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Bond for Henry Corral set at \$5M



\$5 million bond in the Alamosa County Detention Center for allegedly fatally shooting one man and critically injuring two others.

WAGGONER Courier Reporter

ALAMOSA — After allegedly shooting three men, one of whom died, and leading multiple law enforcement agencies on a 14-hour manhunt, Alamosa resident Henbe paid in cash only.

Bond was set by Alamosa danger to the community." County Judge Jason Kelly,

firearm by a convicted felon.

ing that Corral had "executed gling her," Kelly said. ry Corral is being held in the one man and tried to execute Alamosa County Detention two others", was going to be set bond at \$10 million, to be

She then provided the court nity "would be protected." presiding, when Corral, 44, with a summary of Corral's

criminal attempted murder in both cases, he pleaded guilty ents he was representing who the first degree plus aggravat- to lesser charges of man- were involved in a "shoot-out" ed robbery, tampering with slaughter and felony menacevidence and possession of a ing, respectively. After he was released from the Department District Attorney Anne Kel- of Corrections, "He tried to viewed Corral's criminal hisly addressed the court, stat- kill his girlfriend by stran-Kelly requested the court

Center on a \$5 million bond to charged as a "habitual crimi- paid in cash, as a means of nal" and poses "an extreme assuring that Corral would cash. remain in jail and the commu-

appeared in court Wednesday criminal history. Corral has do viewed the amount as ex- Police Department were disafternoon related to his arrest been charged with murder cessive, saying, "That might patched to the Sunset Inn, for one count of murder in the twice before - once in 2000 as well be an imaginary num-

first degree and two counts of and a second time in 2016. In ber." He cited two other cliand their bond was \$3 million with a \$300,000 cash surety.

Judge Kelly said he had retory and "the charges are as serious as they can be." He went on to say, "We want to assure the public is protected," and set bail at \$5 million,

According to an arrest affidavit received from the court, Defense counsel James Wal- officers with the Alamosa

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STY. Today

Boys and Girls Clubs Cookout on Saturday **MOFFAT** — The Boys and

Girls Clubs of the San Luis Valley will host a cookout at the KV Clubhouse in Moffat on Saturday, June 29, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

There will be food, yard games, fishing and a family resource fair.

The KV Clubhouse is at 26415 Woodward Ave. in Moffat.

Alamosa Farmers' Market to July 6

ALAMOSA — The Alamosa Farmers' Market welcomes locals and visitors to downtown Alamosa, on Saturdays at the corner of Ross Avenue and 6th Street (Highway 160) for its opening day of July 6.

Vendorswillsellregionalfarm fresh food products, various foodstuffs, and handcrafted goods this season. Live music will be back. Free kids activities will be going on from 10 a.m. until noon, or as long as supplies last.



Sunny, Breezy 84/50

Sat: Chance of Afternoon Showers, **Breezy 87/54**

Sun: Slight Chance of Morning Showers, Breezy 81/55

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K-5 summer school program wraps up



Courier photo by Priscilla Waggoner

The Alamosa K-5 summer school program wrapped up Wednesday night with a community celebration of food and beverage provided by Linda Jalisco restaurant and entertainment by some of the summer school students who danced for their families and friends. According to Alfonso Castillo, Alamosa Elementary School K5 summer school principal, about 95 students attended summer school where they focused on core subjects plus other learning activities. Recommendation from the student's teacher was a requirement to be enrolled. Wednesday night also marked the end of the time that visiting teacher, Selene Paque Diaz, an elementary school teacher from Tabasco, Mexico, was in Alamosa. A second teacher, Thalia Juarez from San Luis Potosi, also participated in the binational teacher exchange program but was sick and unable to attend Wednesday night's festivities.

McCracken wins Saguache County Commissioner primary

By JOHN WATERS Courier News Editor

incumbent County er Marcus Weir will be share." on the November general

SAGUACHE COUN- Valley Courier, "I wish TY — Tom McCracken, to thank all the dedi-Saguache cated supporters Commissioner worked so hard at their District 1 fended off chal- own time and expense lenger Adam Kinney with to facilitate my primary 503 votes to 373 votes. win. I am humbled by the Turnout was 33.86% of trust placed in me and active votes. McCracken will work hard to realize and Republican challeng- the common visions we

In a February state-

ment, McCracken offered a while to learn these McCracken told the "I think it is a real waste of taxpayer money to train a commissioner for four years and not have them continue. It took me three years to learn the ropes and I'm just getting comfortable with things like the county budget. We have 1,600+ lines on our spreadsheet for the budget. It is really complicated, and it takes

things, develop relationships, and work with all the employees. There are

■ See PRIMARY page 3 Saguache County Com-

missioner Tom McCracken won the Democratic Party primary race and will faceoff against Republican **Marcus Weir in the Novem**ber General Election.





Hope in the Valley brings addiction treatment services to the region

By JOHN WATERS Courier News Editor ALAMOSA — Valerie Gurule-

Duran, Clinical Director from treatment medication] we can the Hope in the Valley recovery center in Alamosa briefed county commissioners on June 26 regarding progress the addiction treatment facility has made recently.

Gurule-Duran told the commissioners, "We are a community-led program, we currently offer a detox that is a social, medical withdrawal detox. We don't carry narcotics onboard, but we have nurses on staff 24-

7. Our doctors can call in and

prescribe [meds] we are trying to get patients medications like Suboxone [opioid dependence definitely do that.

"We also have a partial hospitalization program, that is five hours a day, five days a week where they participate in groups. We are using a curriculum out of a company based in Los Angeles that is evidence-based and it covers many aspects [of recovery.] We also have outpatient treatment, which is three hours a day, three days a week.

 \blacksquare See HOPE page 3 May 22.



"Our goal is we are trying Hope in the Valley recovery center has been open in Alamosa since



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Record



Rio Grande Hospital CEO Arlene Harms cuts the ribbon at the ceremony for the grand opening of the hospital's Wellness Center on Saturday, June 22.



Rio Grande Hospital welcomed over 200 people Saturday, June 22, to its grand opening and ribbon cutting event for its new Wellness Center in Del Norte.

RGH opens doors to wellness

By LYNDSIE FERRELL **DEL NORTE** — Rio Grande Hospital rolled out the red carpet on Saturday and welcomed more than 200 people to its new Wellness Center in Del Norte. The project has been in the works since 2017 and was near and dear to many who

an amazing job on the health care. drywall mural in the ing. The piece captured the essence of what the Wellness Center was going to be for the community, bringing to life the image that Rio Grande Hospital CEO Arlene Harms helped to make a reality for the greater

munity and beyond. The ribbon cutting ceremony began with a brief statement from Rio Grande Hospital Board Vice Chair and Secretary Emily Brown and Board President Tyler Off.

Rio Grande County com-

"This is such a wonresult of concepts that these areas tend to live erty.

Arlene had hearing past 100 years old. about but really there was such a big commu- speak, stating that her nity that came together vision for the Wellness to make this a reality. Center began during a Rio Grande Hospital is a conference in 2016 when community hospital and keynote speakers adthe whole reason this dressed the commonalihospital exists is to give ties of Blue Zones. back to the community,' said Brown.

work at and support the ness Center was to mod- a background and famel health and wellness ily is very important. I Attendees were greet- and offer another re- thought to myself, the ed as they came in the source in the region that Valley would be really door by local artist serves the community as an easy place to have Casey McCoy who did a means of preventative something like that,"

Off was the next to main lobby of the build- speak. He focused on through her passion and how the project came to perseverance, she did

> with a little bit about from the Rio Grande Arlene's piece in this. Hospital Board, private She has been a driving force with this even from local organizations when there was some re- like the Outcalt Foundasistance from the board. tion, the LOR Foundacould. She turned this RG Bank and several into a passion and made other organizations and this her goal. It is really inspiring what it has become and where we are people who worked on at today." Off said.

derful event. We want norm in places termed Lauer Architects, and to welcome you here as Blue Zones. These many others who pulled for this really exciting locations span the globe together to make this a ceremony. The hospi- and through the concept reality. The ribbon cuttal and the board has of preventative health, ting ceremony was folbeen talking about this wellness and commu-lowed by refreshments since 2017. This is the nity, people who live in and tours of the prop-

Harms was the next to

"Blue Zones are rural, they have lots of The vision of the Well- community, they have said Harms.

Harms said not work on this project "I want to follow up alone. Funding came donations donations, We could see the vision, tions, local banks like but not as clearly as she the Del Norte Bank and

businesses. Harms thanked all the the project, including Harms emulated cul- Owners' Representative tures where long life has Joe Aldrich, Phipps Conbecome something of a struction and Keyes and



People enjoyed tours of the new Rio Grande Hospital Wellness Center on Saturday, June 22, in Del Norte, refreshments provided by the hospital and a grand opening ceremony with keynote speakers, Rio Grande Hospital CEO Arlene Harms, Rio Grande Hospital Board President Tyler Off, left, and Vice President and Secretary Emily Brown, right.



Jim Jones and Randy Palmer will be performing on June 28 at Society Hall.

Western music doubleheader on June 28 at Society Hall

ALAMOSA – Society an evening of original western music with Jim Jones and Randy 7:30 p.m. on Friday,

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

Jones is a Western/ Folk Singer/Songwriter, an author and a native Texan who lives in New Mexico. He's won just about every award out there for both his western music and his writing! He was the International Western Association's 2014 Male Performer of the Year and winner of that organization's 2019 Song of the Year, along with the Academy of Western Artists 2016 Western Song of the Year and the Western Writers

- songs about people and to cultivate the Hall is excited to host and land, rivers and awareness and appremountains, the beauty ciation of the many of the Western sky.

Jones has produced Palmer in concert at twelve Western/Folk ly celebrating his newest release - "Storyteller: Tales From the Western novels, a novella and a Children's Book in the Western genre. His Western novels include the Jared Delaney series, "Rustler's Moon," "Colorado Moon" and "Waning Moon," and the spin-off series including "The Big Empty" (2016) and "The Lights of Cimarron" (2019), published by both Five Star Publishing and Speaking Volumes Press.

Jones is also a member of the western trio "The Cowboy Way", "Traditional Group of the Year" from the International Western Music Association in 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2021.

Palmer comes from the high plains of Amcattle, cattle rustlers, to celebrate the good joy of life.

the coming of the train things on our lives, gifts we find along the

Palmer is celebratalbums and is current- ing the release of his new CD "Waterline" produced by the legendary Merel Bregan-West", as well as five te of Austin, Texas, and will be featuring songs from his new release as well as songs from previous recordings.

Palmer is a cross between a painter and a poet. And not fine art but scraping, sanding, priming, make it like new, painter. The son of a paint contractor, he has a desire to make things beautiful. You read it in his lyrics and you hear it in his voice as he brings his songs to life. Songs from down deep in the bucket, with clean which was awarded lines, brushed to bring living into a sweeter, better focus. Every song is a reflective rendition of life at its most basic core. No apologies for songs close to the heart. He celebrates frailof America 2013, 2017 arillo, Texas. He sings ties, friendships, and and 2021 Spur Awards songs of life lived to family. Join him for for Best Western Song. its fullest, and of the an adventure. A deep His songs and books beauty of the every- dive into the interestare about the West - day and the common- ing and intoxicating cowboys, horses and place. He helps us all twists and turns of the

BIRTH

Teo Cuauhtemoc Herrera

Teo Cuauhtemoc Heres long.

Maternal grandpar- Herrera. rera was born June 15, ents are Francisco Esmosa and the late Wally and Marianao Vigil

Great-grandparents 2024, to parents Melva pinosa of Lake For- are Valentin Solis, Ma-Herrera and Julio Her- est, Calif., and Rosa ria Luna, Melba Presuel, rera both of Alamosa. He Solis of Alamosa. Pater- Armando Espinosa, Berweighed 8 pounds and 15 nal grandparents are nardino Herrera, Olivia ounces and was 21 inch- Peggy Herrera of Ala- Herrera, Genoveva Vigil

PENDING OBITUARY

Lillian Maes

Ft. Garland resident Lillian Maes, 92, was called home June 26, 2024. Arrangements are pending and will be announced through Romero Funeral Home of Ala-

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Luis Valley offers many Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous groups.

A.A. and N.A members primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics/addicts to achieve sobriety.

There are AA and NA 12-Step Meetings throughout the valley. The 6th Tradition states that we are not affiliated with any outside organizations, but in the spirit of cooperation, we list these meeting sched-



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Adams State mourn loss of graduate student

UNIVERSITY

ALAMOSA sity campus community mourns the loss of graduate student Kayla to death in Las Vegas,

"I am personally dev-

The community during this is available 24/7 at 844-Adams State Univer- extremely difficult time. 493-8255 or text "TALK" We are truly overcome to 38255. with the grief.'

Harris, tragically shot faculty, staff and coach- fall of 2023 and was es are encouraged to con- working on her master's Nev., along with three tact the Counseling Cen- in business administrater, located on the third tion. The campus comfloor of Richardson Hall, munity rallied around asted to learn of Kayla's for assistance during Kayla Harris and the tragic death," said Presi- this difficult time. Coun- entire women's basketdent David Tandberg, seling staff will be in the ball team this spring as Ph.D. "On behalf of the office Monday through they made their way to entire Adams State com- Friday from 9 a.m. until the DII National Cham- her and four others dead munity, I express my 3 p.m. or can be reached pionship Tournament. heartfelt condolences to at 719-587-7746 or coun-

her family and friends seling@adams.edu. The proud of all she accomand the entire Grizzly Colorado Crisis Services

Harris completed her

"Darin and I are so injured.

plished at Adams State,' President Tandberg added. "We were privileged to watch Kayla excel on and off the court. It feels near-Adams State students, bachelor's degree in the ly impossible to understand and cope with losing a young woman so early in her promising life." As confirmed by her

family, Harris was the victim of a shooting in her hometown of Las Vegas, Nev., on Monday, June 24, that left and another seriously



Kayla Harris, Adams State graduate student and athlete

U.S. House Democrats push for federal gun reform following surgeon general advisory

Colorado Newsline WASHINGTON

legislative action to address gun violence Wednesday, the day after U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy dehealth crisis.

Murthy released a 40-It called gun violence the leading cause of death for children and causing adolescents, just over 4,600 deaths in 2022. More than 48,000 Americans died from gun violence in 2022, an increase of 16,000 from in the advisory. 2010, according to the

The report counted mass shootings, suicides by firearm and firearm injuries. According to the advisory, 79% of stress from the possibility of a mass shooting and youth are over 20% more likely to use antiexposure to fatal school affected.

Ohio, and Arkansas.

hosted a press confer- place." ± ence to applaud the sur-

our children because arms. it's a holistic thing," he page advisory Tuesday. said. "It looks at ending gun violence in many joined by Dr. Joseph different ways."

> member of Congress and surgeon and associate ing director, listed ideas Johns Hopkins Hospi- cluding Colorado, have

That list included sures such as universal to develop programs and background checks.

U.S. adults experience also support community entire country." violence intervention, depressants following violence and help those sures could pass.

Finally, and "one of

Democratic U.S. House geon general and urged Democrat from Califor- would file a measure to McBath's bill would think deep down they members pushed for his House colleagues nia, urged her congres- force a floor vote on a help complement the know that they have to pursue more gun resional colleagues to use bill McBath introduced. 2022 law. the "renewed sense of "This declaration is a urgency" created by the federal courts to issue Bath's bill will ensure significant step forward report to require univer-risk protection orders. that the work that we ic Leader Joe Neguse in the fight to protect sal background checks It would allow police or did in that legislation echoed McBath's conclared the issue a public our communities and and safe storage of fire- family members to ask and the money that cerns over Republican

> Sakran, an anti-gun Frost, the youngest activist and trauma ing firearms. former March for Our director of emergen- town, a gun safety advo-Lives national organiz- cy general surgery at cacygroup, 21 states, into address gun violence tal in Baltimore, a city plagued by gun violence.

He called the advisory regulations to keep "a historic step" that suicides and stop mass guns out of "the wrong will "empower policyhands" through mea- makers and push them studies in Indiana, Conpolicies that will impact

Red flag bill

The advisory came af- the most important," conference Wednesday, according to the Center leaders on the bill. She science and the data of ter a weekend of mass said Frost, is "creating Democratic Reps. Mike for American Progress, said that in private con-this, I think there are shootings in Alabama, a society where people Thompson and Salud a left-leaning think versations, many Re- some hearts and minds don't feel the need to Carbajal of California, tank. Rep. Maxwell Frost, a use guns to solve their Lucy McBath of Geor-

The bill would allow a court for a temporary selves or others from lives," he said. possessing or purchas-

adopted similar laws. Research has shown they reduce firearm shootings, according to necticut and California.

The government could not just cities but the passed and President in favor of gun control colleagues' belief that He also referenced up- Bipartisan Community Fox News last year he pass gun reform laws. such as programs in coming elections that he Safety Act. The legisla- doesn't see gun laws as He referred to the surhigh-risk communities said would determine tion provided funding being effective. designed to deter gun what gun reform mea- and support for states

Thompson, the chair

rado and Robin Kelly of Gun Violence Preven- publican Rep. Barbara Lee, a Illinois announced they tion Task Force, said McBath said. "But I

we're able to secure can inaction and urged Re-"Just basics," she said. order, preventing people be better spent across publican colleagues to Frost and Lee were at risk of harming them- all 50 states and save support McBath's bill.

trol legislation.

Speaker Mike Johnson, a Republican from press conference, also In 2022, Congress Louisiana, has not been shared his Democratic Joe Biden signed the legislation and told Republicans will help

with red flag laws to en- Wednesday she hopes use the statistics to supsure they are "constitu- rank-and-file Republi- port their cause. In a separate press tionally implemented," cans buck their party publicans have agreed we can change on the with her that Congress Republican side to ac-

afraid to stand on the

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Hope

living?'

Commissioner

ing toward that.

Vern Heersink.

Commissioner

kind of treatment. Luck-

Democrat from Florida, problems in the first gia, Joe Neguse of Colo- of the House Democrats' other side of their Reconstituents that are "Congresswoman Mc- dying unnecessarily."

Assistant Democrat-

isThompson said a dis- Neguse said. "There's an charge petition, a pro- opportunity for so-called According to Every- cedural tool to force a moderate Republicans floor vote, is the only in the House Republiway to bring the bill to can Conference to prove the House floor because that they support these House Republican lead- red flag laws. They can ership opposes gun con- do so by simply walking onto the floor and sign-Republican opposi- ing the discharge petition."

Frost, in the opposite geon general's advisory, McBath told reporters and urged listeners to

"If we focus on the should pass gun reform. tually get things like "I think they're just universal background checks passed," he said.

Primary

■ Continued from Page 1 also all the relationships you establish around the state. I participate in the Colorado Counties Inc.; commissioners from all around the state meet in Denver and we discuss pending legislation, and we discuss it and how it may affect counties. We are always on the lookout for unfunded mandates, and regulations imposed on us that we may or may not be able to even deal a month. Over time you with. Jason Anderson, get a chance to leverage County my predecessor was very these relationships and District

active in the organization, and I've tried to be very active in the organization.

relationships with these been able to build." commissioners and many of them are not term-limited and state senators that has I've established a relationship Greenberg with her via Zoom once lot.

get some things accomplished. I feel like it is almost irresponsible for me not to run again and "You establish these utilize all the tools I've

Other SLV County

Commissioner races: they have influence with District 1 Democratic primary, Erwin Romero been gained over time. received 673 votes to the 220 votes received by with Kate Guillermo De Herrera. [Colorado Republican candidate culture.] I stay in touch the general election bal-

> Results in the Conejos Commissioner 3 Republican

race showed Justin Rogers received 573 votes to the 357 votes received by Lucas Larson. Rogers will face off with Democrat Joseph Baroz in the general election.

In the Costilla County In the Conejos County Democratic District 1 primary, incumbent Robert Espinoza won with 396 votes to the 126 garnered by Frank Martinez. Republican Brandy Napier was unopposed. In Coun-Commissioner of Agri- Delfino Garcia will be on ty Commissioner District 3. Democrat incumbent Stephen Romero will be on the November ballot as will Republican, Au-

gustine Esquibel. taken into custody at about 6:30 p.m. Sunday night. amazing.'

Although no motive together.

The affidavit also tion or divorce.

affidavit, the Alamosa County Sheriff's Office has confirmed that both Corral and his girlfriend had been arrested for domestic violence on June 11.

Corral's next court apfor July 2 at 1:30 p.m.

assist with getting Veterans Affairs TRICARE, I am more than willing to help volunteer my time."

Van Ry added he just to create this continual treatment, if somebody celebrated 1,500 days of comes in, we are trying to sobriety and offered he is not let them go out on the willing to talk with any Veteran who is experistreet. We use the encouragement to ask, 'What is encing addiction. TRI-CARE is the Department your goal, what needs to happen, do you have adof Defense health care equate housing, do you program for uniformed need in-patient treatservice members, their ment? Do you need sober families, and retirees.

According to the web-"We have been open site of the organization, since May 22, and we "Hope in the Valley is have had a handful of more than a rehabilitation center; it's a haven people come into the facility and the transforbuilt on empathy, unmation we are seeing is derstanding and the unwavering belief in the Lori transformative power of Laske said, "I am glad you recovery... Hope in the Valley stands tall, not are looking at residential in-patient because that just as a rehabilitation is the gap we have in the center, but as a living San Luis Valley, and we testament to the possibility of transformation, a appreciate you are worktestament that no matter "Thank you guys, this how challenging the jourhad been spending time is a resource that is need-ney, hope can be found, ed," said Commissioner and recovery is within reach." On July 11, Hope in the Arlan

Van Ry said, "I can speak Valley will hold an open house and ribbon cutting. from experience, I've never been shy about my re-Details will be in the Valcovery. As a Veteran, it is ley Courier when they are extremely hard to get any known.

Hope in the Valley can ily, I was able to do it on be reached at 719-206my own. For the other 4673 and www.hopeala-Veterans who struggle mosa.org. For informawith PTSD, one of the tion regarding meetings side effects is turning to of Alcoholics Anonymous dependency on alcohol or and Narcotics Anonyother drugs. If there is mous in the San Luis Valany way I can help, and ley, visit www.slvaa.org.

Bond

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1310 W. 8th Ave., on a report of shots fired shortly after 2 a.m. on in a room, one of whom had been shot in the head while sitting in a chair. The victim, later identified as Aurelio Piña, 61, died from his wounds. The second victim, 37-year-old Gabriel twice. He was identified as Aurelio's son.

states that an APD officer, attending to Gabriel Piña, asked him who shot him. Piña named Corral as the shooter.

The affidavit further states that "it's impor- by attempted to help, tant to note that Corral's long-time girlfriend... was later located in the hotel, as well."

After allegedly shoot- fire and fled on foot. the morning of Sun- ing Gabriel and his faday, June 23. Dispatch ther, Corral left the Corral did that to desaid the caller reported room and encountered stroy evidence, specifitwo men had been shot. Manuel Flores, 43, in cally a cell phone and Upon arriving, APD of-the hallway. Corral then ficers found two men allegedly shot Flores five times, including in vari- Department and Coloraous parts of his body and

APD learned that Corral reportedly ran out of the building and, driving a Chevrolet Ava- forcement to believe he lanche, fled west on 8th was still in the area. Piña, had been shot Street into a more rural That initiated an intenpart of the area, driving so fast that, accord-The arrest affidavit ing to the document, he well as CBI and the U.S. "flew over two irrigation Marshals. ditches" and landed, getting stuck in a field near a citizen who spotted County Road 106 and someone matching Cor-CR12 South.

When a resident near-Corral tried to hijack the resident's truck and, when he was unsuccessful, set the Avalanche on

believe Authorities weapon, Kelly said. When Alamosa Fire

do State Patrol were dispatched to a crash in the area, they determined the vehicle belonged to Corral, leading law ensive search that involved more than 40 officers as After a report from

ral's description, he was

for the shooting is stated in the affidavit, it is noted that Flores had recently been released from prison, was visiting from Denver and was a childhood friend of Corral's girlfriend. The two

states that Corral's girlfriend said they had been discussing separa-Unrelated to the arrest

pearance is scheduled

403,356 miles and counting

This past week I helped shuttle some fishermen's rigs and one of the trucks had 403,356 miles on it. Not only was this remarkable vehicle still running, but I also honestly think it ran as good and as quietly as the day it was driven off the showroom floor.



Trout

Republic

Miss Trixie and I

have been shuttling some vehicles for a local fly shop and so Ol' Dutch has found himself getting to compare every make and model of truck and SUV out there over the past few weeks. And it's been a real eye-opening experience, let me tell you.

Ol' Dutch has long been a General Motors products purchaser as I seem to get a whale of a deal any time I trade for a new one. I have, of course, looked at other brands made in the good old USA, but always seem to come back to

Very early in my driving years production according to Miss Trixie – a company I worked for had all Dodge trucks. And they were the cheapest ones a person could buy at the time, so my impression of them was not that great. I think it was the daily crawling under the one I drove to plug in the transmission wire that probably soured me like a "pickle my puss" gummy bear. And I really have never liked the body style of any Ford. Like they



So, I've ambled along with my Chevy and GMC trucks all these many long years and they seemed to work out just fine for me with no major hiccups. And like they say, "don't change horses in the middle of the river" so I stuck with what I knew and I "thought" I was sat-

That is until this past week. There I was just minding my own business, shortly after the Model T went into happily satisfied with my paid off Chevy truck when I was asked to drive a truck that came from far East Asia. I still recall the moment when Miss Trixie drove me up to the truck that needed to be moved downriver. Thinking back, I believe I heard angels' wings. Or something like that.

For there it sat in all its splendor and glory, a brand-new Toyota Tundra truck. I can still recall the awe I felt as I climbed up into the cab and was immesay, "beauty is in the eye of the behold-diately immersed in first class appoint-mouse on Sunday morning. I know, troutrepublic.com.

er" and I just don't feel like beholding ments all around me. This was not the 1988 Toyota pickup that my son drove through high school with the crampedup leg room, tiny cab and small engine. No-sirree-bob this was a horse of a different color for sure.

This Tundra beast drove like a new

Caddy and handled extremely well. I

was smitten. It reminded me of the first time I saw Miss Trixie to tell you the truth. A mind-bending experience. Or something like that. Which leads me to the title of this ex-

pose "403,356." That exact mileage was found on a 2005 Tundra I drove and while not the expansive cab of the newer ones, it was full size for the day and quite comfy if I might say so myself.

I could not believe my eyes when I glanced down at the odometer and there it was for all to see, almost a half million miles on that truck. And what was most amazing is it drove and ran perfectly and was as quiet as a church

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right? Most vehicles with that age, not to mention high mileage, are starting to show the effects of potholes and there are rattles and noises galore in them. But not this little workhorse. She just ran along like a sewing machine on zig-

I parked the aged truck and gave her a pat on the hood as I walked away, a slight tear appearing in my eye. Or not. I sure enjoyed that ride and couple that with the new ones I got to drive, and Ol' Dutch is wanting to trade the old Bowtie for a Yota.

I am praying that temptation stays far from me but so far, it's sitting in my hip pocket as I look online at those Japanese wonders. Say a prayer for me to resist.

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The flood of disinformation

By STEVEN ROBERTS

In Moldova, a false video implied that a pro-Western president actually favored Russia. In Bangladesh, a conservative Muslim country, a female lawmaker was portrayed wearing a bikini. In Slovakia, a doctored audio tape made it seem that an anti-Moscow candidate wanted to double the price of beer.

No fabricated videos have surfaced -- yet -- of Joe Biden boasting a bikini year's presidential contest is already and the problem is likely to get much worse

As those foreign examples illustrate, "deepfakes" pose a serious threat. These are false ideas and images created by AI, or artificial intelligence. "Artificial intelligence is supercharging the threat of election disinformation worldwide, making it easy for anyone with a smartphone and a devious imagination to create fake -- but convincing -- content aimed at fooling voters," reports The Associated Press.

On Capitol Hill, a Senate committee has approved three bills with bipartisan backing that would try to impose some ground rules for the use of AI in campaign ads, including strict requirements for transparency.

In supporting the legislation, Senate leader Chuck Schumer warned: "AI has the potential to jaundice or even totally discredit our election systems. If deepfakes are everywhere and no one believes the results of the elections, woe is our democracy."

Deepfakes are not the only threat to election integrity. There are also "cheap fakes": real sounds and images that are edited to distort their true meaning.

This happened during Biden's recent fact-check it." trip to Europe, where the Republican National Committee pumped out carefully manipulated video clips of the president to make him look doddering, even demented.

Fact-checkers at the Washington Post have labeled the Republican propaganda "especially pernicious ... because it's intended to create a false narrative that doesn't reflect the event as it occurred." bod or boosting beer prices. But this But the GOP effort could not have suc-through propaganda campaigns supceeded without the help of right-wing porting isolationist and extremist polidrenched in a flood of disinformation, media outlets, which eagerly circulated the doctored videos, and supporters of Donald Trump who shared them widely on social media.

> Mainstream platforms like Facebook and Instagram talk a good game about not spreading election-related falsehoods, but they are in fact co-conspirators, cutting way back on their own teams of fact-checkers and profiting from the traffic generated by the cheap

> "The persistent nature of the misleading videos illustrates how major tech platforms and partisan media are playing off each other in the 2024 election cycle, keeping viral stories in people's feeds after they've been proven to be misleading or even false," reports

> "In a familiar playbook," the network explains, "hyperpartisan outlets will continually push a piece of misleading information on their platforms and on social media, causing motivated followers who are primed to believe the outlets to amplify it further. That inundates tech platforms, which are unwilling or unable to correct the record quickly enough. The bad information then continues to outpace efforts to

Bad information is not just generated by Republican operatives and their allies. Moscow has meddled in previous elections, trying to help Trump, and they are at it again. According to secret Kremlin documents obtained by the Washington Post: "Russia is seeking to subvert Western support for Ukraine and disrupt the domestic politics of the journalism at George Washington Uni-United States and European countries, cies."

Some senior Republicans are deeply alarmed that those "isolationist and extremist" ideas are being parroted by members of their own party. Rep. Michael McCaul, the chair of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, warned on CNN, "Russian propaganda has made its way into the United States, unfortunately, and it's infected a good chunk of my party's base."

So, what can be done to contain this tide of disinformation? There are no easy answers. Mainstream journalists have a growing responsibility to investigate and document cheap fakes and deepfakes. Social media platforms have a responsibility, as well, to place warning labels on falsehoods, even if it costs them customers.

Congress should pass the bipartisan measures that would enhance transparency and help voters and election officials understand how they are being manipulated. And voters -- especially swing voters in swing states -- need to educate themselves and make their choices based on facts -- not fiction.

But the torrent shows few signs of abating. "People are constantly coming up with new ways to try (to) break the

systems," Natasha Crampton, a Microsoft executive working on AI, told Politico. "I'm terrified," admitted Oren Etzioni, a prominent AI researcher, in the Times. "There is a very good chance we are going to see a tsunami of misinformation."

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HIPPY program staff poses for a photo with Rocky Mountain PBS's Daniel Tiger during a graduation ceremony on June 22 in Alamosa.

HIPPY holds graduation ceremony

ALAMOSA — On Saturday, June 22, a graduation ceremony was held for San Luis Valley children ages 3-4 who completed the HIPPY Pro-

Tiny smiling tots with their colorful caps and gowns, nice outfits, and pretty dresses, lined up to march at the Alamosa Rec Center, where the ceremony was held. There were about 72 people at the ceremony. Pomp and Circumstance played as the children happily marched in behind one of the HIPPY instructors, until they all reached their seats in front of the audience at the center.

Some special guests were present at the ceremony, including the Rocky Mountain PBS Daniel Tiger, and Alamosa Mayor Ty Coleman. The room at the center iel Tiger on them, along with a cartoon graduate painted on the front.

coordinator HIPPY Beverly Martinez introduced and thanked everyone for attending the

celebration. "We are here to celebrate these children, and their amazing work and commitment to the HIP-PY program," she said. "Each of these children have given it their all, and successfully completed our program requirements. We are so proud of these children, they will all be receiving a diploma from HIPPY today. We are truly blessed that so many children have worked hard and dedicated their time and efforts to our program. We would also like to thank all the friends of the family, and family members who have joined us today to celebrate this big ac-

HIPPY stands for Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters. The duration of the program is 30 weeks. The program works by allowinto the child's home and bring weekly curriculum for children to engage in with their parents. The program helps develop skills in different areas and specializes in fine motor, gross motor,

complishment."



HIPPY coordinator Beverly Martinez and Alamosa Mayor Ty Coleman pose for a photo during the graduation ceremony on June 22 in Alamosa. Coleman was one of the speakers at the event.

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was decked out with col- major part of the curricu- expressing emotion. If a orful balloons and tables lum, each young student student cannot read by receives a new book, ev- the third grade, they are tors wore bright orange ery three to four weeks more likely to drop out shirts that had HIPPY to help promote early of high school because of and a picture of PBS Dan- literacy. The HIPPY pro- the challenges that they gram also provides school face." supplies for children. The supplies are free to children for the duration that students to learn early, they are enrolled in the because of all the chalprogram.

After Martinez's introduction, all the HIPPY instructors joined their students in front of the to learn so that they can audience and sang songs that included fun dance future success. movements. Special guest Rocky Mountain served following the cere-PBS Daniel Tiger also mony. Awards were given joined the children and to various home visitors began to sing and dance to celebrate their success with them. The instructors and Daniel sang the "Hokey Pokey," "If You're Happy and You Know It," and the "Wheels on also gave a special thank the Bus." The children you to everyone. engaged with each of the songs. Coordinator Mar- the graduation all year tinez danced and smiled long. I am always excited with the students and instructors.

dancing, Martinez an- home visitors, each and evnounced each instructor's name, and the children were then announced one by one and handed a diploma and congratu- personally, and without lated on their accomplish- them there would be no

ing instructors to come a small speech. He said that as a child he strug- strives to serve diverse gled with early literacy. He said he feels it is important to start education and reading as soon as Alamosa, Costilla, and possible to help children be successful.

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> Coleman said that he feels it is important for lenges that he and others have faced. He really wants children to be given every opportunity have the opportunity for

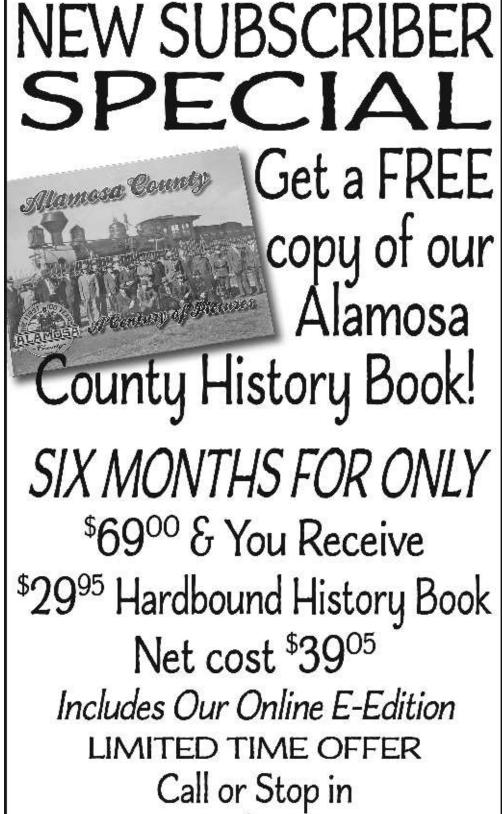
> A light lunch was with the children and all they do for HIPPY.

Martinez said the celebration went well. She

"We have been planning and very honored to be a part of everything with After the music and HIPPY. I have amazing ery one of them is unique and wonderful. They really bring something different to HIPPY and to myself HIPPY. They are truly Mayor Coleman gave amazing," she said.

The HIPPY program communities and is available to children living in Saguache, Rio Grande, Conejos counties. HIPPY also provides resources in "Early childhood edu- English and Spanish.

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Sports

King inducted into NHSACA Hall of Fame



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Retirng Alamosa High School athletics director Greg King was inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame on Tuesday. The induction ceremony took place at the Bismarck Hotel and Conference Center in Bismarck, N.D. King has 46 years experience in sports which includes coaching stops at Walsenburg, McClave, Stratton, Del Norte, Norwood, La Veta and Sargent. He also served as athletics director at Del Norte, Grand Junction, La Veta, Sargent and Alamosa.

Sports Bulletin

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ALAMOSA PARKS AND RECREATION BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SCHEDULE
12-14 Baseball
At Ortega Middle School south field
TUESDAY

Alamosa at Salida (2), 4 p.m.

12-14 girls softball At Lee Field #1 TUESDAY

Sanford vs. Alamosa (2), 6 p.m.

9-11 baseball At Cole Park TUESDAY

Pirates vs. Cubs, 5 p.m. Angels vs. Rockies, 6:15 p.m. Red Sox vs. Dodgers, 7:30 p.m.

> 9-11 girls softball At Lee Field #3 TUESDAY

Battitudes vs. Ace of Bases, 6 p.m.

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Longhorns vs. Predators, 5:30 p.m. (southwest) Little Rascals vs. Thunderdogs, 5:30 p.m. (northeast) Bat Busters vs. Sliders, 6:30 p.m. (northeast)

> Co-ed Tee-ball At Tee-ball field MONDAY

Rug Rats vs. Little Giants, 5:30 p.m. (north field) Outlaws vs. Sandhogs, 5:30 p.m. (south field) Little Hitters vs. Wolfpack, 6:30 p.m. (south field)

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Public Water System ID: CO0111600 Esta es información importante. Si no la pueden leer, necesitar que alquien se la traduzca.

We are pleased to present to you this year's water quality report. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Please contact SHAWN PAGNOTTA at 719-274-5363 with any questions or for public participation opportunities that may

General Information

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the way ter poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or by visiting epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking

water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV-AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk of infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and microbiological contaminants call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791). The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present

n source water include: •Microbial contaminants: viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock opera-

 Inorganic contaminants: salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domes-tic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming. Pesticides and herbicides: may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
 Radioactive contaminants: can be naturally occurring or be the

result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

•Organic chemical contaminants: including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also may come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Colorado Depart ment of Public Health and Environment prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

Lead in Drinking Water

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking wa-ter and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of ma-terials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce ead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact SHAWN PAGNOTTA at 719-274-5363. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at epa.gov Source Water Assessment and Protection (SWAP)

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment may have provided us with a Source Water Assessment Report for our

water supply. For general information or to obtain a copy of the report please visit wqcdcompliance.com/ccr. The report is located under "Guidance: Source Water Assessment Reports". Search the table using our system name or ID, or by contacting SHAWN PAGNOTTA at 719-274-5363. The Source Water Assessment Report provides a screening-level evaluation of potential contamination that *could* occur. It does not mean that the contamination has or will occur. We can use this information to evaluate the need to improve our cur-rent water treatment capabilities and prepare for future contamination threats. This can help us ensure that quality finished water is delivered to your homes. In addition, the source water assessment results provide a starting point for developing a source water protection plan Potential sources of contamination in our source water area are listed Please contact us to learn more about what you can do to help pro-

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Non-Health-Based – A violation that is not a MCL or TT. Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contamina exceeded, triggers treatment and other regulatory requirements

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Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) – The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected

risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) – The level of a drinking water disinfectant, below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Violation (No Abbreviation) - Failure to meet a Colorado Primary

Drinking Water Regulation.

Formal Enforcement Action (No Abbreviation) – Escalated action taken by the State (due to the risk to public health, or number or

severity of violations) to bring a non-compliant water system back

Variance and Exemptions (V/E) – Department permission not to meet a MCL or treatment technique under certain conditions.

Gross Alpha (No Abbreviation) – Gross alpha particle activity compliance value. It includes radium-226, but excludes radon 222, and

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Measure of the radioactivity in water Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) – Measure of the clarity or cloudiness of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable

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nual Average (RAA) and Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA) Average (x-bar) - Typical value. Range (R) - Lowest value to the highest value

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Limited Impact Review Application for a baseball field fencing project by Blanca/Fort Garland Metropolitan District in Fort Garland, on Highway 159, Costilla County, Colorado.

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on or before November 1, 2024 or the claims may be forever barred. William F. Dunn

Attorney for the Co-Personal Representatives

585 Columbia Avenue, Del Norte, CO 81132 No. 4001.

Published in the Valley Courier on June 21, 28, & July 5, 2024.

NOTICE

Resolution to Declare a Vacancy Be it resolved that the Board of Education of South Conejos Schoo

District accepts the resignation of Louise Gallegos from the Board of Education at the Special School Board meeting effective June 24, Be it further resolved that, in accordance with state law, the Board declares a vacancy in this school director's office that will be filled

by appointment by the Board within 60 days in accordance with the following procedure: 1. Interested persons are invited to send a letter to the Board with a

qualifications by July 31, 2024. Letters can be submitted to vlopez@ southconejos.com. 2. The Board will interview prospective candidates at a work session

on August 6, 2024. 3. To be eligible for appointment, a candidate must be a registered elector of the school district for at least 12 consecutive months and a

resident of the district.

4. The appointee will serve the remainder of the unexpired term Published in the Valley Courier on June 26, 28, 29, July 2, & 3, 2024.

District Court Costilla County, Colorado

304 Main St., San Luis, CO 81152 In the Matter of the Estate of Deceased: Santiago Isidoro Velasquez

Attorney or Party Without Attorney (Name and Address): Lvnn Sanchez 3125 S Fraser St. Aurora, CO 80014

Aurora, CO 80014
Phone Number: 720-352-4782
E-mail: LynnSanchez08@outlook.com
FAX Number: Atty. Reg. #:
COURT USE ONLY

Case Number: 2024PR17 NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO 15-12-

801, C.R.S. NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of Santiago I Velasguez, Deceased Case Number 2024PR17
All persons having claims against the above named estate are re-

quired to present them to the personal representative or to X District Court of Costilla, County, Colorado or Denver Probate Court of the City and County of Denver, Colorado on or before 7/18/24 (date)*, or the claims may be forever barred.

Lynn Sanchez
Type or Print name of Person Giving Notice 3125 S. Fraser St.

Address Aurora, CO 80014 City, State, Zip Code

No. 4010

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Alamosa County Probate Court, Colorado Court Address: 8955 Independence Way Alamosa, CO 81101

719.589.4996 In the Matter of the Estate of

EUGENE WILLARD ADAMS AKA EUGENE ADAMS AKA EUGENE W. ADAMS

COURT USE ONLY

COURT USE ONLY Attorney or Party Without Attorney (Name and Address): Jenna L. Mazzucca, Esq. Law Office of Jenna L. Mazzucca, Esq. P.C. 1604 H Street, Suite 600 Salida, CO 81201

Salida, CO 81201
Phone Number: 719.207.4279 E-mail: Jenna@mazzuccalaw.com FAX Number: 719.539.6679
Atty, Reg. #: 40027
Case Number: 2024 PR 30020 Division Courtroom

DIVISION COURTOOM
NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO § 1512-801, C.R.S.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of EUGENE WILLARD ADAMS, Deceased
Case Number 2024 PR 30020

Case Number 2024 PR 30020
All persons having claims against the above named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to X District Court of Alamosa, County, Colorado or Denver Probate Court of the City and County of Denver, Colorado on or before NOVEMBER 15, 2024 (date)*, or the claims may be

Judith L. Bullen, Personal Representative Estate of Eugene W. Adams
Type or Print name of Person Giving Notice
PO Box 1415

Address Salida, CO 81201 City, State, Zip Code

4011. Published in the Valley Courier on June 28, July 5, & 12, 2024.

within 18 months of 87577 (7/5/24) hire. This position works closely with our families 173 - PROFESSIONAL to help them reach their goals and create community partnerships. Highly preferable if bilingual (English/Span-

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(8/2/24-monthly) 221 -

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NOTICE OF NON-SIMULTANEOUS EXCHANGE

NOTICE OF NON-SINULTANEOUS EXCHANGE

NOTICE is hereby provided that the State Board of Land Commissioners ("Board") has authorized a non-simultaneous exchange ("Exchange") pursuant to Article IX, § 9 of the Colorado Constitution and § 36-1-124-5, CRS for the following irrigation groundwater rights located on state trust land:

Groundwater and groundwater rights from seven (7) irrigation wells (the "Wells") serving the surface estate of the trust property located in the N/2 and SW/4 of Section 36, Township 39N, Range 9E (the "Surface Property"), specifically described below.

WDID 2014060 and Permit Number 21407-F WDID 2014116 and Permit Number 26335-F WDID 2014117 and Permit Number 26336-F WDID 2014121 and Permit Number 21406-F WDID 2014120 and Permit Number 24780-F WDID 2014118 and Permit Number 21408-F

WDID 2014119 and Permit Number 24781-F (collectively, the "Groundwater Rights")

SUBJECT TO any and all covenants, restrictions, easements and rights-of-way, whether or not of record. Only the Groundwater Rights are authorized to be conveyed by quit claim deed, and the Board will cooperate with the purchaser in facilitating transfer of ownership of such Groundwater Rights. The Exchange shall provide the pur-chaser the right, at closing of the sale of the Groundwater Rights, to require that the Board place a restrictive covenant on the Surface Property, providing for the permanent cessation of groundwater with-drawal and groundwater use on the Surface Property for irrigation purposes, except as may be needed for revegetation of the Surface Property, and provided that groundwater may continue to be used by the Board or any successor-in-interest for exempt purposes as provided in statute and that the Wells may be converted and used for such exempt purposes (the "Covenant"). After closing and effect of the Covenant, the Board shall grant purchaser a non-exclusive and limited perpetual easement for purchaser and the State Engineer of the State of Colorado, and either of their respective agents, to access the Surface Property to inspect the Wells and to monitor compliance with and enforce the Covenant, on such reasonable terms and conditions as may be agreed by the parties. Any other use of or access to Board property (including the Surface Property), fixtures, or equipment associated with the Groundwater Rights after closing must be separately approved by the Board on terms and conditions set by the Board. The closing of the Exchange may be conditioned on availability of funds from the purchaser to complete the Exchange. All other water and water rights, all surface rights and estate (including pore space and sequestration estate) and mineral rights and estate, including sand and gravel, all subsurface rights, all archaeological resources, all equipment and fixtures associated with the Surface Property and the Wells, and all geothermal rights, if any, and access thereto, shall be reserved and retained by the Board. All-cash bids and alternative bids of real property or a combination of real property and cash will be considered provided the combined value of the bid

achieves the minimum bid set by the Board. The legal description for the Surface Property or identification of the Groundwater Rights may be modified by subsequent survey or title review. THE MINIMUM BID FOR THE GROUNDWATER RIGHTS AND RIGHT TO SUBJECT THE SURFACE PROPERTY TO THE COV-ENANT IS \$2,418,381.75

(calculated at \$4,250.00 per acre foot of the highest 5-year average Sealed bids and written comments may be submitted to the Board.

Submissions must be in writing, enclosed in an envelope clearly marked "TRXN 24-007 COMMENTS" or "TRXN 24-007 BID", as applicable, mailed to Matthew LaFontaine, Acquisition and Disposition Manager at 1127 Sherman Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80203 ("Main Offices"), and received by the Board no later than 1 P.M. ON JULY 12, 2024 ("Bid Deadline"). Written comments and bids received after the Bid Deadline will not be considered. Bids must be tendered on the Board's Application for Acquisition of State Trust Land ("Application") and include payment of a \$100 non-refundable fee.

Board staff will open the sealed bids, if any, after the Bid Deadline at the Main Offices. If multiple or alternative bids are received, all bids meeting the minimum requirements specified herein will be presented to the Board in open session at a future Board meeting. The Board will review all bids presented and determine, in its sole discretion, which bid best meets the needs of the trusts. The Board reserves the right to reject all bids for the Groundwater Rights and Covenant, and the right to withdraw the Groundwater Rights from availability from this exchange at any time. The Board

bidding process does not create any rights in the successful bidder until a contract has been fully signed by all parties. Additional information and the Application can be obtained online at: colorado.gov/statelandboard/proposals-bids
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The successful bidder will be required to cooperate with the Board in complying with the mandates of § 36-1-118(4)(a) and (b) and § 36-1-119, CRS.

Newspaper: "The Valley Courier" Publication Dates: 6/14/2024, 6/21/2024, 6/28/2024, 7/5/2024 No. 3993.
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HELP WANTED

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opment and ECE re-

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dential in social work,

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ish). Applications can be

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employmentopportunities, by July 9, 2024, or until the position is

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ministration Office at

719-852-5996. (7/17/24)

165 -**PERSONALS**

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carroll@northconejos.com. EOE. (7/5/24)

EOE&E. (7/10/24)

has openings for the following positions: SCHOOL COUN-SELOR; K-12 MU-SIC TEACHER; MS FOOTBALL; HS BOYS & GIRLS BASKET-BALL; NUTRITION STAFF. Please contact Dave Crews for more information 719-420-1422 or Jenna Mondragon at 719-717-0871. (7/24/24)

is accepting applications for the following posi-tion: HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL. Applicant must possess or be able to obtain a Colorado Principal or Administrator's License. Minimum of five (5) years of experience in teaching/ administration, with a reserves the right to require a best and final bid. Participation in the minimum of three (3) years in school leadership status. Applications are available online at https://www.alamosaschools.org/ For more information, contact Tracy Vigil at 719-587-1600. Application dead-

221 -**HELP WANTED**

THE NORTH CONE-IOS SCHOOL DIS-TRICT is accepting applications for the 2024 25 school year for (1) LA JARA ELEMENTARY TEACHER. Applicants must hold a current Colorado Teaching License or be able to obtain proper endorsement. For information on how to apply visit www.northconejos.com employment center or you may pick up an application at the District Administration Office, 17887 US Hwy 285, LA JARA, CO 81140. Submit application to central office or email to rmc-

SANFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT IS accepting applications for a Full-Time CUSTO-DIAN. All candidates must pass background checks. Applications can be downloaded at www.sanfordschools. org. Sanford School is an SANGRE DE CRISTO

THE ALAMOSA SCHOOL DISTRICT

line is until filled. EOE.

221 -**HELP WANTED**

SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 School Year at ALA-MOSA TRANSPOR-TATION, BUS DRIV ERS. Applicants must obtain a CDL with Class "B" with S&P endorsement, training available. Applications are available online at http://alamosaschools. org. For more information, please contact Tracy Vigil at 719-587-1600. Application deadline is until filled. EOE. (6/29/24)

MONTE VISTA

SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for a MID-DLE SCHOOL 8TH GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) TEACH-ER. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience is posted 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 Teacher 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 July 2,2024 or until the position is filled. For questions contact the

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Classifieds

221 -**HELP WANTED**

HAND Wanted - CO-ORS RESEARCH FARM, CENTER. All season farm work including upkeep of yard and work at the elevator. Experience preferred. Must be at least 21 years old and have your own transportation. Must be able to pass drug test, background, and reference checks. \$18-20/hour DOE. Please send your resume to lwagner@ excelpersonnel.com. (6/29/24)

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BUSINESS MANAG-ER: ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY seeking a BUSINESS MANAGER for the DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS. The Business Manager position is Full-time and includes managing all aspects of fiscal responsibility and day to day operations for coaches and athletic department staff. Please send application to: athletics@adams. edu (7/3/24)

221 -**HELP WANTED**

SCHOOL DISTRICT has the following openings for the 24-25 school year: K-12 PE; HS SCIENCE; K-12 PRINCIPAL. Send inquiries/resumes to Mr. Stagner @ Stagnerb@ valley.k12.co.us or call 719-655-2578. (7/10/24)

MONTE VISTA SCHOOL DISTRICT

is accepting applications for the following posi-tions: a Middle School 8TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER (with an EMPHASIS on US HISTORY) and a Mid-dle School 8TH GRADE SCIENCE TEACHER. A complete list of desired qualifications and experience for each position is posted on the district website. The 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 salaries for these positions will be paid from the current MVSD Teacher 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 June 27, 2024 or until the positions are filled. For application questions contact the District Administration

Office at 719-852-5996.

221 -**HELP WANTED**

SIERRA GRANDE SCHOOL is seeking DIRECTOR of STU-DENT BEHAVIOR, ATHLETIC DIREC-TOR, and SCHOOL SAFETY MANAGE-MENT for the upcom-MENT for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Submit completed application to Mr. Kevin Jones, Superintendent by email to: kjones@sierragrandeschool.net. Applications are available at the District office, 17523 Hwy. 160, Blanca, CO 81123 or online at www. sierragrandeschool.net. Effective managerial, supervisory, and human relations skills, and computer skills. For more information, please contact Mr. Kevin Jones at 719-379-3259. Position open until filled. EOE. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. (7/17/24)

THE CITY OF MON-TE VISTA is seeking qualified applicants for position of POLICE OF-FICER. Applicants must be POST certified as a Colorado Police Officer. Selected applicants must Selected applicants must be able to pass physical, physiological evaluations, pre-employment drug test and extensive background check. Must be able to work all shifts. Starting hourly rate \$21.50 – 22.75, DOE. A \$5,000 hiring bonus is available with a signed two-year commitment. Application and complete job description may be found at https:// cityofmontevista.colorado.gov/government/departments/humanresources Open until filled. (7/3/24)

221 -**HELP WANTED**

NORTE MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK. Town of Del Norte is hiring PART-TIME Municipal Court Clerk. High school graduate or GED equivalent and two years of office, legal, and court clerical. Will work closely with Town municipal judge for operations and procedures of the municipal court system. With knowledge of legal terminology and practices. Oversees and maintains the court dockets, records of all pending and disposed cases, and ensures accurate and updated information. All administrative and technical duties in support of municipal court. Send resume to Town of Del Norte -Attention Town Clerk. Resumes may be submitted by email to delnorte1860@ outlook.com or mailed to Del Norte Town Hall 140 Spruce Street, Del Norte, Co 81132. EOE. (7/17/24)

SAN LUIS VALLEY HEALTH is seeking a full-time FACILITIES MANAGER to join our team! This position will train, lead, and direct custodians and housekeepers in the EVS department with daily, weekly, and monthly tasks and projects. The pay range for this position is \$21.98 - \$30.69. For more information and to apply please visit our careers page at www.slvh.org. (6/28/24)

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MECHANIC: JT TIMBER FALLING HEAVY EQUIPMENT and TRUCK ME-CHANIC in BLAN-CA, CO. \$25-\$45/hr depending on experience. Monday – Friday schedule. Benefits are available. Call 719-379-4066 or visit jttimber. com to apply. (7/17/24)

VALLEY EDUCA-TORS CREDIT UNION is accept-ing applications for a TELLER/MEMBER SERVICE REPRE-SENTATIVE. Successful candidate should have excellent communication and customer service skills, ability to listen, follow directions and identify the needs of others. They should possess a positive, friendly attitude, integrity, be a team player and ability to multi-task. Prior teller experience is a plus. To apply, email résumé to laura@vecuslv.com or stop by our office at 910 SUBSTITUTES Main Street in ALA-MOSA to pick-up an application. VECU has been serving the SLV community for over 60

years and is an equal opportunity employer. (6/29/24) **COME BE A** part of the growing CENTEN-NIĂL R-1 TEAM! We are seeking applications for a SECONDARY MATH TEACHER, TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR, PRE-SCHOOL PARAPRO FESSIONAL, PART-TIME CUSTODIAN, REGULAR BUS ROUTE or ACTIVITY BUS DRIVER, and a VARIETY OF SUB-STITUTES. Positions will remain open until filled. Each position has unique responsibilities, yet all require the same application process. Please submit a resume, three letters of recommendation, pertinent transcripts, and a background check/valid CDE license with an application. Submit applications through https://www.applitrack. com/centennialschool/ onlineapp or email kimba.rael@centennial.k12.co.us. All fulltime positions qualify for a competitive benefits package and salary as outlined through our Master Agreement, which is available at centennial. k12.co.us. The starting pay range for certified staff is \$36,872 to \$49,509; 9-month staff is \$20,613 - \$26.205;

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DIRECTOR FOR INFANT CARE CENTER needed at the UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. Please submit your application and resume to: Aaron Horrocks, Superintendent, at 950 French Street, DEL NORTE, CO, 81132, or call at 719-657-4040, x4000. Applications may be retrieved on-line at urtigers.co or at the District Office. (7/3/24)

LEAD TEACHER FOR INFANT CARE CENTER needed at the UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. 150 days per vear which includes all days that teachers are at school. Please submit your applica-tion and resume to: Aaron Horrocks, Superintendent, at 950 French Street, DEL NORTE, CO, 81132, or call at 719-657-4040, x4000. Applications may be retrieved online at urtigers.co or at the District Office.

TEACHERS/LONG TERM SUBS needed 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 CDE (Colorado Department of Education). (7/3/24)

FULL-TIME MAIN-TENANCE & GROUNDS POSITION open at the UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. Applicant must pass a background check and be able to work independently, be a forward-thinking individual with an overall team approach to all tasks at hand. Applicant must also be able to work in all weather conditions (snow removal/general landscaping). If interested, please contact Demo Trujillo, 719-657-4040 x4007, dtrujillo@urtigers.co. Applications can be retrieved online at: www.urtigers.co.

DEL NORTE ELE-MENTARY SCHOOL is seeking an energetic, caring individual to serve as a SPECIAL EDUCATION PARA-EDUCATOR. Applicants must have a high school diploma and prior experience working with students with special needs is preferred. Please submit your application to Amy Duda, DNES Principal at 950 French Street, DEL NORTE, CO 81132; aduda@ urtigers.co; or call at 719-657-4050. The position will be open until filled. You can pick up an application at the District Office or on-line at urtigers.co. (7/3/24)

BUS DRIV-ERS NEEDED FOR the UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT, CDL & NON-CDL DRIVERS. Will pay for CDL license and training with contract. Must be able to pass a background and pre-employment drug test. If interested, please contact Demo Trujillo, 719-657-4040 x4007, dtrujillo@urtigers.co. Applications can be retrieved on-

line at: www.urtigers. co. (7/3/24)

221 -**HELP WANTED**

CAFETERIA STAFF NEEDED at UP-PER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. Must have a high school diploma and some knowledge of working in a kitchen or a willingness to be trained. Pay is dependent on prior experience. Please contact Leslie Martinez at 719-657-4040, x1100 or email her at lmartinez@urtigers.co. Applications can be retrieved online at: www. urtigers.co. (7/3/24)

JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONIST / SCHOOL ASSESS-MENT COORDINA-TOR, needed at DEL NORTE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL for the 2024-2025 school year. We are seeking a hardworking and enthusiastic teaching professional to join our dynamic team. Applicants must have a Colorado Teaching License. Please submit your application, resume and cover letter to: Annie Hardy, Principal at ahardy@urtigers. co or contact Annie at 719-657-4020. Applications can be found online at: urtigers.co.

> 304 - LAWN & **GARDEN**

SPRINKLER RE-PAIR & INSTAL-LATION. Quick Service!! Call evenings & weekends: 719-580-0033 or 719-376-2593. (8/2/24-monthly)

> 324 - SEED & FEED

HORSE & COW HAY: GRASS, GRASS/ ALFALFA, ALFALFA. 3x3 bales, various quality and pricing. 719-850-8917. (7/3/24-monthly)

HAY FOR SALE: \$7 bale. 719-274-0380. (7/9/24)

> 341 - GARAGE SALE

THE SAINT JOSEPH PARISH is having a COMMUNITY YARD SALE on Saturday June 29 from 8:30AM to 2:00PM at OUR LADY OF THE VAL-LEY CHURCH in LA JARA. There will be lots of items to choose from, come and find a bargain or a treasure! The Knights of Columbus will also be selling their tasty hamburgers, and delicious homemade cookies will be for sale. (6/29/24)

> 350 - FARM **EQUIPMENT**

2005 HESSTON 4910 BALER New Monitor, Preservative Applicator, moisture sensor, accumulator. Field ready. \$22,500 OBO 719-850-1143. (7/13/24)

> 360 - MISC. FOR SALE

FIREWORKS FOR **SALE!** Chama, NM. All the good stuff. 505-927-4064. (7/3/24)

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

> 368 - PETS & **SUPPLIES**

MALE JACK RUS-SELL TERRIER puppy. 1st shots. Registered parents on-site. 719-480-0000. \$500.

> **401 - BUSINESS PROPERTIES**

Century Property Management & Sales, uc Alamosa • 589-5744 PROPERTY

MANAGEMENT SERVICE For all your rental needs please call

719-589-5744 or stop by 823 Main St. Alamosa, CO 81101 www. alamosarentals .com

420-LOTS& **ACREAGES**

ACREAGE FOR SALE - \$2,000/ACRE. Contact Rick 928-277-6140. (7/6/24)

420-LOTS & **ACREAGES**

10 ACRES OF LAND for sale. 3 miles east of ANTONITO. Ready to build your dream home! 719-580-5745. (6/29/24)

426-MOBILE HOMES **FOR SALE**

MOSA COUNTY: 1980 GLENWOOD TRAIL-ER HOUSE \$6,700. Must be moved. 402-269-7172. (E-TFN-AS)

> 520 -**CAMPING**

26'JAYCO CAMPER: WELL maintained, clean, 14' slideout, awning, new tires & battery, solar AC/heater, propane tanks, FULL kitchen, bath, & more. Reasonable. 719-852-3735. (7/17/24)

> 525 -**GUNS**

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

601 - APARTMENTS FOR RENT

RESIDENTIAL OR OFFICE SPACE FOR one person, located in an end-unit in a four-plex in DEL NORTE. Approximately 700 sq ft with an open entry area, separate office or bedroom, kitchen area, and 3/4 bath. \$800/month, inclusive of water and sewer. Pets and smokers are not permitted. Please call 719-850-0750. (7/2/24)

CHARMING RE-MODELED ONE+ BEDROOM, ONE BATH, ONE-PERSON unit in a quiet four-plex in DEL NORTE. \$700/ month, inclusive of water and sewer. Pets and smokers are not permitted. Call 719-850-0750.

606 - BUSINESS PROPERTY FOR RENT

SPACE FOR rent at 1016 West Ave., AL-AMOSA. Call Mike-(719)850-1961. (7/3/24)

> 611-HOMES **FOR RENT**

REMODELED TWO BEDROOM, 1 BATH home on a corner lot in DEL NORTE. Near biking/hiking trailhead. Pets and smokers are not permitted. Please call 719-850-0750. \$850/month. (7/2/24)

2 STORY HISTOR-RENOVATED BEDROOM, 2.5 BATH. Appliances furnished. Deck, shop, garage, large fenced in backyard. Excellent neighborhood; 416 2nd Ave., MONTE VIS-TA. \$2150/month, plus utilities. Yearly lease; available 6/1/24. Contact 719-852-5101 or 719-852-5350. (7/9/24)

614 - MOBILE HOMES **FOR RENT**

2 BEDROOM 1 Bath nice extended unattached garage. Sits on fenced 2 acres. Close to west side of Alamosa. \$800.00 a month with \$800 deposit all due signing. Available July 1st. Call 7195899485

> 701 - AUTOS FOR SALE

1993 BUS, PARTLY CONVERTED. Located at M&M storage on 17 behind Loaf&jug. Call for details. 815-546-2734 Mark. (7/17/24) Ways To Advertise

Valley Classifieds 589-2553

Plan

Guaranteed Ad - \$24.00 Ads must be prepaid, private parties only. One item only, no real estate

(rentals, sales, apts. etc...), and no professional services. If item does not sell within 14 days, you must call to renew before the expiration date at NO CHARGE up to 20 more days. No refunds or copy changes except price reductions. Up to 20 words, additional charge for extra words.

Plan TWO

Multiple Location - \$5.00

Any regular or guaranteed ad can be picked up into another classified category for the entire length of the running time. Must be same ad, no copy changes. Ads run multiple locations in same issues.

Free Ad

Plan THREE

As a thank you to our readers, any item placed in the Courier with an advertised price of \$25 or less will be published FREE for 1 week (4 issues). Here's how it works: 1. Private parties only.

2. Ad must be 20 words or less.

Price must be listed. No yard or garage sales run free.

5. Multiple items in 1 ad may not equal more than \$25 (Limit one per customer per week)

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VALLEY COURIER Please Check One P.O. Box 1099, Alamosa, CO 81101

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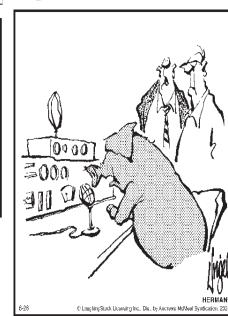
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HERMAN



"You've never heard of a ham operator?"

Adult daughter has cut off contact with family members

DEAR ABBY: My older daughter, "Brianna," age 42, does not want anything to do with me or her brother and sister-in-law. She keeps me from my granddaughter, who is 17. I have been divorced since the '90s and remarried for 25 years. My first husband was a cheater. I tried very hard to save my first marriage. We got back together six months later, but he

walked out again. When I remarried, Brianna wasn't happy. I have another daughter, age 24, with my current husband. Brianna wants nothing to do with any of us. I wrote her and said I was sorry for the divorce. She has never mentioned anything about my letter. I have to leave gifts to my granddaughter at the front door. This hurts so bad. Everyone says let them go. I love them so much. What do you think? -- ESTRANGED MOM IN

DEAR MOM: I think your granddaughter will be 18 very soon, and an adult. IF her mother hasn't diverted those gifts you have been leaving, she knows $she \, has \, a \, grand mother \, who \,$ loves her. The ball will be in her court as to whether to make contact with you. (I hope she will.) If, however, she doesn't do that, you are going to have to turn

your eyes forward and let

her and your daughter live

NEW JERSEY

their lives, while you concentrate on what is healthy

for YOU. If you need interaction with younger people, volunteer some time where it will make a difference. If your interests lie elsewhere, devote some of your extra time and effort in that direction. Your pain may lessen if you give yourself less time to dwell on it.

DEAR ABBY: Several years ago, I began a friendship with a woman at my church. She had children a few years older than my daughter. The friendship seemed mutually satisfying for a long time, although I noticed on many occasions that my friend seemed entitled and demanding where her children were concerned. I overlooked it until it affected me. I realized over time that

she had manipulated and lied to keep my daughter away from hers at teen social events because my daughter had been labeled 'annoying." There was also other deceptive behavior.

These betrayals, combined with realizing that we don't agree on many subjects, has made me lose interest in the friendship. However, she doesn't seem to share my feelings. She still frequently invites me to lunch (which I refuse) and initiates "friendly

conversations.



ABIGAIL Van Buren

Confronting her about her behavior would result in denials and a big blowup. How can I bring an end to this fake friendship? --NOT INTERESTED IN THE MIDWEST DEAR NOT INTER-

ESTED: Since you no longer wish to continue to have a relationship with this woman, the quickest way to end it would be to tell her exactly what you have learned about how your daughter was treated and that you feel appalled and betrayed. Whether she 'blows up" and denies it is irrelevant.

If you can't bring yourself to confront her, then drag it out by continuing to be "too busy" to see her or to have those "friendly conversations.

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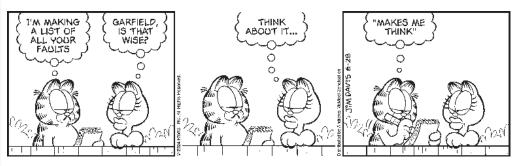
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