Protection for Security Officer Protection for Security Officer

* Modernize entryways ingress and egress to the building for visitors, employees and courts.
Project may be seen at the Conejos County Courthouse located on

6683 County Rd. 13 Conejos, CO.

Any question please call Tressesa Martinez, Administrator at

(719)376-6796
Please mail to PO Box 157 Conejos, CO 81129 or turn information

into the Commissioners office attention Tressesa by April 19th 2024. Publish on April 5th through the 12th 2024

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Request for Proposal for Audit Services Purpose The purpose of this request for proposal (RFP) is to engage the ser-

vices of a qualified firm of certified public accountants to provide auditing services to Alamosa School District RE-11J.

Services Required

The scope of the prospective engagement will be to perform a financial and compliance audit of the District for the year ended June 30, 2024, with the option to audit the District's financial statements for each of the four (4) subsequent fiscal years. The firm selected will be expected to provide consultation and assistance in the preparation of its basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The audit and resulting accountants' reports must be in accordance with the Single Audit Act.

Description of Entity to Be Audited The District serves approximately 2,000 students in Alamosa, Colorado. Funds included in the financial statements to be audited will be the General, Capital Projects, Special Revenue, and Internal Service

Funds. More detailed information on the District, as well as the District's finances can be found in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 Audited Financial Statements which is posted on the District's website under financial transparency. Inquiries

This request for proposal (RFP) is issued by the District. All proposals should be mailed to: Alamosa School District, 209 Victoria Ave, Alamosa, CO 81101 Attention: Amanda Hensley, Chief Operations and Financial Officer, 719-587-1600 or hand delivered to 403 Santa Fe, Alamosa, CO 81101. Qualifications Required

In order to be considered, the firm presenting the proposal must be

a firm of certified public accountants eligible by law to practice public accounting in the State of Colorado.

Proposal Content

Proposals must include the following information: 1. Firm's Name; the name, address and telephone number of the

contact person; and the proposal date; include the firm's license to

practice in Colorado

2. Letter explaining the understanding of work to be done, commitment to the calendar and a statement why the auditing firm is in the

best position to perform the auditing services

3. Has the local office performed school district, or government, au-3. Has the local office performed school district, or government, audits in Colorado? List names of school districts, dates of audits and

whether a single audit was required. Include any other statements related to qualifications and experience. 4. List the personnel of your local organization who are likely to be assigned to the engagement. Indicate whether Partner, Principal, Senior Accountant, etc. Provide information on Colorado licensure for each

person and whether the individual has school district, or governmental, auditing experience.

5. What is the firm's standard for continuing professional education for certified staff and non-certified staff? How many hours of con-

tinuing professional education (CPE) are required in governmental accounting and auditing? If required, are individual staff members meeting the minimum requirements as defined by the Yellow Book? 6. What percentage of the external auditors who would be assigned to the audit have at least six months experience in governmental accounting? Please give details.

7. Submit a copy of the most recent completed external quality control review (i.e., peer review). If available, a review of a specific government engagement.

 Please quote a not to exceed audit fee for each of the next four years, which must include out-of-pocket expenses. Firms are requested to provide the written proposal to the District by

April 30, 2024. Time Requirements

The following deadlines are presently anticipated:

* RFP released April 1, 2024 * Prospective bidder's inquiry deadline Proposal deadline April 30, 2024

Notifications of bid selection May 15, 2024

Engagement of successful firm June 30, 2024

End of accounting period

* Submit audit report to Board of Education for approval December 12, 2024 * Submit audit report to the Office of the State Auditor December 31,

2024 Evaluation Process The District will judge the merits of proposals received in accordance

with the criteria discussed below. The bidder is responsible for providing all information requested in this RFP and failure to do so may

Right to Reject Proposals

result in disqualification of the proposal. During the evaluation process, the District may request firms to complete an oral presentation or answer further questions about their proposal. Criteria:

. Certified public accounting firm licensed to practice in the State 2. A peer review completed within the past three years.

. The adequacy and completeness of the proposal. The experience of the firm.

5. The experience and qualifications of staff to be assigned to the . The proposed cost of the audit (number of hours and hourly rate).

This is not a competitive bid. The RFP process allows the District to select the vendor that best meets the needs of the District, taking into consideration firm qualifications, price, and service capabilities. The District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and accepts no responsibility for the cost of proposal preparation. No. 3869. Published in the Valley Courier on April 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17,

Alamosa County, Colorado

Court Address: 8955 Way Independence, Alamosa, CO 81101 Rosalie Ann Grey

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Attorney or Party Without Attorney (Name and Address): Brenda S. Getz, P.C., Atty Reg. #26056

Walsenburg, CO 81089

E-mail: Bsglawoffice@gmail.com
Case Number: 2023 PR 30051
NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO § 15-

12-801, C.R.S.

Estate of Rosalie Ann Grev. Deceased

Case Number: 2023 PR 30051 All persons having claims against the above named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to

Alamosa , County, Colorado or on or before July 26, 2024, or the claims may be forever barred.

Richard Grey 5444 CR 112.9 S

Alamosa, CO 81101

Published in the Valley Courier on March 26, April 2, and 9, 2024

Mailing Address: Ortega Middle School, 401 Victoria Ave, Alamosa, CO 81101 Physical Address: Administration Office, 403 Santa Fe

Ave, Alamosa CO 81101 Fax: 719-587-1721 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

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NOTICE

The City of Alamosa is soliciting proposals for the procurement of a new agenda management creation and platform to be utilized for City Council meetings and other boards and committee meetings run by the City. For additional information, please visit www.cityofalamosa. co.us. Deadline: 04/15/2024 by 5:30 p.m.

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TOWN OF ROMEO P.O. BOX 505 ROMEO, COLORADO 81148

Press Release/Letter to the editor/General statement Continued discussion of the proposed National Conservation Area in

Meetings and news articles regarding a proposed National Conservation Area in Conejos County will continue for the foreseeable future. The Town of Romeo looks forward to continued discussion and receiving additional information about the proposed Conservation Area. These discussions will hopefully provide a gauge of the community support and desire for the Conservation Area.

An article from December 20th, 2023, in the SLV Lifestyles lists Romeo as a community that supports the Conservation Area.
The Board of Trustees of the Town of Romeo would like to clarify that

at this time they do not support the creation of a National Conservation Area in Conejos County. Without further information of the impact on the local community, including area ranchers and residents, the Town will not take a stance in support of the creation of the Conserva-tion Area. The impact on the community may be a mix of positive and negative outcomes. Hopefully, the planned discussions will provide the Town Board with the answers they need to voice an opinion on the Conservation Area, either in support of or opposition to

The potential benefit to the Town and community has not been demonstrated to the Town. The Town anticipates working with community members, multiple agencies, organizations, and panels to define what the benefit may be to our Town and neighbors. The Town welcomes feedback from residents and neighbors near

Thank you,

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Romeo Published in the Valley Courier on April 5, 6, & 9, 2024.

NOTICE County Court CONEJOS County, Colorado

6683 COUNTY ROAD 13, P.O. BOX 128, CONEJOS, CO 81129

In the Matter of the Petition of: Parent/Petitioner: TIFFANY GONZALES

Minor Child: ADRIAN GII BERT MARTIN VIGIL to Change the Child's Name to: ADRIAN JONATHON GONZALES Case Number: 2024C11 Division B

NOTICE TO NON-CUSTODIAL PARENT BY PUBLICATION Notice to: GILBERT VIGIL, non-custodial parent. Notice is given that a hearing is scheduled as follows:

Time: 10:00 A.M. Location: 6683 COUNTY BOAD 13, CONEJOS, COLOBADO

for the purpose of requesting a change of name for ADRIAN GILBERT MARTIN VIGIL At this hearing the Court may enter an order changing the name of

To support or voice objection to the proposed name change, you must appear at the hearing. Date: APRIL 3, 2024

TIFFANY GONZALES

County Court

P.O. BOX 595, ROMEO, CO 81148

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CONEJOS County, Colorado Court Address: 6683 COUNTY ROAD 13, P.O. BOX 128, CONEJOS, CO 81129

In the Matter of the Petition of: Parent/Petitioner: TIFFANY GONZALES Minor Child: RONNIE LLOYD VIGIL III

to Change the Child's Name to: RONNIE JOSE GONZALES Case Number: 2024C9 Division B NOTICE TO NON-CUSTODIAL PARENT BY PUBLICATION

Notice to: GILBERT VIGIL, non-custodial parent. Notice is given that a hearing is scheduled as follows: Time: 10:00 A.M.

Location: 6683 COUNTY ROAD 13, CONEJOS, COLORADO for the purpose of requesting a change of name for RONNIE LLOYD VIGIL III

At this hearing the Court may enter an order changing the name of To support or voice objection to the proposed name change, you must appear at the hearing. Date: APRIL 3, 2024

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ATTENTION GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS The Saguache County Board of County Commissioners are accept

ing scholarship applications for graduating seniors who will be gradu-Commissioners will be awarding graduating seniors' college scholar-

ships that will be paid through the Marijuana Excise Tax funds. Scholarships may be used at a trade school, college or university but you must reside in Saguache County to apply and possibly receive scholarship funds. Applications are due by Wednesday, May 1, 202 and are available

through our website at www.saguachecounty.colorado.gov to download the application or by contacting Wendi Maez at 719-655-2231 or by email at wmaez@saguachecounty-co.gov.

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By. /s/ Jeffrey E. Motz

Attorneys for Plaintiff 410 San Juan Avenue

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ADAMS STATE UNI-VERSITY seeks applicants for an ADVISING COORDINATOR for its UPWARD BOUND MATH & SCIENCE PROGRAM. The salary for this position starts at \$46,476 per year. A minimum Bachelor's Degree in science, technology, engineering, math, or related field is required for this exempt position. For application details and more information, please see https://www. adams.edu/hr/employment/ AA/EOE. (4/27/24)

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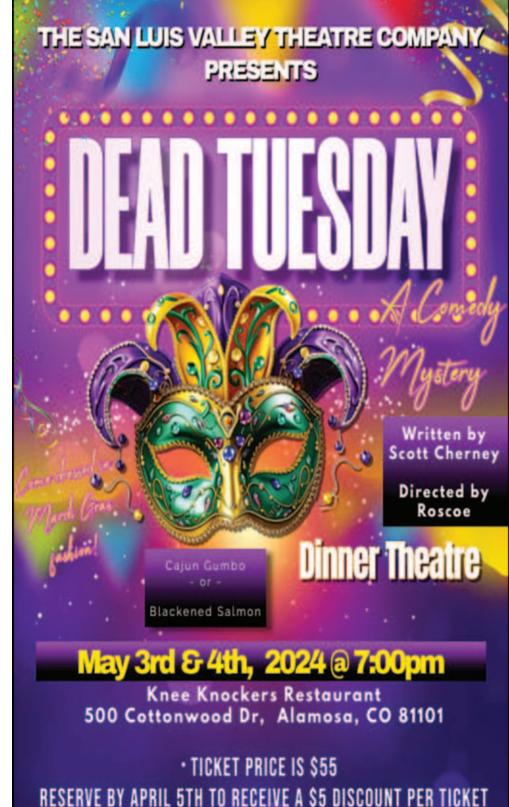
Thursday 9 to 3 for application. You can call 719-843-5785 for more information. (4/26/24) PART-TIME MAIN-TENANCE TECH-NICIAN/PARKS & RECREATION TECH-NICIAN: Part-Time Hourly 15-20 hours; Pay rate \$14.42/hour. Job Description: We are seeking a skilled and dedicated Part-Time Maintenance Technician/Parks and Recreation Technician to join our team in maintaining and enhancing the beauty and functionality of our town's parks and recreational areas. As a vital member of our community, you will be responsible for ensuring the upkeep, safety, and cleanliness of our parks, playgrounds, and town buildings and facilities. To apply, submit a resume to townofromeo@ gmail.com or come in during office hours Tuesday or Thursday 9 to 3 for application. You can call 719-843-5785 for more information.

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DEPUTY CLERK: PART-TIME Hourly 15-20 hours, Tuesday-Thursday and some Fri days; Pay Rate \$14.42 Position Overview/ Job Description: We are seeking a diligent and organized individual to join our team as a Part-Time Deputy Clerk for our small town. The Deputy Clerk will work closely with the Town Clerk and other municipal staff to ensure the efficient operation of administrative tasks and provide support in various municipal functions. This position offers an excellent opportunity detail-oriented, community-focused, and eager to contribute to the smooth functioning of local government. To apply, submit a resume to townofromeo@gmail. com or come in during office hours Tuesday or Thursday 9 to 3 for application. You can call 719-843-5785 for more

information. (4/26/24) MONTE VISTA **SCHOOL DISTRICT** is accepting applications for a SPECIAL EDU-CATION PARAPRO-FESSIONAL at BILL METZ ELEMENTARY for the 2024-2025 school year. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience may be viewed on the district website. Monte Vista School District operates on a 4-day week (Monday - Thursday) and offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, HSA match, and life coverage. The salary for this position will be paid from the current MVSD Paraprofessional Salary Schedule, which can be viewed on the district website - Employment Opportunities page. Placement on the salary schedule will be determined by education and experience at time of hire. Applications may be submitted through our online employment application https://www. pirates.monte.k12.co.us/ employmentopportunities, by April 23, 2024. or until the position is filled. For questions contact the District Ad-

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NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applica-tions for (1) full-time SECONDARY EDU-CATION TEACHER at North Conejos Alternative Program for the 2024-2025 school year. Contact Susan Hamilton for details at 719-580-5864. Applicants must hold a current Colorado Teaching License or be able to obtain proper endorsement. NCSD offers a competitive salary, great discipline and environment for staff and students, and up to \$915 monthly towards health insurance. Applications are available at the District Administration Office, 17887 US Hwy 285, LA JARA, CO 81140 or can be downloaded at www.northconejos. com. Submit application to Mr. Darren Edgar, Superintendent. Application deadline is until position is filled. EOE.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for (1) HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicant must hold a current Colorado teaching license or be willing to work to-ward certification. NCSD offers a competitive salary, great discipline and environment for staff and students, and up to \$915 monthly towards health insurance. Application deadline is until position is filled. Applications are available at the District Administration Office, 17887 US Hwy 285, LA JARA, CO 81140 or can be downloaded at www. northconejos.com. Submit application to Mr. Darren Edgar, Superintendent. EOE. (4/24/24) SOUTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT is seeking a PRESCHOOL AIDE. Preferred qualifications include a Level I or II in Colorado Shines or a teaching assistant certificate. Salary schedules are available on the district website. Please submit a

SANGRE DE CRISTO SCHOOL DISTRICT has the following positions available for the 2024-2025 school year: HS GIRLS BASKET-BALL COACH & FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR. Please visit our website www.sangreschools. org to apply. If you have any questions, please call 719-420-1422. (4/19/24)

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CITY OF MONTE VISTA is accepting applications for KIDS CONNECTION SUMMER PROGRAM LEADERS. Duties include, planning, scheduling, and implementing youth program activities. \$15 per hour. Job Description and applications are available at http://www.cityofmontevista.colorado.gov or City of Monte Vista, Human Resources, 95 West First Ave, Monte Vista, Co. 81144. (5/1/24)

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HEAD JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' VOL-LEYBALL COACH needed at DEL NORTE JR. HIGH SCHOOL. Experience as a coach or assistant coach at the MIDDLE SCHOOL and or HIGH SCHOOL level is preferred. Must possess: effective coaching techniques and a thorough knowledge of the rules of the sport; and have the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with school administrators, parents, and students. Please contact Gibbs Sanchez, Athletic Director, at: gsanchez@urtigers.co 719-657-4020; or Annie Hardy, Principal, at: ahardy@urtigers.co, 719-657-4020.(5/1/24)

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SUBSTITUTES TEACHERS NEED-ED at the UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT in DEL NORTE! Call or email: Sophia at 719-657-4040, x4000 (scruz@ urtigers.co) for more information, go on-line: urtigers.co, or stop by the district office at: 950 French Street, Del Norte, CO to pick up an application. You do not have to hold a college degree or be a certified teacher to substitute; however, you must be a high school graduate and have a substitute license from CDF (Colorado Department of Education). (5/1/24)

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LA PUENTE IS seeking a self-starting individual for the position of EMPLOY-MENT NAVIGATOR as the front line worker in our Employment Readiness program. This program engages clients experiencing barri-ers to employment to support their journey from unemployed or underemployed to stability and indepen-dence. The Navigator will work with La Puente's Shelter, Street Outreach, and Adelante programs, as well as lo-cal employers and employment programs to help clients overcome barriers and obtain employment. The Naviga tor also works to build trust, conduct assessments, make referrals, identify resources, and collect data. Ability to problem-solve and collaborate with oth-er agencies is a must. 36k-40k DOE. Send resume: La Puente, P.O. Box 1235, ALAMOSA, CO 81101, 719 589-5909. www.lapuente.

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DEL NORTE ELE-MENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER needed at the URGSD. We are seeking a hardworking and enthusiastic teaching professional to join our dynamic, vibrant and fun-loving team for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree or higher and possess or be able to obtain a Colorado Teaching License. Please submit your application, resume and cover letter to: Amy Duda, Principal at aduda@urtigers. co or contact Amy at 719-657-4050. Applica-tions can be picked up at the District Office or online at: urtigers.co. (4/30/24)

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221 -HELP WANTED

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Margaret Limon @ 719-

754-2043. (4/30/24)

221 -HELP WANTED

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HERMAN



"We'll get you down to X-ray in a few minutes."

Workplace tension builds after dustup with manager

DEAR ABBY: I'm a soft-spoken person. I work in a medical laboratory, and I am finally speaking up for what I believe in (after years of social anxiety and depression). At the last meeting, when asked by the manager for suggestions to improve the lab workflow, I spoke up.

Fast-forward to tonight. When I expressed some excitement about my idea, the site leader, a different manager, shot my idea down, saying, "It's not going to make a difference." This isn't the first time she has made me feel like

my ideas are dumb or that I'm not intelligent, and I snapped. I asked her what ideas SHE had, and she looked as if I offended her, but she's done this numerous times since she came here. Meanwhile, she has her favorite person in the lab who gets away with Was I wrong for getting

upset at her? I just feel like my suggestions go unnoticed or are scoffed at, but when another person comes up with something similar, she applauds them. -- HAD ENOUGH IN THE MIDWEST

DEARHAD ENOUGH: Blowing up at the manager may have felt good at the moment after years of silence caused by depression and social anxiety, but it was the wrong thing to do. That kind of behavior does not belong in a professional environment. Favoritism happens in many work environments, and it can be frustrating. If you can't find a way to accept it, you might be happier working at a different lab.

DEAR ABBY: My stepdaughter has two children. She married a man who has one child, "Hayley." They have been married four years, and Hayley turned 18 last year. We have seen her only five or six times, and she seems uninterested in getting to know us.

The first Christmas, I went out of my way to give her gifts I thought she would enjoy as a teenager. The next Christmas, she didn't spend any time with the family, so I sent a gift home with her dad, but never heard a word from

Last year, Hayley graduated from high school and started working. Because we weren't going to see them at Christmas, I sent the other grandchildren gifts but did not include Hayley. My stepdaughter got upset because we left Hayley out. We explained that 1. She never acknowledges the gifts we send; 2. She is now an adult; and 3. We never see her.

Are we wrong not to include her? -- PERPLEXED ABOUT STEPFAMILY



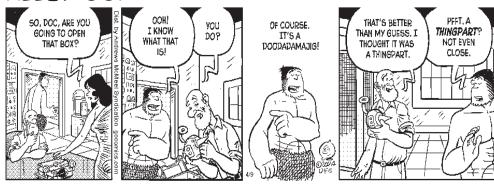
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ETIQUETTE DEAR PERPLEXED:

The answer to your question is yes and no. Hayley doesn't appear to be a "child" who is easy to love. She has certainly given you no reason to. However, in the interest of family harmony, it was wrong to exclude her entirely. Not knowing the young woman, it would be hard to know what she might have liked to receive. Next year, send her a coffee shop gift card with a sweet note so she won't feel she is being ignored as she has ignored TO

MY MUSLIM READERS: At sundown, it is time for the breaking of the Ramadan fast. Happy Eid al-Fitr, everyone. LOVE, ABBY

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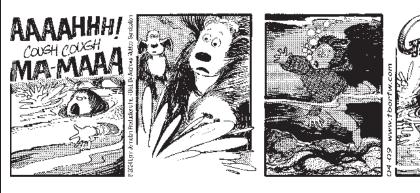
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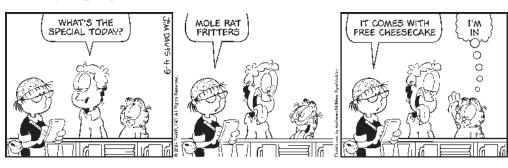
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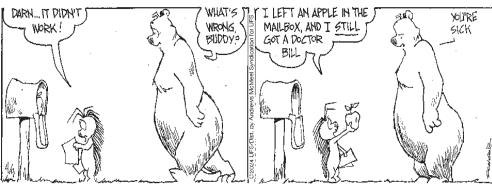
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