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# **Notice of** overlay work in Alamosa

ALAMOSA — Starting Tuesday, Sept. 3, crews will begin prepping streets for resurfacing.TheCityofAlamosa asksthatpeoplehaveallvehicles removed from the impacted streets between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Sept. 3, 4, 5 and 6. This project is weather-dependent, and dates may vary based upon weather conditions.

- Tuesday, Sept. 3: Cielo Place/ Estrella Place
- Wednesday, Sept. 4: Angel Place/Gloria Place
- Thursday, Sept. 5: West 7th from Washington Avenue west to the end of the paved road.
- Friday, Sept. 6: Pikes Peak Place and Monroe Place

For more information, contact the City of Alamosa Public Works Department at 719-589-6631.

# Mercadillo en el Rio is Wednesday

**ALAMOSA**—What started out as a farm stand with a few farmers has grown into a thriving market with fresh, organic produce grown on theproperty, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Rio Grande Farm Park in Alamosa. Community farmers are joined by local artists, musicians, performers, and makers.

# Roaming First Fridays

**ALAMOSA** — The Alamosa Live Music Association (ALMA), in collaboration with Visit Alamosa and First Fridays, presents Roaming Rhythms: an ALMA Mini-Music Festival on Friday, Sept. 6.

Thisfree, multi-venue mini-music festival will take over downtown Alamosa for First Fridays, turning it into a vibrant celebration of local and regional talent.

From 5 to 8 p.m., downtown Alamosa will be alive with the soundsoflivemusicfeaturingan excitinglineupofperformances from some of the best musicians in the area. The inaugural event will spotlight the runner-up from ALMA's Battle of the Bands Summer 2024 competition, along with other talented artists from a cross Colorado andnorthern New Mexico.

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# **Antonito remembers its history**

**By JOHN WATERS** Courier News Editor

ANTONITO — During the Labor Day weekend festivities in Antonito on Saturday, Aug. 30, Natalie Brown with History Colorado was in town as part of the Antonito Community History Collection.

According to Brown, "This is a research project; we are here showing it back to the people and how this unique community collection has developed. The community members were the collectors of this, and we at History Colorado cataloged and processed it. This is a completely community-driven collection."

Brown was at the historic La

Sociedad Proteccion Mutua de Trabajadores Unidos (SPMDTU) building in Antonito, built in 1900. The Society for the Mutual Protection of Workers (SPM-DTU) — first founded in 1900 to protect Hispanic property rights and fight discrimination.

The goal of the collection is to interpret, preserve, and share the history and culture of Antonito and surrounding villages. The town has ties to early Hispano settlers and was founded

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**Natalie Brown with History Colo**rado represented the Antonito **Community History Collection.** 

Courier photo by John Waters



# Early Iron brings classics to Alamosa

STAFF REPORT

ALAMOSA — Over the Labor Day weekend, the Early Iron Festival brought hundreds of car enthusiasts to Cole Park, where their vehicles were on display for all to enjoy. The event also attracted tourists to town that enjoyed the show, and all the San Luis Valley has to offer.

Kathy Wisdom, with the event said, "The festival has a positive economic impact on the Valley said Wisdom. "If you take just an average of two people per car, you've got a thousand people just coming into your community - not to mention everybody from the surrounding areas that come in all day Saturday or come in for Saturday night and just to see what's going on and go out."

Details regarding the winners of the festival and attendance figures will be in the Wednesday edition of the Valley Courier.



The event is a fundraiser for Alamosa Volunteer Search and Rescue (AVSAR), the mountain lifesaving group that works with the Alamosa County Sheriff's Office. Pictured here, AVSAR members assist at the Early Iron Festival. Sheriff Robert Jackson thanked AVSAR for providing security at the festival and for all the 'excellent' work the group does in the mountains.



Courier photos by John Waters

Marcus Irving and Teresa Fisher of Aurora, Colorado polish their 1960 Pontiac Bonneville. Fisher said this was their first time at the festival and that they had planned to attend since January.

In this 51' Chevy from Espanola, N.M., are Barry, **Sandy Trujillo** (front), and Gary and Molly Herrera. Barry Tru jillo is a pastor at **New Creations in** 



Christ Ministries in Espanola, N.M., and has been part of the Early Iron Festival for many years.



Alamosa High School Wrestling Coach Rusty Johnson is flanked by wrestlers as they volunteer to prepare tacos for hundreds of guests at the Early Iron Festival on Friday, Aug. 30.

# APD Det. **Bertsch** receives **Dale Ruff Protector Award**

**CONTRIBUTED** 

ALAMOSA — Alamosa Police Department Detective Brandon Bertsch was recently recognized by Tu Casa with the Dale Ruff Protector Award for his work and diligence in investigating a violent sexual assault that resulted in the perpetrator receiving a multi-decade prison sentence.

Detective Bertsch was nominated by 12th Judicial District Attorney Anne Kelly and staff from Tu Casa, Inc. for his work in holding a violent predator accountable.

The Dale Ruff Protector of Children Award was created in 2018 in honor and memory of the late Chief, Dale Ruff, of Sanford Police Department. Ruff is remembered as a supporter of the SLV Child Advocacy Center model and for his kindness toward those he served as a police officer.

The recipients of this award are nominated by

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# CRT production comes to the ASU stage

By ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY

Repertory Theatre production, "Prima's Guide on Sept. 10, 11, and 12

other two dates. The comedy by Leon-

ard Madrid was commis-

part of the Headwaters

New Play Program. Directed by Yesenia García **ALAMOSA** — Adams Herrington, it has proven State University Theatre to be a hit with audiences proudly hosts the Creede during CRT's 2024 summer season.

to Funerals," at 7 p.m. nerals" is about three cousins (primas), an urn, on the Theatre Building and one really long day. SLV Federal Bank Main It's the day of her mother's funeral and Arcie Tickets are currently is losing her grip. But on sale at theatre.adams. her cousins Nando and edu. The Sept. 10 per- Clara are having none formance is sold out, but of it. A fast-paced and tickets remain for the hilarious play set along the waters of the Rio Grande in the San Luis Valley of Southern Colosioned and produced as rado, "Prima's Guide to Funerals" tells the story

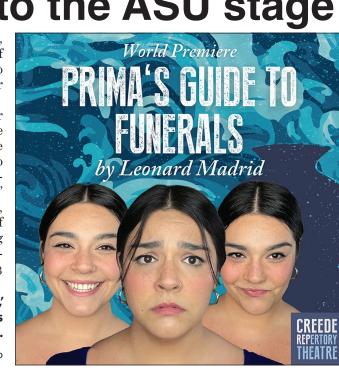
of family, laughter, grief, love, and finding yourself alongside the ones who know you the best: your primas.

"This is the second year "Prima's Guide to Fu- in a row that we have partnered with Creede Repertory Theatre to bring one of their productions to Adams State," said John Taylor, Ph.D., director of the School of Visual and Performing Arts. "It is a wonder-

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'Prima's Guide to Funerals,' takes the stage at Adams State University.

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# Record

# **Empowering aging in** Colorado talk on Sept. 10

CONTRIBUTED ALAMOSA — Spark the Change Colorado, a leading volunteerism nonprofit dedicated to service and community health, invites the public to its monthly event, "Spark Speaker Series: Empowering Aging in Colorado." The next event takes place at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Alamosa Senior Citizens Center.

The featured speaker will be Maria Kramer, Library Manager of the Alamosa Public Library, who will present, "What the Library Can Do For You." When people hear 'library', they think 'books'. Of course, they still have books, but the library offers technology help, 3D printing, a Telehealth Hub, and more. Learn about the resources and services available at your Alamosa Public Library!

Nancy Harris, Spark tion is necessary. the Change Colorado's about the benefits of volunteering in one's cominvolved with RSVP.



**Marie Kramer** 

Program (RSVP) of Alalocal expert speakers on ganizers stated. topics such as well-being, nutrition, volunteering, the series will be held memory, physical health, at 1 p.m. on the second In addition to Kram- and much more. All are Tuesday of the month in presentation, welcome and no registra- the Alamosa Senior Cen-

RSVP Manager for Ala- mind, a desire to learn the speaker series, or mosa County, will talk more about seniors and to become an RSVP voltheir well-being, and unteer, contact Harris with your own ideas of at nharris@sparkthechmunity and ways to get future topics and speak- angecolorado.org or 303ers. We will be gathering 867-0868.

Hosted by the Retired input from participants and Senior Volunteer at each of the events to determine what folks mosa County, the series from our senior commuaddresses issues pertain- nity are interested in ing to older adults and learning about through their health and features the monthly series," or-

Starting on Sept. 10, ter, 92 Colorado Ave. For "Come with an open more information about

# **OBITUARY**

# **Frances Margaret Kolisch** July 29, 1950 - Aug. 3, 2024

Margaret Frances Kolisch, 74, of Creede, Colo., passed away surrounded by loved ones on Aug. 3, 2024. She was born on July 29, 1950, and grew up in South Colo. Frances made Creede her home in 1970 and quickly became a valued member of the community.

shared a deep and enduring love with her husband of 54 years, Karl Kolisch. The two first met at a dance at the Community Center in South Fork in pact on the community. 1968, and according to Karl, it was Frances's sweet and kind nature — just like her mother's — that won his heart. Together, Karl and Frances built a beautiful life centered around their only and their beloved grandson, Bridger Johns. Francaring mother, a doting Nana to Bridger, a beloved Aunt and cherished friend. Her kindness, generosity, and unwavering love for her family will be remembered by all who knew her.

In addition to her family, Frances was passionate about her work help. Frances's warmth as a librarian at the Creede School, where she spent over three decades sharing her love of



books with countless stuin life was her family. She dents. Her warm and welcoming spirit made the library a special place for generations of children, and her dedication to education left a lasting im-

Frances had a green thumb and loved flowers. For several summers she worked at the 4UR Ranch taking care of the flowers and hummingbird feeders. She enjoyed teasing and chatting daughter, Karly Kolisch, with co-workers, kids, and guests.

ces was a devoted wife, a her sense of humor, love of nations be made to the practical jokes, and eventempered nature. She mal Society Conour Aniwas always ready with a smile, a hearty laugh, and a helping hand. Her kind-heartedness knew no bounds — whether you were a stranger or a missed by her family, close friend, she was always willing to offer her and generosity made her a treasured presence in the lives of everyone she encountered.

Frances also had a soft spot in her heart for dogs. The dogs of Creede knew they could always count on her for a treat, as she was rarely without a pocketful of goodies for her furry friends.

Frances is survived by her husband, Karl Kolisch; their daughter, Karly Kolisch (Johns); Johns; their grandson, Bridger Johns; and her nieces, Truley and Kebra Check, as well as many other nieces and neph-

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Herb Check, Jackie Mckenzie, Phelan Poage, and her parents, Joseph and Dorothy Check.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Sept. 7, at 11 a.m. at Sunnyside Chapel in Creede, Colo. In lieu of flowers, Frances was known for the family requests do-Upper Rio Grande Animal Shelter in Frances's memory, continuing her love of animals, especially dogs.

Frances will be deeply friends, and the entire Creede community. Her gentle spirit, love of life, and devotion to those she cared for will remain in the hearts of all who

# **Romero Funeral Home** celebrates 50 years with remodel

The Alamosa County Chamber of Commerce sponsored a ribboncutting at Romero Funeral Home on State Avenue in Alamosa on Aug. 30. In a statement the owners, the **Romero and Archuleta** families said, "Without the San Luis Valley residents believing in



the dream that started all this and continuing to trust in us to care for your loved ones we would not be here today. We are truly humbled and so grateful to you all! Thank you for allowing our family to care for your family since 1977. God Bless you all and thank you.'

# **Crestone Energy Fair** is set for Sept. 14-15

CRESTONE Luis Valley residents get ready, the 35th annual Crestone Energy Fair is

set for Sept. 14-15. This is

a full weekend event. According to the website, the fair is the longestrunning sustainability fair in the nation and includes a weekend of instructional presentations with informative speakers, community engagement, music,

vendors, and exciting home

tours. The event is a free event.

Broker, and owner of Mountainside Realty, and long-time event planner for the Crestone Energy Fair, Nick Navares spoke about the theme for the fair this year, and what people can expect from opening speakers at the Energy Fair.

We are doing something a little different this year, we are having a symposium called 'Rooting Forward,' which is our theme for this year. What it is about is that, especially here in Crestone, there's a lot of change happening. People are recognizing that the cost of living here is a lot lower than other places, but also the quality of life here is really good. Our first talk of the day is going to be a culmination of older, and them." newer members of the sustainable way, that isn't disruptive to the status quo, but also allows for that change to happen organically. That will be our first talk in the morning on Saturday."

Nevares also stated that this year the Energy Fair has really tried to focus on bringing in some amazing speakers.

Our headline speaker is Lloyd Kahn. He was named by the New York Times as the father of DIY, Do it Yourself Building. He is an innovator in tiny houses. He is going to be talking about living a more sustainable lifestyle through regenerative practices and things like that. We also have Tim White, who is with Texas Healthy Homes. Texas Healthy Homes, is showing people how to build more sustainably with hempcrete, and rammed earth, and things like that in Texas.

Nevares stated that it's like what is being done in Crestone, it's just done, and well known in the Texas environment.

Nevares also spoke about another speaker named George Whitten, and how his family and he practice Pastoralism.

"His family has been in the San Luis Valley since the early 1800s. They moved here, originally for what's called Pastoralism, which is using grazing animals, like sheep and cows, his family moved here and did that through ought the valley openly for about 100 years. He is continuing to carry on his family lineage of doing that. He is going to talk about the evolution of doing that, and the ways that we have changed and work with land and things like that.'

Nevares also spoke about an interactive workshop that would be taking place as something new this year at the fair, with a gentleman by the name of Diamond Mauriello.

"He has a 100-acre Permaculture farm up in Pagosa Springs. He has been a secret of ours for a number of years, and this year he is doing a multi tent activation, where he is going to teach you not only how to save seeds from plants you grow, but he's going to show you how to harvest them from different plants, and how to properly store

Nevares stated that community, talking about there is an importance in doing this, as when you use change into our lives in a your own seeds, they are acclimated to the environment you have had them

"They grow better this way. That's going to be a neat activation that we have."

Nevares stated that they are also going to have a few different ways for people to interact with the crew that is putting on the energy

"We are going to have an afterparty this year on Saturday Night at T-Road Brewing. They are sponsoring an after-party event. We are going to have a performance by a local band. In October we are also going to have a celebration event."

Nevares explained that every year they start from ground zero to raise the funds for the energy fair all year round, but this year they are going to hold a seated dinner party in October at the Dune Valley Distillery, to begin raising funds for next year's Energy Fair, too.

"I am going to be personally cooking a four course ing tickets right now on our website. We will be having bands, and things like that for the evening. So, it's like a nice dinner date night, but also a fundraiser for the Crestone Energy Fair, both as a celebration of what we have done, but also as a fundraiser for the next year too."

Nevares stated that he is hoping these added events will be successful as they will aid in the Energy Fair for next year with some startup money, and it will also be a way for people to engage with the energy fair crew, as they are extremely busy during the fair and not always able to engage and answer a ton of questions the way that they would like to.

The Crestone Energy Fair has been around for 35 years now and is always an amazing and educational event. As always there will also be home tours offered, of both finished and unfinished homes. Saguache County has always allowed different homes to be built without the restrictions that other counties have, Crestone has partaken in this way of natural life and has built some very impressive homes made from natural sustainable compounds.

The Energy Fair will also feature music, yoga, and art. The Fair is a huge celebration of sustainable living that everyone should consider attending. To register for home tours or for more information on all speakers, workshops, and activities available at the fair, visit Crestoneenergyfair.org.



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# **Conejos County Courthouse closure**



The Conejos County Courthouse remained closed on Saturday, Sept. 1, in the aftermath of a fire on Aug. 29 which consumed the auditor's office. At press time it remained unknown when the building would reopen. For information, call 719-376-5772.

# **Society Hall welcomes** famed Nashville singersongwriter Kim Richey

CONTRIBUTED

ALAMOSA - Society Hall is thrilled to bring Nashville No. 1 songwriter Kim Richey to Alamosa. Richey is widely known for her subtle yet moving songwriting and her luminous vocals. She will be accompanied by Billy Harvey on elec tric guitar.

The concert will be on Saturday, Sept. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Society Hall, 400 Ross Ave., Alamosa. The door will open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and are available online at www.societyhall.org and at the Green Spot, 711 State Ave., Alamosa. The concert will also stream live on the Society Hall Facebook page and You-Tube channel.

In January 2024, Richey found herself in Mexico, gazing out at a sea of people singing along to "I'm Alright," one of her classic tracks. The three folks on stage with the veteran, Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter were also raising their voices in harmony. To her right sat Brandi Carlile, to her left, Mary Chapin ney Foster ("Nobody Wins") and Trisha Carpenter, and Brandy Clark. The formidable foursome was participating in a songwriter's round only half-jokingly dubbed "Titans of Americana" at Carlile's female-forward Girls Just Wanna Weekend festival on the Riviera Maya in Mexico.

"That was nuts looking out and seeing everybody arm-waving and singing along," says Richey, still both incredulous and cheered by the memory of performing with that supergroup and later appearing alongside other Girls Just Wanna Weekend-ers Annie Lennox, Lucius, Allison Russell, and Sarah McLachlan among others. "It was just like, 'wow'!"

Richey is celebrating the release of her 10th studio album, titled "Every New Beginning." From her critically acclaimed self-titled 1995 debut to "Long Way Richey has consistently impressed listenand crystalline vocals, both of which have made her an in-demand collaborator.

Richey has penned No.1 hits for Rad-



Kim Richey will be performing on Sept. 7 at Society Hall in Alamosa.

Yearwood ("Believe Me Baby (I Lied)") the latter earning her a Grammy nomination for Best Country Song — as well as songs for Mary Chapin Carpenter, Patty Loveless, and Brooks and Dunn, among others. Her voice has graced scores of recordings, providing peerless harmonies, including Jason Isbell's watershed Southeastern, Trisha Yearwood's "Everybody Knows", "Heartbreaker" by Ryan Adams, Reba McEntire's "Starting Over", and "Has Been" by Capt. Kirk himself, William Shatner. Most recently Richey co-headlined that night of Brandi Carlile's Girls Just Wanna Weekend festival in Mexico, sharing the stage with a wide range of artists including Carlile — who cites Richey as a formative influence — Brandy Clark, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Annie Lennox, Allison Russell, and Sarah Back...The Songs of Glimmer" in 2020, McLachlan. She was also a special guest at Jason Isbell's annual Ryman Auditoers, garnered accolades, and attracted rium residency, sitting in to reprise her famous fans with her deft songwriting role for the anniversary performance of Southeastern. Richey is touring the US and Europe this spring in support of Every New Beginning.

Due to some spicy ets can be purchased at Branch but widely nicknamed "The Chile Line,"



Alamosa Police Department Detective Brandon Bertsch, second from left, was recently recognized by Tu Casa with the Dale Ruff Protector Award on Aug. 23.

### Award

■ Continued from Page 1 their peers and multi-dis-

ciplinary team members. This year, Tu Casa appropriately renamed this award as the Dale Ruff Protector Award, so we may honor the diligent work our law enforcement partners provide to both children and adult survivors throughout the San Luis Valley," organizers stated.

In recognizing Bertsch, Tu Casa, Inc noted the following,

ing the Alamosa area for tive Bertsch's dedication 10 years. Recently, Detective Bertsch investigated this survivor was able to an adult sexual assault case that resulted in convictions of a violent rape and assault with a multiple decade long prison sentence for the perpetrator. Detective Bertsch not only investigated this case ethically and with intention, but he offered the victim kindness and support throughout the entire process, reminding the victim of their worth "Detective and dignity, while mak-

Bertsch has been a law ing them feel safe and enforcement officer serv- valued. Because of Detecand passion for this case, obtain justice, reconnect with family and support systems, and graduate from substance abuse treatment successfully. The words of this survivor encapsulate what drives Detective Bertsch every day he serves his community: 'You literally saved my life. Thank you for protecting me. Thank you for sticking with me when I couldn't stick up for myself."

# History

■ Continued from Page 1 1880. New Mexico settlers settled Antonito and nearby communities under the 1842 Conejos Land Grant.

Participants were invited to post their opin-Antonito, Antonito?" Answers included: "Chili Line railroad built the

whole Valley.' Officially, the railroad

for the ristras hanging on pelled from Spain durthe houses along the line, ing the Inquisition in the railway (later reor- the mid-1400s, many ganized as the Santa Fe fled to Portugal, cen-Southern Railway) which ran between Alamosa and Espanola from 1887 and 1941, connecting to Santa Fe.

Other posts included "A generational commuions on "What has made nity with a lot of history." "Espinozas and Spanish Jews."

The last comment refers to the early Jewish settlers. According to was called the Santa Fe the Jewish Genealogical Society of Colorado, "When Jews were ex-

tral Europe, east to the 'New World' of Mexico, and Central and South America. Around 1571, the Spanish Inquisition came to the Americas. Many Crypto-Jews, as they are now called, moved to the northern reaches of the Spanish Empire, into what is now northern New Mexico and southern Colorado, to get as far away as possible from continued persecution."

■ Continued from Page 1 ful opportunity for our theatre students to be exposed to professional theatre and it brings award-winning tainment to Alamosa."

language and mature recommended for age 10 and older.

theatre.adams.edu. The themes, the production is in-person box office will open Sept. 2. Beginning on that date, the dis-Tickets are \$30 for counted tickets for facgeneral public, \$25 for ulty, staff, and students Adams State faculty and may be ordered through staff, and \$10 for Adams the Box Office at 719students. Tick- 587-8499.

# Lifesty

# 10 states where voters could decide on abortion directly

By ELISHA BROWN

Colorado Newsline After legal fights, counter-campaigns and bureaucratic wrangling all year long, as things stand today, abortion questions in 10 states are heading to ballots in November.

After abortion rights were upended federally in June 2022, Kansas voters got a chance to weigh in on a ballot measure that was something of a test balloon just a couple of months later. Defying expectations, nearly 60% of voters rejected an anti-abortion constitutional amendment.

Since then, voters in states with both conservative- and liberal-leaning electorates have either rejected abortion restrictions or secured the right to an abortion. The majority of these successful campaigns were spearheaded by coalitions of doctors, advocates and everyday people who disagreed with the Supreme Court's decision to upend federal abortion rights.

The issue was on the ballot in five states in November 2022. Americans in California, Michigan and Vermont enshrined the right to a host of reproductive health care services into their state constitutions during the midterms, while voters in Montana defeated a measure containing anti-abortion rhetoric and Kentucky voters soundly rejected an amendment seeking to declare that nothing in the state constitution guaranteed abortion rights.

Then, last year, faced with a Republican trifecta in state government where many lawmakers harbored anti-abortion Ohio positions, reproductive rights advocates took matters in their own hands and launched an effort to codify the right to abortion, contraception, fertility treatments, miscarriage management and pregnancy care.

roadblocks Despite thrown up by GOP officials who tried to increase the succeeded in November Nearly 57% of Buckeye State voters cast ballots in favor of reproductive rights.

officials else-Elected where are playing a role in thwarting abortion ballot petitions, too. Missouri's attorney general tried to push the state auditor to inflate the estimated cost of an initiative, and the secretary of state offered up ballot summaries that judges dismissed as partisan last year. (Abortionrights proponents are suing again over the same issue, Missouri Indepen-

dent reported.) In Arkansas, Republican Thurston refused to count all of the signatures for an abortion-rights ballot petition, citing technical paperwork errors, according to Arkansas Advocate. After a five-week legal battle — on the day of the deadline for Thurston to distribute certified ballots to counties — the state Supreme Court affirmed his position. Arkansans for Limited Government, the group behind the ballot measure, said the justices' recent 4-3 ruling silenced more than 102,000 people who signed on to the effort, the Advocate reported.

Another strategy being deployed by opponents: "decline-to-sign" campaigns popped up in Arkansas, Arizona, Missouri and South Dakota.

Democrats have pledged

to restore the right to an 2023 decision reaffirmed abortion nationally if they retain the White House and gain seats in Congress in the coming election, and Republican leaders have said they don't support a national ban.

Still, as things stand today, 10 states have confirmed abortion-rights abortion-rights questions for Nov. 5 ballots. Lawsuits to invalidate them are pending across the nation.

Arizona

15 weeks in Arizona, unless the patient's life is at risk. There are no exceptions for rape, incest or genetic abnormalities.

Proposition 139 will ask voters if they want to allow abortion up to fetal viability with exceptions later in pregnancy for the patient's life, or physical or mental health. The amendment would also prevent any penalties for someone who helps a person get an abortion. Arizona for Abortion Access is behind the initia-

Colorado

Abortion is legal throughout pregnancy in Colorado, but the state enacted a ban on public funds being used for abortions in 1984. Government employees' insurance does not cover abortion care.

Initiative 89, titled 'Right to Abortion," could that effectively repeal 40-year-old coverage ban if 55% of voters approve the amendment. Coloradans for Protecting Reproductive Freedom is leading the effort.

Florida

Abortion is illegal after six weeks in Florida with exceptions for rape, incest and to save the patient's

Amendment 4 would bar government interference in abortion access before fetal viability or when a provider deems the procedure necessary to save a person's health. Sixty percent of voters have to approve the measure, which wouldn't remove the parental notification requirethreshold for an amend- ment for minors seeking ment to be added to the abortions. Floridians Pro-Ohio Constitution, Issue tecting Freedom is behind

Maryland

In March 2023, the Democratic-controlled Legislature voted in favor of a referendum that put "Right to Reproductive Freedom Act" before voters this fall. Abortion is broadly legal in Maryland.

Question 1 would reify the right to "reproductive" freedom," including the right to make "decisions to prevent, continue, or end' a pregnancy. The proposed amendment would also prevent the state from interfering in the right for

the most part.

Missouri Abortion is only permit-Secretary of State John ted in Missouri for medical emergencies. Restrictions on clinics and providers hindered access in the state before the Dobbs decision, Missouri Independent reported.

> Amendment 3, if approved by a simple majority, would legalize abortion up to fetal viability with exceptions later in pregnancy to protect the life or physical or mental health of a pregnant person. It also states patients and providers cannot be prosecuted for abortion. Missourians for Constitutional Freedom is the political action committee behind the

initiative. Montana

A 1999 Montana Supreme Court ruling solidified abortion access based on the state's constitutional right to privacy, and a

the precedent, while also ruling that advanced practice nurses can provide abortions. Still, the Republican-controlled legislature advanced abortion restrictions, which are largely blocked by the courts, Daily Montanan reported.

CI-128 asks voters to further enshrine into the state's constitution the right to make decisions about one's pregnancy, including abortion up to fe-Abortion is illegal after tal viability, without government regulation. The amendment would include exceptions later in pregnancy to protect the life or health of the patients, as determined by providers. Montanans Securing Reproductive Rights headed the ballot effort.

Nebraska

A 12-week abortion ban was enacted last year. Protect Our Rights launched a campaign in November for an amendment that would expand access up to viability, as determined by a provider, with later exceptions for a mother's health.

Protect Women and Children announced a counter-effort in the spring for a competing constitutional amendment that would ban abortions after the first trimester (12-14 weeks), with later exceptions for rape, incest or the life of a mother. It would allow the legislature to pass stricter bans in the future.

If both questions make it to the ballot and both are approved by voters, the one with the most votes wins, Nebraska Examiner reported.

• Nevada

In 1990, Nevada voters secured the right to an abortion through 24 weeks of pregnancy, or later if the mother's life is at risk. Question 6 will ask voters to ensure similar rights constitutionally — making them harder for lawmakers to modify. If passed, this amendment would protect abortion access up to fetal viability, or later to protect the life or health of the patient, Nevada Current reported.

The coalition Nevadans or Reproductive Freedom behind the proposal, which will have to be approved twice — once this year and again in 2026.

Abortion is legal in New York up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, and abortions after that point must be approved by providers who decide whether a fetus is viable, or if a patient's life

New York

or health is at risk. Proposal 1, a legislatively referred referendum, asks voters if they want to add an equal rights amendment to the constitution. If approved, it would bar discrimination based on sex, including "pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes and reproductive health care and autonomy." Supporters say this would add protection for the right to an

abortion. South Dakota

Abortion is banned in South Dakota unless it's necessary to save a patient's life. Dakotans for Health led an effort to expand access.

Amendment G asks voters whether to ban legislators from regulating abortion until the end of the first trimester, allow regulations during the second trimester "in ways that are reasonably related to the physical health of the pregnant woman" and let the state prohibit abortion in the third trimester unless the procedure is necessary to save the life or health of a pregnant patient.

> **Brian Williams Managing Editor**

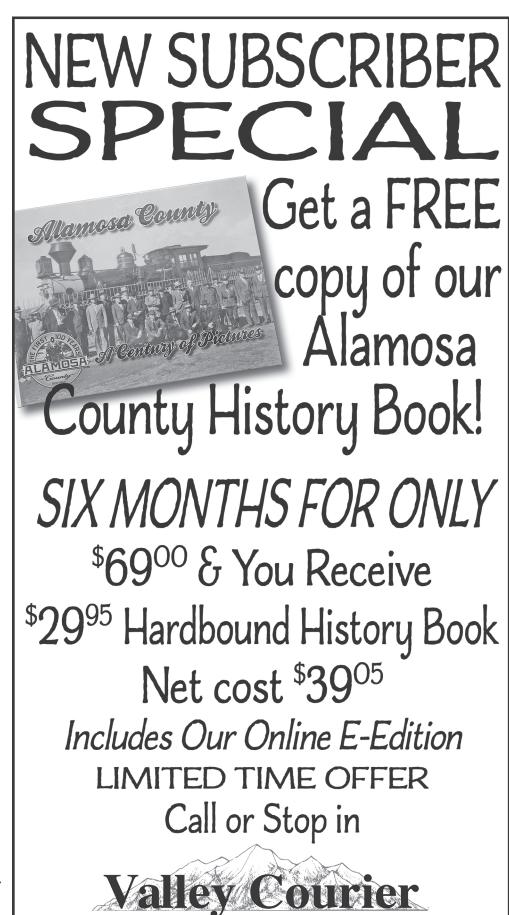
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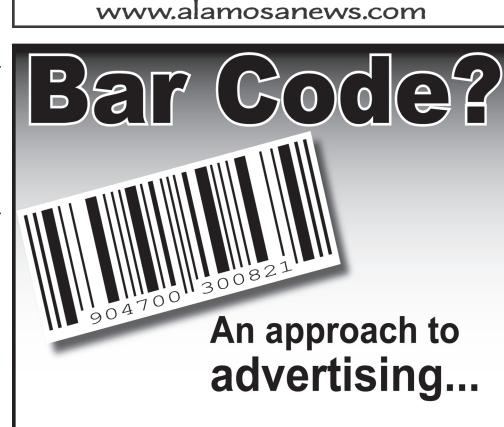
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# Early Iron

# Early Iron show and shine





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Cole Park was filled with classic vehicles of all shapes, sizes, makes and models, on Saturday during the annual Early Iron Festival in Alamosa, including a Cor-



vette, convertible and hardtop Impalas, Jaguar XK 150, a n d pickups, just to name a











# Lady Moose gymnasts take second at home meet

By KEN HAMRICK Courier sports editor

ALAMOSA - This past Saturday, the Alamosa High School girls gymnastics team was scheduled to host Pueblo Central and Canon City in the season opener. However, Canon City canceled its program this season, therefore the contest became a dual meet between the Lady Mean Moose and the Lady Wildcats.

Alamosa, however, came in second in the meet. Pueblo Central scored 167.775 points and the Lady Mean Moose 151.

Alamosa was led by Braelyn Martinez who finished sixth in the all-around standings with 31.6 points. She was third in the vault with 8.75 points, third on the floor exercise with 8.825, seventh on the uneven bars with 7.55, and ninth on the balance beam with 6.475.

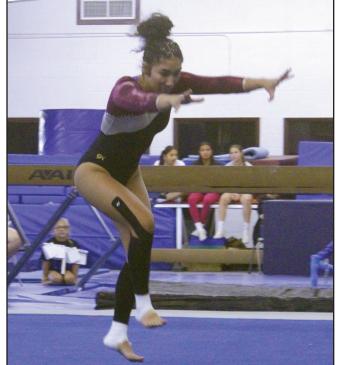
Next for the Lady Mean Moose was Leah Pintor with 30.925 in the all-around. That total included a sixth-place finish on the bars with 7.625 points, sixth on the beam with 7.1, seventh on the floor with 8.3, and ninth on the vault with 7.85.

Taylor Off scored 30.8 points in the all-around. She was fourth on the beam with 7.275, fifth on the vault with 8.3, ninth on the bars with 7.375, and ninth on the floor with 7.85.

 $Kianna\,Morales\,scored\,28.85\,points\,in\,the\,all-around.$ She was sixth on the vault with 8.25, eighth on the beam with 6.9, 10th on the bars with an even six points, and 10thy on the floor with 7.7.

Kenya Hostetter accumulated 27.675 all-around points and she was fourth on the vault with 8.65, ninth on the beam with 6.7, 11th on the bars with 5.225, and 11th on the floor with 7.1.

Rounding out the scoring for Alamosa was Chloe Kern



who scored 27 all-around points. She was seventh on the vault with 8.05, eighth on the floor with 8.05, 12th on the bars with 4.85, and 12th on the beam with 6.05.

Pueblo Central's Karlee Knabenshue was the allaround champion with 35.150. She also won three of the four events. She won the vault with 9.2, the uneven bars with 8.625 and floor exercise with 9.475. She was



Courier photos by Ken Hamrick

Left: Alamosa High School's Braelyn Martiez performs on the floor exercise in Saturday's home meet against Pueblo Central. Above: Leah Pintor on the uneven bars. The Lady Wildcats defeated the Lady Mean Moose 167.775-151.

also third on the balance beam with 7.85.

Pueblo Central's Ava Cozzetto won the beam with

The two teams will meet again this coming Saturday, this time in Pueblo. The meet begins at 10 a.m.

# High school football standings

### CLASS 2A INTERMOUNTAIN LEAGUE League Overall Team W-L W-L Montezuma-Cortez 2-0 0-0 Alamosa 1-0 0-0Pagosa Springs 1-0 0 - 0Bayfield 0 - 00-0 Gunnison 0-00 - 1Salida 0-0

Last week's scores Friday Alamosa 28, Monte Vista 8

Buena Vista 24, Salida 19 Eagle Valley 32, Gunnison 0 Montezuma-Cortez 54, Crownpoint (N.M.) 0

Pagosa Springs 42, Kirtland Central (N.M.) 27 Open date: Bayfield This week's schedule Friday

Banning Lewis Academy at Alamosa, 7 p.m. Bavfield at Aztec (N.M.), 7 p.m. Gunnison at Delta, 7 p.m. Pagosa Springs at Centauri, 7 p.m.

Saturday Strasburg at Montezuma-Cortez, 11 a.m.

Salida at Woodland Park, 7 p.m.

CLASS 1A SOUTI	H CENTRA	L LEAGUI
	League	Overall
Team	W-L	W-L
Centauri	0-0	1-0
Center	0-0	0-1
Del Norte	0-0	0-1
Monte Vista	0-0	0-1
Trinidad	0-0	0-1
Ignacio	0-0	0-2
Last week's scores		
Friday		
Alamosa 28, Monte V	ista 8	

Cedaredge 29, Ignacio 20

Centauri 33, Meeker 6 North Fork 46, Center 6 Olathe 47, Del Norte 6 Open date: Trinidad

This week's schedule Friday

Monte Vista at Rye, 7 p.m. Olathe at Center, 7 p.m. Pagosa Springs at Centauri, 7 p.m. Raton (N.M.) at Trinidad, 7 p.m. Open date: Del Norte, Ignacio

8-MAN MOUNTAIN LEAGUE									
	League Overa								
Team	W-L	W-L							
Dolores	0-0	1-0							
Dove Creek	0-0	1-0							
Norwood	0-0	1-0							
Sargent	0-0	1-0							

0-0

Last week's scores

Friday

Friday Dolores 59, Justce 8 Dove Creek 36, Plateau Valley 12 Melrose (N.M.) 50, Mancos 22

Mancos

Norwood 12, Havden 8 Sargent 48, Lake County 6 Saturday West Grand 28, Sanford 22 This week's schedule

Sedgwick County at Mancos, 2 p.m. Dolores at Monticello (Utah), 7 p.m. Hayden at Sargent, 7 p.m. Rangely at Dove Creek, 7 p.m. Saturday

Norwood at Vail Christian, 1 p.m. Sanford at Swink, 2 p.m.

	League	Overa
Team	W-L	W-L
Fowler	0-0	1-0
Walsenburg	0-0	1-0
Crowley County	0-0	0-1
Custer County	0-0	0-1
Hoehne	0-0	0-1
Sangre de Cristo	0-0	0-1

Thursday Simla 40, Hoehne 12

Fowler 33, Swink 22 Las Animas 49, Sangre de Cristo 24 Merino 60, Crowley County 14 Walsenburg 64, Lyons 36

Saturday Sedgwick County 58, Custer County 16 This week's schedule Friday

Hoehne at Sedgwick County, 4 p.m. Fowler at Simla, 7 p.m. Plateau Valley at Custer County, 7 p.m. Walsenburg at Las Animas, 7 p.m.

Sangre de Cristo vs. Soroco (at Buena Vista), 1 Open date: Crowley County

### 6-MAN SOUTHWEST LEAGUE

	League	Overall						
Team	W-L	W-L						
Branson/Kim	0-0	1-0						
Primero	0-0	1-0						
Sierra Grande	0-0	1-0						
Antonito	0-0	0-1						
Cotopaxi	0-0	0-1						
La Veta	0-0	0-1						
This week's schedule								

Thursday

Primero 73, Walsh 31 Friday

Kit Carson 62, La Veta 12 Manzanola 61, Antonito 19

Sierra Grande 46, Cheraw 34 Saturday Branson/Kim 55, Kiowa 7 Granada 67, Cotopaxi 7

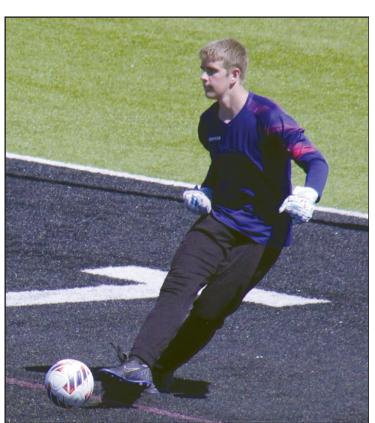
This week's schedule Thursday Cotopaxi at Walsh, 6 p.m.

La Veta at Kiowa, 7 p.m. Manzanola at Primero, 7 p.m

Saturday

Antonito at Bethune, 11 a.m. Granada at Branson/Kim, 11 a.m. Deer Trail at Sierra Grasnde, 4 p.m.

# Mean Moose soccer falls to Lamar



Courier photo by Ken Hamrick

Alamosa High School goalkeeper Todd Broyles kicks the ball away in Saturday's game against Lamar at the AHS stadium. The Mean Moose lost to the Thunder 2-0.

# **Sports Bulletin**

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

**SCOREBOARD THURSDAY** Prep girls softball Alamosa 9, Sierra 3 Prep girls volleyball

Center def. Crested Butte in three sets – scores not reported

Del Norte def. Ignacio 25-20, 12-25, 14-25, 25-19,

Sanford def. Monte Vista 26-24, 25-13, 25-15

### **FRIDAY Prep football**

Alamosa 28, Monte Vista

Centauri 33, Meeker 6 Las Animas 49, Sangre de Cristo 24

Manzanola 61, Antonito

North Fork 46, Center 6 Olathe 46, Del Norte 7 Sargent 48, Lake County

Sierra Grande 46, Cheraw 34

Prep girls volleyball Alamosa def. Longmont 25-20, 25-19

Alamosa def. Mountain View 28-26, 22-25, 15-12 Antonito def. Manzanola 25-17, 25-15, 28-26 Las Animas at Sangre de Cristo – no report

**SATURDAY Prep football** West Grand 28, Sanford

**Prep girls gymnastics** 

Pueblo Central 167.775. Alamosa 151

**Prep boys soccer** Lamar 2, Alamosa 0 Prep girls volleyball Centauri def. Delta 25-

18, 25-23, 26-24 def. Centennial Mountain Valley 25-18,

Center def. Manzanola 25-13, 25-20 Center def. Sierra Grande

in three sets – scores not reported Eaton def. Alamosa 22-

25, 25-9, 15-12 Kim/Branson def.

Centennial in two sets scores not reported Kim/Branson def. Mountasin Valley 25-19,

Niwot def. Alamosa 25-18, 25-17, 18-25, 25-20

Primero def. Center 25-20, 25-20 Primero def. Sierra

Grande 25-13, 25-10 Sangre de Cristo def. Crowley County 26-24,

Sangre de Cristo vs. Trinidad – no report Sangre de Cristo at Walsenburg – no report

Sanford vs. Gilpin County – no report Sanford def. West Grande 25-20, 18-25, 25-11, 25-20

**SCHEDULE TUESDAY** Prep boys soccer Manitou Springs at

Alamosa, 6 p.m. Prep girls softball Montezuma-Cortez at Alamosa (at Adams State),

Prep girls volleyball Alamosa at Pueblo County, 4 p.m. Buena Vista at Monte Vista, 6 p.m.



# 2023 Delinquent Property Tax **Information**

### **Real Estate Property**

- September 27, 2024 Advertising costs will be added
- October 4, 11, and 18, 2024 Property will be advertised in the Valley Courier
- November 19 and 20, 2024 Tax lien will be sold on the property at the 2024 Tax Lien Internet Auction

Alamosa County Treasurer's Office is currently undergoing a software conversion and our office will be closed from 9/9 to 9/13/2024. During this conversion it is possible we will lose the ability to print previous years tax statements, so please use our website (in October) to pull a previous year tax notice or call in October and we can email those previous years to you. www.alamosacounty.org or 719-589-3626

# **Public Notices**

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DESIGN BUILD SERVICES #2024-01 Town of Del Norte

Addition to Existing Town Hall/Railroad Depot Structure
Project: The Town of Del Norte is requesting bids from qualified and

licensed firm to provide Design Build Services for work at 140 Spruce Street, Del Norte, CO 81132 Scope of Work: Provide professional services to extend existing build-

ing to the east to create an enlarged dual-purpose Council Chambers/ Court Room that adjoins and includes Judges Chambers, Jury Room, Witness Waiting Room, Public Restrooms, and court records storage/ filing room. All component rooms as well as existing Town Offices must be lockable and provide privacy from General Public. The new exterior must be similar in quality and visually complimen-

tary to the existing historic building and will include moving existing ground mounted solar array onto the new roof.
Utility work will require extended electric service, water, wastewater,

exterior lighting, and cooling/heating into new addition.
Funding: Project is not fully funded currently and upon receipt of proposals will quickly go out for full funding via granting facilities as

Submittal Requirements: Submitters must have done an onsite visit with the Town Administrator for specific Q&E. All proposals must include detailed spec sheets, an approximate project timeline, approximate costs, references, list of similar completed work if available, and any other special requirements needed for the completion of the work

FYI: The Town of Del Norte is subject to any and all public notice and public information laws and requirements. If any information is proprietary, confidential, or needs legal protections, those conditions must be made clear in each document. Please submit both hard copy and electronic copies of the proposal to the Town of Del Norte.

For further information: please contact The Town of Del Norte, Town Administrator Bernadette Martinez at delnorte1860@o0utlook.com or at (719) 657-2708.

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Notice of Request for Proposal to Drill a Well
The Rio Grande Water Conservation District (District) is seeking proposals from qualified well drillers to drill a 20-inch, 220 foot deep confined aquifer well in Saguache County. Contact Chris Ivers at the District office at (719) 589-6301 for a BID packet with full details. Additionally, you can access this information online at www.rgwcd org. In your response, please include your qualifications to drill this type of well, a cost estimate for drilling the well, and your timeline for completing the project. Proposals will be accepted through 1:30 p.m. September 27, 2024 and may be submitted in person or by mail to 8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO, 81101, or by e-mail to chris@rgwcd.org.

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### OF 1041 WORK SESSION

The County of Conejos Board of Commissioners will conduct a work session at the Commissioners Board Room located at the Conejos County Court House, Conejos Colorado on September 4th at 5:30

Excel will have a presentation concerning Excel. 1041 work session will follow. Zooming will also be available, please send in your email address to linda@co.conejos.co.us or tressesa@co.conejos.co.us.
Work session will be held at the Commissioners Board room located at 6683 County Road 13, Conejos Colorado. Please use west door

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5:00 pm. (9/13/24) KINDERGARTEN PARAPROFES-SIONAL NEEDED: SARGENT SCHOOL DISTRICT is seeking a dedicated Kindergarten Paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year. If you're passionate about working with young learners, we'd love to hear from you! For more information and to apply, visit www.sargent.k12.co.us or call 719-852-4023. Application Deadline: 9/4/24 or until position is filled. EOE. (9/4/24)

LEAD TEACH-ER FOR IN-FANT CARE CEN-TER NEEDED at the UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. 150 days per year which includes all days that teachers are at school. 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. (9/24/24)

HEAD JU-NIOR HIGH GIRLS' VOLLEY-BALL 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. (9/24/24)

### 221 -HELP WANTED

THE TOWN OF LA

JARA is accepting applications for POLICE CHIEF. The success ful candidate shall plan and administer the law enforcement program and activities of the town and do related work as required. Minimum qualifica-tions include a degree in law enforcement, Colorado POST Certification, and extensive and increasingly responsible experience in law enforcement work including supervisory experience. Thorough knowledge of the principles, problems and techniques of municipal police administration; thorough knowledge of the technical and operating practices and methods of law enforcement and crime prevention. Must have ability to handle firearms and maintain certification and firearms proficiency in accordance with Colorado POST regulations. Applicants must complete a background check, drug screening and have a current psychological evaluation. The Town of La Jara offers a competitive compensation package that includes health, dental and vision insurance; retirement through FPPA; and paid time off. Salary range from \$55,000 to \$65,000. Applications may be picked up at La Jara Town Hall, 221 Broadway. Appli-cations accepted until

filled. (9/4/24)DEL NORTE HIGH SCHOOL is seeking a qualified ASSIS-TAÑT VOLLEYBALL COACH for the 2024 volleyball season. The individual would be responsible for developing the junior varsity program and assisting the varsity coach in all aspects of the high school volleyball program. If interested, please email Gilbert (Gibbs) Sanchez, Del Norté Jr/Sr High School Athletic Director at gsanchez@ urtigers.co or contact him at 719-657-4020. (9/13/24)

FULL-TIME MAIN-TENANCE & GROUNDS POSI-TION open at the UP-PER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. Applicant must pass a background check and be able to work independently, be a forward-thinking indi-vidual with an overall team approach to all tasks at hand. Applicant must also be able to work in all weather conditions (snow removal/ general land-scaping). If interested, please contact Demo Trujillo, 719-657-4040 x4007, dtrujillo@urtigers.co. Applications can be retrieved online at: www.urtigers. co.(9/13/24)

JR/SR HIGH LAN-GUAGE ARTS TEACHER needed at DEL NORTE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree or higher and possess or be able to obtain a Colorado Teaching License with a secondary Language Arts endorse-ment. Please submit your application, resume, and cover letter to: Annie Hardy, DNHS Principal at ahardy@ urtigers.co or contact Mrs. Hardy at 719-657-4020. Applications can be picked up at the District Office or online. (9/13/24)

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co (9/13/24)

WOLF CREEK SKI AREA is hiring an ACCOUNTING AS-SISTANT. Those with Bookkeeping, Accounting, Clerical or Human Resources experience are encouraged to apply. The office is located at the Ski Area located on top of Wolf Creek Pass and requires commuting throughout the winter months. This position offers ski-ing privileges and the compensation starts at \$24 per hour depending on experience. Please email resume to: Payroll@WolfCreekSki.

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### 221 -HELP WANTED

WOLF CREEK SKI AREA is accepting applications for ALL DE-PARTMENTS: lifts, ski school, base operations, food & beverage/bakers & baristas, rental, retail, ticket office, snow reporting/guest services, ski patrol, grooming, snow removal, custodial building maintenance, and a freelance photographer. To download an application and see job descriptions please visit the employment page of WolfCreekSki. com. Send resumes and applications to wolfcreekski@wolfcreekski.com or P.O. Box 2800, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. All jobs are winter seasonal (November - April) with skiing privileges. Starting wage of \$18/hour with merit increases based on performance and experience. (10/30/24)

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ADAMS STATE UNI-VERSITY is looking for candidates to fill the position of BUDGET ANALYST within the Business and Finance department. You can apply https://adams. wd1.myworkdayjobs. com/en-US/ASU/details/Budget-Analyst\_ R188. We look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions please reach out to our Human Resources department 719-587-7990. (9/4/24)

WOLF CREEK SKI AREA is hiring a Full-Time STAFF AC-COUNTANT. Those with Bookkeeping, Payroll, Accounts Payable or public accounting experience are encouraged to apply. Familiarity with Microsoft Excel is preferred. Attention to detail, and organizational skills are required. The office is located at the Ski Area located on top of Wolf Creek Pass and requires commuting throughout the year. This is a year-round position, with longer hours during the winter operating months, and a shorter work week in the summer months. This position offers ski-ing privileges and the compensation starts at \$34 per hour depending on experience. Full slate of insurance benefits and PTO available after a probationary period. Please email resume to: Payroll@Wolf-

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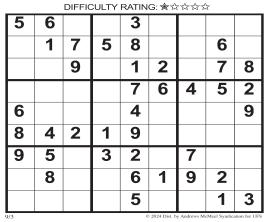
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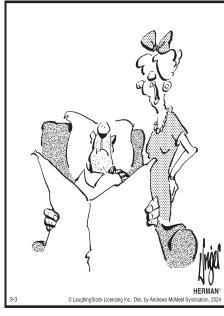
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"Dad, if you let me have a credit card, I swear I'll never use it."

# Wife endures wild swings in husband's personality

DEAR ABBY: Eight years ago, my husband of 26 years had a stroke, and his personality changed. He was difficult to deal with, but, with time, his old personality came back, and things got bet-

Two years ago, he finally kicked a longtime prescription drug habit. Our finances improved almost overnight (for which I am grateful), but his personality changed again. This change has been neither pleasant nor easy to deal with. Some days, he gets angry with me for talking to him about even the simplest things, like traffic or the weather.

Don't get me wrong - I don't want him to go back to abusing drugs, but I want my best friend back. For at least a year now, I've been begging him to go to marriage counseling with me. He says he will but has put no effort into finding a counselor. He grew up in the small town we live in, so I want him to choose the counselor because I may accidentally choose someone he knows and doesn't want to talk to.

I'm afraid he will never make an appointment, so should I just find a counselor for myself? I don't want to throw away 26 years of marriage, but some days, all I think about is running away. -- SADDENED ON THE EAST COAST

DEAR SADDENED: I don't know what could be the cause of your husband's anger, and neither will you until you get to the bottom of it. Do not allow the fact that he is stalling prevent you from consulting a licensed marriage and family therapist.

Compile a list of counseling services not only in vour town but also some neighboring communities. Once you have the names, show the list to your husband and ask if he knows any of them. Then make an appointment for both of you with one or MORE therapists and interview them. If he refuses to accompany you, go on your own.

DEAR ABBY: Not long ago, my husband replaced the key entry lock on the front door of our house with a digital one. Ever since, the door does not latch when you go in or out. (It "bounces" and doesn't catch.) I've told him it needs to be fixed, but he insists I need to "just pull it." Abby, this door always latched before. Workers come in and out of the house, and

I'm very concerned. My husband is fighting me tooth and nail on this



# ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

for some odd reason, and I'm ready to leave him. I told him I will get the door fixed (on his credit card) if he doesn't do it. He still refuses. I'm done! I want a secure front door. What the hell is wrong here? We've been married 40 years. Do you recommend a divorce attorney? -- UNSAFEIN TEXAŠ

DEAR UNSAFE: I do not recommend a divorce attorney. You deserve to feel safe in your own home. Stop fighting with your husband, become proactive and get the darn door fixed. Because he won't help, remember the adage, "If you want something done right, do it yourself," then step forward and take charge.

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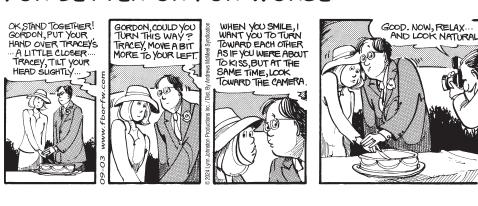
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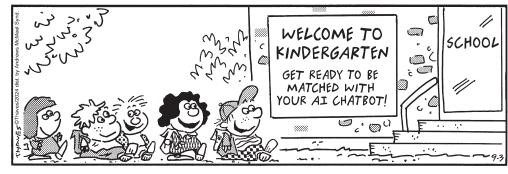
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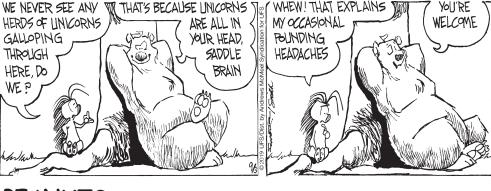
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