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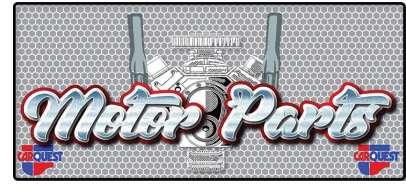
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Free COVID tests from the federal government Vaccines are a different story

By PRISCILLA WAGGONER
Courier Reporter

ALAMOSA — A federally funded program that provides free COVID tests delivered straight to people's mailboxes is in place again, just in time for that time of year when viruses are most prevalent.

Under the program, every household in the nation is allotted four free rapid antigen tests that can test for the most recent variant, and the ordering process is simple.

Go the website <https://covidtests.gov> and click on the box that says, "Order free at home tests." That will then take you to the U.S. Postal page dedicated to ordering the test. For those who would prefer a different way of ordering, a number is also listed where people can request the tests over the phone. Anyone who wants to track their order can do so by providing their email address in the box on the U.S. Postal site.

After the form has been completed, click on the "Check Out Now" box. Since there is no fee for the tests or handling, the total will be \$0. A pop-up will appear, so simply click on "Place my order" and the process is complete.

Each household is limited to four tests so re-ordering through the federal program is not possible.

COVID vaccines – both the Pfizer and Moderna – are now available at pharmacies, as well. But, unlike in the past, they are no longer free.

As a pharmacist at Safeway explained, almost any kind of insurance coverage will usually pay for the vaccine, but those with no insurance whatsoever will be looking at having to pay out of pocket.

After calling several pharmacies in Alamosa, the cost of the vaccine – without a discount – is about \$200 but, as the Safeway pharmacist also explained, the website www.goodrx.com has coupons available to lower the price.

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Center police chief and brother charged with theft

Both were placed on administrative leave

CONTRIBUTED CENTER — Twin brothers and sworn officers of the Center Police Department have both been charged with theft, according to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. CPD Chief

Aaron Fresquez and his brother Sgt. Adam Fresquez were both issued summons for theft, while Chief Fresquez was also cited with a misdemeanor count of official misconduct.

The allegations are that the 35-year-old brothers operated a private K-9 training business during their on-duty hours using city resources. The two men allegedly trained K-9 dogs for other police agencies and

then pocketed the training proceeds that should have gone to the Town of Center.

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Center Police Department Police Chief Aaron Fresquez, pictured, and his twin brother Sgt. Adam Fresquez were both charged with theft, according to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. The Town of Center has placed the brothers on administrative leave.



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2025 city budget: \$46.9M in revenue, \$53.7M in expenditures

Difference was planned for years in advance

By PRISCILLA WAGGONER
Courier Reporter

ALAMOSA — The 2025 budget for the City of Alamosa breezed through the vote on first reading during Wednesday night's meeting of the Alamosa City Council and a similar response is anticipated when the ordinance goes up for the final vote

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Courier photo by Priscilla Waggoner

Alamosa City Manager Heather Sanchez briefed council members on the 2025 budget during Wednesday night's meeting.

Council gives the green light to pay raise on first reading

By PRISCILLA WAGGONER
Courier Reporter

ALAMOSA — During their Wednesday night meeting, members of Alamosa's city council gave unanimous approval on first reading to Ordinance 25-2024, an ordinance "amending the established pay plan city officer and employees". If passed on second reading, the ordinance will raise employee pay in 2025 by 4.2% for cost of living adjustment (COLA) with a potential additional 0% to 4% performance pay raise for those who are performing notably well in

their positions.

As described in the communication to councilors prior to Wednesday night's meeting, while the Council reserves the right to amend this ordinance, the ordinance directs the City Manager to fix salaries within these ranges. Without formal council approval, the City Manager does not have the authority to pay someone outside the established pay range.

Since completing a 2021 salary study that showed the city was falling behind other similar municipalities in its compensation package, the city's philosophy is now two-fold.

The first part involves continuing to do a merit increase for select employees based on a pay-for-performance annual evaluation. Traditionally, as budget allows, the merit increase is up to 4% and has averaged out to a 3% budget impact. Last year, the budget allowed for a 4% merit with an estimated 3% budget impact.

The second part of the compensation philosophy is to make a concentrated effort to keep the city's pay grades aligned with the market value by adjusting all pay grades with a cost of living adjustment (COLA). This COLA is based

on a five-year average of the consumer price index (CPI). This year that average is 4.2% for a COLA. Last year the five-year average of the CPI for a COLA was 4% and the budget allowed for a 4% COLA.

With progressively larger year-after-year minimum wage increases already planned by the state through the end of the decade and municipalities typically experiencing the lowest retention rates compared to the private sector, city staff feels that it is important to continue to follow the compensation philosophy - when the

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Peoples Market opening is now set for November

By JOHN WATERS
Courier News Editor

SAN LUIS — The historic market in San Luis, formally known as the R&R Market, is undergoing renovation and has postponed reopening. According to Dr. Devon Pena, the owner of the building, the Acequia Institute recently discovered mold, and its removal has pushed back the opening until "sometime in November."

The market opened in 1857, almost two decades before Colorado became a state, and was operated by generations of the Romero family until they sold it to the institute in 2022. In 2023, after discovering asbestos

and lead-based paint, the market closed pending cleanup.

Recently, after asbestos removal, the market planned to open in July. The opening was set for late October, and now, it is set for November.

Next week, the Valley Cr will have more on the market and the progress that has occurred on the extensive renovations completed to date.

Devon Pena, who is directing renovations of the former R&R Market in San Luis, is standing next to part of an original wall that was constructed in 1857. The original wall is to the right above the fan.

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Great Sand Dunes newest Chief Ranger is Zachary Parkes

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MOSCA — The National Park Service welcomes new Chief of Visitor and Resource Protection Zachary Parkes at Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve. The selection was made earlier this year by Superintendent Andrea Compton.

Chief Parkes is a 15-year National Park Service-veteran serving previously at Dinosaur National Monument and Everglades National Park. Most recently he served as Law Enforcement Supervisor for field staff at Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve. Parkes will now lead the Visitor and Resource Protection division in law enforcement, emergency medical services, search and rescue, special use permits and commercial use authorizations.

He had previously served as a supervisor at Dinosaur National Monument and a field training officer during his time at Everglades National Park.

Parkes has a master's degree in Parks and Resource Management from Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.

Parkes is excited to be in this new



Courtesy photo

Zachary Parkes is the newest Great Sand Dunes Chief Ranger.

role and strengthen the relationships with surrounding agencies and communities. He is committed to promoting responsible recreation while balancing the needs of preservation and enjoyment.



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Trinidad State College (TSC) recently marked a milestone, celebrating 30 years as a designated Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI). The week-long celebration in Alamosa, pictured, and Trinidad coincided with National HSI Week.

Trinidad State College celebrates 30th anniversary as HSI

Contributed TRINIDAD and ALAMOSA—Trinidad State College (TSC) recently marked a milestone, celebrating 30 years as a designated Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI). The week-long celebration in Alamosa and Trinidad coincided with National HSI Week, honoring the college's ongoing commitment to fostering educational opportunities for Hispanic students and supporting the diverse communities it serves in southern Colorado.

The celebration kicked off on Tuesday, September 10, with a special film screening of *Ceniceiro*, a powerful documentary by documentarian Rick Vigil that explores the history of southern Colorado's Hispanic communities. Vigil himself was present to speak about the film, sharing his insights on the cultural heritage of the region. Attendees engaged in a dynamic discussion, reflecting on how local history has shaped the present-day experience of TSC's students and faculty.

On Wednesday, TSC hosted a "Lunch-n-Learn" session that brought together a panel of distinguished alumni. These alumni, many of whom benefitted directly from the support systems and programs funded through HSI grants, shared their experiences at TSC and how the college played a key role in their personal and professional success.

September 12 saw a community celebration at TSC's Alamosa Campus. The event featured lively performances from Mariachi San Luis, as well as a traditional dance performance by Semillas de la Tierra, bringing the rich cultural heritage of the region to life. Similar celebrations continued on Friday at the Trinidad campus, with both events drawing students, faculty, staff, and community members together

to honor TSC's legacy as a Hispanic-Serving Institution.

• History of Hispanic-Serving Institutions in the U.S.

The term Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) was formally defined in 1992 under the Higher Education Act, as part of a federal initiative aimed at providing greater educational access to Hispanic and low-income students. Institutions are designated as HSIs if at least 25% of their undergraduate full-time student population identifies as Hispanic. Today, over 500 colleges and universities across the U.S. hold the HSI designation, collectively serving more than 2 million Hispanic students. Currently 44% of Trinidad State College's students identify as Hispanic.

The HSI designation has not only helped institutions like Trinidad State secure federal funding but also established them as pillars of support in their communities, fostering educational success for Hispanic students and creating pathways for underserved populations.

• Impact of HSI Funding on Small, Rural Colleges

For small, rural colleges like Trinidad State, HSI funding has been transformative. Located in a largely rural region of Colorado, TSC serves a population that might otherwise have limited access to higher education. The funding provided through HSI grants has allowed the college to develop programs that address the unique challenges faced by first-generation students and those from economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

These grants have enabled TSC to improve student retention, enhance academic support services, and offer scholarships to students who might not otherwise be able to afford a college education. The ad-

ditional resources have also funded professional development for faculty and staff, ensuring that they are equipped to meet the needs of an increasingly diverse student body.

"Our HSI designation and the funding we've received over the years have allowed us to expand opportunities for students and build stronger ties with the community," said Victoria Martinez, Director of Title V for Trinidad State College. "We are deeply proud of our history as an HSI and remain committed to helping all students succeed."

• Looking to the Future

As Trinidad State College celebrates its 30th anniversary as an HSI, it remains focused on continuing to serve its diverse student population. The events of National HSI Week were not just a reflection on the past but also a look toward the future — a future in which TSC continues to grow as a leader in Hispanic education and community engagement.

For students like Brayan Florez, a first-generation college attendee, TSC represents more than just a place to earn a degree. "My experience at Trinidad State College has been very welcoming and fun. Being part of any race that are typically minorities, in my case Mexican, can be hard at times."

As TSC moves forward, the legacy of its HSI designation will remain at the core of its mission: to provide access to quality education and promote the success of all its students, especially those from underserved communities.

Celebrating 70 wonderful years!

Friends and family are invited to honor Ann Ross on her milestone 70th birthday! Please join us for an open house on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Living Water Church, 2910 Clark St., Alamosa. Come share in the joy as we celebrate seven decades of stories, laughter and wonderful memories!



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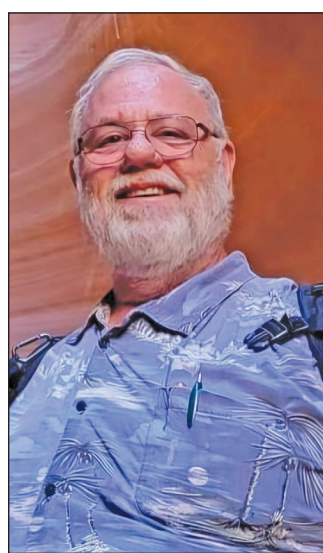
OBITUARY

Mark Colman

Mark Colman, 63, of Alamosa, Colo., passed away on June 28, 2024. He was enjoying the freedom of flight when his plane crashed in Big Creek, Idaho and he succumbed to a fatal injury as a result.

Mark was born in Newfoundland, Canada on June 24, 1961. He was married to Becky on Feb. 8, 1980; they were married 44 years.

Mark entered the Air Force in 1980, where he served proudly for 12 years and then as a civilian contractor before he moved to Alamosa in 1998 to join his father running Depot Avionics, Inc. He worked there for 7 years before taking over



as owner and operator with his wife for an additional 19 years. His passion was flying, teaching, and people.

Mark is survived by his wife, Becky, his chil-

dren, Douglas (Rebekah) and Christina (Justin), as well as his father, Robert (Peggy), brother, Steven (Melissa), and uncle, Bruce (Margaret). Mark is preceded in death by his mother, Eleanor.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations will be collected to form a scholarship fund to expand the joy of flying to aspiring pilots. Donations may be given to Christina Colman, email MarkColman-MemorialScholarship@gmail.com for more information.

A Memorial for Mark will be held at Depot Avionics, the address is 2550 State Ave., Alamosa, CO 81101 in the Hanger on Oct. 12, 2024, at 9 a.m.

PENDING OBITUARIES

Sunemaura Obrien

Alamosa resident Sunemaura Obrien passed away Oct. 4, 2024. Arrangements are currently pending and will be announced through Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Juanita P. Gutierrez

Alamosa resident Juanita P. Gutierrez was called home Oct. 3, 2024. Arrangements are pending and will be announced soon through Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Rebecca A. Watson

Alamosa resident Rebecca A. Watson, 72, passed away on Oct. 3, 2024, at Evergreen Nursing Home. Services are pending and will be announced through Rogers Family Mortuary in Alamosa.

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Valley News

A kaleidoscope of changing colors this weekend

Bu JOHN WATERS
Courier News Editor

ALAMOSA — Fall foliage thought the region is exploding now.

A recent easy walk on the

Mountville Trail in Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve was a walk through an aspen and cottonwood forest alive with color.

The Mosca Pass Trail to

higher elevations has wonderful colors. At these higher elevations, leaves are starting to fall.

According to the park service, “Higher-elevation aspens above the dunes have now peaked at the end of September and are beginning to drop their leaves as we transition into October. Lower-elevation trees around the visitor center and sand dunes area, including aspens, cottonwoods, three-leaf sumac, and red osier dogwood, are already changing quickly and may peak around the second week of October.”

The annual phenomenon of cooler temperatures and decreased sunlight has induced chlorophyll breakdown of leaves. The leaves have turned from green to red, yellow, and orange are

in full swing and near peak.

American Naturalist John Burroughs captured this transition as, “Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.”

The aspen is at a peak now along the Zapata Lake Trail and can be seen within the first two miles of this trail.

Elsewhere on the Rio Grande National Forest, along the Willow Lake, North Crestone Lake and South Crestone Lake trails, colors are peaking between 9,000 and 10,500 feet in elevation.

Further north along the Marshall Pass Road near Poncha Pass, the forest is ablaze in color. From Highway 285, this dirt road suitable for 4x4 or all-wheel drive vehicles is a 12-mile drive through color. Beyond the pass the road continues down to Sargents and Highway 50.



Colors abound along the Montville Nature Trail in Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve.



Courier photos by John Waters

Fall foliage along the Marshall Pass Road on the San Isabel National Forest.

Council

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budget allows - so as not to fall behind. This philosophy helps support their recruitment and retention efforts by staying competitive with the market.

The overall budget impact of the proposed pay raise and associ-

ated performance pay raise is approximately 7.2%.

In its conclusion to council members, the communication (written by city staff) read: The City recognizes the value of its employees and the importance to stay consistent with our compensation philosophy and pay employees as close to market value

as budget allows. Approving the attached ordinance on first reading allows the city to follow the compensation philosophy and stay competitive within the market for recruitment and retention.

A second reading of the ordinance, allowing public comment, is on the agenda for the October 16 meeting.



Courier photo by Priscilla Waggoner

Members of Alamosa City Council follow along as City Manager Heather Sanchez details the city budget for 2025. Pictured left to right: Councilor Carson, Councilor Liz Hensley, Councilor Jackie Vigil, Mayor Ty Coleman, Councilor Jan Vigil and Councilor Jamie Dominguez.

Budget

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at the October 16 meeting.

As City Manager Heather Sanchez explained to council members in her presentation, the city is focused on five key areas – housing, public safety (including police and fire), infrastructure, economic development and recreation.

If the amount of funding allocated in the budget is the measuring stick for the importance of an area, excluding grants, public safety and street maintenance require the greatest investment. But Sanchez was quick to qualify that focus on those key areas goes far beyond budget allocations. “Those are the areas where the majority of attention, energy, discussion, ‘brain power’ and planning are invested by staff and city council on a

regular basis.”

Reading about budgets can be a real snoozer, so what follows is the most basic breakdown for what people might want to know and what the city’s coffers will look like in 2025.

Based on average increases over a ten-year period, sales tax revenue is projected to increase 2.5% over current year estimates.

The budget includes a pay raise for city employees with, based on the five-year Consumer Price Index average, a 4.2% cost-of-living (COLA) increase. Some employees whose performance warrants an additional pay raise may earn anywhere from 0 to 4% on top of that 4.2%. Performance pay raises have been rewarded by the city in the past but, Sanchez says, the average increase is usually in the area of 3% and not the 4% maximum allowed.

Additional full-time employee positions have been created and several part-time positions have been transitioned to full-time. Specifically, a third Water Waste/Water Technician for the utilities division has been added, a Streets Seasonal Maintenance Worker position has been changed to a full-time position (eliminating the seasonal position), a fifth Police Sergeant position, which will be administrative, has been created and the Court/Clerks Administrative Assistant position has been changed from part time to full time to provide administrative support to Human Resources and Risk Management.

The cost of transitioning to full time or creating additional full time positions including salary and benefits for the Water/Wastewater Technician is \$69,498, the Streets Maintenance Worker is

\$63,189, the Police Sergeant is \$97,437 (without patrol car) and the Administrative Assistant \$22,048.

The totality of these changes (COLA, Pay for Performance, New Positions, etc.) impacts the 2025 budget by \$1,047,286.

The cost of providing health and vision insurance coverage are projected to stay the same while dental coverage will increase by 4.75% in 2025.

For background information, excluding grants, the city gets revenue from five different sources – the General Revenue fund, the Enterprise fund, the Streets Trust fund, the Community Recreation fund and a series of other smaller funds used for accounting purposes.

Revenue (money coming in) from all these funds is expected to total \$46,954,155 in 2025. Expenditures (money going “out”) is expected to total

\$53,726,443.

The difference between the two figures - \$6,772,288 - is not a shortfall but instead an amount that was planned for over the past 10 years as major capital improvement projects get scheduled for completion.

There are also some major projects on tap for the city, some of which will be funded with grants, others with city revenue and still others where there is no net impact to the city budget as the city will serve as the “pass through” for grant funding.

Those large projects include Second Street Reconstruction (funded by the Streets Trust fund), Lakeview Avenue (funded by the General fund), Hunt Avenue (funded with grants), Water Augmentation (funded from money from the Water fund), Murphy Sewer Lift Station (funded from the Wastewater fund), Master Stormwater Utility (also funded from the Water fund), Downtown Alley Project (grants), Facility improvements

& vehicles (various funds), New Solid Waste Shop (grants), Carroll Park Dog Park and Full Wheelchair Swing @ Cole Park (both funded from the Community Recreation fund) and CRHDC & Boyd School Housing plus the Early Childhood Education Center, which are pass throughs.

City council was unanimous in their support of the 2025 budget and praised city staff for the amount of time, energy and attention to detail required in pulling it together. It was also noted that the public had several opportunities to weigh in on the budget as it was being compiled with one more opportunity to provide public comment during the October 16 meeting prior to the final vote being held.

For more detailed information go to the city council website at www.cityofalamosa.org, click on meeting agendas, then the attachments that are a supplement to Ordinance 24-2024 making the annual appropriations for the year 2025.

Charges

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The charges follow a yearlong investigation by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) at

the request of the 12th Judicial District Attorney. The 12th Judicial District Attorney’s Office has requested the 6th Judicial District Attorney’s Office act as special prosecutors to

avoid any conflict of interest.

Both men were given summons to appear in the 12th Judicial District Courthouse at a later date.

The Town of Center

has placed the brothers on administrative leave. In the meantime, the city has appointed Lt. Eidy Guaderama to the position of Intern Chief.

This remains an active and open investigation.

Tests

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That website will also list the price of the vaccine at all the major pharmacies, including Walgreens,

Safeway, City Market and Walmart. Depending upon which pharmacy is chosen, the price will range from \$154 to \$188.

Symptoms of the new variant (dubbed XEC) are similar to previous variants

– sore throat, running nose, sneezing and muscle aches – but some who have been infected with XEC are also experiencing GI symptoms, such as stomach pains and diarrhea.

As has been true with

COVID since the beginning, health care professionals are advising that anyone who is feeling sick should stay home from work or school to avoid spreading whatever the virus may be to others.

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<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Through November 1, 2024</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Cloyde Snook Gallery: <i>Cleverly Laid Plans</i> by James Fuller</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Hatfield Gallery: <i>Den Eye Photo</i> by Dennis Schoenfelder</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Gallery Hours: 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday</p>						

Opinion

LETTERS

GFWC Women's Citizenship Club thanks community for support

Editor,

The GFWC Woman's Citizenship Club members would like to take this opportunity to thank the community, including the Alamosa Safeway Store, for supporting our most successful GFWC National Day of Service (NDS) by helping us collect 982.1 pounds of food and \$140 in cash for the La Puente's Food Bank Network of the San Luis Valley.

The 2024 GFWC National Day of Service focused on food insecurity and hunger. The Woman's Citizenship Club used this opportunity to raise public awareness and gather the resources necessary to help those in need. We also thank the Valley Courier and John Waters for publishing our articles and helping us get the word out about our GFWC National Day of Service and this community service project.

The GFWC Woman's Citizenship Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and is united in its dedication to volunteer community service. The GFWC National Day of Service spotlights an area of need in communities across the nation and around the world to bring about positive change. Once again, thank you all for your generosity!

Theresa Rudder
NDS Project Coordinator
Woman's Citizenship Club



Gob smacked by billboard on Highway 17

Editor,

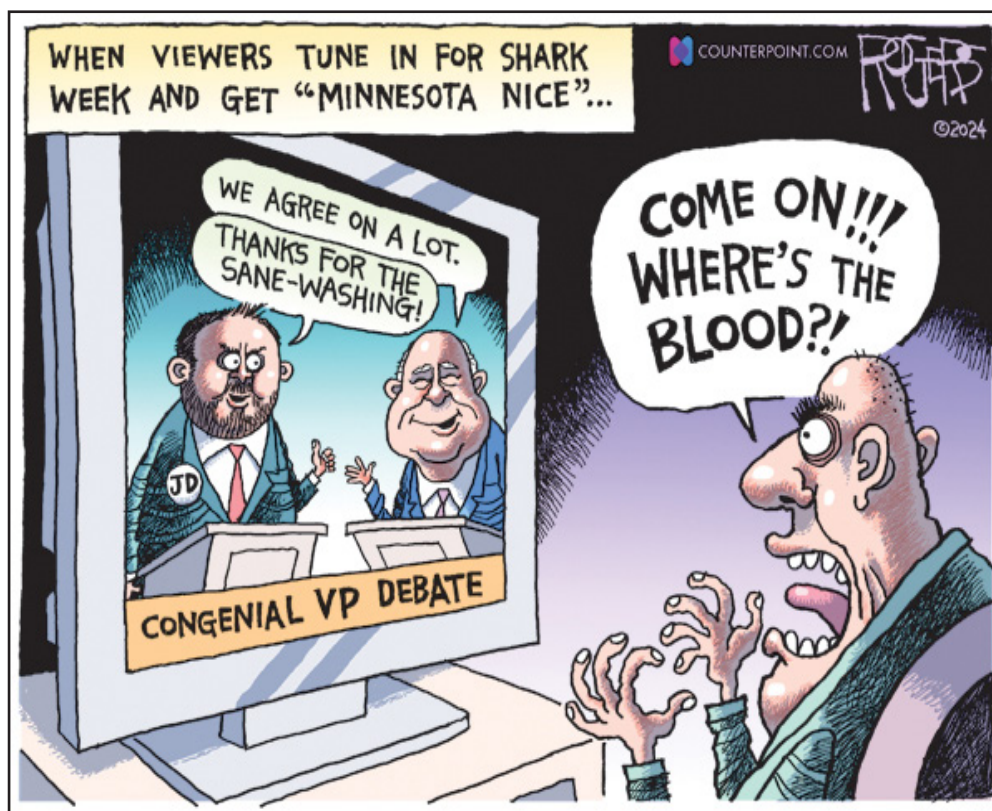
I was driving through Southern Colorado on Sept. 20 and was gob smacked by the Precious Home Planet billboard on Highway 17 [Saguache County], especially in light of its natural mountain backdrop.

An Internet search informed me that John Kloppenburg was responsible for erecting this stunning billboard. I initially drove past it, but I just had to turn around to get a photo.

It certainly made my day.

Glenn McCrea
Santa Rosa, Calif.

Editor's note: This billboard was the subject of a May 14 article in the Valley Courier.



Domestic violence: a need for power and control

By MEGAN LANG
Tu Casa Program Director

The Federal Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) defines domestic violence as "a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner". Most people when they hear the term "domestic violence" think of a physical assault perpetrated against a woman by her intimate partner, but domestic violence is so much more than that. Domestic violence can take the form of physical violence, emotional and psychological violence, financial violence, and sexual violence. It also encompasses threats of violence or behaviors that might make a person feel unsafe, manipulated, or coerced.

Conversation regarding domestic violence, also referred to as intimate partner violence, often seem very taboo, but it's an important topic to talk about. Community education and awareness is key to changing societal norms that perpetrate violence and the prevention of domestic violence. But to have these conversations, you first need to know the basics of domestic violence, so let's dive into it.

Domestic violence is rooted in one partner's need to seek or maintain power and control over their intimate partner. It's more than just an argument, it's establishing power and control to manipulate, scare, or force an intimate partner into submitting to a perpetrator's will. Domestic violence is widespread, and I can almost guarantee you know a victim or survivor of domestic violence, whether you know their story or not. Domestic violence isn't limited to a specific race, gender, socioeconomic class, or sexual orientation – anyone can fall into an abusive relationship.

Perpetrators of domestic violence engage in a pattern of abusive acts to gain compliance from their partner. They specifically choose to engage in tactics of abuse to control their partner. A need for power and control motivates their decisions, and a victim or survivor's need to feel safe often leads them to comply with their abuser in an attempt to end the violent situation or subdue the violence.

In 1984, the Domestic Abuse Intervention Project in Duluth, Minnesota developed what is commonly known as the Power and Control Wheel, a diagram which illustrates the tactics an abuser may use on their partner in the shape of a wheel. The diagram represents the core root of domestic violence – a need for power and control over one's partner. It also depicts the constant threat of physical or sexual violence a survivor is subjected to. Different spokes of the wheel show various tactics of abuse perpetrators of domestic violence may choose to utilize as

a way of exerting power and control over their partner. Years after the creation of the original power and control wheel, you can find thousands of adapted versions, but here we'll utilize a more gender-inclusive version to discuss the following common tactics of abuse:

- **Intimidation.** For perpetrators of violence, the goal of intimidation is widespread, but centers around gaining or maintaining control over a victim/survivor's decision & autonomy. Examples of this may include using violent physical gestures, threatening looks, or aggressive communication.

- **Emotional Abuse.** By calling their partner bad names, insulting their partner's intelligence, or intentionally humiliating their partner, a perpetrator can undermine a survivor's sense of self-worth. Perpetrators often feel more powerful and in control when their partner has low self-esteem.

- **Isolation.** Isolation can be two-fold, meaning it can take the form of both physical isolation & emotional isolation. Physical isolation may occur when partners move to a secluded area, where it's difficult to access resources and create meaningful connections with others. Emotional isolation may occur when a perpetrator intentionally undermines or destroys a victim/survivor's contacts with friends, family, and other support individuals.

- **Minimize, Deny, and Blame.** Have you heard the term "gaslighting" before? The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines gaslighting as "psychological manipulation of a person... that causes the victim to question the validity of their own thoughts, perception of reality, or memories..." Perpetrators may gaslight their partners by minimizing the severity of the abuse, denying the abuse entirely, or blaming the abuse on the victim/survivor.

- **Using Children.** Children are often the last connections to their abuser a victim/survivor may have. Some survivors fear leaving their partner and having to split custody with a person capable of violence, while others face their partner's threat of never seeing their child again if they end the relationship.

- **Economic Abuse.** The basics of this tactic lie in the perpetrator having most control of most, if not all, of the family finances, because a victim/survivor's financial independence could provide them with the ability to leave their abuser. This may look like not being allowed to obtain employment, not having access to their own money, or being responsible for paying all the family bills and not saving anything.

- **Gender Privilege.** For some, privilege projects itself in the idea of strict gen-

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der roles, forcing one partner to almost act as a "servant" to the other. For those who identify as part of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, it could include the threat of "outing" a person who hasn't come out themselves already. These types of power imbalances allow perpetrators to maintain control.

- **Coercion and Threats.** Perpetrators may engage in threats of physical violence, financial ruin, or destruction of familial relationships. They may also coerce or convince their victim/survivor to do something they're uncomfortable with in hopes of avoiding physical injury.

The common denominator for all these tactics of abuse is the root need for power and control. It's important to note that what's listed here is not an all-encompassing, and perpetrators may choose to use one, or several, of these tactics to gain and maintain control. Every domestic violence relationship looks different, and each survivor has their own story, but there's always a power imbalance. Our hope is that you'll use this article to start the taboo conversation and take the initiative to learn more about the resources, like Tu Casa, Inc., available to survivors in our Valley.

If you or someone you know is experiencing intimate partner violence, you are not alone. Tu Casa, Inc. is here for you. For help, call 719-589-2465.

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Religion

Sadly, churches divided by doctrine are going to split

After decades of progressive dissent, the leaders of the Christian Reformed Church in America finally took a firm stand against the Sexual Revolution.

Not only did the 2022 CRC Synod, voting 123-53, condemn "adultery, premarital sex, extra-marital sex, polyamory, pornography and homosexual sex," it added the small, but influential, denomination's long-standing teachings on these moral issues to its declaration of faith.

The report added: "The church must warn its members that those who refuse to repent of these sins -- as well as of idolatry, greed, and other such sins -- will not inherit the kingdom of God." Dissenters should "repent of such sins for the sake of their souls."

Dissent continued, especially in congregations with strategic ties to Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. At the 2024 CRC Synod, it was clear the denomination would lose several dozen congregations, out of 1,000 in North America.

The Grand Rapids Eastern Avenue congregation proclaimed: "While all

members of the church must at all times be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit, it would be disin-

genuous for us as a church to deny, minimize, or hide a fundamental and intractable disagreement between a significant number of members in good standing in our church and the CRC's decision to make a particular interpretation a confessional matter." Thus, the "only way we can remain a Christian Reformed congregation with integrity ... is under protest."

Head-on collisions are inevitable when believers in a religious institution proclaim -- in word and deed -- clashing stands on ancient doctrines, said the Rev. Michael Clary of Christ the King Church in Cincinnati. While he is a popular social media commentator on Reformed theology, he leads a Southern Baptist congregation.

Splits will occur because of core beliefs on both sides. Progressives truly believe doctrines must evolve to avoid causing pain to modern believers.

Orthodox thinkers in various traditions truly believe they cannot edit what the

New Testament describes as the "faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

Ecclesiastical divorce is not the worst outcome, Clary argued in a viral X thread.

"Remember this phrase: the left 'pulls' and the right 'holds.' ... Progressivism is like a conveyor belt that pulls people to the left. Conservatism is like a tether that anchors people to the past," he wrote. "This tension cannot be maintained forever in a group of tight-knit relationships, like a church."

Among progressive "mainline" denominations, the United Methodist Church was the latest to change its teachings, with the denomination's establishment winning a multiple-decade struggle with a global conservative coalition.

Clary stressed that divisions are most painful in smaller, local "churches, where everyone knows each other and differences are harder to hide. ... In larger churches, tensions can ride out a while longer because they are big enough for people in both factions to find community with others who think like them."

If tensions are obscured with a "pulpit policy of 'criticize both sides,'" this

Fall in Love with Jesus Nazarene Block Party set for Oct. 6

By MARIE MCCOLM MONTE VISTA — The first annual, Fall in Love with Jesus Nazarene Block Party. The event will take place on Oct. 6, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 228 Madison St.

There will be carnival style games for kids, card making, and sumo suit wrestling. There will be a mechanical bull, inflatable axe throwing, a picture booth, fun with cotton candy, and much more.

There will be Chili Cook Off at the Valley Church of the Naz from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a competition for Best Red Chili, Best Green Chili, and Best Chili with Beans. The competition is free to enter and free to taste.

Member of the Nazarene Church and a big part of the Block Party, Roy Ai-

ken, spoke about the party and the excitement of it all.

"The Fall in Love with Jesus Block Party is the first of its kind 'outreach' of the Valley Church of the Nazarene. The church will be hosting the block party on its lawn, and it's open to all. It is our hope that the party will inspire an interest in the gospel of Jesus Christ and inspire people to attend Church."

Aiken said that if the event is successful, it could be something they do annually. Local businesses, such as Polished Bean and Drift Away Coffee will be participating.

Aiken said that he feels that one of the best things about the block party is that many members of the community have gotten involved to support the

event.

"I am especially encouraged at how these community businesses jumped right in, to help out and help put this together on such short notice," he said.

Resident Esther Molina is excited about the block party and will be making some green chili for the event.

"I entered the Chili Cook Off, and I am excited about being a part of it. I make a mean dish of green chili. I was part of another cook off awhile back, and one man told me that he liked my green chili more than one he had eaten at a local restaurant," Molina said.

For more information or to register to be a part of the Chili Cook Off, visit online valleynaz.com/block-party.

On Religion



Terry Mattingly

"applies a winsome band-aid to a mortal wound. In either case, eventually, the tension breaks. ...The wood is cut, dried, and ready to burn. All you need is a hot cultural moment to light the match. Maybe a presidential election."

In that context, Clary stated his thesis in the bluntest possible terms: "Churches that have significant constituencies of Republicans and Democrats cannot maintain unity for long."

Of course, there are some Democrats -- in Louisiana, for example -- whose convictions do not clash with traditional Christian stands on abor-

tion, gender, marriage and other hot-button issues, said Clary, reached by telephone. Also, there are Republicans whose stands increasingly mesh with those of Vice President Kamala Harris and establishment Democrats.

"I wanted to be as clear as possible about the language that pastors will hear during arguments in their pews," he said. It also complicates matters for Republicans that former President Donald Trump is "a seriously compromised candidate."

Clary's bottom line: Pastors who openly defend conservative Christian teachings on morality will

be accused of veering into politics. It matters that his church is blocks away from the University of Cincinnati.

"The political implications of Christianity cannot be avoided in this age," he said. "The arguments we're all having are about how to defend these doctrines in the America that exists right now -- period."

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Your Guide To Local Houses of Worship

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Trust God and Do Good

One of the most life-changing things I've learned since I've been teaching the Word of God is that God is always right! No matter what I think, how I feel, or what my circumstances look like, His wisdom and His way of doing things are always the answers to my problems.

Psalm 37:3 contains some of the greatest instruction there is for having a great life. It says, "Trust (lean on, rely on, and be confident) in the Lord and do good; so shall you dwell in the land and feed surely on His faithfulness, and truly you shall be fed" (AMPC).

All of us go through difficult times and experience pain and disappointment. In John 16:33, the Lord even tells us that "in this world you will have trouble" (John 16:33 NIV). However, I believe Psalm 37:3 provides us with God's prescription for every problem we face: **Trust God and do good.**

God's Word is medicine that brings healing and restoration to our souls. Our doctor is Jesus, we are His patients, and we can take His medicine—"Trust God" and "Do good"—as much as we need to. And refills are endless!

But there are side effects. When you trust God, you will experience peace, joy, stability, confidence, and overall better health. When you do good, you'll have extreme happiness and rewards in heaven!

Trusting God also brings freedom. Many times, things happen that we simply don't understand. But that's okay—we don't have to figure everything out. We can trust God that He knows and will take care of everything.

Maybe someone has really hurt you, and what's happening doesn't seem fair at all. The Bible says that God will be your vindicator (Psalm 135:14). As you place your trust in Him, you open the door for Him to work in your situation and deal with the people who have mistreated you.

Your faith and trust also allow God to take the wrong things that have happened and ultimately work out them out for your benefit (Romans 8:28).

The Bible teaches us that it's not the

things that happen to us that determine the quality of our lives—it's how we choose to respond to them that really makes all the difference. And trusting God is the key to making right choices that bring us the life He has planned for us.

We can choose to trust God. The truth is, God is the only One we can completely trust to take care of us and do what's best for us at all times, in every situation.

Maybe you're thinking, *Well, I trusted God, and He didn't take care of me.* I understand how you feel, because I've gone through hard things and didn't get what I wanted, when I thought I should get it, in the way I thought it should come.

However, what I failed to understand was that doing what we want and getting our way all the time isn't what will make us happy. Being selfish and self-centered is actually a miserable way to live! God is faithful, and He promises to take care of us as we place our trust in Him. However, an important part of trusting Him is trusting in His will and timing.

It's good for us to tell God what we want, but we also need to realize that He is smarter than we are! I've learned to pray, "God, if what I want is not what You want for me, then please don't give it to me! I want to do Your will in this situation, and I'm trusting You to give me what You want for me."

That's why it's so important to study and meditate on God's Word. As we do, it renews our minds so we think the way He thinks. It also turns our will in God's direction so we want what He wants for us.

Remember, trust requires unanswered questions. It requires us to fully lean on God, believing and trusting that He has our best interest in mind. The Lord has asked me this many times, and I believe He is also asking you: "Do you trust Me?"

The second part of the prescription is just as important—do good. One of the most powerful things you can do when you're hurting is to reach out and help someone else. You not only sow seeds for your own breakthrough, but

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helping others releases tremendous joy. Nehemiah 8:10 says, "...the joy of the Lord is your strength" (NIV).

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For more on this topic, order Joyce's four-part teaching resource **Trust God and Do Good**. You can also contact us to receive our free magazine, *Enjoying Everyday Life*, by calling (800) 727-9673 or visiting www.joycemeyer.org

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New arrivals at the Alamosa Public Library

From the Librarian's Desk

By MARIA KRAMER

New books are always coming in at the Alamosa Public Library! Here are 10 of our most intriguing arrivals. For more information, or to have a book reserved for you, check alamosalibrary.org or call 719-589-6592.

Fiction

• **The Cemetery of Untold Stories** by Julia Alvarez

When novelist Alma Cruz inherits a plot of land in Puerto Rico, she turns it into a cemetery for the stories she has abandoned. All she wants is for her characters to rest in peace, but they have other ideas.

• **Wild Houses** by Colin Barrett

As Ballina in the west of Ireland prepares for its biggest weekend of the year, the simmering feud between small-time dealer Cillian English and County Mayo's enforcers spills over into violence.

• **Freedom is a Feast** by Alejandro Puyana

This multigenerational saga focuses on forty years of a Venezuelan family, caught up in political struggles past and present.

Inspirational

• **The Do-Over** by Bethany Turner

Just when she thought she was getting a promotion, McKenna's law career is derailed by accusations of embezzlement. Embarrassed and on leave during the investigation, she returns to her parents' house and reconnects with her high school friend Henry, now a celebrated filmmaker.

Nonfiction

• **Hola Papi!** by John Paul Brammer

From popular LGBTQ advice columnist John Paul Brammer comes a hilarious, heartwarming memoir-in-essays chronicling his journey growing up as a queer, mixed-race kid in America's heartland.

• **Homelessness is a Housing Problem** by Gregg Colburn

What drives the prevalence of homelessness in a

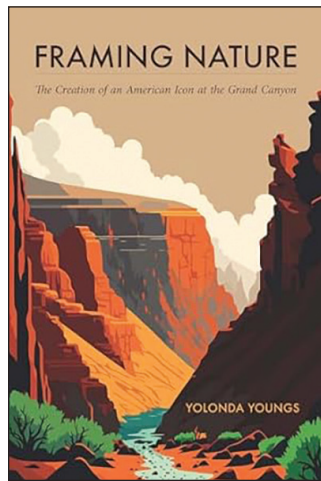
given city? Mental illness, drug use, poverty, weather, the availability of public assistance? Gregg Colburn found that none of those factors explain the regional variation in homelessness observed across the country. Instead, the cost and availability of rental housing may hold the key.

• **The State of Fire** by Obi Kaufmann

In this book, Kaufmann considers the long history of ecological burns, the varied ways fire behaves across California, and the lessons we can learn from the state's recent large fires.

• **Tablets Shattered** by Joshua Leifer

Against the backdrop of national political crises, resurgent global antisemitism, and the horrors of the war in Gaza, Leifer provides a meticulously reported map of contemporary Jewish life and a sober conjecture about its future.



• **Framing Nature** by Yolonda Youngs

The Grand Canyon has become more than a place - it is a symbol of nature, and of the American wilderness. In this book Yolonda Youngs traces the idea of the Grand Canyon as an icon and the ways people came to know it through popular imagery and visual media.

Western

• **The Return of Henry Starr** by Richard Slotkin

Inspired by dime-store novels and old family tales, Henry Starr began robbing banks. When a lucky twist of fate set him free, he decided his best chance at a new life was to work in Hollywood, depicting his former self in silent films.

Creede 4-H elects' new officers

By FAITH COOPER

CREEDE — Recently the Creede 4-H Club has been getting used to newly elected officers. In February the members of this esteemed club assembled, casting their votes to select individuals to take on leadership roles.

Taking the lead as the new president is Brooke Sliwowski. Brooke brings a unique perspective to the role, with her brother being the previous president. We are sure that Brooke will bring new and clever ways to show our support to the community. Assisting Brooke in guiding the club is the newly elected vice president Paisley Anderson. Paisley has been in the club for years and has experience in an officer position before.

We are also excited to introduce several new members who have taken up other leading positions. Our new Secretary is Israel Cooper. Israel is new to the club along with his brother Titus and sisters Faith and Lydia Cooper. This is Israel's first time in 4-H, and he is enthusiastic for the opportunities this position could lead to.

Titus Cooper also contributes to the club by being the newly elected pledge leader, and by helping the members instill values of loyalty and community.

Additionally, the im-

portant role of treasurer has been entrusted to Lydia Cooper. Lydia brings valuable financial expertise to the role, having served as chief financial officer for BizTown last year.

And finally, Faith Cooper has been appointed as the club's reporter. Bringing her enthusiasm for journalism to the club.

Our club participated in a local fair, with several members showcasing their hard work across a variety of projects. Tyler and Brooke Sliwowski proudly entered their swine projects, Levi Brittan displaying his skills in archery and a Lego project. Celia Baldein presented her skills in cake decorating and JD Baldwin showed his robotics and woodworking projects. Ava Mankowski and Paisley Anderson both entered photography projects portraying creative and artistic talent.

We are also proud to announce the awards of our members at the State Fair! JD Baldwin earned Reserve Champion in robotics and placed fifth in woodworking. Celia Baldwin received Reserve Champion in freeze preservation, Paisley Anderson placed ninth and Ava Mankowski placed 10th in photography. Congratulations to all for their incredible accomplishments!

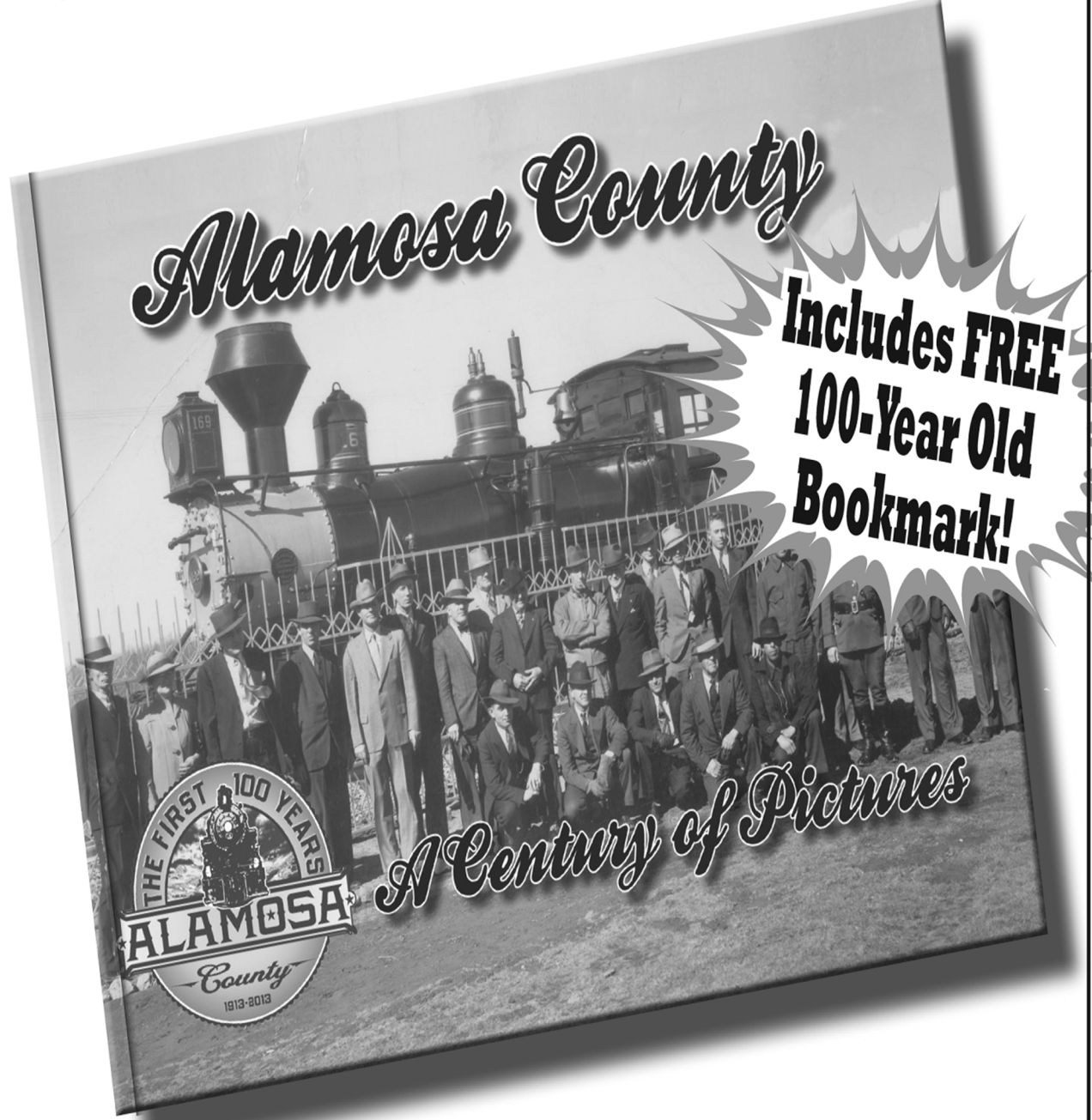
Notice of Request for Proposal to Install a 6-Foot-Tall Chain Link Fence. Subdistrict No. 3 of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District is seeking bids to install the fence on land just north of Antonito, CO. Bidders should itemize bids and should include the costs to; 1) **Install a 6-foot-tall, 9,200 linear-foot long chain link fence;** 2) **Install a 6-foot-tall, 16-foot-wide chain link gate;** and 3) **Locate all underground infrastructure along the path of the fence line.** Bids should also include a description of the equipment to be used and the bidder's qualifications. The Subdistrict will be responsible for all costs associated with the completed installation of the fence. The Subdistrict reserves the right to accept the bid it deems most accurate for the scope of work proposed. The property will be open for a site visit on November 1st at 10am for any potential bidders. To get details on the aforementioned site visit (address), to schedule a one-off site visit, or if you have any questions and/or need more details, please contact Angelo Bellah at (719) 589-6301. Proposals will be accepted through November 29th, 2024, and may be submitted in person or by mail to 8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO, 81101, or by e-mail to angelo@rgwcd.org. The expectation is that the installation of the fence would be completed no later than May 1st, 2025.

ALAMOSA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION OF NATURAL MEDICINE BUSINESSES

The Alamosa County Planning Commission will be having a public discussion about Natural Medicine Businesses during the next meeting at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, October 16, 2024 in the Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado.

Natural Medicine includes psilocybin, psilocyn, ibogaine, mescaline, and dimethyltryptamine (DMT), and its use by adults is permitted and regulated through the Natural Medicine Health Act of 2022 and SB23-290. Alamosa County is permitted to regulate the "Time, Place, and Manner" of state-licensed natural medicine businesses, and the Planning Commission wants input and feedback from the community about this topic. You can obtain more information from Land Use Administrator Richard Hubler at landuse@alamosacounty.org or 719-589-3812, and are encouraged to participate in this discussion.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Town of Blanca Festival Park Design + Planning Services
PURPOSE: This Request for Proposal is to provide the selection process for Professional Services to provide design and planning services for Blanca Festival Park. Blanca was recently awarded a CDOT Main Street Revitalization Grant for the first phase of construction on the park. Consultants will be responsible for engaging subconsultants on services that they are not able to provide in-house.
PROPOSAL AMOUNT: The Town desires to utilize a Fixed Price Best Value structure in the selection of the Consultant. The Town offers \$30,000 for the entire study including subconsultants. The consultant to offer the most credible data, recommendations and action/implementation plan would be the selected consultant.
OVERVIEW: The Town of Blanca in Costilla County is one of the poorest counties in Colorado and is in an area largely surrounded by private lands, which allows for little access to open spaces for our citizens. 53% of the population is low income and 49% are people of color. The project will support and benefit these disadvantaged populations by introducing recreational, entrepreneurial, and community-building opportunities in a unique way within the community. The community doesn't have access to trails or public lands to support the healthy and active lifestyle that our citizens strive to lead. Additionally, there is a state highway running through town which presents some challenges for our community to gather and enjoy the town.
 The Festival Park project will support our community vitality by establishing a safe, comfortable, and accessible place for the people to gather and celebrate. The Festival Park project is focused on enhancing a vacant lot with some amenities that will support community gathering and expand economic vitality through a designated location for markets and vendors to sell to the community with comfortable walking and shopping conditions.

PROJECT DETAILS
 The Festival Park project will create an attractive and comfortable outdoor space and a sense of place for our community which is surrounded by private lands and currently has just one small playground area. The plan is to establish a Festival Park for community gathering, concerts, markets, and locally focused engagement with a creative entrepreneur training aspect. The community itself doesn't have access to trails or public lands to support the healthy and active lifestyle that our citizens strive to lead. Additionally, there is a state highway running through town which presents some challenges for our community to gather and enjoy the town. The park is a key anchor point to the downtown and by increasing the activity there, it will increase the vitality of the main corridor through town.
 This project will create recreational opportunities including picnic tables, multi-purpose grass field for sports, open air pavilion i.e. concerts or movies, walking path, and shady places to hang out, and also develop opportunities for youth and entrepreneurs to try out a concept and help improve their livelihoods through small open air kiosks structures that can be rented by entrepreneurs. This project will also help to bring together the community again for festivals. Overall, this unique community space will encourage community, healthy lifestyles, and improve quality of life. The park will also serve as a gateway to encourage tourists to stop and maybe spend some money in the community.
SOURCES OF FUNDS
 • Town Funds
 • DOLA EIAF Planning Grant
SCOPE OF SERVICES
 The Town is seeking a multi-disciplinary project Consultant Team (Consultant) to provide professional survey, landscape architectural design, and civil engineering services and prepare construction contract documents for construction of Blanca Festival Park.
 Consultant Team to provide:
 Task 1: Topographic survey
 1. Survey the project area for existing surface features, topography, and utilities as necessary for design and utility investigations.
 2. Perform survey work necessary to establish all right of way/property boundaries and easements within the project area. Survey work shall be performed in accordance with CDOT standards for survey within their right of way.
 3. Prepare an AutoCAD basemap of the site for use in subsequent design and plan preparation
 All civil design work shall be performed under the direction of and stamped by a professional engineer (PE) registered in the State of Colorado. All landscaping design shall be performed under the direction of and stamped by a landscape architect registered in the State

of Colorado. All survey work shall be performed under the direction of and stamped by a public land surveyor registered in the State of Colorado. Survey control and project drawings shall be tied into the Town's control network.
Task 2: Prepare Stormwater Protection Plan (SWMP) and Permit Application assuming over site is over one-acre in total.
Task 3: Detailed Project Design and Stakeholder Outreach
 1. Project Management and Meetings to include kick-off meeting, and bi-weekly, virtual meetings to inform stakeholders of progress and evaluate design solutions
 2. Facilitate one virtual or in-person public meeting to solicit feedback on park plans and amenities.
 3. Incorporate community feedback and prepare Design Development (50%) documents including general site layout with grading and drainage, materials, site furnishings, and planting sheets. Irrigation and electrical plans shall be schematic, and assumed to be design build. 50% documents shall include a detailed cost estimate and phasing plan to accommodate construction budget.
 4. Identify potential grant opportunities and/or in-kind contributions.
 5. Prepare a Design Brief for custom market kiosks for school use.
 6. Prepare Final (100%) contract documents to procure bids for construction/installation services. Final documents shall advance 50% documents, include technical data and specifications, graphic details of assemblies, and SWMP application.
 7. Address bidder questions as requested by the Town (assume 16 hours). Submit stamped and signed Bid documents at Contractor Award. The Town will perform all construction administration activities.
 8. Prepare a copy of physical materials i.e. poster, packets, etc. for community use
 9. Prepare graphic artwork to advertise a Opening Celebration. Project Schedule to note substantial completion by June 2025.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS
 The Town requests that all services and deliverables listed in the Scope of Work be included in the proposal.
 Please provide your fee structure and budget.
 Please indicate any possible additional charges to the standard fee or total budget. Provide a fee schedule and a description of those services to be performed.
 If any service or deliverable is unable to be met it must be clearly communicated in the Vendor History and Experience Section as well as clearly identified in any additional charges to the standard fees.
STRUCTURED RESPONSE TO THE RFP
 1. Narrative:
 * - Outline your approach and vision for Blanca Festival Park.
 * - Describe how your proposal aligns with the community's project goals.
 * - Qualifications of the development team.
 * - Timeline for completion of each phase of the project and the final presentation
 * - Fee structure and budget for all services and deliverables
 2. Additional Attachments (optional):
 * - Examples of similar projects completed.
PROPOSED SCHEDULE
 RFP Deadline: October 16, 2024
 Review by Town of Blanca team: October 23, 2024
 Award by: October 30, 2024
Technical Assistance:
 If you have any questions regarding any elements of this Request for Proposal, you may contact Rayna Sanchez at blancacc@gojade.org Evaluation and Selection Criteria:
 Proposals will be reviewed by the Review Committee including agency delegates from the Parks and Recreation Commission, other community boards/representatives and the UCD Master's Student/Intern.
Selection Method:
 The objective of the review committee will be to evaluate the proposals against the following criteria:
 * Quality of the proposed plan
 * Cost competitiveness to market standards
 * Satisfaction of submittal of the most information requested in the RFP.
SUBMISSION
 All Proposals must be received electronically at blancacc@gojade.org by October 16, 2024.
 No. 4156.
 Published in the Valley Courier on September 28 & October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF 2024 GENERAL ELECTION STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF CONEJOS

Notice is hereby given that the 2024 General Election will be held by mail ballot, and Voter Service and Polling Center, in the County of Conejos, in the State of Colorado, to be held Tuesday the fifth day of November 2024 between the hours of 7:00 AM. and 7:00 p.m. Beginning on October 14, 2024, the Conejos County Commissioners Boardroom will send a mail ballot to every active voter. To be counted, mail ballots must be returned to and in the hands of Conejos County Clerk and Recorder no later than 7:00 PM on Election Day, November 5th. **POSTMARKS DO NOT COUNT.** Voters may also visit a Voter Service and Polling Center until 7:00 PM on Election Day to register for the first time, update existing records or vote in person on accessible voting devices, at the location below.
 Conejos County Commissioners Boardroom VSPC
 6683 County Road 13 Conejos, Colorado 81129
 Monday through Friday (October 21 – November 4, 2024) 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 Saturday (October 26) 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 Saturday (November 2) 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 Tuesday, November 5 (Election Day) 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
 ADA accessible voting machines are available at VSPC listed above.
24 HOUR BALLOT DROP OFF BOXES
 Conejos County Courthouse
 6683 County Road 13 Conejos, Colorado 81129
 Monday through Sunday (October 21 – November 4, 2024)
 Tuesday, November 5 (Election Day) 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
 La Jara Town Hall
 211 Broadway Avenue La Jara, Colorado 81140
 Monday through Sunday (October 21 – November 4, 2024)
 Tuesday, November 5 (Election Day) 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
 Affiliation Rules for voters affiliated with either Democratic or Republican parties remain the same. If you are not registered to vote in Colorado, and are a citizen of the United States, you can register to vote until 7pm on Election Day. You can register to vote or update your existing voter registration at GoVoteColorado.com or at the Conejos County Clerk and Recorders Office at 6683 County Road 13 Conejos, Colorado 81129.

COSTILLA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

P.O. Box 100
 San Luis, CO 81152
 Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of Costilla County Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements will be received by the Costilla County Commissioners at mailing address of P.O. Box 100, San Luis, Colorado 81152 until 3:00 P.M. (local time) October 30th, 2024, or hand delivered to Commissioners Office, 352 Main Street, San Luis, CO.
 The sealed BIDS will then be opened at 3:15 P.M. October 30th at the Commissioners Meeting Room, 352 Main Street, San Luis, CO and read aloud.
 This project consists of removal of sludge from all sewage lagoons, removal and replacement of pond liners, and removal and replacement of aerators and aeration piping.
 The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:
 Davis Engineering Service, Inc., 1314 11th Street, Alamosa CO. Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. located at 1314 11th Street, P.O. Box 1840, Alamosa, Colorado 81101 upon payment of \$ 35.00 for digital copies or \$100.00 for full size paper copies. All inquiries can be directed to Clinton Phillips; phone number (719) 589-3004 ext. 115. No refund will be made for returned copies.
 A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of Costilla County Commissioners, negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.
 Prior to the awarding of the Contract, the Costilla County Commissioners may defer its decision for a period not to exceed (30) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.
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SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF DISTRICT COURT CASE

DISTRICT COURT, ALAMOSA COUNTY, COLORADO
 8955 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101
 Phone: (719) 589-4996
 Case No: 2024CV30040. Division: D
 Petitioner: PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO, a Colorado Corporation; v.
 Respondents: TOMMY LEE M. MARTINEZ, a Colorado resident; ALAMOSA STATE BANK, a retail bank wholly owned by ALAMOSA BANCORPORATION LTD.; and AMY MCKINLEY, in her official capacity as Treasurer and Public Trustee of Alamosa County, Colorado.
 Attorneys for Petitioner:
 Jamie N. Cotter, #40309 and Lauren A. Taylor, #52452
 Spencer Fane LLP, 1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 2000, Denver, CO 80203
 Phone: (303)839-3800 | Fax: (303) 839-3838
 Email: jcotter@spencerfane.com | ltaylor@spencerfane.com
SUMMONS AND NOTICE
 To the Above-named Respondent: Tommy Lee M. Martinez. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the clerk of this Court an answer or other response to the Petition in Condemnation filed in the above-captioned action. If service of the Summons and the Petition in Condemnation was made upon you within the State of Colorado, you are required to file your answer or other response within 21 days after such service upon you. If service of the Summons and Petition was made upon you outside of the State of Colorado, you are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after such service upon you.
 No. 4167.
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ALAMOSA COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Alamosa Board of County Commissioners on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 8:30 AM, in the Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Minor Subdivision submitted by Wesley Seger on property currently identified as Parcel S28718100180.
 The applicant is proposing to divide the existing ~272 acre tract into Tract 1A-1 of 252.38 acres, Tract 1A-2 of 7.78 acres, and Tract 1A-3 of 4.98 acres, and Tract 1A-4 of 10.56 acres. This property is in the Rural (RU) zone district.
 The legal description of the property is: Tract 1A of the Seger Division of Land #2, according to the plat recorded August 25, 1988 at Reception No. 246390, County of Alamosa, State of Colorado.
 Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in the Alamosa County Land Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular office hours or at (719) 589-3812.
 Richard Hubler
 Land Use Administrator
 Alamosa County
 No. 4164.
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ALAMOSA COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that members of the Alamosa County Board of County Commissioners and the Alamosa County Planning Commission will meet together on Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 6:30 PM, in the Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of discussing the Comprehensive Plan update.
 Richard Hubler
 Land Use Administrator
 Alamosa County
 No. 4163.
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ALAMOSA COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Alamosa Planning Commission on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM and again before the Alamosa Board of County Commissioners on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 8:30 AM, in the Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Major Site Plan submitted by Daniel and Perilia Vigil on property currently addressed as 6613 S Rd 106.65, Parcel 541306010007.
 The applicant is proposing to operate a vehicle repair facility. This property is in the Industrial zone district.
 The legal description of the property is: Lot 4 of the DePriest Division of Land, the plat of which was recorded December 23, 2008 at Reception No. 337170, County of Alamosa, State of Colorado.
 Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in the Alamosa County Land Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular office hours or at (719) 589-3812.
 Richard Hubler
 Land Use Administrator
 Alamosa County
 No. 4161.
 Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

AVISO DE ELECCIÓN GENERAL DE 2024 ESTADO DE COLORADO CONDADO DE CONEJOS

Por la presente se notifica que la Elección General de 2024 se llevará a cabo mediante boleta por correo, y Centro de Votación y Servicio de Votantes, en el Condado de Conejos, en el Estado de Colorado, a realizarse el martes cinco de noviembre de 2024 entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y 7:00 p.m. A partir del 14 de octubre de 2024, la Sala de Juntas de Comisionados del Condado de Conejos enviará una boleta por correo a cada votante activo. Para ser contadas, las boletas por correo deben entregarse al secretario y Registrador del Condado de Conejos a más tardar a las 7:00 pm del día de las elecciones, el 5 de noviembre. **LOS MATASELLOS NO CUENTAN.** Los votantes también pueden visitar un centro de votación y servicio de votantes hasta las 7:00 p. m. del día de las elecciones para registrarse por primera vez, actualizar el registro existente o votar en persona en dispositivos de votación accesibles, en la ubicación a continuación.
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 6683 County Road 13 Conejos, Colorado 81129
 Lunes a viernes (21 de octubre – 4 de noviembre de 2024) 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 Sábado (26 de octubre) 8:00 AM a 12:00 PM
 Sábado (2 de noviembre) 8:00 AM a 12:00 PM
 Martes 5 de noviembre (día de las elecciones) 7:00 AM a 7:00 PM
 Las máquinas de votación accesibles según la ADA están disponibles en el VSPC mencionado anteriormente.
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 Martes 5 de noviembre (día de las elecciones) 7:00 AM a 7:00 PM
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 211 avenida Broadway La Jara, Colorado 81140
 Lunes a domingo (21 de octubre – 4 de noviembre de 2024)
 Martes 5 de noviembre (día de las elecciones) 7:00 AM a 7:00 PM
 Las reglas de afiliación para los votantes afiliados a los partidos democrata o republicano siguen siendo las mismas. Si no está registrado para votar en Colorado y es ciudadano de los Estados Unidos, puede registrarse para votar hasta las 7 p.m. del día de las elecciones. Puede registrarse para votar o actualizar su registro de votante existente en GoVoteColorado.com o en la Oficina del secretario y Registradores del Condado de Conejos en 6683 County Road 13 Conejos, Colorado 81129.
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ALAMOSA COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Alamosa Planning Commission on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM and again before the Alamosa Board of County Commissioners on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 8:30 AM, in the Alamosa County Services Center, 8900 Independence Way, Alamosa, Colorado for the purpose of considering an application for a Special Use Permit submitted by Matias Francisco of the Sand Dunes Mushroom Cooperative on property currently addressed as 175 Broadway, Parcel 541311205005. The applicant is proposing to operate a greenhouse. This property is in the Commercial zone district. The legal description of the property is: Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block 1, Tract C, of the Wells Subdivision according to the plat filed December 11, 1930 at reception No. 42865, County of Alamosa, State of Colorado. Details regarding this application are available for public inspection in the Alamosa County Land Use Office at 8999 Independence Way Suite 100 during regular office hours or at (719) 589-3812. Richard Hubler, Land Use Administrator, Alamosa County, No. 4162. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF PASSAGE Ordinance No. 21-2024
 Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at a regular meeting of the Alamosa City Council duly called, Council finally passed and adopted Ordinance No. 21-2024, an ordinance amending the Unified Development Code to change the definitions of temporary signs and to modify the classification of real estate offices. Further notice is hereby given that the full text thereof is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the Office of the City Clerk. Alamosa City Council, Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk, No. 4168. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF PASSAGE Ordinance No. 22-2024
 Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at a regular meeting of the Alamosa City Council duly called, Council finally passed and adopted Ordinance No. 22-2024, an ordinance establishing a vacant building registration requirement in the Central Business District, setting forth maintenance requirements and penalties therewith. Further notice is hereby given that the full text thereof is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the Office of the City Clerk. Alamosa City Council, Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk, No. 4169. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF PASSAGE Ordinance No. 23-2024
 Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at a regular meeting of the Alamosa City Council duly called, Council finally passed and adopted Ordinance No. 23-2024, an ordinance amending mobile food vending regulations. Further notice is hereby given that the full text thereof is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the Office of the City Clerk. Alamosa City Council, Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk, No. 4170. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 On Ordinance No. 24-2024
 NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 24-2024, an ordinance making the annual appropriation for fiscal year 2025, City of Alamosa, Colorado. This ordinance was accepted on first reading on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, and a Public Hearing thereon set for Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This hearing will be held in Alamosa Council Chambers, 300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, Colorado. Further notice is given that any and all persons of interest may appear at said hearing and be heard in this matter, and that the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the office of the City Clerk. Alamosa City Council, Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk, No. 4171. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 On Ordinance No. 25-2024
 NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 25-2024, an ordinance amending the established pay plan for city officers and employees. This ordinance was accepted on first reading on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, and a Public Hearing thereon set for Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This hearing will be held in Alamosa Council Chambers, 300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, Colorado. Further notice is given that any and all persons of interest may appear at said hearing and be heard in this matter, and that the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the office of the City Clerk. Alamosa City Council, Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk, No. 4172. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 On Ordinance No. 26-2024
 NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 26-2024, an ordinance establishing a temporary moratorium on the establishment of medical and retail marijuana stores through June 30, 2025. This ordinance was accepted on first reading on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, and a Public Hearing thereon set for Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. This hearing will be held in Alamosa Council Chambers, 300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, Colorado. Further notice is given that any and all persons of interest may appear at said hearing and be heard in this matter, and that the full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition on the City's website and in the office of the City Clerk. Alamosa City Council, Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk, No. 4173. Published in the Valley Courier on October 5, 2024.

102 - CARD OF THANKS

FROM THE FAMILY of Frank Muniz. Thank you to Romero Funeral home. To Eli Lucero, for your guidance and help to our family. To our two amazing daughters, Pam & Lori, for your love, help and support. So proud of you both. To Sister Eleanor, for the Rosary and your love and support. You are so special to us. To Father Sergio, for your kindness and words of wisdom and a beautiful mass. To our great family, for your love and help. To the many friends, for your support in our time of grief. Thank you to the VFW & American Legion Honor Guards, for the final salute to Frank that he so much deserved. With love to all. Sandy Muniz - Pam & Lori. (10/8/24)

221 - HELP WANTED

VENDOLA PLUMBING & HEATING hiring full time experienced HVAC TECH with paid health insurance and full benefits. Send resume to rhonda@vendola.com, or apply in person at 185 1/2 Broadway, ALAMOSA. (10/5/24)

BUSY POTATO WAREHOUSE hiring full time PERMANENT BAGGERS/STACKERS. Apply at WORLEY & MCCULLOUGH, 2471 East CR 7 North, MONTE VISTA, CO. 81144. (10/5/24)

221 - HELP WANTED

THE BOARD OF Education of the SANFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT 6J is now accepting applications for JUNIOR HIGH BOYS BASKETBALL COACH for the 2024-2025 School Year. Qualifications: Must be at least 18 years of age with a high school diploma or equivalent, or such alternative to the above qualifications as the Board of Education may find appropriate and acceptable. All candidates must pass background checks. Letters of Application should be submitted to: Mr. Jared Morgan, Superintendent, Sanford School District 6J, 755 Second Street, Sanford CO, 81151. Application Deadline: Until position is filled. SANFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT 6J is an equal opportunity educational institution and will not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap and marital status in its activities, programs or employment practices as required by Title VI, Title IX, and Section 504. For information regarding civil rights or grievance procedures, contact Mr. Jared Morgan, Superintendent; telephone number (719) 274-5167. (10/19/24)

POLICE OFFICER FOR the MANASSA POLICE DEPARTMENT, must be POST certified. Please pick up an application at the Town Hall during business hours, Monday-Wednesday 8-4. (11/5/24)

221 - HELP WANTED

PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT- ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE ASSISTANT - TOWN OF SOUTH FORK. The Town of South Fork is accepting resumes and applications to fill a part-time position as an Administrative Office Assistant. Expected hourly wages is \$16.00. Necessary skills include but are not limited to the ability to interact with citizens in a professional manner, General office practices, general proficiency with computers including Microsoft Office, Google Drive, Google Calendar, and Facebook. The Town of South Fork is an equal opportunity employer. Interested parties can pick up an application and job description at the South Fork Town Hall, 0100 Silver Thread Lane, South Fork, Colorado. (719)873-0152. The position will remain open until filled. (10/23/24)

DEL NORTE BANK is seeking to fill a full-time position for a TELLER in the CREEDE BRANCH. Duties will be to accept deposits, loan payments and process withdrawals while maintaining a balanced cash drawer. Must be personable and pleasant answering the phone and greeting customers. Many other duties will be assigned as needed. The position is permanent, full-time, M - F, 8am - 4:30pm, an hourly rate range of \$14.42 to \$17.00, with a robust benefits package. Application available at TrueLocalBank.com/careers or inquire at 117 N. Main St. Creede or call 719-657-3376 or ask for Dawn. EOE. (11/6/24)

THE NORTH CONEJOS ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM is accepting applications for (1) NCAP PARAPROFESSIONAL and (1) NCAP SECONDARY EDUCATION TEACHER. Contact Susan Hamilton for details at 719-580-5864. Applicants for the teaching position must hold a current Colorado Teaching License or be able to obtain proper endorsement. NCSD offers a competitive salary, great discipline and environment for staff and students, and up to \$915 monthly towards health insurance. Applications are available at the District Administration Office, 17887 US Hwy 285, La Jara, CO 81140 or can be downloaded at www.northconejos.com. Submit application to Mr. Darren Edgar, Superintendent. Application deadline is until position is filled. EOE. (10/12/24)

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SIGNING BONUS~\$1,500 AT hire. CONEJOS COUNTY is seeking a CASEWORKER for the DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. Annual Salary starting at \$42,500, DOQ. Duties include: Intake and/or ongoing social casework services to families/adults. Bachelor's Degree required. One-year experience preferred. Applications accepted until filled and available on line at conejoscounty.colorado.gov. County Human Resources or via email upon request at cricci@co.conejos.co.us. Inquiries, call (719) 376-6799. EOE. (10/9/24)

MOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL is accepting applications for a HEAD WRESTLING COACH for HIGH SCHOOL and MIDDLE SCHOOL as well as ASSISTANT COACHES. Please contact Larry Hunt at Mountain Valley School 719-655-2578. (10/16/24)

221 - HELP WANTED

SECONDARY PARAPROFESSIONAL NEEDED: SARGENT SCHOOL DISTRICT is seeking a dedicated Paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year. If you're passionate about working with young learners, we'd love to hear from you! Salary starts at \$21,035.19 on the Paraprofessional's salary schedule. New employees to the district may be granted up to 8 years of experience at the discretion of the superintendent at the time of hiring. Benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, optional \$1,200 a year toward an HSA, and life insurance coverage. Free admission to all home athletic events, staff wellness room, discount rates to Monte Vista Athletic Club, Sand Dunes Swimming Pool, and Monte Vista Golf Course. Please complete the non-certified application and submit with resume. For more information and to apply, visit www.sargent.k12.co.us or call 719-852-4023. Application Deadline: 10/19/24 or until position is filled. EOE. (10/19/24)

FOOD SERVICE COOK: SARGENT SCHOOL DISTRICT is seeking a dedicated food service cook for the 2024-2025 school year. If you're passionate about nutrition and would love to join a great team, we'd love to hear from you! We have a FULL TIME 8 HOUR position and a PART TIME 4 HOUR position available. Starting rate is \$14.61 on the cook salary schedule. New employees to the district may be granted up to 8 years of experience at the discretion of the superintendent at the time of hiring. Full time employee benefit package including employee health, dental, vision, optional \$1,200 a year toward an HSA, and life insurance coverage. Free admission to all home athletic events, staff wellness room, discount rates to Monte Vista Athletic Club, Sand Dunes Swimming Pool, and Monte Vista Golf Course. Please complete the non-certified application and submit with resume. For more information and to apply, visit www.sargent.k12.co.us or call 719-852-4023. Application Deadline: 10/19/24 or until position is filled. EOE. (10/19/24)

HARDWARE MANAGER - RANDALL LUMBER & HARDWARE, INC. Department: Hardware & Ranch Departments. Supervisor: Paula Ervin. General Job Description: MANAGE HARDWARE/RANCH DEPARTMENT OF RANDALL LUMBER & HARDWARE, INC. Job Description: The Hardware, Ranch & Feed manager will lead and manage employees including hiring, training and development; They will manage inventory and pricing, Managing P&L performance will also be a duty of the Hardware Manager; Vendor and customer relations, new business development, marketing, analysis, forecasting and budgeting are also areas of responsibilities for this position. Qualifications For The Job: Education: Bachelor's degree in business (preferred) Or equivalent experience (5 Years in management position with similar responsibilities); Strong leadership skills and creative thinking would be great. Physical Requirements: Ability to lift 40 lbs. and the ability to physically move throughout the Hardware Store facility. This is a FULL-TIME position Supporting a Monday through Saturday store schedule, with a Salary commensurate to experience, + benefits. If interested, please submit a cover letter, resume & 3 References to pervin@randalltaos.com For more information or answers to questions, please contact Paula Ervin directly, 575-758-2271. (10/30/24)

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY SAN LUIS VALLEY RESEARCH CENTER in CENTER, CO, seeks FARM MANAGER, full-time salaried w/ benefits. Min. requirements include experience managing an entity involved in research, agricultural production or related commercial enterprise environment. Read full job description and apply online by 09/30/2024 for full consideration at: <https://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/150505>. CSU is an EO/EA/AA employer and conducts background checks on all final candidates. (10/25/24)

GRANT SPECIALIST. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS at ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY seeks a full-time GRANT SPECIALIST to facilitate, write, review, and prepare grant proposals. The applicant must have a bachelor's degree and proven experience in grant writing, budget preparation, and securing federal, state, and/or private grants. Position open until filled. More information at: Adams State's Human Resources Employment Opportunities webpage, <https://www.adams.edu/hr/employment/> or <https://adams.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/ASU>. (10/5/24)

221 - HELP WANTED

THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN EARLY LEARNING CENTER is seeking energetic and experienced PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS to join our staff. In this position, you will help lead teacher-developed curriculum for the various age groups of our student population. You will implement lesson plans throughout the school day, work with our community to bring quality child care and schooling, as well as have a chance to grow personally and professionally. To express interest in joining our team, please call: 719-937-4654. Applications can be picked up at 1304 San Juan Ave. ALAMOSA, CO 81101 or send Resume to: BOD@childrensgardenalamosa.com. (10/18/24)

ALAMOSA COUNTY ASSESSOR is seeking a PERSONAL PROPERTY CLERK. This position maintains records for commercial businesses to determine the value of their personal property for taxation purposes. The successful candidate will track existing businesses and actively look for new businesses within the County, meet with owners, managers and/or tax agents and perform other duties as assigned. One-year experience in an office setting is desired. Must have strong computer and math skills, strong organizational skills and good penmanship. A valid Colorado driver's license is required. Applications may be picked up at the Assessor's Office, 8999 Independence Way, Suite 105. The starting pay rate is \$18/hour. A cover letter and resume must accompany the completed application. Deadline to apply is October 9th, 2024. (10/09/24)

ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY is seeking applications for the Full-Time position of CON-TENT STRATEGIST. Salary Range is \$42,252-\$48,060, commensurate with education and experience. Benefits include Health, Dental, Vision, Life Insurance, Retirement, PTO, Paid Holidays. This position provides key decision support in developing and implementing a cohesive, integrated communication strategy across multiple platforms, including social media, web, print and digital, that tell Adams State's story in a compelling, visually engaging and consistent manner. Review of applications will remain open until position is filled. For more information and application please visit <https://www.adams.edu/hr/employment/>. (10/9/24)

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221 - HELP WANTED

SAN LUIS VALLEY HEALTH is looking for an EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MANAGER. This position is responsible for creating and overseeing emergency preparedness and response plans and involves assessing risks, coordinating training and drills, and ensuring compliance with relevant regulations to protect the organization's assets, personnel, and operations in the event of emergencies. To learn more about this opportunity check out our careers page at www.slvh.org or call 719-587-1200. (10/01/24)

SAN LUIS VALLEY HEALTH is seeking a DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES. Leading a team of six, this position is directly responsible for the management, administration, coordination, and evaluation of Human Resource services and functions for all departments and the 765 employees of San Luis Valley Health. To learn more about this incredible opportunity check out our careers page at www.slvh.org or call 719-587-1200. (10/9/24)

RIOGRANDE COUNTY is seeking a LAND USE CODE COMPLIANCE INSPECTOR w/ without building inspector duties to join our team. The land use code compliance inspector performs duties related to the enforcement of the Rio Grande County land use development code and building codes. Performs inspections of vacation rental properties and maintains records relating to vacation rentals. Performs field verification of building setbacks. Maintains address and zoning permit database and assigns new addresses and issues agricultural building permits. Assists with building construction inspections as assigned. This a full time, non-exempt position, that will receive county benefits of annual & sick leave, retirement and health insurance. Wage/salary range is \$20.19 - \$29.26 per hour doe. Check out the employment section on <https://riograndecounty.colorado.gov/>. Submit applications to humanresources@riograndecounty.org or drop it off at 925 6th Street, Rm 200, DEL NORTE, CO 81132. Job will remain open until filled. (10/9/24)

HUGE YARD SALE, MULTI-FAMILY: furniture, tools, housewares, propane stoves, lot's misc. Sat/Oct.5th, 9to3, 10439E.Hwy.160, next to Southwest Construction. (10/5/24)

YARD SALE IN MONTE VISTA! 139 Washington St. Monte Vista, CO 81144. Saturday, October 5th, 8:00 a.m. sharp. Crafting garments, fabric, yarn, card making materials, stamps, embroidery, knitting, books, crafting books, clothes, furniture, linens, household items, and lots more! Head East on Highway 160, turn right on Washington St. #139. Rain or shine. (10/5/24)

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CDL DRIVER: JT TIMBER FALLING is hiring a full-time LOG TRUCK DRIVER. CLASS A CDL. Based out of BLANCA, CO. Local destinations and home every night. A Comprehensive benefits package is available. \$23-\$30/hr. depending on experience. Call 719-379-4066 or visit jttimber.com for more information. (10/16/24)

221 - HELP WANTED

WOLF CREEK SKI AREA is accepting applications for ALL DEPARTMENTS: 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@wolfcreek-ski.com or P.O. Box 2800, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. All jobs are winter seasonal (November - April) with skiing privileges. Starting wage of \$19/hour with merit increases based on performance and experience. (10/30/24)

304 - LAWN & GARDEN

TROY - BUILT CHIPPER SHREDDER CS4265, \$450. Max 719-379-3123. (10/19/24)

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324 - SEED & FEED

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330 - FREE

FREE: RUBBER TIRES from older vehicles. Call/text 719-942-3567. SALIDA. You pick-up. (10/5/24)

341 - GARAGE SALE

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415 - HOMES FORSALE

FOR SALE BY Owner. HOMESTEADER'S CABIN: 3 out buildings, 16.85 acres, SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLORADO, \$40,000. 720-483-2725. (10/9/24)

426 - MOBILE HOMES FORSALE

FOR SALE IN ALAMOSA COUNTY: 1980 GLENWOOD TRAILER HOUSE \$6,700. Must be moved. 402-269-7172. (E-TFN-AS)

525 - GUNS

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601 - APARTMENTS FOR RENT

ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT, DOWNTOWN ALAMOSA. \$700/month includes basic utilities. Interested? Email slvcbrental@yahoo.com. Available October 1st. (10/12/24)

CLEAN COZY TWO BEDROOM, MONTE VISTA, apartment for rent. Only serious inquiries. Call 719-588-2840, 719-588-2284. (10/16/24)

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX available for rent. W 7th St. ALAMOSA. \$1,200/month; \$1,200 security deposit. Water, trash and sewer are included. Tenant is responsible for gas, electric, internet. 719-587-6960 or email manuelm@slvbhg.org. (10/9/24)

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH duplex in BLANCA. Call 719-588-5900. (10/9/24)

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611 - HOMES FOR RENT

3 BEDROOM 2 BATH HOME for rent. W/D hook up, fenced-in back yard and front yard. \$1600 per month plus utilities. Pets negotiable. Please call 719-588-0009 for more information. (10/12/24)

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- 15 Constellation next to Scorpius
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- 17 Musician — Lofgren
- 18 — 500 race
- 20 Argument
- 22 — soda
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- 7 Lawn tool
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- 24 Promise
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- 26 Mil. rank
- 27 Shred
- 29 In a safe place
- 30 Go high
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- 35 Isle of —
- 37 Self-satisfied
- 38 "Present!"
- 40 Encourages (2 wds.)
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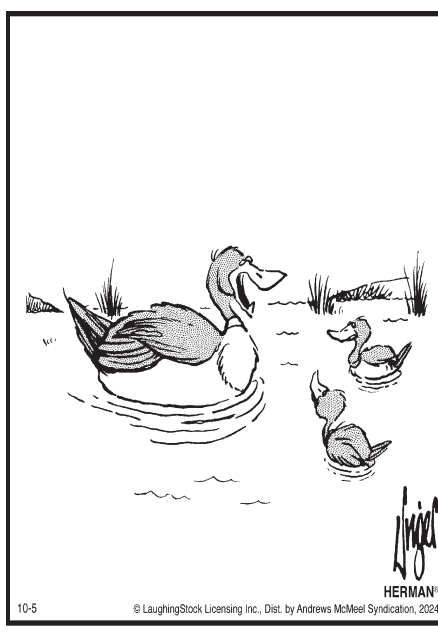
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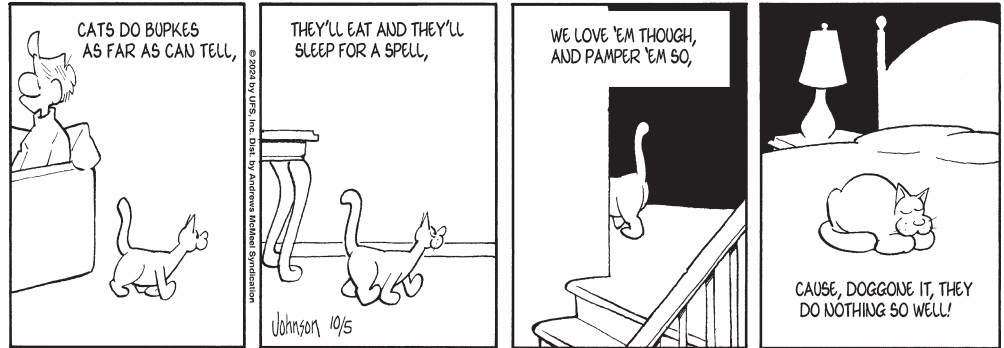


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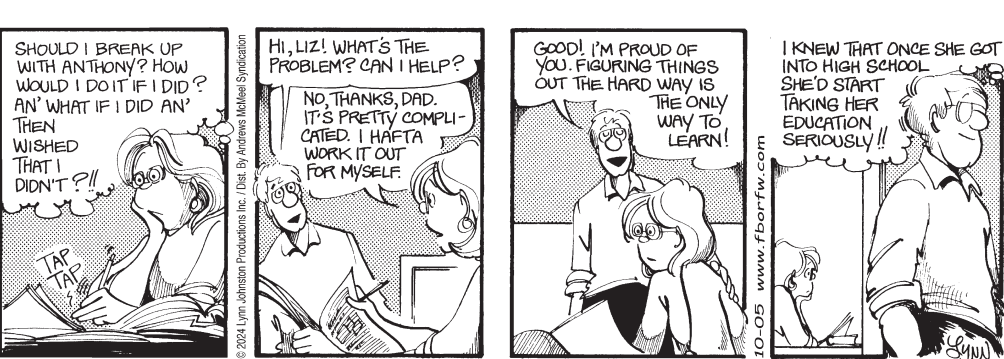
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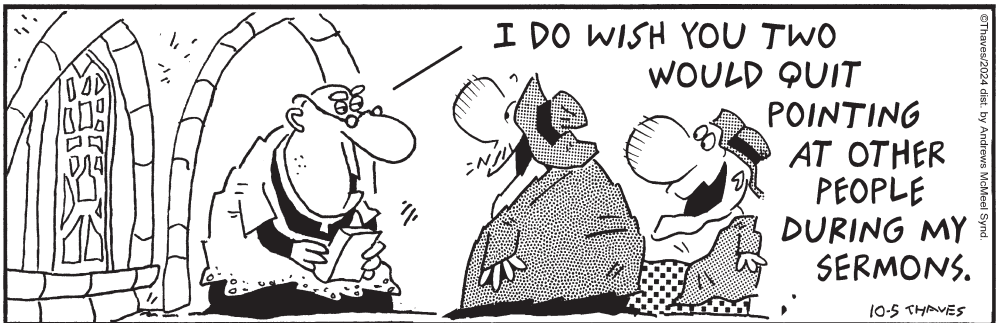
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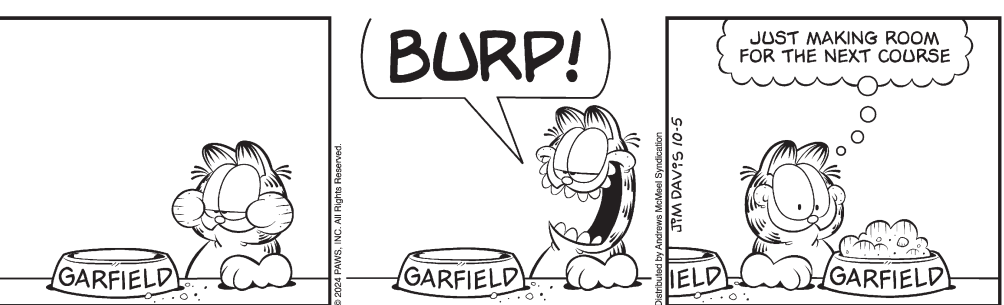
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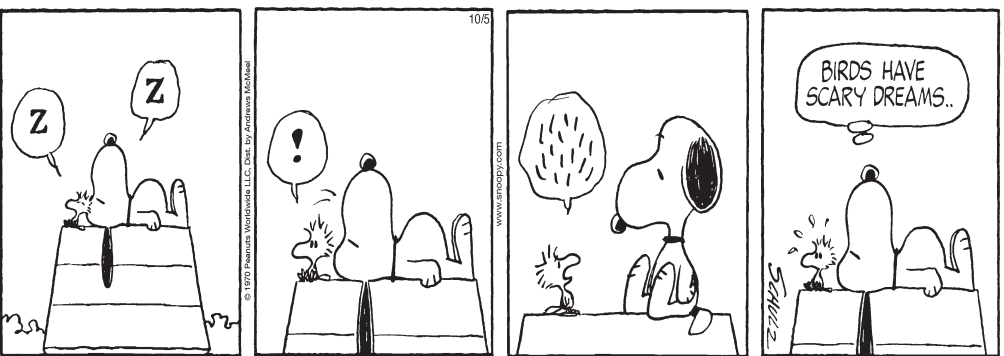
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PEANUTS



Self-proclaimed 'best friend' acts like everything but one

DEAR ABBY: My "best friend," as he has labeled our relationship, moved in with me eight months ago. He claims to have no romantic feelings for me. Despite this, he sleeps in my bed next to me and kisses me. (He claims to be asleep when he does it and says he doesn't remember it happening.) He encourages us to be sexually intimate and texts me daily "I miss you" messages when I leave town to visit my mom.

He says he doesn't want to be with me because "he doesn't see me that way." He also talks to another girl. He claims they're also just friends and have only a platonic connection, but I've seen kissy emojis, miss you texts and nude photos they've exchanged.

I feel used and asked him to leave, but he refused to acknowledge my request. When I asked him why he lives with me, he said it's because I am a better alternative to sleeping on his mom's couch next to her dog. I cannot express how painful it was to hear that.

At this point, he owes me \$1,000 in unpaid rent, and I'm over feeling like I fell in love with someone who doesn't have the capacity to love even himself. How do I get this guy out of my house and out of my heart so I no longer feel

like a live-in maid, concubine, bank account, chef and personal assistant in exchange for the privilege of being mistreated? -- **USED IN GEORGIA**

DEAR USED: How do you get this poor excuse for a man out of your heart? From the tone of your letter, you are already more than halfway there. Turn off the money spigot, quit cooking and washing his clothes for him, and when he climbs into your bed, kick him out of it and tell him if he wants sex, to get it from his other "friend." It would be money well spent for you to consult an attorney about his refusal to leave your dwelling, because it may take a formal eviction.

DEAR ABBY: My sister recently got engaged. I'm ecstatic for her. Her fiancé is amazing. We have always been close, and I'm going to be her maid of honor. The problem is, since they've been dating, and especially now that they're getting married, I've been jealous. I feel like a little green monster when I see them together.

It's not about her fiancé -- it's that I can't help wishing I had someone, too. It feels like a punch in the gut when they're being couple-y and I'm third-wheeling. I hate fighting these feelings when I'm truly happy for them



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both. But I feel jealous and then guilty for feeling this way and I'm sick of it tainting my genuine happiness. What should I do? -- **DON'T LIKE THIS FEELING**

DEAR DON'T: I respect your willingness to own up to your feelings. None of us is proud of feeling jealous, but most of us have experienced a twinge at one time or another. (This may be why it is included in the list of seven deadly sins.) Be glad your sister has found her soulmate, and PLEASE have faith that you will meet yours as well. It may not happen today or tomorrow, but one day when you least expect it, you will turn around, and he will be there.

Sports

Pirates shipwreck Vikings 79-0

By **KEN HAMRICK**
Courier sports editor

MONTE VISTA – Monte Vista High School celebrated its Homecoming on Friday as the Pirate football team hosted Center at Harvey Sullivan Field.

It was a good Homecoming for the Pirates. They scored nearly every time they touched the ball, including two defensive touchdowns in a 79-0 victory.

“They were beat up and they’re young to begin with,” said Monte Vista coach Manny Wasinger. “They lost their starting quarterback a couple of weeks ago against Ellicott, so they were making some adjustments there. But they competed. I was impressed on how they came out and competed. We talked about it’s not winning, it’s about how you win. We wanted to make sure we played good solid football. I thought we did that. We showed up on special teams and our defense did a nice job early, and our offense executed. We didn’t get sloppy and it didn’t get ugly at any time. I was pleased with the way we played. We stayed focused and played good football.”

It didn’t take long for the Pirates to get on the board as they scored on the opening kickoff. Azariah Hurtado took a short kick and ran 76 yards for they touchdown. Kevin Cisneros ran in the two-point conversion for an 8-0 lead.

Center turned the ball over on its first possession and Jaiden Martinez’s lateral was off its mark and Alex Marquez picked up the ball and ran 45 yards for a touchdown. Jacob Pacheco ran in another two-point conversion for a 16-0 lead.

The Vikings were pinned deep in their own territory and took over on their own 8. Luis Rubio fumbled in the end zone and Jon Enderle recovered. Kaden Madrid scored another two-point conversion for a 24-0 advantage.

Center was pinned deep in its own territory on the ensuing kickoff. Two plays later, Manny Jiron tackled Martinez in the end zone for a safety.

The Pirates finally got their first play on offense and they scored quickly. Madrid threw a 70-yard scoring



strike to Marquez, but the two-point play came up. *Courier photo by Ken Hamrick*
Monte Vista High School’s Manny Jiron (23) pursues Center’s Osmany Roman (22) in Friday’s game at Harvey Sullivan Field. The Pirates defeated the Vikings 79-0.

short and Monte Vista led 32-0.

Ismael Medina intercepted Rubio and Pacheco scored on the very next play. He ran 51 yards to the end zone and Madrid made the kick and the score stood at 39-0

After a short Center punt, Pacheco scored again, this time on a 19-yard run. Madrid again booted the extra point and the Pirates led 46-0.

The rest of the game was played under a running clock, but the Pirates scored one more time in the first quarter. Hurtado got an interception and Madrid ran 38 yards on the quarterback keeper. He then made the extra point and Monte Vista led 52-0 at the end of the quarter.

The Pirates scored twice in the second quarter. First Cisneros ran 56 yards for a touchdown and then Pacheco scored his third touchdown, this time on a 57-yard run. The Pirates led 66-0 at halftime.

Monte Vista scored two more times in the second

half with Nehemiah Sandoval scoring both of them. He had touchdown runs of 46 and five yards to wrap up the scoring.

Monte Vista had 385 yards of total offense and ran only 15 plays. 315 yards were on the ground with Pacheco leading with 127 yards on three carries – all were touchdowns. Sandoval had 111 yards on four carries, Cisneros had 56 yards on one carry and Madrid had 22 yards on two carries.

Madrid completed his only pass for 70 yards with Marquez getting the reception.

Center had zero yards of total offense. Rubio led the ground game with eight yards on five carries and Martinez had five yards on 16 carries.

Monte Vista (3-2, 1-0) will have an open date next as Del Norte canceled the rest of its varsity season. The Pirates will next play Monte Vista at home on Oct. 18.

“We’ll do similar like we a couple of weeks ago with our bye week,” Wasinger said. “A lot of fundamentals this week, just trying to be better football players. We’ll have to focus on our opponent and that will give us a week to get ready for Trinidad.”

Center will host Centauri this coming Friday at 7 p.m.

Monte Vista 79, Center 0			
Center	0	0	0 - 0
Monte Vista	52	14	7 6 - 79
First quarter			
MV - Hurtado 76 kickoff return (Cisneros run), 11:47			
MV - Marquez 45 fumble return (Pacheco run), 11:29			
MV - Enderle recovered fumble in end zone (Madrid run), 9:51			
MV - Safety, Jiron tackled Martinez in end zone, 8:46			
MV - Marquez 70 pass from Madrid (pass failed), 8:31			
MV - Pacheco 51 run (Madrid kick), 8:03			
MV - Pacheco 19 run (Madrid kick), 5:32			
MV - Madrid 38 run (Madrid kick), 0:15			
Second quarter			
MV - Cisneros 56 run (Madrid kick), 8:04			
MV - Pacheco 57 run (Madrid kick), 0:50			
Third quarter			
MV - Sandoval 46 run (Madrid kick), 7:30			
Fourth quarter			
MV - Sandoval 5 run (kick failed), 10:09			

Lady Falcons score sweep of Lady Mustangs

By **KEN HAMRICK**
Courier sports editor

SANFORD – It was highly emotionally charged match on Thursday as the Sanford High School volleyball team hosted Centauri at the SHS gym.

The Lady Falcons won in three sets, but the Lady Mustangs didn’t make it easy. The scores were 25-17, 25-21 and 25-23.

“It was a good game,” said Centauri coach Ali Miller. “We never think that Sanford ever is going to be an easy game.”

Centauri took a 3-1 lead to begin the first set. After a brief Sanford side out, the Lady Falcons scored six straight points to take a 9-2 lead.

Centauri increased the lead to 12-4 before Sanford came back to close the margin to 13-9. The Lady Falcons pushed the lead to 15-9, and after the teams traded side outs, the Lady Falcons went on a 6-2 run for a 23-14 advantage.

The Lady Mustangs narrowed the deficit to 23-17, but Centauri scored the final two points for a 25-17 win.

Sanford got off to a fast start in the second set as it scored the first four points. Centauri, however, scored the next 10 to take a 10-4 advantage.

The Lady Mustangs went on a 5-1 run to reduce the Lady Falcons’ lead to 11-9. Centauri answered with a 4-0 run, but Sanford did the same.

The Lady Falcons went on an 8-2 run for a 23-15 lead. But the Lady Mustangs had a 6-1 rally to close within 24-21.

Centauri scored the final point on a Sanford service error and won 25-21.

The Lady Mustangs scored the first two points of the third set, but the Lady Falcons scored three in a row. Sanford had a 4-1 run to take a 6-4 lead, and after the teams exchanged 2-0 runs, the Lady Mustangs went on a 4-1 run for a 12-8 advantage.

Centauri scored four unanswered points to tie the score at 12-12. Sanford had a brief side out, but the Lady Falcons scored three in a row for a 15-13 lead.

The Lady Mustangs then went on a 7-4 run to regain the lead at 20-18. Centauri tied the score at 20-20, and Sanford scored two in a row for a 22-20 lead.

The Lady Falcons scored five of the final six points to take the victory 25-23.

Aubree Ullery led the Centauri offense with 30 assists. Rylie McCarroll led in kills with 14, followed by Joselyn McCarroll with eight, Kynlei Curtis with seven and Kimbry Wilfong with five. Ullery also led in service aces with three.

The Sanford offense was led by Brooklynn Reynolds with 22 assists. Bella Peterson was the kills leader with 10, followed by Shasta Bond with seven. Reynolds also led in aces with four, followed by Bond with two.

Centauri (6-8, 2-2) played at Colorado Springs Christian on Friday. It will have a rematch with Alamosa on the road on Tuesday.

“We’re ready for them,” Miller said. “It’s going to be a good game as well.”

Sanford (8-5, 3-1) will host Center on Saturday.



Courier photo by Ken Hamrick
Centauri High School’s Mikasa Giileland (4) hits the ball while Sanford’s Riley Willett (12) goes up for the block in Thursday’s match. The Lady Falcons defeated the Lady Mustangs in three sets.

Sports Bulletin

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SCOREBOARD THURSDAY

Prep girls volleyball
Centauri def. Sanford 25-17, 25-21, 25-23
Sangre de Cristo def. Mountain Valley 25-6, 25-10, 25-14

FRIDAY

Prep football
Alamosa 23, Bayfield 14
Dolores at Sargent – no report
Fowler 54, Sangre de Cristo 14
Monte Vista 79, Center 0
Sanford 20, Norwood 13
Sierra Grande 54, Primero 44
Trinidad 1, Del Norte 0 – forfeit
Prep boys soccer
Alamosa 1, Bayfield 0
Prep girls volleyball
Dove Creek def. Center 25-2, 25-17, 25-9
Mountain Valley def. Centennial 25-19, 25-19, 25-20
Primero at Sierra Grande – no report
South Park at Del Norte – no report
College women’s soccer
Western Colorado 2, Adams State 1
College women’s volleyball
Fort Lewis def. Adams State 13-25, 25-22, 25-19, 20-25, 15-12

College swimming
Adams State, Texas-Permian Basin at McMurry (Texas) – no report

SCHEDULE SATURDAY

Prep football
Ignacio at Centauri, 1 p.m.
Antonito at Cotopaxi, 6 p.m.
Prep cross country
Alamosa, Centauri, Del Norte, Monte Vista at Pagosa Springs Invitational, 9 a.m.
Centennial, Center, Monte Vista, Sierra Grande at Salida Classic, 9:30 a.m.
Prep girls gymnastics
Alamosa at Pueblo Central, 10 a.m.
Prep girls softball
Alamosa at Lamar (at Citizens Park), 11 a.m.
Prep girls volleyball
Creede, Dove Creek at Ouray, 10 a.m.
Center at Sanford, 11 a.m.
Sierra Grande at Trinidad, 11 a.m.
Centauri at Colorado Springs Christian, noon
Monte Vista at South Park, 1 p.m.
Pagosa Springs at Alamosa, 1 p.m.
Antonito at Cotopaxi, 4 p.m.
Mountain Valley at Sargent, 5 p.m.
College football
Adams State at Chadron State, noon
College swimming
Adams State, Texas-Permian Basin at McMurry (Texas), TBA

SUNDAY

College women’s golf
Adams State at Farmers

Insurance Sam Proal Invitational (at Pueblo), TBA
College men’s soccer
Adams State at Colorado Christian, 1 p.m.
College women’s soccer
Fort Lewis at Adams State, 1 p.m.

MONDAY

Prep boys golf
Alamosa at Class 3A State Tournament (at Walking Stick, Pueblo), 8 a.m.
Monte Vista at Class 2A State Tournament (at The Club at Rolling Hills, Golden), 9 a.m.
College women’s golf
Adams State at Farmers Insurance Sam Proal Invitational (at Pueblo), TBA

TUESDAY

Prep boys golf
Alamosa at Class 3A State Tournament (at Walking Stick, Pueblo), 8 a.m.
Monte Vista at Class 2A State Tournament (at The Club at Rolling Hills, Golden), 9 a.m.
Prep girls softball
La Junta at Alamosa (at Adams State), 4 p.m.
Prep girls volleyball
Monte Vista at Trinidad, 1 p.m.
Centauri at Alamosa, 4:30 p.m.
Buena Vista at Sargent, 5 p.m.
College women’s golf
Adams State at Farmers Insurance Sam Proal Invitational (at Pueblo), TBA

WEDNESDAY

Prep girls volleyball
Crested Butte at Del Norte, 4 p.m.



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