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Rock Stars With a Different Kind of Vision

By Leanna Lehman



A happy patient with her new glasses poses with her rock star, Dr. Koenig.

An elderly woman in a remote Peruvian village couldn't stop giggling. In her 80s, she had just received a pair of eyeglasses and was seeing things clearly for perhaps the first time in decades.

For Fallon optometrist and Nevada Assemblyman Dr. Gregory Koenig, seeing that woman's reaction was worth the months of preparation and the long days spent working in remote villages.

"The coolest parts were just seeing people being able to see for the first time in their life," Koenig said.

Koenig and his wife, Terra, recently returned from a medical mission to the Andean highlands of Peru, joining a 12-member team providing medical and dental care, eyeglasses, food, and clean drinking water.

The Oct. 16-23 mission was organized through Ethnos Movement International (EMI-USA) and Asociación VIDAS, a faith-based ministry in Peru. Volunteers came from Fallon, Henderson, and the Salt Lake City area.

Former Nevada Assemblyman Thaddeus "Toby" Yurek III invited Koenig to provide eye care. It was Koenig's first medical mission, and practicing optometry in the mountains of Peru would be considerably different from seeing patients in Fallon.

The team traveled by bus to Colcapampa, Pampamarca, and Quinua, communities in the Andes at elevations exceeding 11,000 feet. The first two were approximately 3½ hours from Ayacucho, where the volunteers stayed, while Quinua was about 1½ hours away. They spent one day in each community, often leaving before sunrise and returning late in the evening, with little time for meals or breaks.

Koenig explained that most homes had dirt floors and no running water. Residents collected rainwater or relied on rivers contaminated with parasites. Boiling water didn't guarantee purification, and firewood was an expense many families struggled to afford.

Volunteers spent several days purchasing supplies, assembling food packages, and preparing 250 household water filtration systems using buckets purchased locally and drilled to accommodate filters. Each system provided a household with a way to obtain drinking water without boiling it first.

Getting more than 2,000 pairs of donated eyeglasses from Nevada to Peru presented another challenge. Koenig's Fallon office staff spent months cleaning and cataloging the glasses, assigning each pair a number corresponding to its prescription on a spreadsheet. Koenig expressed gratitude for their work. Fallon residents and fellow optometrists contributed the glasses, which required three additional large suitcases, each packed to the luggage weight limit.

Once in Peru, Koenig discovered his equipment was more limited than anticipated. His new handheld vision screener required an internet connection, which was unavailable in the villages.

Fellow volunteer Tony came to the rescue with a Starlink satellite system, its cable stretched across a cow pasture.

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Youth Cast Brings "The Haunted Schoolhouse" to Life



The cast of "The Haunted Schoolhouse" danced to "The Music Machine" during the youth musical at the Fallon Theatre Oct. 29-31.

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

Thirteen young performers brought music, dancing, and a touch of mystery to the Fallon Theatre Oct. 29-31 as Performing Arts of Churchill County (PACC) presented "The Haunted Schoolhouse," a youth musical written and directed by Tim Wuth in collaboration with Noreen Swenson.

The lighthearted, spooky story followed a group of students serving after-school detention who discovered a Magic Music Machine in the schoolhouse basement. Each time they found an object and placed it in the machine, music began playing, prompting the students to sing and dance.

While cleaning, the students also discovered memoirs and letters exchanged between two ill-fated lovers dating back to 1957.

The hourlong production featured students in eighth through 10th grades from Churchill County High School, Oasis Academy, Agape

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Costume Contest Winners Take Center Stage at Halloween Bash

Pat, Kurt, and Allan took top honors in the costume contest at the Pennington Life Center's Halloween Bash on Oct. 29, dressing as a witch, a biker, and a race car driver. The celebration brought participants together for live music, lunch, and ice cream. Photos courtesy of the Pennington Life Center.



Pat.



Kurt.



Allan.

Inside!!

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log:

A Break'll Do You Good

By Rachel Dahl



I ran away this weekend.

As they say in the movies… R – U – N – N – O – F – T. Bonus if you can name the movie.

My number two sister texted about 3 p.m. Friday and said she knew me to be busy but just in case I could flee and join her and her husband at their cabin in the woods for the weekend that would be just the thing to do.

Because I had mentioned early Friday morning to my son the need for a ticket to a desert island, a cabin in the woods sounded like the next best thing. So I fled.

The extra special treat about this really wonderful opportunity was that there is no cell service at the cabin in the woods. NONE. Which for a girl like me who routinely carries four potentially connectable devices: laptops, iPad, and phones, the concept of no cell service is frankly, frightening.

But to a girl like me who arguably is still in possession of half a brain, the potential of having NO cell service sounded like a little slice of heaven.

And man, was it.

We slept in these big, fluffy Three Bears beds – just right, and sat in front of a great big fireplace for coffee talk, and we ate lovely food we cooked together working in the kitchen like we did when we were kids, finishing each other's thoughts and sentences.

It rained nearly the whole weekend until it snowed, but for about an hour Saturday afternoon the drizzle took a break and we ventured out through woods, down a fabulous little trail, across a burbling creek and down to glorious hot springs. Then we headed back through a verdant meadow and only had to hike up two hills.

My sister has a pet bird who lives in one of the sugar pines surrounding the cabin – a Steller's jay named LeeLee. As soon as you step outside, LeeLee starts talking, flies over to where you stand, and tips her little head to look at you. It's impossible not to think that she is assessing deep in your soul and in some way approving, at least enough to want to hop in your hand to gobble up the sunflower seeds.

On a day like today when it's all hands on deck for production and we hustle to meet our 2 p.m. press deadline, as we hop from meetings at the City of Fallon and then the irrigation district and then in Winnemucca, when the City of Fernley has a water system failure of some sort, the train in Ely wants to buy an ad, and the police have been requested to attend the commission meeting in Lovelock tomorrow, the memory of my rest at the cabin in the woods grows further and further away.

But what a lovely, refreshing respite.

So, while I dream of losing the laptop and the phone and running off again soon to the woods, we'll always be right here…

…Keeping you Posted.

—Rach

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Young performers danced to "Green Eggs and Ham" during "The Haunted Schoolhouse" at the Fallon Theatre. Photo by Nancy Chapman.

Church School, Veritas Preparatory School, Leadership Academy of Nevada, and homeschooling programs.

The cast performed 12 musical numbers, including "Thriller," "Tarantulas," and "(Let Me Be Your) Teddy Bear."

Luke Odle, who played Jack, said he has been performing in musicals and plays since spring 2024. His previous productions include "Schoolhouse Rock," "Broadway Revue," and "Maine Street Gang." Performing is one of his favorite activities.

Caroline Bradford, who played Sage, is a freshman at Churchill County High School. She has participated in eight productions and said she enjoys acting and singing.

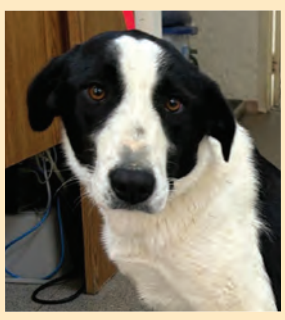
PACC regularly coordinates seasonal youth productions featuring students from elementary through high school. The organization thanked Epworth United Methodist Church, Jeff and Jill Christiansen, Fallon Community Theatre Group, and Stuf 'N' Such Store for supporting the production.

PACC also administers the Sara Swenson Memorial Performing Arts Scholarship, established in memory of a former Churchill County High School student who participated in choir, the Fallon Dance Team, and school and community musical theater programs.

Swenson died of osteosarcoma in 2011 at age 22. The scholarship honors her love of the performing arts. According to PACC, the organization has awarded $9,500 in scholarships to local high school graduates during its first four years.

PETS OF THE WEEK

Meet Akasha Mouse



Akasha Mouse is a 10-month-old female border collie and Great Pyrenees mix available for adoption at the City of Fallon Animal Shelter. This black-and-white youngster gets along well with children, dogs, and cats. Akasha Mouse is looking for a family to call her own and a place to settle in. Stop by the City of Fallon Animal Shelter to meet Akasha Mouse and see if she could be the right addition to your family.

City of Fallon Animal Shelter
1255 Airport Rd., Fallon | 775-423-2282

Meet Newt



Newt is a 5-month-old orange kitten with a big personality and plenty of love to share. This happy, social boy is quite the talker and loves attention. His favorite place is snuggled up against his person's neck, purring contentedly. Curious and friendly, Newt gets along well with other cats and has also been around dogs. He is always ready to explore, play, or settle in for a cuddle. Newt is neutered, vaccinated, microchipped, and ready to find his forever home.

Questions? Call 775-217-4745

Fallon Animal Welfare Group is a 501(c)(3) charity supporting the welfare of cats in Churchill County, Nevada.

FEATURES

Fallon Alumni Chapter Earns UNR Honor

Staff Report

The Fallon Alumni Chapter received the Nevada Alumni Association's 2026 Outstanding Chapter of the Year award during an Oct. 22 ceremony in Reno, recognizing the local organization that brings university alumni together and raises scholarship funds for Churchill County students.

Keith and Brenda Boone and Laura and Gregg Malkovich accepted the award on behalf of the Fallon chapter during the University of Nevada, Reno alumni awards reception.

The recognition follows years of chapter activities combining alumni fellowship with support for local students pursuing higher education at UNR.

A central part of the chapter's work is supporting the Elmo and Donna Dericco Memorial Scholarship. The chapter has organized community fundraisers to help local graduates attend the university.

In October 2019, The Fallon Post reported that an Italian dinner fundraiser raised more than $4,000, helping provide three $1,000 scholarships. More than 80 people attended, and 20 volunteers helped prepare and serve the meal.

The chapter has continued fundraising through golf tournaments and Wolf Pack-related activities. In June 2024, The Fallon Post reported that proceeds from the chapter's golf tournament supported graduating seniors from Churchill County High School and Oasis Academy College Prep who planned to attend UNR.



Christina Stoever-Young, Nevada Alumni Association president; alumni Keith Boone; Brenda Boone; Alex Pearce; Amy Nygren; Laura Malkovich; Gregg Malkovich; and University of Nevada, Reno President Brian Sandoval gathered for the presentation of the 2026 Outstanding Chapter of the Year award to the Fallon Alumni Chapter. Photo courtesy of Brenda Boone.



Members of the University of Nevada, Reno's Fallon Alumni Chapter gather for a group photo. Front row, from left, are Alex Pearce, Brenda Boone, Jaymie Berney holding her son, Jensen, Julie Richards, and Keith Boone. Back row, from left, are Amy Nygren, Tami and Paul Harmon, Gregg and JoAnne Tanner, Gregg and Laura Malkovich, Eileen Montgomery, and Charlie Arciniega. Photo courtesy of Brenda Boone.

The chapter advertised a June 13, 2026, golf tournament at Fallon Golf Course, with a silent auction and other fundraising opportunities benefiting the scholarship fund. A Feb. 21 bus trip to a Wolf Pack basketball game against Utah State was also advertised as a scholarship fundraiser.

Beyond those events, chapter activities have included trips to athletic events and the Reno Rodeo, watch parties, and mystery bus excursions. The gatherings give local alumni and supporters opportunities to remain involved with the university while contributing to the chapter's scholarship efforts.

Brenda Boone, who earned a master's degree in education from UNR in 2007, serves as chapter president. The chapter meets quarterly and welcomes University of Nevada, Reno alumni interested in reconnecting with fellow graduates and supporting local scholarships. Those interested in participating or learning about upcoming meetings may contact Boone at boonebrenda87@gmail.com.

Information about the chapter is available at unr.edu/alumni/chapters/fallon.



Who Takes Care of What We Share?

By Rachel Dahl

Put ten neighbors around one irrigation ditch, and you will discover that political philosophy is not confined to universities.

Who gets the water? Who cleans the ditch? What happens when somebody takes more than their share? And who gets to decide what a share ought to be?

Suddenly, we have ourselves a government.

I have been thinking about these questions as we report on the proposed water-right changes in Paradise Valley. Those applications deserve careful examination on their own facts. But they also raise an old question: How do free people take care of something they share?

There is a name for this: the commons.

A commons might be a pasture, a fishery, or a shared water source. The important feature is that what one person takes or does can affect what remains available to others.

That does not mean nobody owns anything. Individually held rights can exist within a physically connected system. Owning a water right and sharing a water source can both be true.

Aristotle was wrestling with shared responsibility more than 2,000 years ago. In his "Politics," he observed that people tend to give less attention to things held in common. Everybody assumes somebody else will handle it.

Apparently, Aristotle had attended a committee meeting.

But he also recognized that a community cannot have nothing in common. The challenge was deciding what should be private, what should be shared, and how the responsibilities should work.

Centuries later, John Locke, whose ideas helped shape American thinking about individual rights, defended private property. Yet he also recognized that land held in common by agreement could not simply be claimed by one person without the consent of the other commoners.

Shared rights were rights, too.

The founders confronted their own versions of this problem. In Federalist No. 7, Alexander Hamilton described western territory ceded to the United States as the "common property of the Union." He worried about competing claims and the potential for conflict without a common authority to resolve disputes.

Their challenge extended beyond land: How could states meet shared obligations while protecting their independence? How could government have enough authority to function without becoming a threat to liberty?

Those questions have not been retired.

In 1968, biologist Garrett Hardin gave the resource problem a memorable name: "The Tragedy of the Commons."

Imagine a pasture open to everyone. Each herder benefits from adding another cow, while the cost of the additional grazing is spread among all the herders. Each has an incentive to add animals. Eventually, the pasture suffers and everybody loses.

Hardin's warning: a decision can benefit the person making it while imposing costs on everyone else.

But political scientist Elinor Ostrom asked what happened when people actually organized to manage shared resources.

She studied communities managing water, forests, fisheries, and pastures. Some failed. Others maintained workable arrangements over generations. Her research helped earn her a share of the 2009 Nobel Prize in economics.

Successful arrangements generally had clear boundaries, rules suited to local conditions, participation by users, monitoring, consequences for violations, and practical ways to settle disputes.

In other words, people did more than hope everybody would behave.

They governed.

Ostrom demonstrated that central control and individual ownership were not the only possibilities. People could build institutions to manage resources together. Courts and public authorities could also play supporting roles.

Hardin later acknowledged that his original argument needed an important qualifier: unmanaged commons.

For those of us inclined to defend individual liberty, Ostrom offers a valuable reminder: People are capable of solving problems together. We should take that capacity seriously.

But liberty also requires accounting for other people's rights. The freedom to use what belongs to us does not automatically include permission to damage what belongs to somebody else.

That brings us back to the ditch—and to the questions our water reporting must answer.

What changes are proposed? Who could be affected? What does the evidence show? Who bears the financial and societal costs? What protections apply?

We should ask those questions without assuming the applicants are wrong or the neighbors are unreasonable.

Self-government requires more than choosing sides. It requires learning how things work, respecting rights, and accepting responsibility.

Even when—especially when—somebody else was supposed to clean the ditch.

Who gets the water? Who cleans the ditch? What happens when somebody takes more than their share? And who gets to decide what a share ought to be?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

American Legion Riders to Hold Christmas Toy Run Nov. 14



Staff Report

The American Legion Riders will hold their Christmas Toy Run on Saturday, Nov. 14, to collect donations for Toys for Tots.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. at the American Legion Hall, 90 N. Ada St., Fallon, with the ride starting at 11 a.m.

Entry is one new, unwrapped toy per person. Food and a raffle will follow the ride.

For more information, call 775-427-9741.

Clean Comedy Coming to Fallon Theatre



Staff Report

Nashville stand-up comedian Lee Hardin will return to the Fallon Theatre on Friday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. with an evening of clean, family-friendly comedy.

Hardin, whose comedy has been featured on Dry Bar Comedy, brings his stand-up act back to the historic downtown theater for a performance intended for audiences of all ages.

Tickets are $20 and can be purchased online at leehardin.com. The Fallon Theatre is located at 71 S. Maine St. For additional theater information, call 775-423-6210 or email thefallontheatre@gmail.com.

Fallon Theatre on Friday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. with an evening of clean, family-friendly comedy.

October Marriage Licenses

Oct. 1	**Angel Victoria Arteaga Tejeda**, 22, and **Wyatt Austin Macedo**, 23, both of Fallon.
Oct. 1	**Joseph Lee Hill**, 40, and **Briana Kathleene Plants**, 38, both of Fallon.
Oct. 2	**Anthony Giove**, 78, and **Michelle Rose Kimsey**, 51, both of Fallon.
Oct. 5	**David Arron Elliott**, 65, and **Vicki Lee Elliott**, 70, both of Fallon.
Oct. 5	**Chelsea Renee Sanches**, 26, and **Anastasiya Marie Smith**, 24, both of Fallon.
Oct. 7	**Kaleigh Renee Fenyes**, 31, and **Sky Bleu McDermott**, 30, both of Fallon.
Oct. 8	**Richard Patrick Dolan VIII**, 27, and **Caitlin Chyann Ashcraft**, 33, both of Fallon.
Oct. 8	**Edwin Didier Salguero Munoz**, 24, and **Ashley Tapia**, 27, both of San Bernardino, Calif.
Oct. 9	**Michael Keith Gage**, 77, and **Katherine Rochelle Morra**, 53, both of Carson City.
Oct. 9	**Elsie Ann Etchegaray**, 28, and **Benjamin Andrew Fabel**, 30, both of Fallon.
Oct. 12	**Kamryn Danielle Coulter**, 28, and **Justin Chase McAfee**, 30, both of Fallon.
Oct. 16	**Zachary Scott Menneke**, 32, and **Amanda Marie Harding**, 33, both of Fallon.
Oct. 27	**Camryn Janell Brockman**, 28, and **Nathaniel Grant Carter**, 31, both of Fernley.
Oct. 28	**Cassandra Diane Winegar**, 28, and **Lance Lee-Reed Harrison**, 28, both of Fallon.
Oct. 29	**Autumn Ivy Howe**, 29, and **Shawn Ross Ulrey**, 29, both of Fallon.



Election Results Coming Next Week

With Election Day falling on Tuesday, Nov. 3, and our newspapers going to press at 2 p.m. that afternoon, election results were not available in time for this week's print editions.

We will bring readers complete election coverage, including local races, ballot questions, and voter turnout, in our Nov. 13 editions.

Thank you for your patience as we work to provide accurate, verified results to the communities we serve.

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Lunch Served Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Lunch is $6 for those under 60 and a suggested donation of $3 for those 60 and older.

Monday, Nov. 9	Tuesday, Nov. 10	Wednesday, Nov. 11	Thursday, Nov. 12	Friday, Nov. 13
Chicken Nuggets	*Chili Relleno Bake*	*– Life Center Closed*	*Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwich*	*Grilled Cheese Burger*
Green Beans	*w/ Ground Beef & Cheese*	*in Observance of*	*WW Bun*	*WW Bun*
Mushrooms	*Refried Beans*	*Veterans Day –*	*Baked Beans*	*Lettuce, Tomato & Pickles*
Mashed Sweet Potatoes	*Spiced Apple Sauce*		*Comstock Corn*	*Black Beans*
Tossed Salad	*Tortilla Chips*		*Creamy Coleslaw*	*Mandarins*
Mixed Berry Cup			*Seasonal Fruit*	

FALLON DAILY BREAD

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Meals are served Mondays and Thursdays from 5 - 6 p.m. All meals are subject to change. All are welcome.

Monday, Nov. 9	Thursday, Nov. 12	Monday, Nov. 16	Thursday, Nov. 19
Pancakes & Eggs	*Lemon Pepper Fish*	*Chicken Nuggets*	*Pizza Night*
Fruit	*Salad & Fruit*	*Vegetables & Dessert*	*Salad & Dessert*

Volunteer groups needed to help serve once per month, 3 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Call for information.

COMMUNITY

Interfaith Gathering Encourages Understanding

By Dawn Blundell



Representatives of several faiths participated in an interfaith question-and-answer gathering Oct. 21 at the Fallon Theatre. The discussion focused on religious beliefs, shared understanding, and community dialogue. Photo courtesy of Mary Sorensen.

Representatives of several faiths gathered at the Fallon Theatre on Wednesday, Oct. 21, for an interfaith question-and-answer event designed to encourage understanding among people of different religious traditions.

The event was organized locally by the Rev. Dawn Blundell of Epworth United Methodist Church and Mary Sorensen, communications director for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Panelists included the president of the Nevada Interfaith Association, Buddhist priest the Rev. Matthew Fisher; the president of the Universal Society of Hinduism, Rajan Zed; Bruce Mills of the Bahá'í faith; Mark Hyde of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; and the Rev. Jim Kelley of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. A message was also shared from Anthony Shafton, an atheist member of the association who was unable to attend.

The event began with each panelist answering the question, "Who is God (or the divine) to me, and why does it matter?" Then, the panelists answered questions from the audience. Panelists were also available after the event to talk with audience members and answer more questions.

Several attendees shared how meaningful they found the event, and how much they appreciated seeing the openness and camaraderie between the panelists. Several also expressed the desire for more events like this one in the future.

Representatives of several faiths gathered at the Fallon Theatre on Wednesday, Oct. 21, for an interfaith question-and-answer event designed to encourage understanding among people of different religious traditions.

"I loved it," said Bernadette Franke. "The dialogue was respectful and informative. Love thy neighbor, aka do good deeds, aka be of service, was a common thread from each speaker. I felt we're not so different after all."

"I could write a book, probably, about what I have learned from those whose beliefs and practices are different from my own," said Blundell. "Most of all, I've learned the joy of kinship as one colorful, weird, wonderful human family. It is so much better to learn than to assume…to understand than to judge…to love than to fear."

"Tonight," she continued, "is just a little something to foil the plans of the dark forces that prefer we be divided, and connect us as humans instead."

Organizers intend to put together another interfaith event in the spring, which would include representatives from Islam, Judaism, the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe, and local Christian churches that were unable to participate this time.

"Interfaith dialogue is the art of turning differences in belief into bridges of understanding, shared humanity, and respect," said Rajan Zed. "It is about learning to sit comfortably in a shared hallway…it is about honoring every human being…it begins when we start welcoming it as an invitation to understand."

MEETINGS

Nov. 6 – 20, 2026

City of Fallon Council Meeting
First and third Tuesday at 9 a.m.
City Hall, 55 W. Williams Ave.
Next meeting: Nov. 17 at 9 a.m.

Board of County Commissioners
First Thursday and third Wednesday
155 N. Taylor St.
Next meeting: Nov. 18 at 8:15 a.m.

Churchill County Planning Commission
155 N. Taylor St.
Regular meetings:
Second Wednesday at 6 p.m.
Next meeting: Nov. 12 at 6 p.m.

Churchill County School Board
690 S. Maine St.
Special meeting:
Nov. 10 at 5:30 p.m.



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FALLON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Financial Literacy Workshop
Churchill County Library
Library Annex, 553 S. Maine St.
Nov. 6 at 4 p.m.

St. John's Holiday Craft Fair
St. John's Lutheran Church
1170 S. Taylor St.
Nov. 6 from 3 to 7 p.m.;
Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Textile Spinning Demonstration
Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Nov. 9 at 5 p.m.

Veterans Day Breakfast
Fallon Chamber of Commerce and New Millennium
Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way
Nov. 11: Opening ceremonies at 8 a.m.; event concludes at 11 a.m.

Reading with Rover
Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Nov. 12 at 3:30 p.m.

Elementary Book Club
Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Nov. 13 at 3:30 p.m.

Nevada Community Alliance Christmas Craft Fair
Nevada Community Alliance
E.C. Best Elementary School,
750 E. Williams Ave.
Nov. 13 from noon to 6 p.m.;
Nov. 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Nate's World – A Living Breathing Recital
Barkley Theatre, Oats Park Art Center
151 E. Park St.
Nov. 13 at 6 p.m.

Christmas Toy Run
American Legion Riders
90 N. Ada St.
Nov. 14; registration at 10 a.m., ride at 11 a.m.

Crafting for Grownups
Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. and Nov. 21 at 2 p.m.

Third Friday Movie Day – "9 to 5"
Coalition for Senior Citizens
Fallon Theatre, 71 S. Maine St.
Nov. 20 at 1 p.m.

Clean Live Comedy
Fallon Theatre
71 S. Maine St.
Nov. 20 at 7 p.m.

Small Business Saturday
Fallon Chamber of Commerce and CEDA
Participating Fallon businesses
Nov. 28

Fallon Christmas Tree Lighting
City of Fallon
Maine Street, downtown Fallon
Dec. 4 at 6 p.m.

Churchill Arts Council
Barkley Theatre, Oats Park Art Center,
151 E. Park St.
Dec. 5 at 4:30 p.m.
Tickets: $10 adults, $5 children and students

Sequined Ornament Workshop with Beck Baumann
Churchill Arts Council
Oats Park Art Center, Fallon
Dec. 5 from 1 to 4 p.m.



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COMMUNITY

$6,000 Reward Offered in Sand Mountain Restroom Arson

Staff Report

The Bureau of Land Management is offering a $6,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for an Oct. 25 fire that destroyed a public restroom at Sand Mountain Recreation Area.

Churchill County firefighters and sheriff's deputies responded to the recreation area and found the campground restroom engulfed in flames. Investigators with the Nevada State Police State Fire Marshal Division determined the fire was intentionally set and involved the suspected use of accelerants.

The building was a total loss, and the BLM is leading the investigation.

"Places like Sand Mountain create lasting memories for families, campers, and outdoor enthusiasts," said Matt Magaletti, acting district manager. "People come to Sand Mountain to enjoy their public lands, and deliberately destroying a facility they depend on takes something away from everyone who visits. We're hoping someone saw or heard something that could help investigators. Even the smallest detail could help investigators identify who is responsible."

Investigators are asking anyone who was at Sand Mountain during the evening of Oct. 24 or early morning hours of Oct. 25 and witnessed suspicious activity to contact BLM law enforcement.

Tips may be reported by calling 800-782-7463 or emailing BLM_NV_CC-DOWebmail@blm.gov. Callers may remain anonymous.

Information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible may qualify for the $6,000 reward.



The fire-damaged restroom at Sand Mountain Recreation Area was cordoned off after an Oct. 25 fire. Photo courtesy of the Bureau of Land Management.

Annual Car Show Raises $4,600 for Local Trade School Scholarships



Best in Show winner Mick Bettencourt, left, and Les Schwab manager and event coordinator Adam Greggory display the award and gift basket. Photo by Heidi Vanderhoef.

By Leanna Lehman

The annual Les Schwab Car Show raised $4,600 for trade school scholarships for students at Oasis Academy and Churchill County High School through community donations and a matching contribution from Les Schwab.

More than 50 participants took part in the show. Mick Bettencourt won Best in Show with his 1956 Ford Sunliner, Greg Wargio won People's Choice with his 1990 Freightliner, and Frank Fisk won Host's Choice with his 1969 Dodge Dart.

Organized by Victoria Crystal, the show has supported local nonprofits and families in need for five years. This year, the event raised $2,300 for the Les Schwab Tyler Crystal Memorial Trade School Scholarship, and Les Schwab matched that amount. Oasis Academy High School and Churchill County High School will each receive $2,300 to support students pursuing education in the trades.

The event will be renamed the Les Schwab Tyler Crystal Memorial Trade School Scholarship Car Show.

Local supporters included Frey Ranch, Desert Embers, RANGE Media Co., Ty's Let'm Buck Rodeo, Fallon Tribal Development Corporation, Tallow Utopia, Otis Grill, and Berney Realty. Frey Ranch provided the Best in Show gift basket. Otis Grill and Berney Realty also supported the scholarship.

Tallow Utopia sponsored the Bearded Man Contest and donated 25% of its sales to help a local man battling cancer.

Fallon Ford Toyota made space available at its new location next to Les Schwab for additional show vehicles, and Desert Embers provided its neighboring parking lot for spectators. RANGE Media Co. promoted the event through advertising.

Crystal thanked Les Schwab for five years of support and for matching this year's donations. She also thanked the businesses, participants, and volunteers who helped with setup, registration, vote tallying, and cleanup.

Halloween at the Library



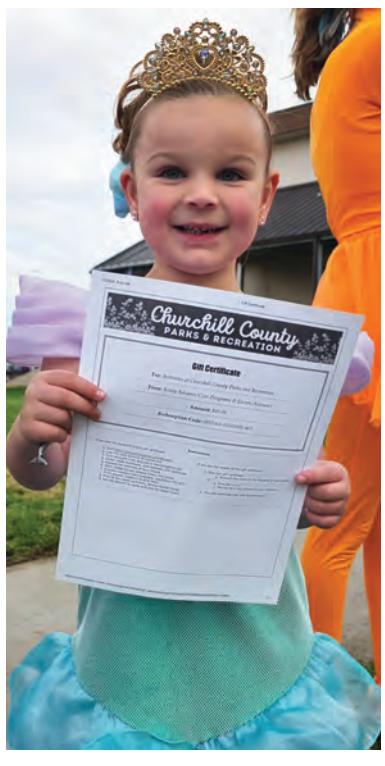
Children danced to the song "Ghostbusters" during the Halloween celebration at the Churchill County Library on Oct. 29.

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

Library Director John Hong welcomed parents and children to a Halloween party at the Churchill County Library on Thursday, Oct. 29.

The event, called "Tricks, Treats and Tales," encouraged participants to wear costumes and featured Halloween treats, activities, a photo booth, crafts, and read-aloud scary stories.

Halloween at the Aquatic Center



Luna Linville won the prettiest princess costume award during the Halloween celebration at the Churchill County Aquatic Center on Oct. 30.



Ashley Ann Keady won the funniest costume award dressed as an Avatar character during the Halloween celebration at the Churchill County Aquatic Center on Oct. 30.

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

The Churchill County Aquatic Center hosted a Halloween trunk-or-treat celebration Friday, Oct. 30, organized by Aquatic Coordinator Lisa Kuntz.

Children participated in a hay maze, games, trunk-or-treating, and a costume contest.

BUSINESS

Fox Peak Trick or Trunk Extravaganza



Elijah, Jasper, Katy, and Rita Ethridge with Dad, Justin.



Kavi, Marcy, Zeno, with Mom, Kiki Jones. Photo by Leanna Lehman.



Deana Walch Potter with son, Castian. Photo by Leanna Lehman.

Halloween Takes Over at Maine Street Spooktacular



An elaborate Evil Circus display added to the Halloween festivities. Photo by John Baker.



Nuestra Herencia Dance Company performed during the celebration. Photo by Nancy Chapman.



A family dressed as characters from "The Addams Family." Photo by Lori Kaiser.



Glen Perazzo gave away Halloween hats at the Fallon Theatre. Photo by Lori Kaiser.



Victoria Hagerty and Ashley Karrick welcomed visitors at the CC Communications booth. Photo by Nancy Chapman.



A young visitor stopped to meet Jessie from "Toy Story" and a pony. Photo by Lori Kaiser.



Children painted pumpkins during the afternoon festivities. Photo by John Baker.



Families stopped at the Rotary Club of Fallon's Halloween display. Photo by John Baker.



Scout Troop 1776 participated in the Halloween festivities. Photo by Lori Kaiser.



Holy Trinity Episcopal Church decorated its downtown display for Halloween. Photo by Lori Kaiser.



An Evil Circus display added to the Halloween festivities downtown. Photo by John Baker.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City Council Approves Licenses, Land Purchase

Staff Report

The Fallon City Council unanimously approved liquor and cabaret licenses Tuesday, Nov. 3, for the Black Door Events Center, a planned special-event venue at 406 S. Maine St.

The licenses were requested by Lani Moore for Burn the Ships LLC, doing business as Black Door Events Center. The liquor license permits on-premises alcohol sales, while the cabaret license permits live entertainment or dancing. Both passed 3-0 after city staff recommended approval.

Moore explained that she hopes to open the event center Dec. 1. The venue would host activities such as paint nights and live music, rather than operate as a full-time bar.

In response to Councilman Paul Harmon's question regarding restrooms, City Engineer Derek Zimney said that two additional restrooms are in the event space, with a restroom accessible to people with disabilities in an adjacent building.

Councilwoman Kelly Frost inquired as to how alcohol would be handled at private events and whether a manager would be required on-site. Moore explained that she would serve alcohol at events she organizes, while private renters could bring their own. Fallon Police Chief Daniel Babiarz clarified that guests could bring alcohol to private gatherings without a liquor license if no sales were involved.

In another 3-0 vote, the council approved a sale agreement for approximately 1.24 acres at Rattlesnake Hill for $50,000, plus escrow fees and costs. The parcel is being purchased from trustees of the Casey Family Trust.

City Attorney Trent deBraga addressed the potential for future grants or development opportunities, stating that the city already owns most of the hill. He added that acquiring the parcel would provide greater control over the property.

The council received the Fallon Police Department's September report. Officers responded to 640 calls for service and made 25 arrests.

Two domestic batteries were reported, with one case closed due to lack of evidence. Another battery was also reported, resulting in an arrest. Seven thefts and four vehicles were reported stolen, with all the vehicles recovered locally.

Officers conducted 126 traffic stops, issuing 106 warnings and 20 citations. The department responded to 26 traffic collisions, including 16 on public property and 10 on private property.

The Fallon Animal Shelter took in 108 animals during the month, including 43 from within city limits, 63 from Churchill County, and two from tribal jurisdiction. Department volunteers contributed 94.5 hours and completed 39 Helping Hands visits.

Mayor Ken Tedford proclaimed November No-Shave November in Fallon, encouraging cancer awareness, preventive screenings, and support for people affected by the disease.

TCID Board Terminates Software Contract, Prepares for Winter Projects

By Rachel Dahl

The Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors voted Tuesday, Nov. 3, to terminate its contract with a software provider after months of unsuccessful attempts to contact the company. The board also approved an equipment maintenance agreement and heard updates on water storage, Lahontan Dam rehabilitation and potential federal funding.

District officials said WaterVize, contracted to develop an online water management system, has stopped responding to communications. The company's website and the district's developing online program are now inaccessible.

"We have not heard from the owner of WaterVize for several months now, despite our numerous attempts to reach out to him," district officials reported.

The board unanimously approved terminating the contract and exploring options to recover more than $18,000 paid to the company.

The district is evaluating an alternative system called Storm, developed by Central Valley Software Solutions LLC, which reportedly serves more than 50 irrigation districts. Officials have discussed water ordering, record-keeping and integration with automated canal controls. No replacement contract has been proposed.

Contractors are expected to arrive Nov. 12 for a major rehabilitation project at Lahontan Dam. District crews have been building an access ramp near the existing boat ramp and preparing to remove trash racks, hydraulic cylinders and other components to provide access to the dam's outlet structures.

Work will proceed in stages, with three components addressed at a time to maintain operational flexibility. Completion is expected by March 15, ahead of the spring irrigation season, although weather conditions could affect the schedule.

Winter maintenance will include concrete replacement, equipment repairs and preparations for the seasonal canal shutdown.

Water operations staff reported Lahontan Reservoir storage at approximately 57,633 acre-feet, with daily outflows exceeding inflows by about 218 acre-feet. Increased flows through the Truckee Canal are expected to replenish storage as irrigation deliveries wind down.

The district began taking additional available Truckee River water into the canal Nov. 2, with further increases planned as other diversions are reduced. Reservoir storage is projected to reach approximately 71,613 acre-feet by the end of November, depending on inflows and operating conditions. The irrigation season is expected to conclude around Nov. 15.

District officials and Natural Resources Conservation Service representatives discussed changes to federal conservation programs and potential funding for irrigation infrastructure.

NRCS representatives said funding previously available through WaterSMART is no longer available through their agency. Alternatives include the Regional Conservation Partnership Program, which has supported large-scale irrigation improvements in other states.

NRCS engineers encouraged TCID to identify projects for possible fiscal year 2028 funding, including replacement of aging irrigation structures and water delivery improvements.

Officials also reported renewed hope for previously anticipated USDA funding that had been delayed. Although the program is being revised, federal representatives have indicated the money remains available and eligible districts, including TCID, are still expected to receive funding.

Potential uses include canal lining, automated water controls and other conservation improvements. Eligibility for on-farm projects remains undetermined.

NRCS representatives encouraged local producers to apply for conservation assistance through programs supporting soil health, cover crops and reduced tillage, including the Conservation Stewardship Program.

The board approved a two-year maintenance agreement with Empire Cat covering five pieces of district equipment, including excavators and a skid steer. Empire Cat will provide scheduled maintenance, service records and electronic equipment monitoring.

District staff estimated outside servicing would cost approximately 30% more than comparable in-house maintenance but said the agreement would help protect equipment warranties, improve maintenance records and reduce demands on the district's limited mechanical staff.

The district currently has one mechanic.

At Carson Lake Pasture, cattle are expected to begin moving out this week. Officials reported favorable grazing conditions and adequate remaining forage. The district plans to review its waiting list and determine whether additional cattle can be accommodated in future seasons.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service representatives reported hunting season underway at Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge. Migrating swans had not yet arrived as of Tuesday's meeting but were expected soon.

The Bureau of Reclamation reported continued staffing shortages at regional and local offices, while district representatives discussed preparations for winter precipitation and potential high-water conditions.

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"We had to have someone watch and make sure the cows didn't come and knock over our Starlink," Koenig said.

Without his usual equipment, finding the right prescription often came down to a hope and a prayer. Fortunately, for Koenig, it seemed as if both were heard, with many results nothing short of remarkable.

Because the examination areas were too bright, Koenig used blankets to create a darkened space, allowing patients' pupils to enlarge naturally for a more accurate distance reading. He improvised with blankets, much like children making tents in their living rooms. There, he examined patients while Terra retrieved numbered glasses for them to try.

The process was no small feat. Koenig explained that one interpreter translated Quechua into Spanish, and another translated Spanish into English for the American volunteers.

One young boy needed a particularly strong prescription. Koenig was surprised and delighted to find a donated pair that matched almost exactly. A motorcycle delivery driver who could barely make out the largest letter on an eye chart improved to nearly 20/20 vision.

Unfortunately, not everyone could be helped.

Koenig encountered patients with severe cataracts, commonly treated with surgery in the United States. In these communities, treatment could require multiple seven-hour round trips and expenses residents could not afford.

"Some of these people, you know, are pretty much nearly going blind from an easily treatable condition. At least it's easily treatable here in the States," he said.

Dentist Cary Jaques also faced equipment limitations, including an X-ray machine that would not charge, restricting the procedures he could safely perform.



Koenig with his handheld vision screener.



Koenig works to determine the vision needs of one of his younger patients.

The team served 360 people through 482 consultations: 280 medical, 75 dental, and 127 optometry. Koenig distributed 97 pairs of prescription glasses and 67 pairs of reading glasses, leaving the remaining glasses with villagers. Volunteers also provided 250 household water filters and 110 bags of food.

The workdays were exhausting. On one occasion, rising water at river crossings forced the volunteers to leave early, with 20 to 25 people still waiting for eye care.

Local leaders welcomed the volunteers, sometimes with singing and dancing.

"They were so appreciative for being there. Their leaders would want to introduce us and we were like rock stars," Koenig recalled.

The mission included Christian outreach, with team members sharing their faith. EMI-USA President Todd Wellman said the organization hopes to continue bringing medical professionals to the region.

Koenig hopes to return, perhaps every other year. If another trip comes together, The Fallon Post will invite community members to donate used eyeglasses. Hundreds of donated pairs remained in Peru, where Koenig hopes they may benefit other residents.

Despite their limited resources, Koenig said the villagers appeared happy and welcoming. For him, the experience was a reminder that money isn't a prerequisite for happiness.

"It just makes you realize … how blessed we are here in the States."

For now, he remembers the people whose lives changed with something as simple as a pair of glasses, particularly the elderly woman who couldn't stop smiling.

"It was worth it … just to see the gratitude and the smiles on the people's faces as they got their glasses for the first time beyond description it was it was amazing just made it all worthwhile."

COURT

Tenth Judicial District Court

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, Oct. 27, with Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

By Teresa Moon



Mario Alberto Antunez-Morales pleaded guilty to a charge of Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment of a Child Not Causing Physical Harm, a gross misdemeanor punishable by up to 364 days in jail and a fine up to $2,000.

Antunez-Morales must undergo a risk assessment that must conclude he is not at a high risk to reoffend and must be presented to the court for him to be eligible for probation.

Sentencing was set for Jan. 19, 2027, to allow time for the defense to obtain the assessment.

Justin Allen Santana pleaded guilty to Assault with a Deadly Weapon, a Category B Felony punishable by 1-6 years in prison and a fine of up to $5,000.

The factual basis provided by the defense was that Santana grabbed a dumbbell and hovered over the victim while threatening to kill her.

Churchill County Deputy Public Defender Kenny Tedford explained that his client has an infant child in intensive care in Las Vegas; therefore, he would like to move to Clark County. The defense has been working on finding drug and alcohol testing in Clark County. Santana has been clean and sober and has received his 90-day Alcoholics Anonymous chip.

Judge Stockard ordered testing at American Toxicology in Clark County every two weeks, noting Santana is responsible for the cost of the testing.

Judge Stockard ordered a presentence investigation (PSI) and set sentencing for Jan. 12, 2027.

William Kimo Lysaght appeared for sentencing on the wobbler charge of Attempt to Commit Convicted Sex Offender Violating Registration, to which he pleaded guilty Aug. 25.

A question arose regarding an arrest listed in the PSI. Judge Stockard continued sentencing to Nov. 17 to allow the Division of Parole and Probation to investigate the matter.

Lydia Ann Page Chenoweth appeared for sentencing on Ownership or Possession of a Firearm by Certain Prohibited Persons, a Category B Felony, to which she pleaded guilty Aug. 25.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Chelsea Sanford said that, pursuant to the plea agreement, the state did not oppose a suspended sentence of 12-48 months in prison, with the conditions that Chenoweth pay $500 in restitution and successfully complete the Western Nevada Regional Specialty Court.

Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer agreed with Sanford's recommendation. Sommer told Judge Stockard, "My client is happy to be working full time right now; she's pleased with how that is going. Things are looking good."

Judge Stockard granted probation on a suspended 19-48 month sentence. Additionally, he ordered Chenoweth to complete Specialty Court, obtain a substance abuse evaluation, follow all recommendations, and pay $500 in restitution at $100 a month.

A review hearing was set for Oct. 26, 2027.

Candice Lee Scollard, in custody, appeared for a review hearing following her reinstatement on probation on Oct. 13, when she was ordered to remain in custody until her interstate compact with California was approved.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Priscilla Baker told the court that the Division of Parole and Probation had reported that California again denied the compact because of disqualifying issues involving Scollard's proposed residence.

Sommer proposed allowing Scollard another opportunity to obtain approval of the interstate compact by applying as homeless.

Baker expressed concern about the lack of a plan for Scollard's supervision and housing. She noted that the compact had been denied multiple times and that Scollard had not completed any probation requirements while in Nevada.

"There needs to be a plan. There isn't a plan," Baker said. The state requested that Scollard serve the remainder of her sentence and be dishonorably discharged from probation.

After briefly conferring with Scollard, Sommer proposed that she serve 45 days in jail, followed by a dishonorable discharge from probation.

Judge Stockard reinstated Scollard on probation and ordered her to serve 45 days in the Churchill County jail, after which she will be dishonorably discharged from probation.

Georgina Brown was not present for her scheduled status hearing. Judge Stockard continued the hearing to Nov. 3.

Sheriff's Office Seeks Assistance in Sand Mountain Assault Investigation

Staff Report

The Churchill County Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's assistance in identifying a person of interest in connection with a violent attack at Sand Mountain on Saturday, Oct. 31.

According to the Sheriff's Office, the incident occurred between 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. near the restrooms in the Vendor Row area.

Investigators are seeking information about an adult male with a light to medium complexion who was wearing a black hooded zip-up sweatshirt, white shirt, and black gloves.

Anyone who was at Sand Mountain during that time, particularly near the Vendor Row restrooms, is encouraged to review cellphone videos, GoPro recordings, dash camera footage, or other recordings that may have captured activity in the area.

Investigators are also asking anyone who witnessed the incident, observed suspicious activity, or has information that could help identify the person involved to come forward.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Sgt. Rudy Maynez at 775-423-3116 or rmaynez@so.churchill.nv.us. Callers should reference case number C26-06883.





EDUCATION

Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera, photo(s) courtesy of Oasis Academy.



Oasis Academy FFA students attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis.

FFA STUDENTS ATTEND NATIONAL CONVENTION IN INDIANAPOLIS

Twenty students from the Oasis Academy FFA Chapter traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana, in late October to attend the National FFA Convention, joining more than 72,000 students from across the country, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, for a week of learning, leadership, and agricultural opportunities.

The annual convention brought together FFA members from across the nation to celebrate agriculture, develop leadership skills, and explore opportunities within the agricultural industry. Throughout the event, Oasis students listened to motivational speakers, participated in educational workshops, spoke with colleges, and connected with fellow FFA members from across the country.



Gabe Houyoux, Katie Varain, Kaden Detomasi, and Emily Dunkin represented Oasis Academy in horse judging at the National FFA Convention.

This year, 11 Oasis Academy FFA students qualified to compete: seven in Agriscience Fair and four for Horse Team judging. Grace Laca, Sadie Whitaker, Avery Laca, Bailey Beebe, Kiley Moya, Kinsley Viera, and Macady Bogdanowicz competed in Agriscience Fair, and Emily Dunkin, Katie Varain, Gabriel Houyoux, and Kaden Detomasi competed in Horse Judging. Their participation gave them the opportunity to showcase their skills and represent Oasis Academy on a national stage.

The seven students participating in the Agriscience Fair finished with bronze. Varain and Detomasi finished with silver individually, Houyoux and Dunkin finished with bronze individually, and the horse team received bronze.

Another milestone was reached when the chapter sent its first-ever Oasis student to participate in the National FFA Choir. Neel Bhakta performed throughout the week with the choir.

"Being selected to sing in the National FFA Choir was an incredible honor and experience. It taught me not only more about music, but it also deepened my understanding of FFA," said Bhakta. "Along with making lifelong connections, representing Nevada and Oasis Academy on the national stage made the experience even more meaningful."

In addition to convention activities, students explored several well-known destinations throughout Indiana and Kentucky. Their experiences included learning about the history and traditions of the Kentucky Derby, visiting the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and taking part in the tradition of kissing the bricks at the Indianapolis 500 finish line. Students also visited the Louisville Slugger Museum, where they learned about the history and craftsmanship behind the iconic baseball bats.

"Attending the National FFA Convention was a lot of fun," said Avery Laca. "I got to meet so many new people and make new friends. It was so neat to see all the FFA students from across the country come together and to see what an impact the organization has on students."

The trip offered students a combination of agricultural education, personal growth, and memorable experiences beyond the classroom. From competing in the Agriscience Fair to participating in the National FFA Choir, Oasis students had opportunities to represent their school while building connections with other young leaders who share an interest in agriculture.



Oasis Academy students participate in a science lab. Pictured from top right down are Brooklyn Mello, Brysen Moody, Kevin Gomez, Gabriel Martinez, Lucy Renfroe, and Silas Kirkland.

OASIS ACADEMY TAKES PART IN THE GREAT NEVADA SHAKEOUT

On Thursday, Oct. 15, students and staff participated in the Great Nevada ShakeOut, a statewide earthquake preparedness event designed to help schools and communities practice how to respond safely during an earthquake.

At 10:15 a.m., students and staff across the entire campus took part in a schoolwide earthquake drill, practicing the recommended safety procedure of "Drop, Cover, and Hold On." Students learned to drop to the ground, take cover under a sturdy desk or table when possible, and hold on until the shaking stops.

Earthquake preparedness is especially important in Nevada, which ranks among the most seismically active states in the nation. Nevada has experienced numerous earthquakes throughout its history, including the magnitude 7.3 Pleasant Valley earthquake in 1915, the largest recorded earthquake in the state's history. Although earthquakes cannot be predicted precisely, practicing safety procedures can help individuals know what to do when one occurs.

The Great Nevada ShakeOut serves as an annual reminder that preparedness begins with education and practice. By participating in the drill, Oasis Academy students and staff strengthened their understanding of earthquake safety and reinforced the importance of being ready for emergencies.

FIFTH GRADERS BECOME SCIENCE DETECTIVES IN MYSTERY MIXTURE LAB

Fifth-grade students put their observation skills to the test during a hands-on science lab focused on identifying mystery mixtures. Using their senses, students carefully examined different mixtures and collected data about their unique properties.

Throughout the activity, students observed characteristics such as appearance, texture, smell, and other observable properties to gather clues about the substances in each mixture. They recorded their findings and used the data they collected to develop ideas about which substances might be present.

Rather than simply being given the answers, students had to think critically, compare their observations, and use evidence to support their conclusions. Each observation provided another piece of the puzzle as students worked to identify the mystery mixtures.

The lab gave students an opportunity to practice important scientific skills, including making observations, recording data, analyzing evidence, and drawing conclusions. By working through the investigation, students experienced how scientists use evidence and the properties of matter to better understand the world around them.

While not all students were able to determine the substances, many did get the correct results of the combinations being flour and vinegar, flour, water, and food coloring, and flour and water.



EDUCATION

CCSD Cool School News

By Kaitlin Ritchie. Photo(s) courtesy of CCSD.



CCFFA member Paige Frey participated in the National FFA Prepared Public Speaking Competition during the National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana.



Students in Shannon Matheson's class showed off their Halloween costumes during Numa Elementary School's annual fourth-grade Halloween parade.



Students in Rhonda Maynes' class showed off their Halloween costumes. Photo courtesy of Churchill County School District.

CCHS
Churchill County FFA members had a busy fall participating in community events, welcoming new members, and preparing for national competition. Throughout September and October, members volunteered at the Churchill County Farm Bureau Picnic and Meeting, Fallon Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair, and local weddings. Students helped with event setup, activities, food service, and cleanup while selling raffle tickets to support agricultural education and fundraising efforts. The chapter also prepared 250 Halloween-themed "Spooky Grams" for delivery to local schools and businesses.

On Oct. 7, 13 new FFA members attended the Northern Greenhand Leadership Conference in Fallon, where they developed leadership skills and connected with other FFA members. Later in October, chapter members traveled to Indianapolis for the National FFA Convention & Expo. Among them was Paige Frey, who spent months preparing her speech for the National FFA Prepared Public Speaking Competition and practiced presenting at local Farm Bureau and Lions Club events. The convention gave students opportunities to participate in activities, explore new places, and connect with FFA members from across the country.

CCMS
Eighth-grade science students began their genetics unit by extracting DNA from strawberries. Students crushed strawberries, added a special solution, and filtered the mixture to separate the DNA from other cell materials. They observed DNA that looked like white, stringy slime.

"It was really cool actually to see the DNA," one student shared. "I didn't think it would look like slime."

Strawberries contain millions of cells, each containing DNA, which carries genetic instructions that help determine characteristics of living things. By breaking open the cells, students separated and observed the DNA. Over the next few weeks, students will explore DNA, genes, chromosomes, inherited traits, and how genetic information is passed from parents to offspring.

Courtesy of Maureen Park and Megan Gibson.

NUMA
Students in Shannon Matheson's class joined Numa's annual fourth-grade Halloween parade, showing off their costumes as they made their way from classroom to classroom. Students saw what their classmates had dressed up as and enjoyed the different costumes. The parade has become a Halloween tradition at Numa, giving fourth-grade students a chance to celebrate with their classmates and visit other classrooms.

E.C. BEST
Students in Grayling Thomas' class participated in the schoolwide Halloween parade. E.C. Best staff also dressed up for the event, which filled the halls with costumes from across the grade levels. Following the parade, Thomas' class gathered for a group photo.

LAHONTAN
Students in Rhonda Maynes' class spent the week combining learning with Halloween activities. While learning about the color black and spiders, students made their own spiders and practiced counting their legs and eyes. They also practiced counting by creating chains attached to witches' shoes and reviewed shapes and reading while making pumpkin-shaped books. The week ended with a Halloween celebration, when students wore costumes and decorated cookies.

Veritas Preparatory School

Classical and Christian

Veritas Students Learn Fire Safety With Fallon/Churchill Volunteer Fire Department

By David Ernst. Photo(s) courtesy of Veritas Preparatory School.

Students at Veritas Preparatory School received a visit from the Fallon/Churchill Volunteer Fire Department, as local firefighters taught K4 through second-grade students fire safety. The visit combined practical safety instruction with hands-on activities, giving students an opportunity to learn from the men and women who help protect the community.

Throughout the presentation, firefighters discussed the importance of fire safety and how students can respond appropriately in an emergency. Students practiced the "stop, drop, and roll" technique. Students learned that if their clothing ever catches fire, they should stop moving, drop to the ground, and roll to help extinguish the flames.

Rather than simply hearing about this important safety procedure, students were able to practice the movements themselves. The hands-on activity helped reinforce the lesson in a way that young children could easily understand and remember.

Students also explored a fire truck. Students were able to get a close look at the vehicle and learn more about the equipment firefighters use when responding to emergencies. For many of the younger students, seeing the fire truck was a memorable experience.



Veritas Preparatory School students practiced the "stop, drop, and roll" technique during a visit from the Fallon/Churchill Volunteer Fire Department. Photos courtesy of Veritas Preparatory School.

Beyond learning important safety skills, the visit provided an opportunity for students to better understand the role firefighters play in protecting the community. Firefighters demonstrate courage, dedication, and a willingness to serve others, qualities that reflect many of the character lessons taught throughout the school year at Veritas.

The presentation also reinforced the importance of listening carefully, following instructions, and remaining calm when faced with unexpected situations. These are valuable skills for young students, both in everyday life and during emergencies.

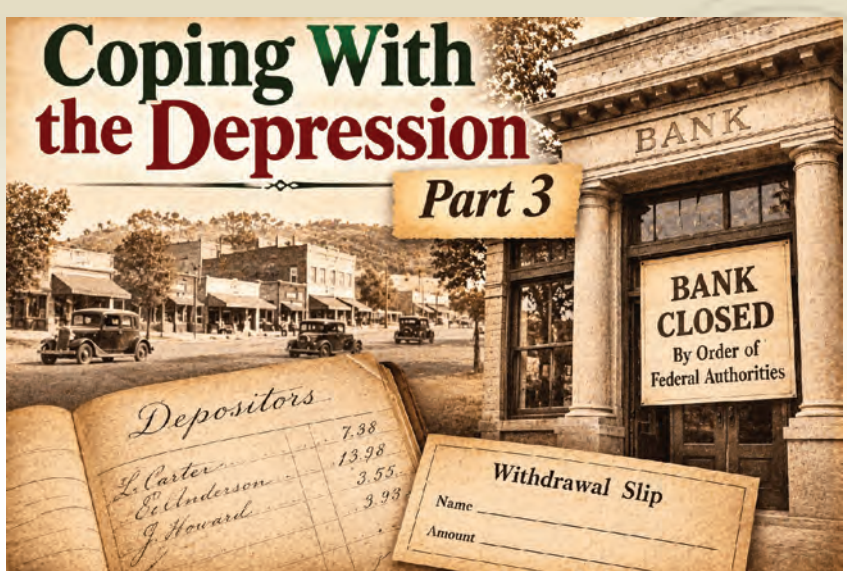
Veritas Preparatory School thanked the Fallon/Churchill Volunteer Fire Department for taking time to visit the campus and share these important lessons with students. The school said the visit demonstrated the department's commitment to community service.

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COLUMNS

Postcards

By Michon Mackedon



A view of Fallon's economic state during the Great Depression is incomplete without delving into the role played by George Wingfield during both the early years of plenty and the later years of ruin.

George Wingfield (1879-1959) was one of the most powerful figures in Nevada during the first third of the 20th century. He is remembered as a financier, a rancher, a banker, a speculator, even, by some, as a scoundrel; but in anyone's eyes, he was a force to be reckoned with. His financial empire was forged in Goldfield and Reno, and by 1917 (maybe earlier), he had made loans to Fallon farmers and ranchers,
including sugar beet growers. He put down a few local roots by establishing a creamery here and building a home at the end of Serpa Place — a home and yard eventually owned and artistically curated by the late Valeria Serpa. The "Churchill County Eagle," May 12, 1917, called him a "benefactor of Churchill County."

In August 1921, Wingfield purchased the Churchill County Bank and consolidated it with the Bank of Fallon. He accepted livestock and crops as collateral for his loans, a controversial practice that increased the scope of the local fiasco when Wingfield's entire banking chain collapsed and closed for a mandatory "banking holiday" on Nov. 1, 1932. The banks were formally closed on Dec. 14, 1932, leaving a trail of shock and despair.

The Wingfield banks had received millions in emergency assistance from the federal Reconstruction Finance Corporation, but it wasn't enough. Wingfield was accused of embezzling $500,000 from his banks, but he eventually replaced the sum from his own pockets. He declared bankruptcy when the banks closed.

In Fallon, a group of 230 depositors fought back against devastating losses. They met together on April 24, 1933, to discuss ways to recover their money. Rejecting Wingfield's proposed banking reorganization, they created an independent liquidation corporation. According to an article published in "In Focus," Volume 4, written by Ethelyn Coverston, her father, George, owner of the Fallon Garage, led the group.

"When the depression set in and the banks were forced to close, George became chairman of the Depositors' Committee to liquidate the assets of the Churchill County Bank, one of the Wingfield chain. Most of their assets were in the form of chattels with, for example, cattle selling at $25 a head." The Committee, according to the article, succeeded in taking over the assets and "repaying a higher percentage of deposits than any other bank."

In an oral history held by the Churchill County Museum, Carl Dodge remembered the effect of the Wingfield bank closures on his family's finances:

"One of the things that saved them at that time is they were doing some work over in Utah . . . some highway work. And they were doing business with a Utah bank. And during the Depression years, the Wingfield chain in Nevada collapsed. Wingfield had thirteen banks, one in Fallon, and over the years he had helped finance my dad and uncle. They had a very close, personal relationship. Wingfield had a property down here, and he used to come down, and they'd see each other a lot. He had a little agricultural property here. So when the Wingfield chain folded up, nobody could get any money—the money was all tied up, what there was. Fortunately, my dad and uncle had money over in this bank in Utah through the construction business, and they had work going on over there that kept some money flowing and kept them afloat in a very difficult time when you couldn't lay your hands on a dollar anywhere. And so in a sense, that's the only thing that saved them."

As perhaps a variation on an old theme, while the penniless people suffered, George Wingfield found more pennies and recovered his fortune after partnering with Nobel Getchell to develop the Getchell Gold Mine near Golconda, Nevada. He died a very wealthy man.

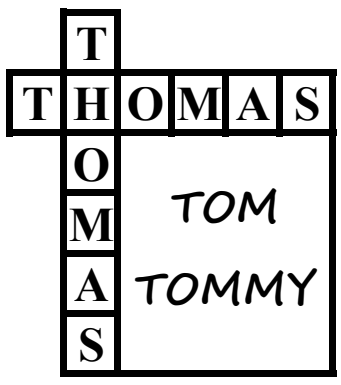
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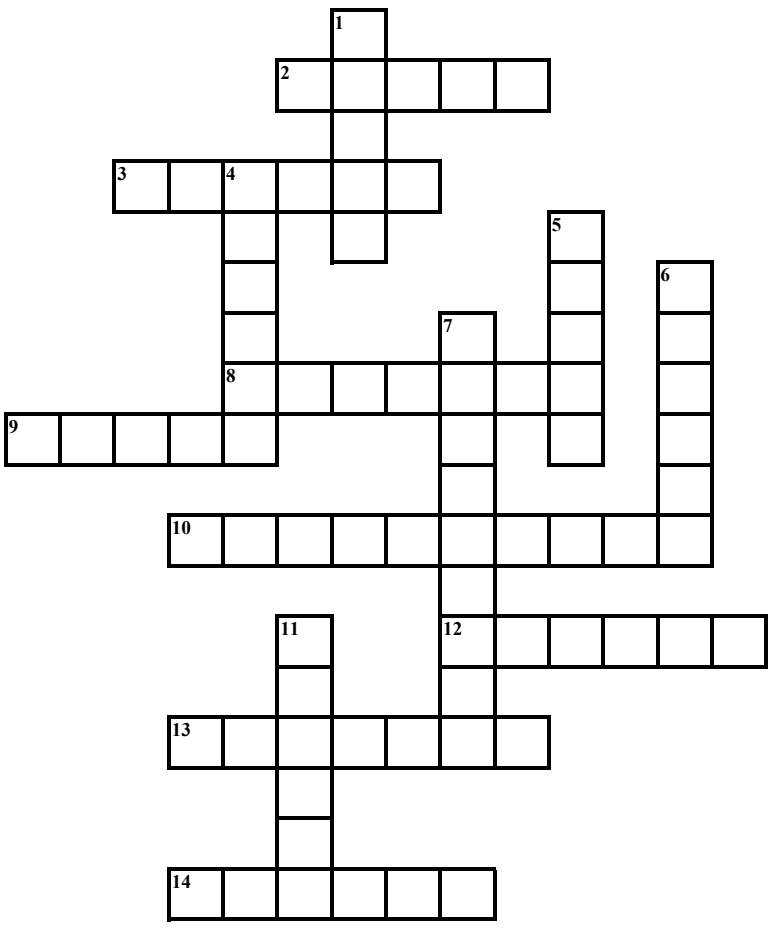
Michon Mackedon is a native of Fallon and a retired professor of English and Humanities (WNC). She loves her family, her home, her dog, reading, writing, making good food, and sipping a glass of fine white wine. Beyond that, she refuses to be categorized.

Crossword

By Peanut







Across

2. One of the Men in Black
3. An Archbishop of Canterbury
8. Magnum, P.I.
9. Common Sense author
10. Loki
12. Huck's friend
13. Spider-Man
14. Cowboys' head coach

Down

1. Welsh singer
4. Top Gun's Maverick
5. Forrest Gump
6. American inventor
7. Monticello designer
11. Draco Malfoy

Crossword answers found on page 15

Fallon Theatre Movies & More

By Kelli Perez

A huge thank you to everyone in our wonderful community for your overwhelming support of the Maine Street Spooktacular! We had such a blast celebrating Halloween with all of you, and we hope everyone had a safe, fun, and memorable weekend filled with amazing costumes and sweet treats. As we turn the calendar and kick off November, there is still so much to look forward to at your favorite historic theater. Grab a big tub of fresh-buttered popcorn and join us for two fantastic featured films next weekend, both generously sponsored by the City of Fallon.

At 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 6-7, join us for Disney's musical fantasy adventure classic, "Bedknobs and Broomsticks" (1971). Set during World War II, three young English children are evacuated to a quiet seaside village to live with Miss Eglantine Price, an apprentice witch. Together with an eccentric professor, they embark on a magical quest aboard a flying bed to find a missing spell that could help defend Britain. Filled with charming songs and delightful live-action and animation combos, it's a nostalgic treat for all ages. Rated G, it runs 1 hour and 57 minutes.

Or, at 7 p.m. both nights, step into the evening with Barry Levinson's acclaimed comedy-drama, "Good Morning, Vietnam" (1987). Robin Williams delivers an iconic, Oscar-nominated performance as Adrian Cronauer, an unconventional, fast-talking Armed Forces Radio DJ who arrives in Saigon in 1965 and instantly brings high energy, rock 'n' roll, and irreverent humor to the airwaves. Packed with a legendary soundtrack and Williams' brilliant improvisational comedy, it remains one of the most memorable film experiences of the '80s. Rated R, it runs 2 hours and 1 minute.

Science fiction lovers, this one's for you. We're excited to introduce Sci-Fi Second Feature, a new monthly series taking place on the second Saturday of every month, hosted by a local community member. Since it screens right after our 6 p.m. movie, start times will fall between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. depending on the night's main feature. Join fellow sci-fi enthusiasts for an awesome night of genre favorites, starting this month with the legendary 1951 classic "The Day the Earth Stood Still" (rated G, 1 hour and 32 minutes). Join us down here on Saturday, Nov. 14 at 8:30 p.m. to connect with local fans, and enjoy a late-night trip to the movies.

This month's Third Friday Matinee, sponsored by The Coalition for Senior Citizens, takes place on Friday, Nov. 20 at 1 p.m. We'll be showing the hilarious 1980 workplace comedy classic, "9 to 5". Starring Jane Fonda, Lily Tomlin, and Dolly Parton, this beloved hit follows three underappreciated office workers who decide to get even with their egotistical, hypocritical boss in a series of outrageous turned-real revenge fantasies. Everyone is welcome to attend, but all moviegoers aged 60 and older receive a free small popcorn and small soda at the concession stand. Rated PG, it runs 1 hour and 50 minutes.

And coming up in just a few short weeks, get ready for a night of pure laughter on Friday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. as Nashville stand-up comedian Lee Hardin (Dry Bar Comedy) brings his clean, family-friendly humor back to our stage. Tickets are $20 and can be purchased through his website at leehardin.com. Grab your tickets early so as not to miss out on this warm, hilarious evening.

Want to support your favorite historic theater while scoring delicious perks every time you visit? Since most of our movies are completely free to attend, becoming a Sustaining Member is the ultimate win-win. You can sign up with convenient recurring monthly payments or join for a full year to get one month free, unlocking comped concession treats every single time you come to a movie or event. Choose the Individual Membership ($20/month or $220/year) for a medium soda and medium popcorn per visit (an $11 value), the Couple's Membership ($25/month or $275/year) for two medium sodas and a large popcorn per visit (a $16 value), or the Family Membership ($30/month or $330/year) for four medium sodas and a large popcorn per visit (a $22 value). If you join us for a movie more than once a month, your membership pays for itself.

Nothing beats making memories at the Fallon Theatre. Want to host an unforgettable private screening, throw a birthday party, or see your name in lights on our historic marquee? Connect with our team at 775-423-6210 or thefallontheatre@gmail.com to reserve your date. We can't wait to welcome you back to the movies.

COLUMNS

Nate's World Brings Musical Mix to Barkley Theatre

Staff Report

The Churchill Arts Council will present Nate's World, a musical trio performing a mix of classical, country, jazz, opera, and folk music, Friday, Nov. 13, at 6 p.m. at the Barkley Theatre in Fallon.

The performance will feature Nathan Farrington, principal bass of LA Opera; pianist and composer Ahmed Alom; and percussionist Gabriel Globus-Hoenich.

The musicians draw from a wide range of musical traditions, including works by Mozart, Chopin, and George Gershwin, as well as songs associated with country music legend Hank Williams.

Unlike a traditional concert with a predetermined program, Nate's World is built around improvisation and spontaneity. The musicians announce selections from the stage as the evening unfolds, making each performance different.

In addition to the public concert, the trio will participate in an in-school residency, introducing local students to professional musicians and a variety of musical styles.

The performance will be held at the Barkley Theatre at Oats Park Art Center, 151 E. Park St. Tickets are $25 for general admission, $20 for Churchill Arts Council members, and $10 for youth and students. Tickets are available at churchillarts.org.



Nate's World features, from left, pianist Ahmed Alom, bassist and vocalist Nathan Farrington, and percussionist Gabriel Globus-Hoenich. The trio will perform Nov. 13 at the Barkley Theatre in Fallon. Photo courtesy of Churchill Arts Council.

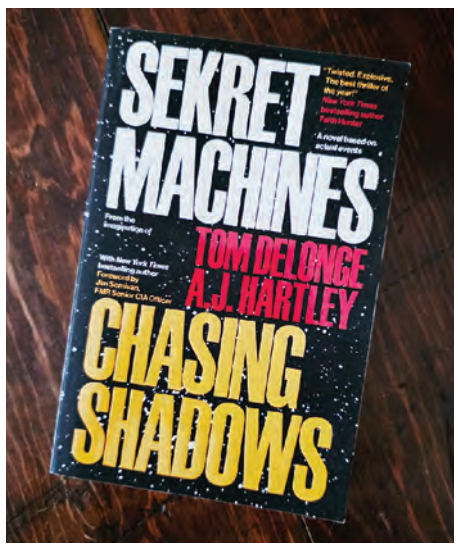
Allison's Book Report:

"Sekret Machines: Chasing Shadows" by Tom DeLonge and A.J. Hartley

By Allison Diegel

For this week's Book Report, I dug into my husband's stacks again — and what I found is the first book in a whole series of sci-fi alien/military drama, written by a pop-punk legend, and I think you're going to love it!

"Sekret Machines: Chasing Shadows," written by musician Tom DeLonge and author A.J. Hartley, is a thrilling sci-fi adventure that dives deep into the intriguing world of UFOs, military cover-ups, and advanced aerial technology. Many people know DeLonge best as the founder, guitarist, and co-lead vocalist of the popular pop-punk band Blink-182, as well as Angels & Airwaves. Beyond his successful music career, DeLonge has spent decades pursuing his interest in ufology, aerospace technology, and government secrecy, eventually founding To The Stars Academy to research unidentified aerial phenomena alongside former high-ranking government officials and defense insiders. He co-wrote "Sekret Machines" to draw on accounts of classified reports, insider testimony, and declassified historical records and frame them within an accessible, thrilling fictional narrative, exploring the potential national security implications of mysterious craft reportedly flying in our airspace.



The story follows several core characters whose lives collide as they stumble upon secrets that world powers are desperate to protect at all costs. You meet Jennifer, an heiress carrying a troubled past, who begins uncovering mysterious details surrounding her late father's involvement in top-secret defense projects and aerospace manufacturing. Meanwhile, Tim, a dedicated journalist, starts pulling at threads regarding unexplained aerial phenomena and quickly finds himself tangled in a web far more dangerous than he ever anticipated. At the same time, military pilot Alan Reyes experiences a terrifying, inexplicable encounter in the sky during a routine mission, completely shattering his understanding of modern aviation and military capabilities. Across the globe, an older man named Jerzy struggles with haunting memories from World War II, carrying decades-old secrets about experimental aerospace technology and hidden underground research programs.

As their individual journeys intersect, the characters realize that humanity is caught in the middle of something far larger than any single nation. The book explores the compelling idea that advanced, seemingly alien technology is actually being reverse-engineered and fought over by human governments in total secrecy for power and control.

What makes the novel so engaging is how grounded it feels despite its massive, global scope. DeLonge and Hartley craft a story that reads like a high-stakes military thriller while subtly weaving in actual phenomena reported by real-world military pilots and intelligence insiders. The narrative maintains a steady, exciting momentum as the characters push closer to the heart of the global conspiracy, asking big, provocative questions about what is really flying in our skies without giving away the ending. It is a suspenseful, eye-opening ride that leaves you eagerly reaching for the next installment in the series.

I know you will love this week's pick! Don't forget to check out my Instagram @allison.the.reader for more book recommendations!

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.

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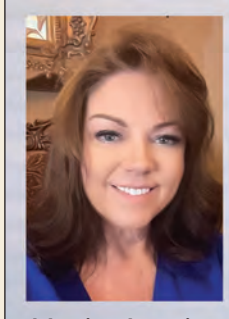
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INVITATION TO BID

The Pershing County Commissioners are requesting sealed bids for the Courthouse Lawn and Sprinkler overhaul project at 400 Main St. Lovelock, NV. Pershing County. The successful bidder will be responsible for all other duties and tasks required for completion of the lawn and sprinkler job. To include but not limited to trenching, installation, planting (sod or hydro-seed), testing system, backfilling, and limiting public access inside the project zone(s).

1. Copies of the bid specifications are available from the Pershing County Clerk or the Pershing County Buildings and Grounds Department.
2. All bids shall be in sealed envelopes marked "Pershing County Courthouse Lawn Seal Bid" and delivered to the Pershing County Clerk at 398 Main Street, P.O. Box 820, Lovelock, NV 89419. No later than 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026. The bids will be opened at 9:05 a.m. on Nov. 17, 2026, in the Pershing County Commissioners' Room located at 400 Main Street, Lovelock, Nevada. Bids will be awarded at the Pershing County Commissioners' meeting at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026, in the Pershing County Commissioners' Room.
3. Late bids shall be disqualified from consideration.
4. Bids submitted by telegraphic notice or fascimile shall not be accepted.
5. Pershing County will not be responsible for premature opening of bid which is not properly addressed or identified.
6. All bid prices and conditions must be specified on Bid Form. Bid prices shall be valid for at least 60 days from the date of Bid Opening, or as otherwise specified on the Bid Form.

For further information call:
Bryan Ruddell, Supervisor
Pershing County Buildings and Grounds Department
P.O. Box 777
Lovelock, NV 89419
PWP Permit Number is PE-2027-071

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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 8:15 AM on Wednesday, November 18, 2026, on the proposed Ordinance:

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE REVISING AND CREATING NEW LANDSCAPING, FRICTION ZONE, OUTDOOR STORAGE, AND SHIPPING CONTAINER STANDARDS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO TITLES 14 AND 16. SUMMARY: This ordinance changes Titles 14 and 16 of the Churchill County Code to amend the existing landscaping, friction zone, outdoor storage, and shipping container placement standards. The proposed amendment also addresses administrative changes to improve consistency in interpretation and implementation across Title 16. The proposed changes include rewriting the landscaping standards and revising friction zones and outdoor storage standards by creating a purpose, application area, standards, and enforcement for each section. Shipping container standards have been relocated to their own section with a purpose, application area, revised and expanded standards, and enforcement regulations. There are also changes to intensity and dimension standards and multi-family development standards to align with the revised landscaping standards. The proposed administrative changes address clarifying the Multi-family Dwellings in the use table, aligning second and subsequent parcel maps with Nevada Revised Statutes, revising accessory structure setbacks to align with chapter 14.04's definition, simplifying the interpretation of setbacks for legal non-conforming parcels, amending the second permanent dwelling unit regulations to ensure legal conforming divisions of land, and remove language regarding "yards" from the Chapter 14. The proposed definition changes within Chapter 16.24 include, but are not limited to, revising or creating definitions for "Agricultural Use," "Aggrieved Party," "Amenity," "Arterial Street," "Buffer Area," "Collector Street," "Commercial Use," "Dwelling Unit," "Dwelling Unit, Multi-family", "Frontage," "Industrial Use," "Inert Materials," "Landscaping," "Materials, Tools, and Equipment," "Mixed Use," "Outside Storage," "Publicly Maintained Street," "Residential Use," "Sight Obscuring Fence or Wall," "Setback," "Sight Distance Area".

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 November 17, 2026. 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 November 12, 2026 with the Agenda Packet on the county's website at https://www.churchillcountynv.gov/1081/Agendas-Minutes.
Dated: October 2, 2026.
Linda Rothery, Clerk/Treasurer
Prepared by: Tara Adams,
Deputy Clerk to the Board

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF REDEMPTION OF CERTAIN FALLON NUGGET CHIPS:

Pursuant to Regulation 12.070(2)(c) of the Nevada State Gaming Commission, as of August 15, 2026, the following chips are discontinued at the Fallon Nugget: $25 – Green with blue and white markings, $5 – Red with green and yellow markings. The casino chips described above will be redeemable at the Fallon Nugget main cage, located at 70 S. Maine St. Fallon, NV 89406, twenty four (24) hours a day through December 15, 2026 which is one hundred and twenty (120) days after August 15, 2026.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was passed and adopted by the Churchill County Board of Commissioners on October 15, 2026:

ORDINANCE BILL NO. 2026-E

AN ORDINANCE INITIATING THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCHILL HAZEN INDUSTRIAL PARK GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; PRESCRIBING THE BASIC POWERS OF THE PROPOSED DISTRICT; DESCRIBING THE PROPOSED BOUNDARIES; PROVIDING FOR A HEARING ON THE CREATION OF THE DISTRICT; AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO

At the final reading of the above listed Ordinance, the vote was as follows:

AYES: Myles Getto, Chairman
Eric Blakey, Vice-Chairman
Matt Hyde, Commissioner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Copies of the Ordinance are available at the Churchill County Clerk's Office, 155 N. Taylor Street, Suite 110, Fallon, Nevada 89406, for inspection by all interested individuals.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2026.
Linda Rothery
Clerk/Treasurer
Notice prepared by:
Tara Adams, Deputy Clerk to the Board

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NOTICE TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Pershing County Commission will consider SEALED BIDS on the Courthouse Lawn and Sprinkler Overhaul Project at 400 Main Street, Lovelock, Pershing County, Nevada.

Copies of the bid specifications are available from the Pershing County Clerk at the following address:

Pershing County Clerk
P.O. Box 820 Lovelock, Nevada 89419
775-273-2208

All bids must be submitted to the Pershing County Clerk's Office no later than 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026. Bids will be opened at 9:05 a.m. on November 17, 2026 in the Pershing County Commissioners' Chambers in the lower level of the Pershing County Courthouse. Bid will be awarded at the regular Commissioners' meeting on Wednesday, November 18, 2026 at 9:15 a.m. in the Pershing County Commissioners' Room. All sealed bids shall be marked on the outside, "Pershing County Courthouse Lawn Seal Bid". All bids must be good for sixty (60) days from the date of the opening.
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PERSHING COUNTY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS BID SPECIFICATIONS

Pershing County Commissioners and Pershing County Buildings and Grounds Department has approved funding for the complete overhaul of new sprinklers heads, irrigation system, irrigation pipe, topsoil, sod or hydro-seed.

1. Mobilization and project setup, equipment transport, and site access.
2. Install a new irrigation system to provide full coverage for approximately 48,000 square feet, including mainline, lateral lines, control valves, sprinkler heads, and final system testing.
3. Trench for irrigation system installation, approximately 4,400 linear feet. Also include excavation and backfilling.
4. Topsoil. Import, place, grade, and level approximately 100 cubic yards of topsoil to restore uneven ground and trench areas.
5. Furnish and install new sod or hydroseed in trenched irrigation areas and uneven ground areas. Approximately 14,285 square feet.
6. If required, perform line boring under existing sidewalks for installation of irrigation lines; up to 8 sidewalks.

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CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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WATER LEVELS

Measurements Taken Nov. 3 at 5:25 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir	57,660 af
Carson River Below Lahontan	200 cfs
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth	50.3 cfs
Truckee Canal at Hazen	33.0 cfs
Carson River at Ft. Churchill	60.7 cfs

Nov. 3, 2025	Nov. 3, 2024	Nov. 3, 2023
61,568 acre feet	122,263 acre feet	205,137 acre feet

cfs - Cubic Feet per Second | af - Acre Feet | TCID.org & Water Data.USGS.gov

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