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## County Commissioners Contemplate Cuts at Budget Workshop

By Rachel Dahl

During the Budget Workshop last week, County Commissioners received budget cut proposals from Comptroller Sherry Wideman and County Manager Jim Barbee that would bring the 2025 Fiscal Year expenditures closer to revenues.

Wideman provided information at the commissioners' request during their last meeting, which would decrease personnel by \$804,000, services and supplies by \$2.4 million, and capital outlay by \$2.3 million. The proposed budget shows \$43 million in revenue and \$76 million in expenditures.

"Using a fund balance of \$32 million, \$22 million of that was capital outlay, which gave us a deficit of \$10 million," said Wideman. "What happened here is during 2024, our opening fund balance was less than we budgeted by \$790,000, so we started in lower than expected."

She noted that the overall fund balance was up \$17.3 million due to

the funding received from the Navy in the negotiations of the Fallon Range Training Complex agreement and COVID money that had been moved out of the general fund and put into the Capital Projects fund to build the District Court for \$15 million.

"We need to cut budget, sorry to say," Wideman said. "We need to remove the general adjustment for employees which was 3% for 2025 and remove the additional requested budget increases. We are also requesting to remove some unfilled positions and to delay or gap some of the unfilled positions that are sitting out there right now. We're going to ask departments to decrease the remaining 2024 quarter expenditures to leave an unspent budget of 10%."

County departments will be asked to cut their 2025 budgets by 15% based on going back to the remaining quarter of their 2024 budgets and cutting those by 10%, providing a 25% cut in the augmented budget proposal for the 2025 fiscal year.

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Churchill County Budget Workshop, March 28. County Attorney Joe Sanford, Commissioner Heath, Chief Deputy DA Lane Mills, Sheriff Richard Hickox, Social Services Director Shannon Ernst, Commissioner Scharmann, County Manager Jim Barbee, County Accountant Jamie Davis, and Comptroller Sherry Wideman. Photo captured from workshop posted to YouTube.

**Proposed Cuts**  
**Personnel - \$804,000**  
**Services and Supplies - \$2.4 million**  
**Capital Outlay - \$2.3 million**  
**Augmented Budget Proposal**  
**FY2025 - 25%**



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# From the Publisher

## Captain's Log – Small Town Newspapering...

Some of the papers went missing last week. Both Sloan and I were pretty sure we didn't have them all – me when I picked them up and she when she met the volunteers for delivery.

I texted our guy and he said they were all there, but you get a feel when you handle them every week.

We were also missing the post office paperwork, which Sloan discovered when she dropped the papers with Renae for the mail.

There were calls back and forth with the printer assuring us they were sent, and we must have lost them, and a call to the post office from the printer with the electronic version of our documents.

This all happened on Wednesday shipping and Thursday mail and delivery with me thinking I'd lost my marbles the whole time and questioning my existence. But then on Friday, VINDICATION.

Sure enough I got a call from our Eureka buddy, Trina, who said she had an entire crate of our papers and a big envelope with our mail paperwork. Our shipping guy goes to Hawthorne, Fallon, Sparks, Eureka, and then Ely, and apparently, there was a snafu.

Not only in possession of a hilarious sense of humor, our Trina is also a great human and offered to meet me halfway for the paper transfer. In a matter of minutes, I was on the road – an impulsive excursion across the Nevada desert to finally meet our girl in person. We've known her for a couple of years now through email, and in spite of several conversations discussing the starting of a local community newspaper, none of us have ever had enough free time to get together.

And she's a hoot! As expected. But in this little world focused on community newspapering we've sort of gotten used to that. The more of these people we meet the clearer comes the glimpse into the souls of people who dedicate their every waking hour to the flow of information in their communities. And the clearer we see our own.

We're all working ourselves into the ground, wearing twelve hats and spinning forty-nice plates, and have developed a sort of gallows humor born of the mental gymnastics that comes from keeping a broad, objective perspective of our communities while digging into the minute details of each individual story. There's a bit of a personality split that allows us to, with equal vigor, write summaries of public meetings, investigate misbehavior, run Quick-Books, and figure the logistics of an efficient delivery schedule.

There have been plenty of times over the past five years when we question our strange existence and to find someone who does the same thing day in and day out for years on end is a curiosity and a blessing. We are not alone and our strangeness – we are not unique.

So, while we are grateful for our sister in newspapering and we check our shipping guy a little more diligently, we'll be right here...

...Keeping you Posted.  
Rach

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# Obituaries

## Mary Delda “Dee” Hewitt



April 14, 1952 - March 20, 2024

Mary Delda “Dee” Hewitt passed away at her home on March 25, 2024, surrounded by her family and friends. Dee was born in Fairbanks, Alaska, on May 25, 1947. She has been a long-time resident of Fallon. She was the office manager for Churchill County School District and worked over the years at Northside School.

Dee loved gardening and spent a lot of time outside in good weather. She also enjoyed quilting.

Dee is survived by her husband, Chuck Hewitt, daughter Katherine Adams, son Lawrence Barnette, brother Dale Cashion, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were held on March 29, 2024, at The Gardens Funeral Home, 2949 Austin Highway, Fallon, NV.

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## Olga Jenks Moell

July 9, 1936 - March 22, 2024

Olga Moell passed away on March 22, 2024. She was born to Emery and Iona Jenks in Hague, North Dakota, on July 9, 1936, she was the oldest of 6 children.

Olga met Frank, the love of her life, in 1955. They were married on December 17, 1955, and were never apart until Frank's passing just a few weeks shy of their 67th anniversary.

They moved around the Dakotas a lot early in their marriage due to Frank working in construction. After several years of enduring the cold weather of the Dakotas, they moved to Chula Vista, California where they lived for several years until moving to Nevada.

They spent 14 years in Carson City, then moved to Lovelock for a short while before moving on to the Feather River Ranch in Loyalton, CA. They also spent two years at the Cutler Ranch in Yerington, NV, before finally settling in Fallon, where they lived out the remainder of their lives.

Olga was a stay-at-home mom. She was her kids and grandkids' biggest supporter. She spent several years on the Nevada rodeo circuit with Lisa and Laloni. She rarely missed any of her grandkid's sports or extracurricular events as they grew up. She was so very proud of her daughters and of all her grandchildren.

Olga is survived by her three daughters, Leann Moell of Ridgecrest,

## Lois Ellen Howell

August 15, 1942 - February 25, 2024

Lois Percy was born in Redondo Beach, CA, to Walter F. and Avanel Percy. She graduated from Van Nuys High School in 1959 and began her professional journey at Litton Corporation, where she dedicated many years of service. Lois also ventured into entrepreneurship as a big rig truck owner-operator and later established and ran a successful print shop in Fallon for several years.

In the 1980s, Lois found love and companionship with Mark Matthews. Together, they crafted a life in a log cabin they built with their own hands in Spokane, WA. They eventually settled on 20 acres near Lahontan Reservoir until Mark's passing in 2005. Throughout her life, Lois was an active member of Alcoholics Anonymous, achieving a remarkable 47 years of sobriety. She dedicated herself to helping others in their journey to recovery alongside her partner, John.

Lois leaves behind a legacy of love and resilience. She is survived by her devoted partner John; her daughter Michele and son-in-law Shane Reeder; her granddaughter Sara Holman; her



son Alex Riddle; her granddaughter and grandson Kathy and August; her son Jim Riddle, and her granddaughters Alexa, Lillian, and grandson Hunter. She was preceded in death by her father, mother, and brother Raymond.

Remembrance service to be held on Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lahontan State Recreation area, Churchill Beach Day Use area. Barbeque provided, side dishes welcome.

CA; Lila Moell of Lovelock, NV, and Lisa Moura (Anthony) of Lovelock, NV; eight grandchildren: Laloni, Holly, Jerry, Donovan, Dylan, Megan, Daralyn, and Devin; and five great-grandchildren: Dakota, Dillon, Deegan, Hayden, and Koda. As well as her 5 siblings: Vashti Christlieb of Fargo, ND; Darrel Jenks (Diane) of Dayton, NV; Dave Jenks (Jan) of Alice, ND; Jim Jenks (Marlys) of El Cajon, CA, and Terry Jenks of Enderlin, ND.

Olga didn't like anyone to fuss over her, so it was her wish not to have a public funeral; therefore, there will be a private family gathering to celebrate her life.





## Frances Elaine (Sanford) Atkinson

December 22, 1929 - March 22, 2024

Frances Elaine (Sanford) Atkinson, the self-proclaimed "Rose Lady of Fallon," passed away following a short illness on March 22, 2024. Frances was born in Fallon on December 22, 1929, and was a lifelong Fallon resident.

The youngest of four children, she was born on her parents' ranch on Sheckler Road. The family relocated to town a short time later, living in a house at the corner of Williams and Taylor, where her parents managed a cabin apartment complex called Big Chief Auto Court.

Frances attended public school throughout her educational years. She was quite gifted at singing, which she did in various venues as a child and young woman, even having a phonograph record made in her younger years. She was quite accomplished in her singing abilities and had aspirations of attending California's College of the Pacific to study classical music.

Her life took a different direction

when she met and married Bill Sanford in February 1947. They went on to raise two sons, Tom and Joe, whom Frances called her "greatest legacy."

Frances was very outgoing and active. She owned and operated the Petal Pushers flower shop located on Williams Avenue for many years, worked as an admitting clerk at the Churchill Public Hospital on Taylor Street, was a well-known "Avon lady," worked at the Frontier Pharmacy, and served as the lunch lady at the old Senior Center.

As a founding member of Fallon's Red Hat Society, she reigned as the Queen Diva in "The Lil Red Hens" and was always identified by her myriad of various brightly colored visors. She sang for many years with the Lahontan Valley Concert Choir and was a proud member of the Hoe and Hum Garden Club.

In her later years, Frances married William Atkinson. Together, they purchased a home where she planted and tended to her 112 prized rose bushes.

Frances loved Fallon and everyone

in it. She lived a wonderful life and was blessed to have many dear friends and beloved family members. Frances is survived by her son Joe, her son-in-law Bill Dougherty, granddaughters Robyn (Gideon) Davis and Julie Sanford, great-grandchildren Caleb and Nina Davis, daughter-in-law Greta Atkinson, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Frances is preceded in death by her husband, Bill Sanford; her oldest son, Tom Sanford; her parents, Sol and Hazel Springer, brother Melvin Springer, sisters Verla Hooper and Ruth Brown; her second husband, Willie Atkinson; and stepson, Bruce Atkinson.

At Frances' request, there will be no funeral. Instead, a Celebration of Life will be held on May 11 at 1:00 p.m. at the Churchill County Senior Center. For all who knew and loved Frances... come to hug each other, grieve together, and celebrate a most wonderful lady. She will be truly missed.

Many, many thanks to the entire



staff and administration of the Homestead Assisted Living Community of Fallon for their wonderful care, friendship, and love, as well as Compassion Care Hospice, who provided such wonderful care in the last days. The family asks that, in lieu of flowers, donations be directed to The Homestead and Compassion Care Hospice.

## Toni K. Grondin

April 14, 1952 - March 20, 2024

Toni K. Grondin passed away peacefully in her sleep with her husband by her side at 7:06 PM March 20, 2024. She fought the good fight for six months following several life-threatening illnesses but eventually succumbed to liver disease. Toni was born on April 14, 1952, in a small town somewhere in Minnesota. Growing up, Toni did not know her real identity or who all her siblings were (5 total) until sometime after graduation from high school in Kalama Washington. After two unsuccessful marriages Toni set off on her own, eventually moving to Sparks, NV where she found new beginnings and

new friends. Working as a bartender at several local bars in the Reno and Sparks area, Toni always greeted one and all with a warm welcome and a beautiful smile on her face. (Who says, you can't find love in a bar...I did and married her too!)

In 2011 Toni suggested we buy a house and move to Fallon, where I grew up and we had family. It was the right place to live at the right time in our lives. After several years of being friendly, open and outgoing whenever encountering a friend or stranger in the local stores or anywhere she went, Toni wanted to get a job working with the public again. She went to work as a part-time deli clerk making salads

at Safeway for 5 years ending in 2022. A job she really loved doing until her health started to decline.

Toni is survived by her husband of 35 years, Richard A. Grondin, a son from her 1st marriage, Brooks (Amy) Chadderton, of Renton Washington, and a brother, Steven R. (Michaelene) Thomas of Vancouver, Washington.

A celebration of Toni's life will be held at the Fallon Theater on Saturday June 22nd from 2:00 PM until about 5:00 PM. All are welcome to say a few kind words, sing along, dance or just join in the fellowship with the family and friends of Toni K Grondin.





# Business

## Churchill Auto Sales



Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

Meet Jessilyn and Milt Wallace, owners of Churchill Auto Sales. In 2018, they decided to open their own auto sales dealership, which would become Churchill Auto Sales. In June 2018, they purchased their location, and by June 27, Jessilyn had made her first sale. The rest is history.

The Wallaces purchased the iconic building they now call home for their business. After modernizing the building and finding some hidden gems behind the existing walls, such as doors and windows, they completed their remodeling.

Jessilyn has been in the auto sales industry since she was 17 years old. After trying on several separate occasions to step away from vehicle sales, she would somehow get drawn back into it. She knew exactly how she

wanted their business to work and run, so Milt and she set out to do just that. Jessilyn knows how to make an auto sale transaction go smoothly and seamlessly for their customers.

She said her favorite customer is a first-time buyer. She helps them find the perfect vehicle for their lifestyle and then enjoys watching them drive away excitedly after their purchase. Churchill Auto Sales prides itself on making a hassle-free, no-haggling, streamlined, and transparent experience for its customers. Jessilyn wants her customers to be happy, not only with this vehicle but with their next purchase from them as well.

Churchill Auto Sales is at 270 W. Williams Avenue in Fallon. Check out the current selection of vehicles at [churchillautosales.com](http://churchillautosales.com) or contact them at 775-423-0122 or 775-243-5271.

# Fallon Rotary Club



## Bingo Night



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## CCHS FFA Team Competes at State Convention

By Aspen Johnson, CCHS Agriculture Educator & CCHS FFA Advisor

The 95th annual Nevada Future Farmers of America State Convention was held at UNR and The Nugget Resort in Sparks, March 25-28. CCHS FFA students competed in various leadership and career development events, as well Veterinary Science, Creed Speaking, Prepared Public Speaking, Meats Evaluation and Technology, and Employment Skills.

Caitlyn Dock was elected the 2024-2025 NV FFA State President, Liam Few was awarded his State Degree, Allie Fait was awarded Star Zone Farmer, Madi Gregory received first place for Prepared Public Speaking, Karlie Simper placed third for Creed Speaking, and Jackson Barbee, Dana Buckmaster, Allie Fait, and Madi Gregory got third high team for Meats Evaluation and Technology.



Pictured left to right, back row: Liam Few, Garrett Gardner, McKinsey Ryon, Riggan Stonebarger, Heather Kloes, Jessica Anderson, Jackson Barbee, Second Row - Stephanie Tidwell, Caitlyn Dock, Claire Lewis, Hannah Montalvo, Ava Bunyard, Laci Peterson, Madi Gregory, Bailey Prinz, Front Row - Morgan Noorda



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## What's Happening at the Library

### April Schedule and Events

#### Staff Report

April 8-13 is National Library Week. Stop by and write a note about why you love the library and be entered into a special prize drawing. Visit on April 9 at 4:30 p.m. for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library as part of National Library Week.

Spice Club in April is all about summer. Pick up some at the library desk, share your culinary creations on social media, and tag the library.

The library now has a seed library. Learn more about saving seeds year after year from the folks at the Walker Basin Conservancy on April 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Senator Rosen's office representative will be at the library on April 18 at 1 p.m. for "office hours." Stop by and let the Senator's staff know what is on your mind.

The library has reading programs for all ages from pre-kindergarten through adult. Reading and discussing books together is a fantastic way to make friends and explore new worlds. There are:

- "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" encourages youngsters to read age-appropriate books before entering school. Library staff suggest and offer book titles. Recognition is given for every 100 books read on the way to 1,000! Sign-ups are accepted at any time at [bit.ly/CCL1000BBK](http://bit.ly/CCL1000BBK).
- In-person children's story time meets on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. Each week's story time will feature the same content. Children's Librarian Miss J reads picture books to children and offers a craft to ac-

company most stories. It is geared toward children ages 3-5, but all kids are welcome to participate.

- Reading with Rover also takes place on April 18 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Children read books to dogs to improve their reading skills and confidence in front of a decidedly captive audience. Bonus: our furry friends are great listeners.
- The Elementary Book Club meets April 26 in the Library Annex at 3 p.m. for those in grades 3 through 5. Reserve your book to take home at [bit.ly/CCLElementaryBookClub](http://bit.ly/CCLElementaryBookClub)
- The book discussion group for adults continues April 25 at 6 p.m. in the library annex. This month's topic is "books about books." Bring your favorite book on this topic to discuss and share with others. Light refreshments will be served.

A new partnership between the library and the Churchill Arts Council is "Writing as a Candle in the Dark," the supportive, irreverent, challenging, creative writing group you have wanted. Meets Thursdays in March and April from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Oats Park Art Center.

All these and many other programs are at the Churchill County Library. Visit the website at [www.churchillcounty.org](http://www.churchillcounty.org) and explore the events calendar and all the other links for useful information and activities.

The library is located at 553 S. Maine St. and is open Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. They are closed on Sundays and major holidays.





# Law & Order

## District Court: March 23

By Teresa Moon

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, March 26, in Fallon with Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

*Dylan Ethan Dennis*, in custody, pleaded guilty to (1) Conspiracy to Commit Battery with a Deadly Weapon, a Gross Misdemeanor punishable by up to 364 days in jail, and (2) Battery by a Prisoner in Lawful Custody, a Category D Felony punishable by 1-4 years in prison. According to the Criminal Complaint, Dennis used a branch to strike another individual, resulting in the misdemeanor charge. While in custody at the Churchill County Jail, he struck another inmate, constituting felony battery. The court ordered a Pre-Sentence Investigation (PSI) and set sentencing for May 28.

*Ashlie Emalyn-Rainbow Shaw*, in custody, appeared for sentencing on a Category D Felony charge of Battery by a Prisoner in Lawful Custody and for failing to complete the Western Regional Drug Court Program on a previous Gross Misdemeanor charge of Possession of a Dangerous Drug Without a Prescription, which is deemed as a probation violation.

Shaw's defense counsel, Wright Noel with the Public Defender's Office, acknowledged his client's poor performance and told Judge Stockard she was ready to go to jail if her probation was revoked. He asked the court to consider a lengthy probation term on the battery charge to encourage compliance.

Shaw told the court, "I would just like to do my time and get it over with," expressing that she is very apologetic

to the officer she hit. Judge Stockard rescinded Shaw's opportunity at diversion through Drug Court and sentenced her to 364 days in jail, with credit given for time served. On the Felony, Shaw received 36 months of probation on a suspended sentence of 19-48 months in prison, to run consecutively to her time in jail. Shaw must also obtain a substance abuse evaluation within 30 days of her release from jail.

*Mariah Gayle Burris*, in custody, admitted to two Non-Technical Sentencing Violations (probation violations), including residence infractions, use of controlled substances, failing to meet her financial obligations, and absconding from supervision. Burris's public defender, Wright Noel, asked that his client's probation be revoked, to which the state agreed, as Burris has had multiple probation violations and arrests since 2021. Judge Stockard revoked Burris's probation, and she will serve her underlying sentence of 19-48 months in prison. She was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's office and transferred to the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC).

*Michelle Nicole Davis*, in custody, admitted to absconding from probation, resulting in a non-technical violation. According to Senior Deputy District Attorney Chelsea Sanford, Davis finished the Crossroads long-term substance abuse treatment program in early December. However, from December 8 to February 25, she had gotten herself in trouble for non-compliance with Parole & Probation and failing to contact them. Sanford asked that Davis's probation be revoked.

Probation Officer Diggs, appear-

ing via Zoom, told the court that Davis failed to report numerous times and they did not hear from her after she was discharged from Crossroads. PD Noel agreed that his client did not comply with the conditions of her probation and agreed to a probation revocation and for Davis's underlying sentence to be imposed with modifications. Davis addressed the court, "I'm just like pretty much exhausted, you know. Like with my addiction to drugs in the past and now my addiction to alcohol."

Judge Stockard revoked Davis's probation but reduced her underlying sentence from 19-48 months to 12-48 months in recognition of the effort she put into Crossroads. She was given 175 days credit for time served and remanded to the custody of the sheriff's office and will be transferred to NDOC.

*Dereck Kyle Vradenburg-Wheeler*, who was scheduled to be arraigned today, appeared via Zoom from Arizona without approval for not appearing in person. Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer asked the court for a two-week continuance. Stockard reminded Vradenburg-Wheeler of the court's ability to house him in the Churchill County Jail if he does not appear in person. When asked what a drug test would show if he tested today, he told Judge Stockard that he would test positive for meth and THC and that he had used meth and marijuana within the last two days. Stockard ordered Vradenburg-Wheeler to submit to a drug test on April 9 prior to his arraignment at 9:30 and to call and check in daily with Court Services in the interim.

*Jared Aaron Greathouse* pleaded guilty to Attempt to Commit Unlawful Obtaining and Using the Personal

Identifying Information of Another to Avoid or Delay Prosecution. This is a wobbler charge that can be sentenced either as a felony carrying a potential penalty of 1-4 years in prison or as a gross misdemeanor punishable by up to 364 days in jail. According to the Criminal Complaint, Greathouse was contacted by law enforcement and, in the context of that conversation, gave the name of another individual to avoid arrest on a warrant he had at that time. The court ordered a PSI and set sentencing for May 28.

*Michelle Nicole Davis*, Alisha Nicole Dodge appeared for a status hearing. Judge Stockard explained that the record shows that Dodge admitted to a Non-Technical Violation on March 5. Dodge's mother testified regarding her daughter's brain injury and health history.

Charles Woodman, Esq., appointed to represent Dodge, explained that his client was essentially kicked out of New Frontier, although she didn't really understand what she was doing wrong. "I just wanted to make sure that the court is aware that this is a young woman who's had health issues that have affected her brain," stated Woodman, "It's like dealing with somebody, Your Honor, who is in mid to late teens." He asked the court to consider delaying prison if that would be the eventual outcome, long enough to acquire a thorough evaluation.

Deputy DA Aaron Thomas said that in August of 2022, Dodge's mental condition was brought up as she was failing in Drug Court to the point she was removed. Then, she was placed in New Frontier and later removed for improper conduct. "The state is going to ask that diversion be revoked and the underlying sentence be imposed

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## Probation for Musgrave on High-Level Drug Charge

By Teresa Moon

Paul Martin Musgrave, in custody, appeared for sentencing before Judge Thomas Stockard in the Tenth Judicial District Court in Fallon on Tuesday, March 26. Last November, Musgrave pleaded guilty to the Category B Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance, High Level, for possessing 63 grams of methamphetamine.

Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer informed the court that Musgrave has been in custody for 429 days and asked the court to consider probation with the condition that his client complete the Western Nevada Regional Drug Court program.

According to Sommer, his client recognizes that drugs are a big problem in his life, noting that Musgrave has been dealing since he was 16 years old. "The carrot and the stick, as it were, process of treatment has not been tried yet, and we would like to see that for him," Sommer stated, who said his client has deep regrets for the behavior that brought him here.

Judge Stockard expressed concern about the quantity of drugs found in Musgrave's possession, noting that 63 grams is not a personal use amount. Sommer stated that his client "was simply so deep in his addiction that he wasn't making good decisions" and that he is not going to put himself in that position ever again.

Addressing the court, Musgrave explained, "This is the longest I've been sober since I was 16 years old," and when asked by the judge if he wanted an opportunity at Drug Court, Musgrave replied that he did.

Judge Stockard granted Musgrave 36 months probation on a suspended sentence of 72-180 months in prison. He was ordered to remain in custody. The following day, he could appear in Drug Court, where the presiding judge would decide if he would be released. He must also obtain a substance abuse evaluation and follow the recommendations.

Judge Stockard told Musgrave, "Not too long ago, this would have been a life sentence case. Mr. Sommer has argued convincingly that you be given this opportunity. But you should understand that there is a very serious sentence on the other side of this if things go how they have in the past." Credit was given for 429 days for time served.

*Note: Judge Stockard was referring to recent legislative changes that have greatly reduced penalties in drug cases, increased the quantity of drugs needed to qualify for trafficking and high-level sales, and laws that favor probation in first-offense drug cases involving under 100 grams.*

*Any defendant accused of a crime is constitutionally guaranteed Due Process and presumed innocent until proven guilty.*

## Kelley Sentenced in Attempted Burglary Case

By Teresa Moon

Jonathan Sotero Kelley appeared in District Court on March 26 before Judge Thomas Stockard for sentencing on the wobbler charge of Attempt to Commit Burglary of a Motor Vehicle, to which he pleaded guilty in January. As a wobbler, the charge can be sentenced as either a gross misdemeanor or as a felony.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Lane Mills addressed the court, stating, "What we want Mr. Kelley to realize, and that the court to fashion a sentence to help him realize, the impact that his conduct has on people." Mills reported the victim in the case saw on camera that someone tried to get into his home when he was away. Kelly and another individual were actively trying to get into the house while Kelly waved at the camera. "The impact that these things have on people is real."

It is because of unthoughtful actions like the defendant's that people feel the need to have a Ring camera, keep a baseball bat near their front door, or go buy a gun, or that businesses feel the need for security cameras everywhere. "We want him to know that this route does have an impact, that this is not a game."


Wright Noel, with the Churchill County Public Defender's Office and defense counsel for Kelly, said that his client realizes that this conduct causes danger not only to the members of the community but also to Kelley, who could end up in a very dangerous situation. "But, also, there's the possibility of an extended prison sentence. I think

it's important the court know Mr. Kelley has received that message loud and clear."

Noel asked that Kelley be sentenced to a gross misdemeanor and granted probation with the condition that he gain full-time employment. "We'd like the opportunity to show you and the court he is capable of more than what he's done," said Noel.

During their victim impact statement, the victim explained how this event has affected his family. "The fear of someone coming into your house, knowing that only a small metal device on your door is the only thing keeping them from your child and everybody else in your family, is frightening. It has caused a hyper-vigilance for security in my house. My wife, coming from a third-world country, got her weapons permit, got a weapon. She's scared." He said they now practically patrol their home to make sure everything is secure. "There's a level of anger there, a level of fear. My family's basically all I got. I'm glad my lock and my camera were there, but what would have happened if they got in?"

Judge Stockard sentenced the offense as a gross misdemeanor, granting Kelly probation on a suspended 364-day sentence. He was ordered to complete a substance abuse evaluation and follow all recommendations. He was also ordered to serve five days in jail beginning after his court appearance and must have no contact with the victim, Sand Mountain Motors, or the two other defendants in this case. Kelly was remanded to the custody of the sheriff for imposition of sentence.



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# Local Government

## School Board Discusses Budget Priorities

By Rachel Dahl

During the last regular School Board meeting, trustees discussed the Fiscal Year 2025 budget and their priorities for the budget based on the strategic plan, the community survey, and budget policy.

Superintendent Derild Parsons reported on the budget committee meeting, where information on the board priorities and the public survey results were presented. He pointed out that over 47% of the survey participants were parents or family members.

“The emphasis was placed upon we need to do something to address the behavioral concerns that staff and parents are having,” said Parsons. “The committee said they want this to be an area for the staff and the board to consider in the budget development.”

The survey results prioritized a focus on keeping specials in elementary schools, with 57% of respondents. Additionally, enhancing career education received 49%, and reading interventions for K-12 students received 31%. Reducing class sizes and caseloads, recruitment incentives for licensed staff, and increasing mental health opportunities for staff were identified in the survey as priorities, along with

increasing staff support to assist with student behavior, mental health support for students and staff, and physical safety.

Trustee Kathryn Whitaker noticed that in the survey results, one of the highest concerns was maintaining elementary specials. “I think it’s clear that the community does want that, and it was a big goal of ours, and we’ve done that, but I’m still fascinated by how much that beat everything else. I’m just wondering if, as a community, we really realize what’s going on in our schools. That isn’t to say we shouldn’t be looking at specials. I’m just wondering if we’re doing a good job communicating what the real needs are.”

According to the Nevada Department of Education District School Ratings from the 2022-23 school year on the Nevada Accountability Portal, the English Language Arts Proficiency in the Churchill County School District shows that only 32.7% of elementary students are proficient in ELA, with 30.9% proficient in middle school and 48.8% efficient in high school. Math Proficiency scores are 27.7% proficient in elementary, with a shocking 15.6% proficient in middle school and 19% proficient in high school.

With \$12,278 spent per pupil,

Churchill has a 79.75% graduation rate, a 33.1% Chronic Absenteeism Rate, and 29 bullying events that resulted in suspension.

Assessments used to produce the data are the state-approved Criterion-Referenced Test and the College and Career Ready Assessment.

“We’re facing some tough times as far as student achievement goes,” said Trustee Tricia Strasdin, “but I also think that we’re making some great strides with the curriculum and the supports that we have in place.”

Trustee Julie Guerrero-Goetsch said that she was at the budget advisory committee meeting, and the number one topic discussed, “more than any other topic, was the behavior and that being the priority.”

The discussion also revolved around the Statewide Education Audit released recently by Governor Lombardo and the Nevada Department of Education. Parsons said, “The word hammer was mentioned, like, six times, ‘having a hammer to make districts do certain things’ was mentioned. He said there is a potential for requirements in the report to cost districts money. “They can legislate and mandate lots of things, but they require people, and we don’t have the

ability to get the people even with the money.”

Parsons made a point of thanking the board for their support and the teachers for their hard work and recognized that the legislature did give districts some money, which has made things better. “We’re not going to stop fighting for more because we’re still way lower than we need to be.”

He said that the board has made some excellent decisions, and there are many good things to come. “Some of the things we have been doing are making a difference. We have more substitutes today than we had.”

Recognizing the board’s actions and employees’ hard work, Parsons said good things are happening for students. “My job is to make sure that financially, we put things in the areas that will see achievements and meet the mandates. I will fight them all the way on things that aren’t helping us, and the things that are, we are more than happy to do.”

“The one thing I wish I could change is the time process it takes to make things move and go. We tried the get done tomorrow approach, but for most of the true systemic changes and positive outputs, it takes a little bit longer,” Parsons said.

...Budget continued from Front Page

Wideman also said they will try to reinstate the CC Communication transfer to the county in 2025 for \$845,000.

These measures would bring expenditures to \$61 million, with \$10 million of capital outlay leaving a deficit of \$7.4 million. Wideman said she hopes the 15% and 25% decreases in the department budgets will cover it.

“Additionally, we’ll continue to pursue the Bureau of Reclamation money (repayment for the construction of the flood mitigation weir that was built last year and funded by the county) as an earmark, which is \$4.7 million,” said Barbee. “That would then be one-shot money that would go towards the courthouse capital improvement projects.”

According to Barbee, some of the projects already in motion regarding

capital improvement projects will be finished. “We will continue to pursue the courthouse and will continue with the old jail remodel so we can show that we are continuing to move forward to address the courthouse, which is not unreasonable in terms of the time it takes to fix the jail, move the sheriff out of the old bank building and demolish that building and have a place to build the courthouse will take a year,” Barbee said. “Then we would have a better idea of the capital outlay in that 12 months, get the \$4.7, and move that COVID one-shot money into the courthouse construction.”

Commissioner Bus Scharmann asked Social Services Director Shannon Ernst how this would affect her projects. “It’s a lot. I’m worried about some of our rehab projects and construction projects.”

“We’ll have to address those as we deal with them,” said Barbee, “we’ll be able to do one-offs and make those decisions as we go. Those projects we’re in the middle of, where we have open walls, we must finish those kinds of things.” He said projects that have plans and designs done will probably have to be put on the shelf and look to the future.

“Things like CAPS we’re going to have to set aside and look at other alternatives. CAPS is going to have some needs that we’re going to have to address, but instead of a new CAPS building, what we may have, we’ve got the design and plans sitting there, but in the short term, we may have to work on a well for them and some of those kinds of offsets.”

According to Barbee, “We’re not in a bad position. We have somewhere

around \$20 million in standing one-shot kind of money. We have big projects out there, but we haven’t pulled the trigger on them so we can kind of control our destiny and our future.”

He said that there are at least three significant economic development projects that he is aware of that could positively impact revenue. He is looking to the SNPLMA funding, which would be significant in spreading that funding through the community over a three-year period, impacting sales tax.

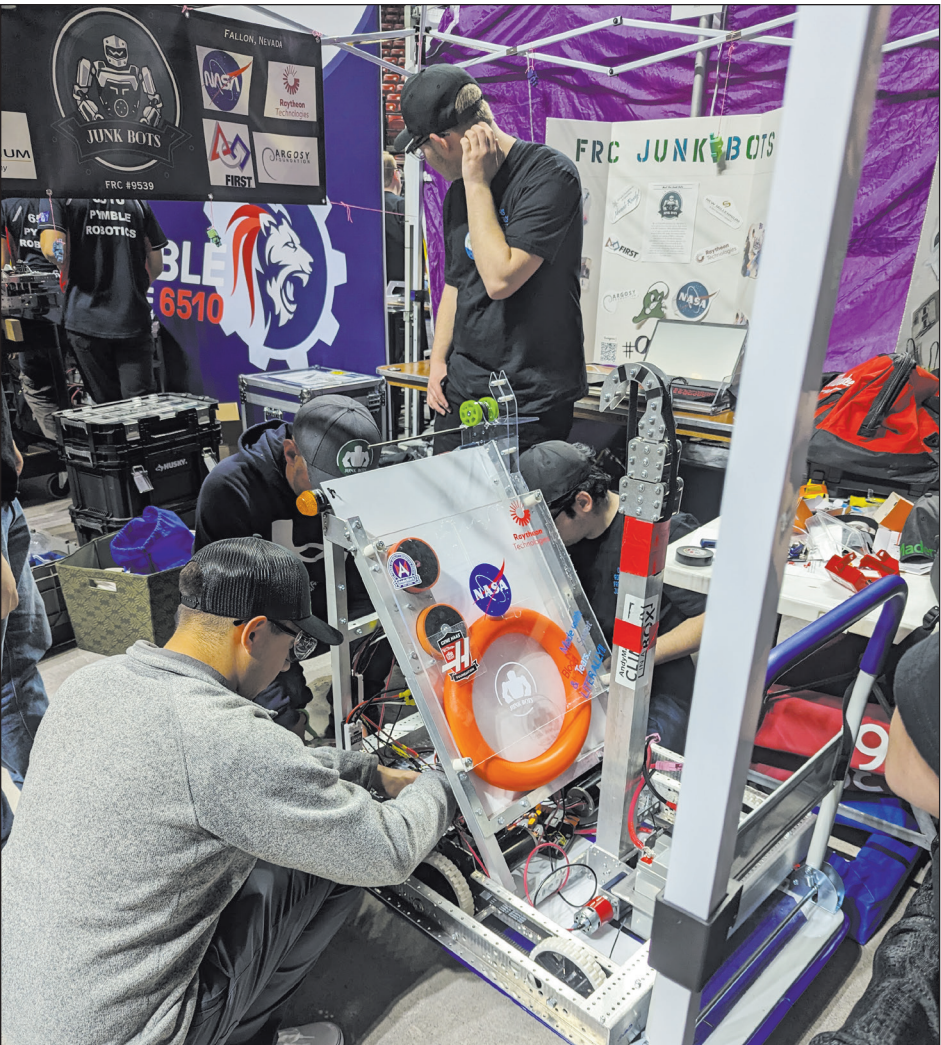
“We don’t have a huge debt service commitment,” Barbee said. “In my mind, it’s much better to have a little pain right now than it is to keep putting it off to have a whole hell of a lot of pain. Part so the county will get pay increases in 2025 and some that will not, but we will all be employed.”



# Win for CCHS JunkBots

The CCHS team competed in the 2024 Las Vegas Regional Robotics Tournament. The students built their robot from scratch in 2.5 months, while learning everything from construction to engineering and programming. Learning to adjust on the fly and never give up. Their FRC9539 JunkBot won the Sustainability Award. Well done!

Photos courtesy of CCHS.





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# Education

## CCSD Cool School News



**CCMS (above):** On March 29, during lunch, the CCMS Student Council met to discuss after-Spring Break activities. The agenda included an upcoming Reno Aces Educational Day field trip, fundraising ideas, a student council Friday dinner, an end-of-the-year dance, and upcoming elections for the next school year. At this meeting, the CCMS Honor Society, run by Kathy Buckmaster, was also in attendance. Both groups are interested in further collaborations with one another to unite CCMS. They will be working together on a school-wide drive to collect items for the new CCMS Closet, gathering personal hygiene items and clothing to stock in the closet for students in need.



**NELC (above):** For the last four weeks, students in Octavia Merritt's class have been waiting to see what would come out of the eggs they decorated and have been keeping warm every day during school - they hatched chicks. They talked about how to take care of the eggs and keep them warm as well as guessed what may come out of them. This was a great way to learn how to care for our things and how to be patient.

**LES (right):** Students in Erika Stanford's kindergarten class had an Easter egg hunt with a little twist. Students had to collect as many eggs as they could find, and then before they were allowed to open them, they had to read the word or solve the math problem on the egg. By the end, everyone had opened all of their eggs.

*Student Sophia Otis shows off the eggs she found during the class egg hunt.*



*ECB student Michael Manning working on his report about the Blue Marlin.*

**Numa (left):** Fifth-grade teachers Kavis and Lee invited the CCHS Plant Science instructor and several of her students to speak to the Numa students about plants and helped them all plant their own. Students were able to choose from wasabi arugula, lettuce, potato, and chamomile. They are learning about local agriculture, food chains, and the preservation/protection of resources, and the students will design their own agricultural-related businesses and learn about the process of applying for a business loan. The students are currently in the research phase as they learn about what it takes to own and operate an ag-related business and will present their business proposals at the end of the project.

**ECB (left):** Students in Melissa Humphrey's second-grade class finished their informative writing unit that focused on the ability to write an informative/explanatory text with an introduction, facts, and a concluding sentence. They started by choosing an animal they were interested in learning about and then had to research their animal's habitat, what they looked like, and other interesting facts about the animal. Using their research, they wrote their rough draft and edited the rough draft, looking for mistakes, and then they wrote their final draft.



**CCHS:** See FFA Conventiion, page 7

*Compiled by Kaitlin Ritchie, photos courtesy of Churchill County School District.*



## Oasis Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera, with photos courtesy of Oasis Academy



**Senior Spotlight:**  
**Amanda Christopherson**

Making a lemonade stand in middle school is graduating senior Amanda Christopherson's favorite memory from her time at Oasis Academy.

"I had a lot of fun with my friends in that group and enjoyed entertaining the kids by selling lemonade to them. We had fun making our stand together and learning," Christopherson said.

Christopherson started at Oasis Academy in seventh grade. She found Oasis completely different from her previous school experiences.

"My time at Oasis has definitely been different from any experience I've had with any other school I've been to. It's been pretty great, honestly," she said.

Those differences included being challenged and receiving the support she needed.

"The education is at a higher degree, which was a big step for me, but it helped me learn a lot. Even from the beginning, the teachers were able to tell I struggled more than others, giving me the help I needed so I could pass my classes," she said. "Oasis is definitely more caring when it comes to its teaching and students compared

to any other school I've had."

Within the caring and supportive environment she experienced, she has a teacher she'd like to thank.

"I've had plenty of great teachers at Oasis, but if there were one I'd like to thank, it'd be Mr. Eric Grimes," Christopherson said.

Grimes' classes were interactive and engaging.

"I may not have been social in his classes or with him in general, but he is the best when it comes to teaching. Mr. Grimes involved his students in his lesson and had open discussions with us, allowing us to talk about our own opinions and beliefs. He is also a kind and funny guy to just talk and listen to," she explained.

Christopherson is a talented artist, and the dual enrollment watercolor class she took was her favorite.

"I would say my watercolor class was pretty fun. I had more fun experimenting with watercolor in this class than I normally did outside of school, and my teacher, Mrs. Jill Oglesbee, was

great. She is a sweet and accepting teacher for anyone," she said.

As she prepares to graduate in May with her high school diploma and associate of arts degree from Western Nevada College, Christopherson is still deciding on her future plans. She does have advice for future students, though.

"When coming to Oasis, it's definitely a lot different than other schools you may have been to, but it's nothing to be scared or terrified of, it's something to be excited for. Even if you struggle in school, the teachers will all do their best to help you graduate. And talk to one of the counselors, if necessary, they listen," she closed.

### Future Fest on April 19

There are still a few tickets available for the 6th Annual Oasis Academy Future Fest, which will be held on April 19 at the Convention Center. Proceeds from this year's dinner will go toward the much-aged playground.

The City of Fallon is this year's Premier Sponsor. Other sponsors include Tedford Tire, CC Communications, S.S. Hert Trucking, Les Schwab,

Western Nevada College, Hiskett and Sons, Oasis Online, Smart and Final, Fallon Glass, A&K Earth Movers, and Banner Churchill Hospital.

The dinner will include live and silent auctions as well as raffles. Donors and items include a basket of tools and whiskey from Miles Construction, a certificate from Tumbleweed Garbage Disposal, UNR items from Silver and Blue Outfitters, a vacation package from the Sahara Casino, a night stay at the Atlantis Resort, two tickets to Burning Man, gift certificates to Johnny's in Reno, a hot air balloon ride from Pat Irwin, gift certificates to Winco Foods, jewelry from Michael and Sons, gift certificates from Outback Steakhouse, a signed hockey puck from the Las Vegas Nights, and much more.

"This year, we really want to focus on playground improvements. The current playground has done its time and needs to be revamped to accommodate the students," said Rochelle Tisdale, Interim Chief Executive Officer. "We are so very thankful for the support of the community as we seek to constantly improve Oasis Academy."



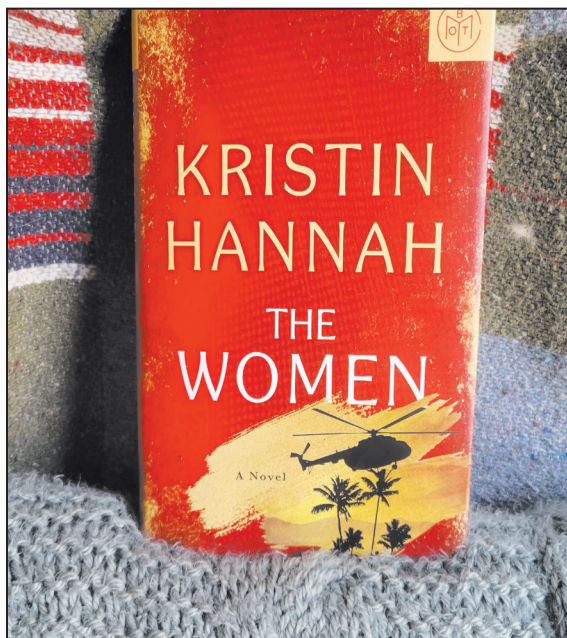
Bottom center, Daleyza Gutierrez Tellez and Buster. Bottom right, Quest McBride.







## ALLISON'S BOOK REPORT



## “The Women” by Kristin Hannah

I have such a treat for all of you historical fiction lovers out there. This week's book is an absolutely “unputdownable” (I am still really trying to make that word happen) coming-of-age story that will keep you turning pages from start to finish.

Kristin Hannah is a beloved author of fan faves like “The Nightingale” and “The Four Winds,” and her winning streak continues with her latest release, “The Women.” “The Women” is the story of Frances “Frankie” McGrath, a twenty-year-old nursing student. Frankie had an idyllic and sheltered childhood as the daughter of wealthy and conservative parents on beautiful Coronado Island, California. She has always prided herself on doing all of the right things and never rocking the boat. But in 1965, the world is changing, and Frankie begins to imagine a different future for herself. When her older brother ships out to serve in Vietnam, she joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows in his path. Frankie is as green and inexperienced as the men sent to Vietnam to fight, and she is immediately overwhelmed by the chaos and destruction of war. Every single day is a matter of life and death, but Frankie still manages to make deep bonds with the people around her, and she learns how fragile human life really is. Frankie eventually returns home - one of the lucky, the brave, the broken, and the lost. She returns home to a changed and divided America, full of angry protesters and people who are ready to forget Vietnam.

“The Women” far exceeded my expectations, and dare I say it is in the running for the best book I have read so far in 2024. It is the story of one woman gone to war, but Hannah manages to shine a light on all of the women who put themselves in harm's way in Vietnam, only to mostly be forgotten. I was struck by how many people told Frankie, “But there were no women in Vietnam!” and how often she was denied care or assistance or even just recognition upon her return. I admit that I was not very aware of the role that women played in Vietnam, so this was a real eye-opener.

I loved this book so much, and I can't wait to talk about it with other readers. Go grab a copy of “The Women” and read it (maybe all in one day like I did) and then pop over to my Instagram @allison.the.reader and let's read and ramble all about it together.

Allison Diegel is the Executive Chaos Coordinator at the Diegel Home for Wayward Girls. She has been reading since before she could talk, and now she likes doing lots of both.



April is straw hat month, a time to celebrate the simple straw hat, which has kept heads cool and out of the sun for untold centuries. From the humble farmer to members of high society, everyone looks good in a straw hat. In honor of that, here is a postcard from our collection featuring a little girl with her hat and necklace colorized.









# Entertainment

## Movies & More

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Welcome to April. We have two great free movies this weekend. On April 5 and 6, we will show "Wonka" at 6 p.m. Wonka is a 2023 musical fantasy film that tells the origin story of Willy Wonka, a character in Roald Dahl's 1964 novel Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. It tells the amazing story of how the world's greatest inventor, magician, and chocolate maker became the beloved Willy Wonka we know today.

Friday at 7 p.m. we will show the 1963 American Western comedy film "McLintock," starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. George Washington McIntock is highly respected by everyone around him, and he tries to keep the peace and do what is best for everyone.

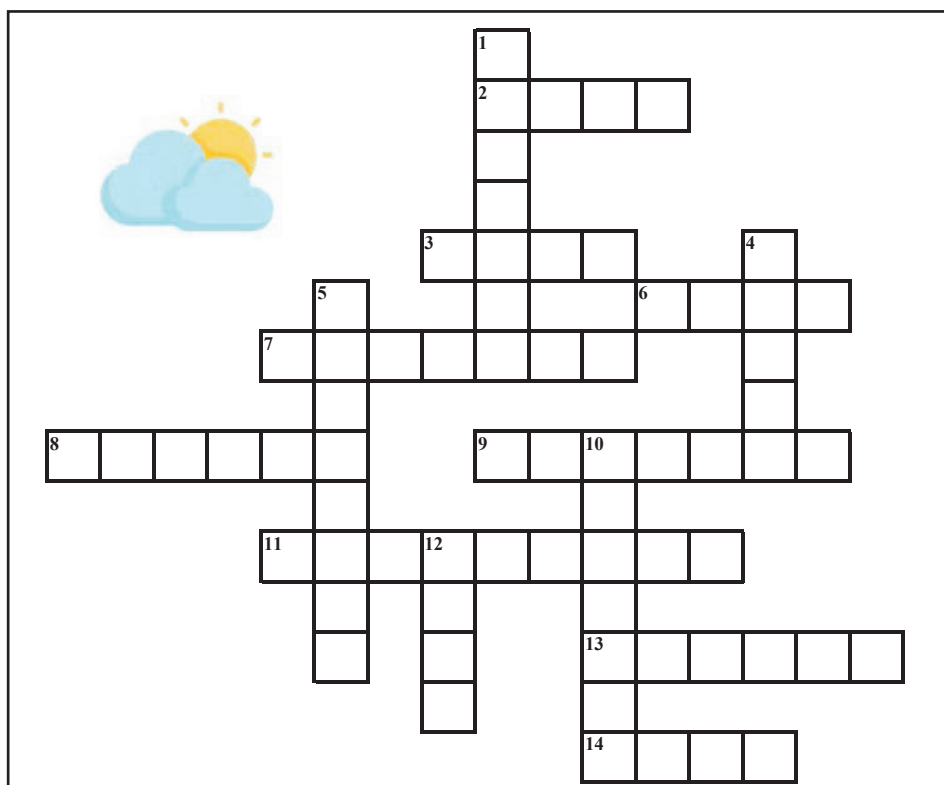
On Saturday, April 6, at 7 p.m., we have family-friendly standup comedy with comedian Lee Hardin. Don't miss this night of clean fun and laughter. Tickets are only \$20 for adults. However, you might be interested in Lee's Double Date Discount, which is offered on his website. Learn more at Fallon Theatre's website, [www.fallontheatre.com](http://www.fallontheatre.com).

On Saturday, April 13, from noon to 3 p.m., the Fallon Theatre will host the free Heritage of the West. The show will feature Native American Dancers, Cowboy Poetry, Chautauqua, Western Songs, Mexicana Dance Group, Old Classic Country Songs, and much more.

On Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Fallon Theatre will host Hillsdale College's Constitution 101 video lecture series. Sponsored by the Churchill County Republican Women, admission is \$15 for adults and free for students. Getto Subs will provide lunch.

Saturday, April 27, at 7 p.m., we will show "Tahoe Joe 2," featuring some local cast and crew. In this sequel to the 2022 film "Tahoe Joe," a popular social media influencer goes missing in the Tahoe National Forest. Filmmakers Michael Rock and Dillon Brown set out on a rescue mission but get more than they bargained for when returning to the famous hunting grounds of Tahoe Joe. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for active military, and children 12 and under.

Hope to see you at our historic downtown theatre!



## April Movies

The Fallon Theatre 71 S. Maine Fallon, NV 89406

**Friday 4/5**

**Wonka**  
(PG) at 6pm

**McLintock**  
at 7pm

**Friday 4/12**

**Brother Bear**  
(PG) at 6pm  
\*Admission \$1.00

**Fistful of Dollars**  
(M) at 7pm

**Saturday 4/6**

**Wonka**  
(PG) at 6pm

**Lee Hardin**  
Comedian  
at 7pm  
\$20 Admission

**Saturday 4/13**

**Brother Bear**  
(PG) at 6pm  
\*Admission \$1.00

**Fistful of Dollars**  
(M) at 7pm

**Saturday April 13**

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**Smokey and the Bandit**  
(PG) at 7pm

**Friday 4/26**

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(G) at 6pm  
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**The Goonies**  
(PG) at 7pm

**Saturday 4/20**

**Cars**  
(G) at 6pm  
\*Admission \$1.00

**Smokey and the Bandit**  
(PG) at 7pm

**Saturday 4/27**

**The Goonies**  
(PG) at 6 pm

**Tahoe Joe 2**  
at 7 pm  
\*Admission \$10 adults  
\$7 Seniors, Military,  
& Children 12 and  
under

**\*ALL MOVIES ARE FREE EXCEPT WHERE NOTED!**

## Crossword —

by Peanut



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Across

- 2 Unhealthy air
- 3 39-54 mph winds
- 6 Still air
- 7 Not Fahrenheit
- 8 Rain or snow
- 9 Funnel cloud
- 11 Thunder's partner
- 13 15-25 mph winds
- 14 Air in motion

Down

- 1 Nasty ocean wave
- 4 Overflowing rivers
- 5 Condensation temp
- 10 Refracted light arc
- 12 Small ice balls



NOTICE OF TRUSTEE PROPERTY SALE

Churchill County Treasurer

Will be conducting an online sale of delinquent tax properties  
to be held on Thursday, April 18 thru Friday, April 19, 2024

Bidding will begin at 8:00 AM on April 18th and conclude at 12:00 PM on April 19th

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<del>001-641-09</del>	<del>BLACK ROCK INVESTORS LLC</del>	<del>.750</del>	<del>835,845,855,865, 875 HUMBOLDT</del>	<del>\$7,891.50</del>
003-641-21	LOWERY, LINDA	7.460	3320 DUFFY	\$2,417.10
006-081-14	KONNO, ESMELITA ALAVAZO	10.000	8323 PASTURE ROAD	\$1,495.44
<del>006-293-22</del>	<del>GRASTEIT, LAURA M.</del>	<del>10.490</del>	<del>3636 KEYES WAY</del>	<del>\$2,860.43</del>
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DEPT. NO. I

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CHURCHILL

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NOTICE is hereby given that Peti-  
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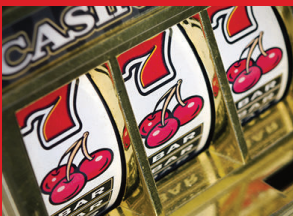
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CASE NO. 24-10DC-0394  
DEPT. NO. I

IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHURCHILL

In the Matter of the Estate of:  
DEBORAH BERNICE BAKER,  
Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that ANGELETTA VANN, Petitioner, has filed with the Clerk of this Court a Petition for Letters of Administration in the Estate of DEBORAH BERNICE BAKER, Deceased.

A hearing on the Petition has been fixed before the Court for the 9th day of April, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the Courtroom of the Tenth Judicial District Court, 73 North Maine Street, Fallon, Nevada.

All persons interested in said Estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Petition should not be granted. A verified Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 18 day of March, 2024.  
JAMES F. SLOAN, ESQ.  
NV Bar No. 410  
977 W. Williams Ave.  
Fallon, NV 89406  
Attorney for Petitioner

By: TIFFANY JOSEPHS  
Deputy Clerk  
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## NOTICE OF HEARING

DISTRICT COURT WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA  
Case No.: PR23-00878 Dept No.: PR  
In the Matter of the Estate of BENNETTE LOUISE SHETLER, Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Valerie Scholz ("Petitioner") has filed her Supplement Petition to Set Aside Estate Without Administration and for Payment of Attorney Fees ("Supplement"), that a hearing has set for the Petition on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 10:00 AM, of the above-entitled Court, located at 75 Court St., Reno, NV 89501. This hearing will be conducted by conference call only. Any person who wishes to be heard on this matter shall obtain the public dial-in number and Meeting ID by visiting <https://washoecourts.com/probate>, or by calling (775) 328-3100 at least two days in advance of the hearing. The matter will be approved without further hearing unless an objection is filed. You do not need to appear unless you wish to object.

AFFIRMATION PURSUANT TO NRS 239B.030  
The undersigned does hereby affirm that the foregoing document does not contain the social security number of any person.

Dated this 14th day of March 2024

/s/ Richard Chatwin  
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Alicia L. Lerud  
Clerk of the Court

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CASE NO.: 23-10DC-1318  
DEPT. NO.: 1

IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHURCHILL

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM ROBERT HARMON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Andrea E. Schumann was duly appointed and qualified by the above-entitled Court on December 13, 2023, as Personal Representative of the Estate of WILLIAM ROBERT HARMON, Deceased.

All creditors having claims against said estate are required to file the same, as required by law, with the Clerk of the Court within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this notice.

Pursuant to NRS 239B.030, the undersigned does hereby affirm that this document does not contain the social security number of any such person.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2024.

/S/ CHARLES B. WOODMAN, ESQ.

CHARLES B. WOODMAN, ESQ.  
Attorney for the Estate of WILLIAM ROBERT HARMON

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CASE NO.: 23-10DC-1319  
DEPT. NO.: 1

IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHURCHILL

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KRISTIE JO HARMON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Andrea E. Schumann was duly appointed and qualified by the above-entitled Court on December 13, 2023, as Personal Representative of the Estate of KRISTIE JO HARMON, Deceased.

All creditors having claims against said estate are required to file the same, as required by law, with the Clerk of the Court within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this notice.

Pursuant to NRS 239B.030, the undersigned does hereby affirm that this document does not contain the social security number of any such person.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2024.

/S/ CHARLES B. WOODMAN, ESQ.

CHARLES B. WOODMAN, ESQ.  
Attorney for the Estate of WILLIAM ROBERT HARMON

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held in the Churchill County Administrative Complex, 155 North Taylor Street, County Commission Chambers, Fallon, Nevada, at approximately 1:15 PM on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, on the proposed Ordinance:

SUMMARY: THIS BILL REVISES PORTIONS OF TITLE 2 OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY CODE BY (1) PROHIBITING THE TRANSMISSION OF A FALSE FIRE ALARM, (2) ESTABLISHING THE POWER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO SET A FINE FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF FALSE FIRE ALARMS, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2 OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY CODE PROHIBITING THE TRANSMISSION OF FALSE FIRE ALARMS, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

If you cannot attend the meeting, written comments may be submitted to the Clerk/Treasurer's Office, 155 N Taylor St, Suite 110, Fallon, NV 89406, before 4:00 p.m. on April 16, 2024. A copy of the ordinance is on file and available for public inspection at the Churchill County Clerk/Treasurer's Office. A scanned copy of the ordinance will be posted on April 12, 2024 with the Agenda Packet on the county's website at <https://www.churchillcountynv.gov/1081/Agendas-Minutes>.

Dated: April 1, 2024.

Pamela D. Moore  
Deputy Clerk to the Board

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BILL NO. 799

ORDINANCE NO. 781

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FALLON, NEVADA, DESIGNATED AS THE "2024 MEDIUM-TERM BOND ORDINANCE," PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF ITS GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) MEDIUM-TERM BOND, SERIES 2024A; PROVIDING COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE BOND, THE PROJECT AND GENERAL TAX PROCEEDS; RATIFYING ACTION PREVIOUSLY TAKEN AND PERTAINING TO THE FOREGOING BY THE CITY AND ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION AS IF AN EMERGENCY EXISTS; AND PROVIDING MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-entitled Ordinance was proposed by Councilwoman Karla Kent at the regular meeting of the City of Fallon City Council held on April 2, 2024, and was passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the City of Fallon City Council held on April 2, 2024, by the following vote of the City Council:

Those Voting Aye: Kelly Frost  
Karla Kent  
Paul Harmon

Those Voting Nay: \_\_\_\_\_

Those Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the 5th day of April, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City Council of the City of Fallon, Nevada has caused this Ordinance to be published by title only.

DATED this April 2, 2024.  
Attest:/ Ken Tedford  
Mayor

Attest:/ Sean Richardson  
City Clerk/Treasurer

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to absolutely show the inappropriateness of this behavior." Judge Stockard ordered a PSI and set a dispositional hearing for May 28.

Tasia Marie Ratti appeared via Zoom from WestCare, a substance abuse treatment and behavioral health facility in Las Vegas. Ratti admitted to a Non-Technical sentencing violation of her probation. PD Noel informed the court that he has warned Ratti that he does not know the effect that admitting to the violation may have on her federal case and advised her to talk to her appointed counsel in that matter, which is set for trial on May 21. Ratti told the court she has been battling addiction for 20 years, and she is willing to do what needs to be done. Judge Stockard set a dispositional hearing for May 28.

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Thurs.	6 a.m., (7 a.m.) 8 a.m. 9 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
Fri.	6 a.m., 8 a.m. <u>9 a.m.</u> <u>5:30 p.m.</u>
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Community Meetings

CCSD Board of Trustees  
Wed., Apr. 10, 5:30 p.m.  
District Office  
690 S. Maine St.

Churchill County Meetings  
County Complex  
155 N. Taylor St.

Parks & Recreation  
Mon., Apr. 8, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission  
Wed., Apr. 10, 7 p.m.

Cemetery Board  
Thurs., Apr. 11, 1:30 p.m.

Central NV Health District  
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Water Levels

Measurements taken  
April 2, 2024  
at 8:10 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir  
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Carson River Below Lahontan  
42.1 cfs  
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth  
0.00 cfs  
Truckee Canal at Hazen  
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533 cfs

April 2, 2024  
2024 : 274,217 acre feet  
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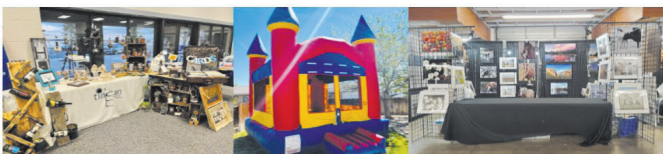
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