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Fallon Rides for LeAnne and Nick

3C Community Foundation Launches with PRCA Kickoff Event

By Rachel Dahl

The arena lights will blaze, the gates will swing open, and the dust will fly, but this year, Fallon's PRCA Rodeo is about more than just the thrill of the ride.

Fallon's summer rodeo season is shaping up to be more than just 10 days of non-stop horse events, adding in bucking broncs and barrel racing with the launch of the 3C Community Foundation to support community members and organizations in need.

On June 17 and 18, the Churchill County Fairgrounds Outdoor Arena will host two unforgettable nights of rodeo action, officially launching the 3C Community Foundation, a new nonprofit initiative dedicated to supporting locals in times of hardship. The rodeo's proceeds will go directly to two community members whose stories have already united Fallon with hope and compassion: Nick Delgado, 24, currently battling testicular cancer, and LeAnne Wallace, just 16 years old, fighting leukemia.

The foundation's goal is to support locals like Nick and LeAnne by creating financial lifelines through community-driven events.

"We're going to see 10 straight days of horse events, over 1,500 contestants coming through Fallon," said Jesse Segura, Fairgrounds Operations Deputy. "This is more than a rodeo it's the cowboy way. We take care of the land, the animals, and our community."

Events include the Queen of Hearts Barrel Race, breakaway roping, All-Girl team roping, and multiple World Series Team Roping qualifiers. The PRCA Rodeo performances on Tuesday and Wednesday night fall just before the Reno Rodeo, meaning top-tier competitors make Fallon a crucial stop on the circuit.



JJ Harrison at St. Paul Rodeo. Photo courtesy of Redding Rodeo and JJ Harrison.

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Fallon Teen One of the Youngest Sprint Car Drivers in the Nation

By Leanna Lehman

At just 14 years old, Corbin Seay is doing more than learning how to drive—he's mastering 900 horsepower of raw speed.

The Fallon native is tearing up dirt tracks across the West in a 360-sprint car, one of the most competitive and unforgiving divisions in dirt racing. During a fast and furious night at Ocean Speedway in Watsonville, California, an announcer introduced a young Nevadan—Jeremy Chisholm of Fallon—on the Michaels Reno Power Sports-sponsored machine, noting, "Now Jeremy Chisholm out of Fallon, Nevada...just turned 14 years old. I don't know what you were doing at 14, but I was not driving a 900 horsepower sprint car."



Driver Grant Duinkerken of Riverdale fights for position with Corbin Seay in the Sprint Car Qualifier at Ocean Speedway in Watsonville. Photo by Raul Rubio, Santa Cruz Sentinal.

The same can be said of Corbin Seay, who's making a name for himself on that very same circuit.

Seay has been behind the wheel since age six. By eight, he was winning national titles. Today, he stands among a rare group of teens licensed to compete in the 360-sprint car class—a high-speed, high-stakes division where most drivers are twice his age.

Racing runs deep in Seay's roots. He is the grandson of longtime Fallon residents Skip and Lou Carrica and the son of the family behind Momma's Meat Company, a local business known for its generous portions and even bigger heart. Whether it's race fuel or community meals, the Seay family keeps things running.

Though Corbin is the one handling the horsepower, racing remains a family affair. His younger sister, a standout gymnast with Top Gun Gymnastics, recently took home an Xcel Silver award at the 2025 Nevada State Gymnastics Championships. She's also part

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log

Packing Boxes and Pushing Deadlines, Still in Yoga Pants

By Rachel Dahl

It struck me this morning as I got ready to head to the office that it was a Tuesday morning and I was putting on eyeliner. It was quite a shock as I realized how much things have changed around this joint in

Tuesday is press day for the Fernley and Fallon papers. We used to print on Thursdays, so that was our really stressful, high-pressure day. Whatever day press day falls on, we learned very quickly not to plan for any sort of life event. Don't make a nail appointment, don't commit to lunch with friends, don't think for two seconds you'll have time to take the dog for a walk. And yes, it really was that bad.



Greenwave baseball team players volunteer in the early stages of the Great Red Building Migration. Photo by Dr. Sue Segura.

I remember press day mornings that began at 3 a.m. with writing, morphed into layout, then a quick trip to town to finish layout on the big computer at the office—followed by printing on Becky, our printer, until the wee hours of the next morning. It wasn't unusual for me to stay at the office, catching catnaps on the couch to keep her running so that when volunteers showed up at 8 a.m. to do labels and deliver, there were papers waiting for them.

None of that process included stopping to shower, change clothes, or—even on really bad days—brush teeth. I remember so many times the volunteers were coming and I was still in the same yoga pants and sweatshirt I had been wearing at 3 a.m. the day before.

Fast forward to today: not only was there eyeliner, but I am fully clothed in an actual outfit. I made breakfast, packed a lunch, and even hung out on the front porch with the chickens for a bit as I watched the sun rise.

All that was probably a little indulgent as we come down to the wire and Leanna is tapping her toes at me, waiting for this column, and we still have to proof Fernley—but I think we're getting it.

The best news of all is that we are moving into our own building!!!

We want to make sure everyone knows: starting next week, on the Tuesday after graduation and Memorial Day, we will be in our own place, working in the office instead of from home. We may, however, still be in yoga pants.

Beginning May 27, you can find us from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 169 E. Center Street, in the sweet little red building, working away at our media empire. We cannot wait to have you all come for a housewarming, and we'll let you know as soon as we're ready for that—so you can come see what we're planning.

So, while we get boxes packed and furniture ready for Glenn and his crew, we'll still be right here...

... Keeping you Posted.

Dack

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Bringing a dose of comic relief to the arena will be fan-favorite rodeo clown J.J. Harrison, known across the PRCA circuit for his wild energy, quick wit, and crowd-pleasing antics. A former middle school teacher turned full-time entertainer, Harrison has spent more than a decade making rodeo fans laugh from coast to coast. Rafter 3C officials say he's ready to deliver non-stop laughs and unforgettable moments. "Bring your boots, your hat, and your sense of adventure—J.J. Harrison is ready to bring the house down."

Hunter Giovanetti, event specialist at the 3C Arena, said, "This rodeo is to kick off the 3C Community Foundation, not only to support Nick and Leanne but all challenges our community will face in the future. Your continued support proves what a strong community can do."

Tickets are \$15, with kids 18 and under free, and can be purchased at fallonprearodeoweek.com. Both performances begin at 7:00 PM and promise a mix of traditional rodeo events and heartfelt community moments. Attendees can expect the crowd to be lively, the concessions hot, and the cause deeply meaningful.

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of Corbin's pit crew, making this more than just a solo pursuit.

Corbin's talent hasn't gone unnoticed. With a growing fan base and the support of Corbin Seay Motorsports on Facebook, he's earning recognition on the national sprint car scene. Photos, videos, and race updates showcase a young driver with poise far beyond his years.

While Corbin sets his sights on checkered flags from coast to coast, his family continues to cheer him on from the sidelines—and from behind the counter at Momma's Meat Company.

Fallon is in Corbin's corner.



From local dirt to national spotlight, Corbin in his sprint car. Photos by Shelbie Freeman.

FEATURES

Northern Nevada's Economic Boom Can't Afford SB 391's Housing Bust

Commentary: By Randi Thompson

New industries and major employers bring the promise of prosperity to rural communities. *In pursuing economic growth,* many communities face a difficult challenge: accommodating an influx of workers without an adequate supply of homes.

This is happening in our own backyard. The Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center in Storey County has transformed from a quiet stretch of land into a 107,000-acre hub attracting household names like Tesla, Panasonic, and Google. Similarly, Governor Lombardo's leadership in the "lithium loop" initiative further solidifies Northern Nevada's status as a key player in the clean energy economy. Job numbers are growing, innovation is booming, and the eyes of global industries are watching.

While economic opportunity has arrived, housing hasn't - not at the scale needed and not in the places that need it most. Now, state lawmakers are pursuing legislation, SB 391, which would limit housing options and exacerbate the supply shortage, especially in rural areas where we are seeing such incredible job growth.

If enacted, SB 391 would restrict local governments' ability to partner with largescale residential developers—those with the capacity and capital to build the amount of

workforce housing needed to power these new industries.

For all its commercial success, Storey County has just 1,934 dwelling units, a decrease from 2,007 units that existed in 2012, with an occupancy rate greater than 87%, according to the latest Master Plan Amendment document available. "The County must focus on increasing the supply of affordable housing options, including workforce housing, to support the influx of employees and prevent displacement of current residents," said the county's 2024 master plan amendment report.

Instead, lawmakers want to limit desperately needed residential development, straining the housing demand even further in neighboring towns like Sparks and Fernley. Population projections show Fernley may double in size over the next decade, yet infrastructure and housing development are falling behind.

When rural areas attract large employers without building enough homes, they risk turning an economic boom into a long-term bust. Without a place to live, workers go elsewhere, and, eventually, so do the businesses.

Studies conducted by the Nevada Housing Division and the Guinn Center highlight the area's overall housing needs and offer market-based solutions that will attract developers. Despite the overwhelming data-backed need for more housing supply, some state leaders are scapegoating an industry that provides viable solutions to address the affordability

crisis. The evidence is clear: private sector investment increases rental supply, moderates prices, and brings liquidity to strained housing markets.

When professionally managed housing providers invest in underbuilt areas, they bring more than just homes. They often support vital infrastructure — transportation, water systems, broadband, and power — that local governments alone can't afford. These improvements benefit entire regions and align with long-term master plans. Developers also pay impact fees and property taxes that support schools and local services, easing the burden on tightening public budgets. As the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia found, professionally managed housing providers played a stabilizing role in the housing market during the 2006-2014 period.

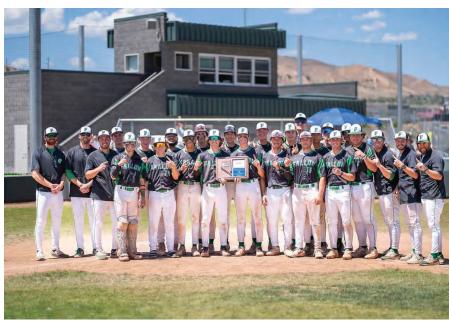
This isn't just a theory or a history lesson—it's happening across the country today in states like Utah, Florida, and Minnesota. Public-private partnerships are helping rural communities leapfrog decades of underinvestment.

Northern Nevada should be leading in this space, not falling behind, and the Nevada Legislature should be asking how to accelerate development responsibly.

Let's not allow the housing crisis to quash the opportunity we've worked so hard to create. Let's choose progress, not paralysis.

Randi Thompson, a Public & Government Relations Consultant, is the former Nevada State Director of the National Federation of Independent Business.

Early Deficits Doom Fallon Baseball in **State Tournament**



Greenwave Baseball Team wraps up the season. Photo courtesy of CCHS Athletics.

By Robert Perea

Two early deficits proved too much to overcome as the Greenwave baseball team lost both games at the 3A State Baseball Tournament in Pahrump last week.

On Thursday, Boulder City scored six times in the fourth inning to break a 2-2 tie, then took a 9-2 lead to the bottom of the sixth inning. Fallon got a two-run double from Chase Carnahan, another run-scoring double from James Kelsey, and an RBI single by Evan Giovanetti to cut the lead to 9-6.

In the seventh inning, Anthony Juarez scored on a wild pitch, and Anthony Gonzales singled in a run to make it 9-8. Fallon had the tying run on third base, but Boulder City pitcher Gavin Robinson got Trevor Hyde to pop out to end the game.

In an elimination game on Friday against The Meadows, the Greenwave again found themselves trailing 9-2 in the sixth inning. Zachary singled in Brady Alves to make it 9-3, but the Greenwave left the bases loaded. In the seventh, Juarez drove in two runs with a double to cut the lead to 9-5, but the next batter flied out.

The Greenwave ended the season with a 21-10-1 overall record as the Northern 3A Regional champions.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Guerrero Named UNR Senior of the Year



Haily Guerrero. Photo courtesy of UNR.

Staff Report

Fallon's own Hailey Grace Guerrero has been named a University of Nevada, Reno Senior of the Year and will be recognized during the 2025 commencement ceremonies.

Guerrero is one of just two students to receive the university-wide honor, separate from the traditional Senior Scholar awards given within individual colleges or schools at UNR.

Each semester, the university and the

Nevada Alumni Association recognize outstanding graduates through the Senior Scholars program. Typically, one undergraduate student from each academic unit is selected based on the highest grade-point average. Guerrero will receive a framed certificate, commemorative booklet, and a Senior Scholar pin during the commencement celebration.

Congratulations Hailey!

Fallon Theatre Movies & More May 23–24

There's nothing quite like a weekend at the Fallon Theatre, where the popcorn's fresh, the films are fun, and the memories are waiting to be made. We're proud to bring another great weekend of entertainment to downtown Fallon, and whether you're visiting for the first time or you're one of our regulars, we're glad to have you with us.

This Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m., join us for "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle" (2017), a thrilling and hilarious adventure that reimagines the classic board game as a high-stakes video game world. Four teenagers are pulled into the jungle, taking on unexpected avatars as they fight to survive and find their way back home. Starring Dwayne Johnson, Kevin Hart, Jack Black, and Karen Gillan, this family-friendly film is rated PG-13 and runs 1 hour, 59 minutes.

Then at 7 p.m. both nights, we're keeping the fun going with "Three Amigos" (1986), a classic comedy starring Steve Martin, Chevy Chase, and Martin Short as out-of-work silent film stars who are mistaken for real heroes by a small Mexican village. With outrageous humor, a dash of heart, and plenty of quotable moments, this film is rated PG and runs 1 hour, 44 minutes.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for our fundraising Show & Shine on Saturday, Sept. 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.! This familyfriendly community car show is free for the public to enjoy and will feature a wide array of classic cars, hot rods, and custom builds right outside the Fallon Theatre. It's a perfect opportunity to stroll Maine Street, admire the vehicles, and connect with fellow enthusiasts. Interested in showing off your ride? Registration is open now—the sign-up link is available on our website.

As always, our beautiful historic theatre and marquee are available for rentals. Contact us at 775-423-6210 or email thefallontheatre@gmail.com to schedule.

PETS OF THE WEEK

Adopt Sweet Derek



This is Derek (D-357), a kind, gentle and loving dog. Originally a stray, he is now ready for his forever home. Derek has been friendly with other dogs and is eager to learn. He's getting the hang of walking on a leash and enjoys treats. He is believed to be about a year old.

If you're interested in welcoming him into your family, please call or visit us.

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

Bark in the Park Returns

Bark in the Park Returns June 6–7. We're excited to host Bark in the Park over two days this year-Thursday, June 6, and Friday, June 7. Join us for adoptable pets, community fun, and a chance to sup-



port the animals who need us most.

Say hello to Inali. She is an 8-year-old American Pit Bull Terrier with a sweet, affectionate nature. She is fully house trained and would love a quiet home with a cozy spot to curl up in.

Inali enjoys human companionship and does well with some dogs, though she can get a bit worked up when first meeting others.

She has a small lump on her belly that a veterinarian believes is a benign fatty growth. It's being monitored but does not require treatment or cause her any discomfort.

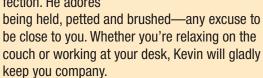
If you're looking for a loyal companion with lots of love to give, Inali may be the perfect match.

Churchill Animal Protection Society 5894 Pasture Rd, Fallon 775-423-7500 | capsnevada.org caps@cccomm.net

Say Hello to Kevin

Meet Kevin! Kevin is a charming, chatty gentleman who loves a good conversation. This vocal cat will happily follow you around the house, making sure you never feel alone. He's got plenty to say—and he's a great listener, too.

A total lap cat, Kevin thrives on affection. He adores



If you're looking for a loving companion who brings both conversation and cuddles, Kevin is your cat.

Fallon Animal Welfare Group is a 501(c)(3) charity supporting the welfare of cats in Churchill County, Nevada. Questions? Call 775-217-4745 or, for barn cats, call Pat at 775-217-7248.

SENIOR CENTER MENU

WILLIAM N. PENNINGTON LIFE CENTER 952 S. MAINE STREET, FALLON, NV | 775-423-7096 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, May 26

- Center Closed for Memorial Day - Tuesday, May 27

Beef Frankfurter WW Bun Onions 3-Bean Salad Potato Salad Spiced Applesauce

Wednesday, May 28

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Zucchini Colorful Salad 9 Grain Bread Orange Mango Cup

Thursday, May 29

Baked Herbed Chicken **Mashed Sweet Potato** Vegetable Medley Spiced Applesauce WW Bread

Friday, May 30

Beef Stroganoff Mushrooms Broccoli Pasta w/White Beans Spiced Applesauce WW Bread **Butterscotch Pudding**

FALLON DAILY BREAD

WOLF CENTER | 457 ESMERALDA AVE., FALLON NV | 775-423-4714 Meals are served Mondays and Thursdays from 5 - 6 p.m.

Monday, May 26 Memorial Day To Go Menu Hamburger or Hot Dog Chips & Fruit

Thursday, May 29

Ham & Cheese Sliders Salad & Bread

Monday, June 2 Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo

Salad & Bread

Thursday, June 5 Baked Ham **Baked Potato & Carrots** **Volunteer groups** needed to help serve once per month, 3 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Call for information.

OBITUARIES

TRISTAN REDMOND

August 31, 1995 - May 13, 2025

Tristan Redmond, age 29, passed away on May 13, 2025, at Renown Regional Medical Center

in Reno, Nevada, with his family by his side.

Tristan was born on August 31, 1995, in Santa Rosa, California, to Denise Redmond. He graduated from Churchill County High School in May of 2013 and then served a 2-year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He came home and married his high school sweetheart, Brianna Hatch, in 2016.

He worked for MSC Industrial Supply company

in Fernley for two years and then left to work for Brad Stokes State Farm for another three years. In 2021, he applied at the Churchill County Sheriff's Office, where he served as a Deputy for four years. Tristan

was many things, an amazing father, a loving husband, a loyal friend, and a dedicated deputy. He loved his girls with a fierce and steady devotion, always striving to

> be the best dad he could be. His love for his family came first, always. He was the kind of husband who stood firm, faithful, loyal, and full of love. Tristan poured himself into everything he did, giving 110%- whether it was fixing up a motorcycle, building a boat, or taking on a new challenge. He was endlessly resourceful, curious, and courageous- unafraid to get his hands dirty and even more unafraid to be exactly who he was. He enjoyed Jiu-Jitsu, camping, hunting, and fishing. Tristan lived boldly, and

he spoke honestly. What you saw is what you got – and what you got was someone full of integrity, compassion, and heart. Someone who listened deeply, saw the best in others, and never gave up on people. He served his

community with pride, just as he served in his faith with devotion. He was a man who loved his Savior and loved helping others draw closer to the Lord.

Tristan is preceded in death by his grandmother, Elizabeth Laudero, and stepfather Guy Schortgen.

He is survived by his wife of nine years, Brianna Redmond, two daughters, Aliyah and Scarlytt; his mother, Denise Redmond; in-laws John and Kristina Hatch; siblings Larry Lacy, Izzy (David) Lopez, TeAira Schortgen, Shane Schortgen, Shandae Schortgen, and Guy Schortgen Jr.; siblings-in-law Andria Hatch, Wyatt Hatch, and Thayne Hatch.

A viewing will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, from 6-8 pm at the Smith Family Funeral Home in Fallon, Nevada. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 450 N. Taylor St. in Fallon at 2 pm. Burial will follow at the Churchill County Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Churchill County Sheriff's Association.

JOE ADAMS SR.

Dec. 16, 1955 - April 29, 2025

Joe Adams Sr. was born Dec. 16, 1955, in Ely, Nevada, to Don and Carma Adams. He was the youngest of seven children. When he was very young, his family moved to Pioche, and he spent much of his childhood at the Geyser Ranch with his dad. His father died in a car accident when Joe was 11. The family initially planned to hold the funeral on Joe's 12th birthday, but he "threw a fit," so it was held the following day.

Joe was an outstanding athlete in high school, participating in football, basketball and track. He won several awards for his athletic abilities and especially enjoyed hanging out with his best friend, Wendell Cowart.

He took care of his eldest brother, Mike, who was paralyzed from the waist down due to a surgical error. Joe and Mike were very close—Joe cooked for him and helped with all his needs. Joe was heartbroken when Mike died in the summer of 1973, shortly after Joe graduated from high school.

Joe began dating the love of his life, Teresa, in the spring of 1974. They started "going steady" on May 5, 1974, got engaged on May 28, 1975, and were married exactly one year later. In 1977, they welcomed their first child. In 1978, they experienced a late-term pregnancy loss, and later named the baby Sara. Four more children followed in quick succession: Mike, Nick, Joe Jr., and Tracy, born between 1980 and 1985.

Though the early years were tough, they were also filled with joy. Their children have fond memories of a close and loving family and a father who taught them so much. They grew to love and appreciate the sacrifices their parents made for them.

Joe began working in the mines around Pioche as a teenager. After marrying Teresa, they moved to Wyoming, where Joe continued mining for several years. They later moved to Tonopah, where Joe trained as an EMT, earning certification as an EMT 2, First Responder, and CPR instructor. This marked the start of his long and rewarding career as a safety professional.

In 1984, the family relocated to Fallon.

Joe worked as a laborer and safety director while attending community college, where he earned an associate degree. At this first official safety job, coworkers called him "Doc" because he was always ready with a first aid kit. Joe also coached soccer and served as AYSO Soccer Commissioner for a time.

In 1990, the family moved to Gerlach, where Joe served as Safety Manager for Hog Ranch Mine. He worked with his best friend, General Manager Butch Moore. During that time, Joe also coached high school boys' basketball. He loved being a coach and he loved the boys on his team.

In 2008, Joe was appointed to the Nevada OSHA Review Board. He served the maximum term of eight years and was chairman for six. Fred Scarpello, the attorney who supervised the board, was very fond of Joe, and they remained close friends until Joe's passing.

The family returned to Fallon, later moved to Reno, and eventually settled back in Fallon, where Joe preferred the country lifestyle. He enjoyed gardening, raising



animals, hunting and fishing with his children and grand-children. He attended as many of his grandchildren's sporting events as possible. His last outing was to watch his grandson Zack play baseball.

Joe officially retired on March 28, 2025, after a long career in safety. He was instrumental in saving lives and preventing injuries through education and training. Though saddened to leave his job at RHP, health concerns made it

necessary. Joe worked for his longtime friend Eric Scolari, whom he first met in 1995. He was proud to work for someone who shared his passion for safety and worker well-being.

Joe died April 29, 2025, following two weeks of in-home hospice care. That time was filled with visits from family and friends. Joe shared stories of his life and his immense love for his family. He was deeply proud of his children, who he often said had turned into wonderful human beings.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Teresa; children Mike (Melissa), Nick (Tara), Joe Jr., and Tracy; and 10 grandchildren: David, Haelie, Trinity, Bryce, Hunter, Zack, Trista, Keira, Lincoln and Carson. He also leaves behind many dear friends.

Joe lived a life anyone would be proud of. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He served his community by promoting safety and coaching youth sports. His loss is deeply felt by all who knew and loved him.

A private memorial service was held May 10.



WALTER EMORY BABB

April 27, 1962 –May 14, 2025

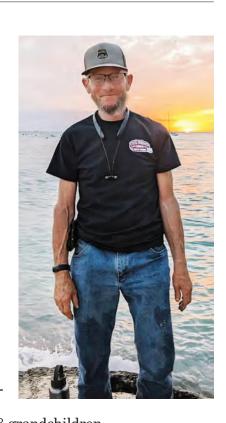
Walter Emory Babb passed away peacefully in his sleep on May 14, 2025.

Walter was born in Reno, Nevada, on April 27, 1962, to Judith and Samuel Babb. He graduated from Churchill County High School in 1980.

He was preceded in death by his father, Samuel; his sister, Mary Beth; and his grandparents.

Walter is survived by his mother, Judy; his wife, Kathy; sisters Barbara and Thelma; brothers Robert and Edmund; his sons Walter and Joshua; and stepchildren Nicole, Joseph, Cassandra, Brittany, William, and

Joshua. He is also survived by 18 grandchildren. A memorial service will be held from noon to 3 p.m. on May 25, 2025, at the Mason's Lodge, 39 S. Maine St., Fallon, Nevada.



COMMUNITY



Derild Parsons, school district superintendent; Mayor and Tedford Tire owner Ken Tedford, Commissioner Eric Blakey, Randy Sharp with Tedford Tire, Ag Mechanics student Alex Bacallo, Tim Spencer, CCHS principal; Ag Mechanics student Jackson Barbee, Nick Adams, County Road Department; Ag Mechanics student Madison Gregory, School District Board of Trustee Gregg Malkovich, Commissioner Myles Getto, Gary Fowkes, County Road Department supervisor; Joe Frey, County Planning Commission and Jim Barbee, county manager.

Welding Trucks Boost Hands-On Learning for CCHS Ag Students

Staff Report

A pair of welding trucks donated to Churchill County High School's Agriculture Mechanics program is giving students new opportunities to develop trade skills thanks to a collaboration between Tedford Tire, the Churchill County Road Department, and Churchill County School District.

On Tuesday morning, CCHS ag students Jackson Barbee, Alex Bacallo, and Madison Gregory accepted the trucks at the County Road Department. The vehicles, originally from the county's fleet, were equipped with new tires courtesy of Tedford Tire and outfitted with welding equipment purchased by the Churchill County School District. County staff handled the installation.

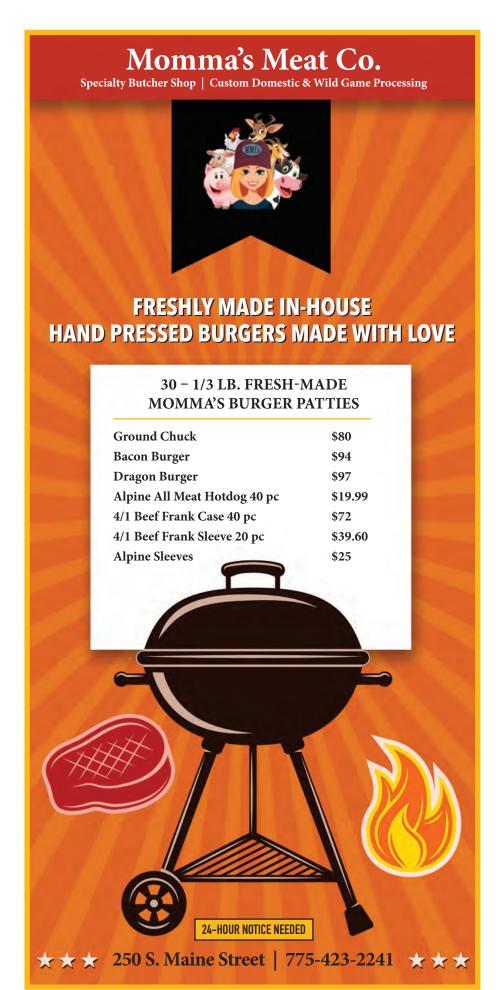
The addition of the trucks will help students learn welding techniques essential for maintaining farm equipment—a central focus of the ag mechanics curriculum. Both trucks are manual transmission, adding another layer of skill-building as students learn to drive stick-shift.

AAUW Scholarships Awarded

The Fallon Chapter of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) has awarded its 2025 scholarships to three outstanding Churchill County High School seniors—Pola Rodriguez, Halle Johnson, and Megan Johnson. Each recipient will receive a \$1,500 scholarship to support their studies at the University of Nevada, Reno.

AAUW has a more than 50-year history of supporting educational opportunities for women in Fallon through its scholarship program. The organization continues to recognize academic achievement, leadership, and community involvement in selecting its recipients each year.





Nancy Upham Named AAUW Woman of the Year

Staff Report



Nancy Upham. Photo courtesy of AAUW.

Nancy Upham was recently honored as the American Association of University Women's Community Woman of the Year, recognizing her longstanding dedication to the Fallon community.

In addition to her many contributions, Upham serves as treasurer of Fallon Community Theatre, Inc.

Her passion, service, and commitment continue to make a lasting impact—both on the community and the FTC stage.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT



Port of Nevada. Photo by Leanna Lehman.

Wood Pellet Proposal Tabled, Planning Commission Sets June Zoning Workshop

By Rachel Dahl

A controversial proposal to convert a vacant grain facility on McLean Road into a wood pellet processing plant was tabled by the Churchill County Planning Commission during the regular May meeting, following extensive public opposition and concern over zoning compatibility, environmental impacts, and neighborhood disruption.

Local entrepreneur Alex Peden had applied for a special use permit (SUP) and a similar-use determination to operate what he described as a one-man, low-volume operation using existing infrastructure at the site. Peden plans to use wood chips and sawdust to create heating pellets in a highly automated facility, arguing that the small-scale nature of the business closely mirrors

crop processing already allowed in

agricultural zones.

Planning staff presented a lengthy report noting that the proposed use straddles the line between timber and crop processing. The decision to allow the facility as a temporary "similar use" could provide a path for Peden to prove the concept with limited impact, but would require tight restrictions—no additional employees, no increase

in processing capacity, and annual reviews.

Residents from the surrounding agricultural and residential neighborhoods raised sharp concerns during public comment. Speakers pointed to potential declines in air quality, property values, and quality of life. Several argued that the proposed 24/7 operations, even with insulated equipment, would introduce unacceptable noise and industrial activity into a rural, quiet area. Others questioned the validity of comparing wood pellet production to crop processing, urging the commission to hold firm on existing zoning.

After a lengthy discussion and disagreement over how or whether the operation could be reasonably regulated, commissioners voted unanimously to table the SUP until the June meeting. Commissioner Tammy Edgmon made the motion, emphasizing the need for more time and clarity before moving forward.

The planning commission also announced a joint workshop with the Churchill County Commission, scheduled for June 24, to review proposed changes to the county's industrial zoning categories and use tables. Planning Director Randy Hines said the revisions will help create clearer distinctions

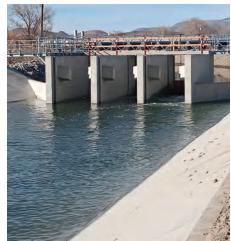
between industrial uses like light manufacturing, logistics, and heavy industry and help prevent future zoning conflicts like the wood pellet proposal.

The updated code will include three industrial zones (I-1, I-2, I-3) and clarified definitions and placement guidelines for each. Notification letters will be sent to all industrial property owners, and the public is invited to participate in the workshop process.

In other business, the commission unanimously approved a special use permit for IRG Realty Advisors to expand their transloading and warehouse facility at the Port of Nevada off Reno Highway. The project includes a new 238,680 square-foot warehouse and associated parking, designed to accommodate large-scale freight and logistics operations.

Representatives from IRG emphasized their track record with similar intermodal facilities nationwide and noted that this expansion would serve as a speculative build to attract potential tenants. The facility is part of the broader Inland Port project on the Churchill/Lyon county line just west of Hazen, which has been steadily building out infrastructure since its initial approval.

TCID Prepares for Full Water Allocation Amid Forecast Fluctuations



TCID Truckee Canal. Photo by John Clodius.

By Rachel Dahl

The Truckee-Carson Irrigation District (TCID) board met earlier this month to discuss shifting water forecasts, infrastructure updates, staffing changes, and budget priorities as the district navigates a critical irrigation season.

A key topic was the district's response to changing Carson River runoff projections, which affect water storage targets. Reclamation officials noted a sharp drop to 87,000 acre-feet in late April, followed by a steady rebound, prompting discussions about whether to divert water through the Truckee Canal. Current modeling shows TCID will exceed May and June storage targets, positioning the district for a full water allocation this season. However, July forecasts remain uncertain due to limitations on the Truckee River supply.

Operations staff reported on system repairs and upgrades, including efforts to select a new software platform for scheduling and data management. A major automation and SCADA upgrade at the Fernley Check is also in development, with plans to ensure future compatibil-

ity across the system. Budget proposals for these improvements will be submitted soon.

Hydro operations noted routine maintenance on generators and related infrastructure, including replacement of a ripped conveyor belt and redesign work on tower gates where spacing and concrete integrity are concerns. The district also secured a price reduction on steel trash racks, lowering the cost from nearly \$80,000 to under \$50,000.

The board approved a \$200,000 investment to conduct a seepage study on the Truckee Canal in partnership with a consultant and the U.S. Geological Survey. The study, aimed at identifying leak locations, is expected to begin in early June once water is flowing through the system.

OTHER UPDATES INCLUDED:

- A letter to the Churchill County Commission regarding the Redwood Materials lithium battery facility. TCID emphasized its neutral position but asserted its right to review pollution control plans.
- Notice of the retirement of Jack Worsley, area manager for the Bureau of Reclamation, and the introduction of acting area manager Laurie Nicholas. Nicholas reported ongoing staffing shortages at the agency, with more than 25% of positions currently vacant across the region.
- A planned transition to paperless water cards, with staff working to implement modern, real-time communication tools for water users.

The TCID Board of Directors meets the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each month at 9 a.m. Meeting agendas are available at www.TCID.org.



CHURCHILL COUNTY COURTS

Tenth Judicial District Court

Tuesday, May 13, Judge Thomas Stockard presiding

By Teresa Moon

Joseph Anthony Mathison pleaded guilty to the Category E Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine), a first or second offense, punishable by 1-4 years in prison and a fine of up to \$5,000. Sentencing was set for June 24.

Vincent Allen Austin pleaded guilty to the Gross Misdemeanor of Injury to Another's Property \$250 to \$5,000, which is punishable by up to 364 days in jail and a \$2,000 fine. Deputy District Attorney (DDA) Priscilla Baker said Austin's criminal history includes prior charges for injury to property, possession of a controlled substance, larceny, and battery, dating back before 2016.

"This defendant has an alcohol problem," Baker said, telling the court that Austin had passed out drunk. A bartender woke him and suggested it was time to go home. In response, Austin "threw a fit," which included throwing an ashtray at the bartender and "then punching one of the slot machines," causing \$838.20 in damages. Baker said the bartender and the state want Austin to get help to prevent future incidents. "We want him to pay the restitution and seek help for his problem," she concluded.

Churchill County Public Defender (CCPD) Jacob Sommer agreed, saying his client had already started addressing the issue by obtaining a substance abuse evaluation and beginning anger management and counseling. Austin told the Court, "I just had a slip-up." He said he turned to alcohol after his brother died.

Judge Stockard granted Austin probation on a suspended 364-day jail sentence. Austin must pay \$838.20 in restitution at \$150 per month, obtain a substance abuse evaluation, and find employment for at least 20 hours per week within 30 days.

Kristin Kay Scott admitted to a Non-Technical Sentencing Violation for leaving the Hoving Hope substance abuse treatment program after completing only two of twelve requirements and for failing to report to the Division of Parole and Probation.

CCPD Sommer asked for a dishonorable discharge from probation, noting that Scott had spent about half her probation in custody and has been trying to comply, albeit inconsistently. He said she regrets leaving the Hoving Hope program, is now living in Elko, seeking employment, and is clean and sober.

"I've been doing the best I can this last year," Scott told the court. "I put a lot of effort into trying to comply with you guys." She acknowledged falling short of expectations.

Senior Deputy District Attorney (SDA) Chelsea Sanford requested revocation of probation and opposed a dishonorable discharge. "It's time that she actually own up to her problem. She cannot do it

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on her own; and she will not listen to this Court," Sanford said, in hopes that prison might prompt Scott to respect the court, the judicial system, and Nevada's laws.

When Judge Stockard asked when she last used, Scott said she used meth a week ago. He ordered immediate drug testing. Court Services returned a positive result for methamphetamine, MDMA, and marijuana. Judge Stockard found her in direct contempt for appearing high in court and sentenced her to seven days in jail. She was remanded to custody and the hearing halted.

Christopher Anakin Marcelino appeared for sentencing on the Category C Felony of Battery Causing Substantial Bodily Harm, to which he pleaded guilty in March. "We're here today because the defendant got into a fight with his father," said DDA Baker. She said the victim, Marcelino's father, knows his son struggles with substance use and wants him to get help. At the victim's request, the state supported diversion.

When Judge Stockard asked how Drug Court was going, Marcelino said he had not used drugs or alcohol and that the program was helping him stay clean.

Stockard placed Marcelino on probation for 12 months with the condition he complete Drug Court, follow the recommendations of a substance abuse evaluation, and not possessing aerosol cans. "With addiction, short-term change is easy; long-term change is a challenge," Judge Stockard said. "And that's why we're going to have you in that specialty court; so you can do that."

Mekyel Kenneth Tybo, in custody, pleaded guilty to the Category E Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine), a first or second offense, punishable by 1-4 years in prison and a fine up to \$5,000. The charge mandates probation. Tybo received a suspended sentence of 12–48 months with the condition that he obtain and follow the recommendations of a substance abuse evaluation.

Bradley Nelson Rogne, in custody, pleaded guilty to I) the Category B Felony of Duty to Stop at the Scene of a Crash Causing Death or Personal Injury, punishable by 2-20 years in prison and a \$2,000–\$5,000 fine, II) the Misdemeanor of No Proof of Insurance, punishable by up to 180 days in jail and a \$600–\$1,000 fine, and III) the Misdemeanor Failure to Yield for a Vehicle Approaching or Entering an Intersection, punishable by up to 180 days in jail and a fine up to \$1,000. The court ordered a pre-sentence investigation and set sentencing for July 15.

Amber Lynn Krenzxavier, in custody, pleaded guilty to the Gross Misdemeanor of Injuring or Tampering with a Vehicle, punishable by up to 364 days in a fine up to \$2,000 fine; and to the Category B Felony of Battery by a Probationer, punishable by 1-6 years in prison in which Krenzxavier is alleged to have bit an officer on the wrist while on probation. The court ordered a pre-sentence investigation and set sentencing for July 15.

Krenzxavier also appeared on a Non-Technical Sentencing Violation dating back to November and related to these charges, to which she admitted to failing to meet the terms of her release. CCPD Sommer requested an own-recognizance release for medical reasons to which CDDA Mills objected, stating, "This defendant keeps running amok every time she is let out ... She is a danger to the community, she's a danger to the victims in this matter, she's a danger to law enforcement by the way she behaves." Judge Stockard denied the request and set a disposition hearing for July 15.

Megan Ann Blakeley failed to appear for her arraignment. Judge Stockard issued a \$10,000 cash-only bench warrant.

Jolean Marie Boag's status hearing was continued to June 6. Misty Dawn Orpiada failed to appear for her status hearing. A \$5,000 cash-only bench warrant was issued. Following discussion between the Court, the State, and the defense, the June 4–6 trial date was vacated.

Patrick Michael Mineard Jr: was not present for a hearing regarding a petition for honorable discharge. The matter was continued until May 20.

District Court April Divorce Filings

Castaniaga, Maria v. Castaniaga, Boniedate	Annulment
Blancaflor, Analiza v. Fenne, Edwin	Divorce
Caabay, Jonah Liza v. Hunter, Raymond Spencer	Divorce
Cole, Kevin L. v. Cole, Elizabeth M.	Divorce
Columbie, Mariam v. Leyva, David Vera	Divorce
Dubois, Christie Patient v. Dubois, Jonathan	Divorce
Dynes, Paris Jamaine v. Dynes, Cecilia Marie	Divorce
Eggerling, Hailey v. Jorstad, Ethan	Divorce
Garcia, Pedro Barajas v. Barajas, Isabel	Divorce
Garrison, Meredith v. Garrison, Jared	Divorce
Gomez, Hector v. Gomez, Socorro	Divorce
Henninger, Gregory v. Medina, Kilynn	Divorce
Hernandez, Mary Ann v. Hernandez, Joseph David	Divorce
Huckaby, Kandon T. v. Toriana, Rahm J.L.	Divorce
Hughes, Christopher D. v. Leone, Amanda Marie	Divorce
Kosak, Leslie Shawn v. Kosak, Jeremy Charles	Divorce
Kosharnyi, Timofei v. Nikiforova, Kseniia	Divorce
Meder, Christine v. Meder, Thomas	Divorce
Moore, Brandy T. v. Moore, John P.	Divorce
Poole, Amy Lynn Stevens v. Poole, Steven David	Divorce
Renollet, Jolee Dawn v. Renollet, Timothy Scott	Divorce
Souza, Corina v. Souza, Trampton	Divorce
Spears, Sheila v. Spears, Rickey	Divorce
Turner, Emily Ann v. Turner, MyQuan Lorenzo	Divorce
Vann, Antionette v. Lawson, Johnny	Divorce
Vargas, Marissa v. Vargas, Christian	Divorce
Vargas, Yan Chen v. Vargas, Salvador	Divorce
Walera, Adrienne v. Lewis, Joshua David	Divorce

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank you to the people of Fallon who made time in their day to come together and pray for everything and everyone that is important to the National Day of Prayer celebrated all over the U.S.

I appreciate the hard work of the group that conducts this event with me each year including Hector and Lexi Viera, Loni Faught, Trudy Erquiaga, Mick Casey, Mary Sorenson, and Jeff Stickel. They tirelessly design handouts, print and distribute notices and program inserts to Fallon churches, and keep track of details that make the event complete. The expenses for large and small posters from the National Day of Prayer website, printing at Jeff's, rental of the Fallon Convention Center, coffee service and water have been covered for 29 years by me, Floyd Rathbun, with contributions from the Episcopal Church, City of Fallon Mayor Kenny Tedford, and 'Love' donations.

Thank you, Mayor Tedford, Commissioner Eric Blakey, retired Navy Chief Michael Music, Dr. Lynn Kinsell, ROTC student Trevor Viera, and Pastor Hector Viera for addressing the gathering, and Pastor Chris Miller for providing security and music. Again this year, Loni Faught and Mary Sorenson made the wonderful cookie table possible.

The people of Fallon honor God with this effort, and the committee would like to invite more residents to join with us and help make every year better as we move forward. Please email Floyd (rathbun@phonewave.net) with your contact information to be included in the schedule for 2026. There is a minimum of meetings; each member has an assignment and reports back on how it's going or to ask for assistance during April. We are multidenominational, praying to the Judeo-Christian God of the Bible, and invite the Ministerial Alliance and people of all faiths to participate.

In Service and Faith, Floyd W. Rathbun, Fallon Resident

Embracing the Title of "Dr. No" in Nevada's Senate

As a family physician who's served Nevada for over 44 years, I live by the creed of "do no harm." As Senate Republican Leader, I carry that principle to Carson City, earning the nickname "Dr. No" for casting more "no" votes than anyone else in the Nevada Legislature. I wear this title with pride—not because I delight in saying no, but because I believe every bill must prove it serves Nevadans without causing harm.

In my medical practice, I don't prescribe treatments without evidence. In the Senate, I don't support legislation unless its sponsors show it won't burden our taxpayers, small businesses, or families. The onus is on the legislator to provide data, reason, and a clear plan—no hidden taxes, no bureaucratic overreach, no unintended burdens. As a fiscal conservative, I'm skeptical of government expansion; as a doctor, I demand proof. That's why "no" is often the most responsible vote I cast.

I'm a good sport about "Dr. No"—it reflects my commitment to principle. But what's less sporting is the quiet demise of Republican legislation. Democrats, one seat shy of a supermajority, wield their power to kill our bills without a vote. In the 2025 session, 65% of the 102 Republican bills introduced (66 bills) died in committee, compared to just 13% of the 227 Democrat bills (30 bills). Only 17% of our bills passed the Senate, while 43% of theirs did. Our ideas—on school choice, healthcare access, or tax relief—often vanish in committee, no debate, no record. Meanwhile, I put every vote on the public record, win or lose, for all Nevadans to see. Transparency is accountability, and I'm proud to stand by my record.

My "no" votes aren't about obstruction; they're about protecting Nevada's way of life. When a bill threatens to raise costs for our ranchers, entangle our entrepreneurs in red tape, or erode our freedoms, I'll say no every time. But I'm ready to say yes to sensible ideas—bipartisan or not—that balance our budget, strengthen our healthcare, honor our veterans, or back our law enforcement.

To my colleagues across the aisle: bring your best ideas, make your case, and let's debate openly. To my District 17 constituents, I'll keep asking tough questions, voting with conviction, and fighting for you—whether that means yes, no, or "prove it." And to those who call me "Dr. No," I'll keep earning that name, one principled vote at a time.

Sincerely, Dr. No

Robin L. Titus, M.D. Senate Republican Leader Nevada State Senate, District 17

EDUCATION

Veritas Preparatory School Classical and Christian

7th and 8th Graders Use Their Brains in Epic Greek Grudge-Match

 $By\ Assistant\ Headmaster\ David\ Ernst\ with\ photo\ courtesy\ of\ Veritas$

Seventh- and eighth-grade students from Veritas Preparatory School put their problem-solving skills to the test during a field trip to Key & Code Escape Rooms in Sparks, where teamwork, communication, and creativity were the keys to success—literally.

The visit gave students a chance to step outside the classroom and immerse themselves in high-pressure scenarios that challenged their critical thinking and collaboration skills. Students were split into two teams—seventh grade versus eighth grade—and competed in two Greek Pantheon-themed escape rooms.

"Our goal was to give students an opportunity to work together in a fun, engaging environment," said Mr. Ernst, who helped organize the trip. "We wanted them to experience how valuable each person's

contribution can be when facing a challenge."

"It was especially difficult to cooperate and communicate while under pressure," said eighth grader Sonora McInturff. "But it was really exciting!"

While each team escaped only one of the two rooms within the time limit, every student walked away with a sense of accomplishment—and some great stories to tell.

The field trip wrapped up with lunch at Scheels, a ride on the Ferris wheel, and some well-earned downtime. Students swapped escape room stories and debated which room had been the toughest.

In the end, there was no clear winner between the seventh and eighth graders but the competition isn't over. A rematch may settle the score.



Veritas Escape Room Trip.

Logos Christian Academy

Unplugged and Engaged - Making the Most of a Screen-Light Summer

Story and photo courtesy of Logos



Logos gets ready for summer.

As summer approaches, many parents find themselves wondering how to keep their children engaged without relying on screens. With streaming services and smartphones always within reach, it can be challenging to plan a summer that encourages real connection and meaningful activity. Here are a few tips for a mostly technology-free break.

Set expectations and limits early. Have a family conversation about what technology use will look like during the summer and explain why you're setting boundaries. It's not about punishment—it's about creating space for better ways to spend time. For older children, aim for no more than two hours of screen time per day, across all devices. You may need to use parental

controls or store devices away when not in use.

Have a backup plan. Without screens, what will the kids do? Get the whole family involved in brainstorming a list of fun activities. The more input they have, the more likely they are to stay engaged.

Establish a routine. While summer should feel relaxed, a loose structure helps everyone know what to expect. It can ease transitions and reduce complaints about boredom.

Finally, be a good role model. Reducing your own screen time and following the same rules you set for your kids shows them that everyone in the household is working toward the same goal—and it can lead to stronger family connections along the way.

EDUCATION

CCSD Gool School News

Compiled by Kaitlin Ritchie with photos courtesy of CCSD.



CCHS's Tieris Williams at the 56th Annual UNR World Languages and Literatures Awards Ceremony.



NUMA teacher Vickie Purrell helping Cheveah Christiano pour the wax in her candle.



Counselor Baylee Barton with a small group she worked with on learning the Zones.

CCHS students Tieris Williams and Jacqueline Vilchiz Mondragon were recognized at the 56th Annual University of Nevada, Reno World Languages and Literatures Awards Ceremony for outstanding achievement in Spanish language and cultural studies. The event celebrates language learners from across Nevada. Williams and Vilchiz Mondragon were honored for their dedication and skill, proudly representing CCHS. Both students have shown a strong passion for the Spanish language and culture, earning distinction through consistent effort and academic excellence. Unfortunately, Jacqueline was unable to attend due to prior commitments

CCMS held its annual Spring Jam Music Festival on May 15 on the front lawn of the District Office. In just three weeks, music students prepared and performed an impressive selection of pieces, highlighting their growth and talent. Before the concert, families visited a student art show organized by teacher Daire Ochs. The exhibit featured a variety of creative works. "It was a nice evening of our students showing their talents to the community," said Vice Principal Deana Porretta. The event offered a chance for families and staff to see the results of student work across the arts.

Numa celebrate Mother's Day by creating handmade candles that resembled cold beverages like root beer floats, cold brew, and orangesicles in Vickie Purrell's class. Each student selected a scent, melted soy wax, and layered it with color and fragrance to mimic

chilled drinks. They added faux "ice cubes" made from high-density gel wax, then finished each candle with a custom label. "This activity was such a hit. The students had a blast," said Purrell. "It was a great way to create a special gift and also give students an insight into the science and the process behind candle-making."

E.C. Best students are learning to be safe, kind, responsible, and respectful. On Thursday, students demonstrated those values as they quietly lined the fence to honor Officer Tristan Redmond and his family during a community procession. They watched with respect as the convoy of service members passed by the school. "Our students showed reverence and empathy," Principal Brad Barton wrote. "This was a proud moment for me as a principal, and I want to thank my students, staff, and their families for being such good examples." The brief but powerful gesture reflected the character taught all year.

Lahontan students completed a small-group session focused on the Zones of Regulation and learning coping skills last week. Led by school counselor Baylee Barton, the group helped students recognize emotions and place them in color-coded "zones" tied to alertness levels. The goal is for students to recognize how they're feeling and choose a strategy to help regulate emotions so they're ready to learn. "When students recognize what Zone they are feeling in, they know which coping skills they can use to regulate themselves," Barton said. The skills help students become more aware, calm, and focused.

Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera with photos courtesy of Oasis Academy.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: BROCK MCCOY



Graduating senior Brock McCoy is a longtime Oasis Academy student. He has attended Oasis since kindergarten and has fond memories of his time there.

"When I first started, I was nervous. But my time at Oasis has always been a pleasure. I always felt safe at school," said McCoy.

One of his favorite memories comes from freshman year in Mr. David Springfield's history class. "We made video reenactments of Julius Caesar's death," he said.

History became his favorite subject, thanks to Mr. Springfield's engaging teaching style and creative projects.

McCoy extends a special thank-you to Counselor Andy Lenon. "I would like to thank Mr. Lenon for always being supportive and keeping me on track," he said.

His advice to future students? Stay focused and have fun. "Graduating is easy as long as you stay on task and remember to just try to have fun," he said.

After graduation, McCoy plans to work

full-time at NNE Construction with the goal of becoming a crew leader.

BUSTER'S BEST RECOGNIZED FOR FOURTH QUARTER

Students who went above and beyond in demonstrating the Bighorn HERD quality of determination were honored on Thursday, May 15, at the Buster's Best Assembly.

At the end of each quarter, students exemplifying a core HERD value—honesty, empathy, respect, or determination—are recognized. This quarter's honorees showed determination in the classroom, hallways, and on the playground.

Approximately 425 students have been recognized this year, not including those who received multiple recognitions across quarters.

Reign Pierson, Zoey Hyde, Rori Kuhn, Amelia Espinosa, Zeke Thomas, Rylee Steele, Archer Yoder, Creed Christiano, Cayson Nolan, Cooper Nolan, Evelyn Barajas-Rosas, Sunny Nadeau, Emmett Hatfield, Lucas Ybarra, Damian Madison-Hiatt, Jacob Carlo, Brookelyn Dubois, Steele Schank, Chloee Williams, Aryah Graham, River Reynolds, Brexley Peel, Evelyn Sanford, Melinda Lipnicki, Ryan Renfroe, Nadia Castillo, Ben Knight, Declan Broad, Grace Francisco, Zachary Warren, Josephine Foster, Josh Warren, Landon Couch, Kennedy Wilbanks, Markus Cain, Abel Going, Asher Wright, Ziva Gygax, Adelynn Wood, Lucy Renfroe, Claire Oyler, Olivia Manskie, Laylan Pellandini, Nathaniel Navarro, Caylee Presgraves, Junior Guzman, Aubrey Manzo, Remi Maldonado, Bennett Hert, Cassi Sorensen, Wyatt Griffin, Leila Birge, Hailey Marrs, Chloe Rodriguez

Ugalde, Ryder Trappen, Aubrey Reeves, Jamie Stevenson, Ryan Moran Rodriguez, Zoey Brooks, Brooklyn Zimmerman, Cadence Pruit, Hannah Fenton, Oliver Ortega, Brayden Sowersby, Kate Linares, Lily Derby, Sophie Bryan, Tinlee Tanberg, Thomas Cavanaugh, Lucy Bell, Tomas de Leon, Jesse Crystal, Demitri Riske, Ryan Wright, Ranger Farley, Baylor Reynolds, Niklaus Kirkland, Peyton Marrs, Piper Morrow, Tyce Arritt, Kenzi Herold, Hayes Allegre, Ellie Carrasco, Cash Lewis, Bri Ugalde, Ian Gygax, Wesley Griffin, Kathryn Preston, Maylee McKnight, Zachary Lemieux, Benjamin Fecht, Tanner Tippett, Cora Worth, Casen Edgmon, Kaidan Ybarra, Ryder Shingleton, Audrey Kovnat, Beau Kniestedt, Austin Gurr, Bailey Lewis, Madison Mello, Alexandra Manzo, Emalyn Burns, Karter Owens, Brooke Bennett, Tensley Johnson, Braylee Cline, Bailey Warren, Lily Freeman, Camdyn Cecil, Makayla Dynek, Logan Tolman, Victoria Molatore, Reagan Farley, Khloe Shawcroft, Trinity Mullins, Ava Sweetser, Hailey Shawcroft, Kairi Myers, Owen Olsen, Sophia Derby, Layla Hill, Isabel Anaya, Alexa Hessey, Isabelle Parmenter, Zayden Maynez, Kelsey Nall, Makenzie Schroeder, Victor Ledesma Mata, McCartney Kelly, Daniella Ramirez-Vilchez, Savannah Lewis, Mayu Steinbaugh, Jack Fecht, Aliyah Schleyer-Ashmead, Natallie Snooks, Jason Lindsey, Jonathan Velasquez, Honey Mattson, Dylan Dodge, Odin Roose, Raegan Warren, Ava German, Marko Apolinar, Pia Doyen, Janie Irving, Christopher Miller, Colin Townsend, Jacob Pilarski. Buster's Best photos by Victoria Crystal.

For the full story, visit www.thefallonpost.org.



SPORTS ROUND UP

Greenwave Golfers Swing into Postseason with All-League Honors

Staff Report

The Churchill County High School boys golf team has wrapped up an impressive regular season, making waves across the league with top individual finishes, All-League selections, and a standout MVP.

Senior Colin Shishido led the Greenwave charge, finishing first in the individual standings with a season average of 76.0. Consistency was key for Shishido, who shot in the 70s in nearly every match and racked up 94.5 total points, securing the league MVP title and a spot on the All-League First Team.

Teammates Jacob Perez and Dierks Hammon also earned First Team honors with strong performances throughout the season. Perez averaged 77.8, with his best round coming at Lowry (85), while Hammon maintained a 78.0 average and contributed crucial scores at key tournaments,



Greenwave golfers. Photo courtesy Coach Elaine Adams.

including an 83 at Lowry and a 76 at Elko.

Kaleb Nielson rounded out Fallon's First Team selections, finishing with a 78.4 average and posting a solid 78 at Fernley.

Fallon's lineup also featured strong play from Jack Marma and Troy Kepler, who both earned Second Team recognition.

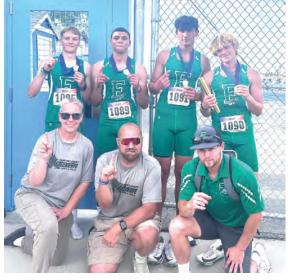
Marma averaged 80.5 and posted seasonbest rounds of 79 at Fernley and Dayton.

Kepler matched the 80.5 average, with rounds as low as 75.

Coach Elaine Adams' strategy and the team's hard work paid off across the board, with multiple players posting personal bests and the team consistently placing

high in tournaments across the region—from South Tahoe to Spring Creek.

The state tournament is underway in Elko as The Fallon Post goes to print. Results will be reported next week.



Rylan Clark, Wyatt Dixon, Nathaniel Bianchi, and Bransyn Wright. Photo courtesy of Coach Tiffany Wright.

CCHS's Clark, Dixon, Bianchi, Wright Win 4x200 at State Track Championships

By Robert Perea

With only 2.59 seconds separating the fastest and slowest qualifying times, the 4x200 relay at last week's 3A State Track and Field Championships at Moapa Valley looked like anyone's race to win.

Fallon runners Rylan Clark, Wyatt Dixon, Nathaniel Bianchi, and Bransyn Wright made it their own. That quartet posted a time of 1:30.01, faster than all eight qualifying times, to win the state championship in the 4x200. Truckee, which was the fourth fastest qualifier, finished right behind in second place with a time of 1:30.16. The fastest qualifying team, Bonanza High from Las Vegas, was unable to finish the race.

The same group also ran the 4x100 relay, finishing fifth with a time of 44.87.

Wright was Fallon's line individual qualifier for State, and he finished second in the high jump, matching his regional championship height of 6 feet, 4 inches, but Lowry's Brent Kenison, who had jumped 6-2 at the regionals, cleared 6-6 to win the event at State.

Fallon Boys Finish Strong at 3A State Championships

By Robert Perea

Half of Fallon's six entries in last week's 3A State Swimming & Diving Championship improved upon their qualifying times from the previous week's Northern 3A Regional Meet.

The highlight for the Greenwave was the 400-meter freestyle relay team of William McLean, Joshua Enriquez, Michael Liston, and Kage Oyler. They came in seeded eighth with a qualifying time of 4:27.23 but beat that time by 13 seconds and finished seventh with a time of 4:13.16.

Individually, McLean took more than two seconds off his qualifying time in the 200-yard freestyle, finishing eighth with a time of 2:16.04. Oyler beat his qualifying time by .25 of a second in the 100-yard backstroke, where he finished eighth with a time of 1:10.91.

Both of Fallon's other relays also

finished seventh. In the 200-yard medley relay, Oyler, Brody Reynolds, Kegan Welsh, and Liston placed seventh with a time of 1:59.15. In the 200-yard freestyle relay, Welsh, McLean, Reynolds, and Liston teamed up to post a time of 1:46.44.

Liston placed eighth in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 58.25.

In the team standings, Fallon placed 10th out of 15 schools with a total of 15 points. Boulder City dominated the meet, winning the state championship with 131 points, while Coral Academy was second with 78.Liston placed eighth in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 58.25.

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Fallon's Brody Reynolds swims a leg of the 200-yard freestyle relay in the State Swimming & Diving Championships last Saturday at the Moana Springs Community Aquatics Center in Reno. Photo by Robert Perea.

Fallon Falls to Fernley in 3A State Softball Championship

By Robert Perea

The Fernley High School softball team beat Fallon twice on Saturday to claim the 3A state championship in Pahrump.

The Vaqueros came into the game out of the losers' bracket, needing to win twice, and pulled off 4-3 and 4-2 wins.

Hunter Lyle and Ximena Rodriguez each drove in two runs in Saturday's first game to force the winner-take-all "if necessary" second game

Fallon trailed 4-1 going to the bottom of the fifth inning, but a double by Maddison Keller scored Peyton Prinz to cut the lead to

4-2; however, the Greenwave stranded runners at second and third. In the bottom of the sixth, Vernita Fillmore singled home Kalaya Downs to get within 4-3, and the Greenwave had the bases loaded with two outs and were unable to push across the tying run.

In the second game, Vaqueros got singles by Sara Moffett, Bella Leija, and Joslyn Wadsworth and capitalized on Fallon errors to score three runs in the third inning to give Fernley a 4-1 lead.

Janessa Bettencourt led off the top of the fourth inning with a home run to make it 4-2. Fallon threatened with two singles to start the fifth, but Fernley turned a double play, and Fernley shortstop Taylor Tollestrup caught Fillmore's line drive. Fallon put runners at first and third in the sixth inning and got a runner to third in the seventh, but came up empty both times.



COLUMNS

What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen:

Beautifully Basic Chocolate Chip Cookies

By Kelli Kelly

Editor's Note: We're flashing back to May 2021 for one of Kelli's most beloved submissions! Check out her fabulous chocolate chip cookie recipe, which landed 1,077 views.

Sometimes I struggle to fall asleep. I don't drink coffee after noon, go to bed when I'm tired, refrain from using my devices for a few hours beforehand, maintain a quiet bedroom without a television or any other visual stimulation, and build a super-comfy nest in which to burrow—and yet there are times when my "busy mind" keeps me from achieving the very basic goal of sleep. What do you do when you can't sleep?

To be clear, I don't actually get up from bed and make cookies when I can't sleep (who can eat that many cookies?). Instead, I mentally walk through the process of making cookies, focusing on every tiny detail. I think about the ingredients in my pantry and refrigerator—do I need to get anything from the store? I imagine laying out everything: butter, white sugar, brown sugar, vanilla, eggs, flour, salt, baking soda, and (according to my nephews, the most important part) chocolate chips. I visualize leaving the butter and eggs on the counter to come to room temperature. And then I start "making cookies." Usually, I've drifted off by the time I need to add vanilla—I never make it to actually baking the dough.

Nowadays, you can find countless variations of the chocolate chip cookie to meet nearly every dietary preference and restriction: vegan

cookies, check; keto cookies, check; crispy cookies; chewy cookies; cookie bars. There are at least 25 recipes that claim to be the "best" chocolate chip cookies. But if you want a truly exceptional cookie and don't mind a recipe that's unnecessarily complicated, try out Kenji Lopez's version on the Serious Eats website. I made it once, thoroughly enjoyed the layering of delicious flavors, and promptly went back to my tried-and-true recipe.

So, without further ado, please enjoy this recipe from origins unremembered and with much gratitude.

Love, Your Tia Kelli



Kelli Kelly, Slinger of Produce. Slurper of Dumplings. Person of the Bean.

Beautifully Basic Chocolate Chip Cookies

Ingredients:

Yield: somewhere between 20 and 40 cookies depending on many factors like: cookie size and amount

2 sticks of butter (I prefer unsalted but either will do)

room temperature 3/4 cup brown sugar (packed)

3/4 cup granulated sugar

2

eggs 1 tsp. vanilla extract

2 cups flour

baking soda 1 tsp. 1 tsp. salt





of chocolate chips (or any kind of chips you prefer) Other add-ins like nuts and dried fruit

DIRECTIONS:

In a stand mixer or in a large bowl with beaters, cream together butter and both types of sugar until light in color and fluffy. This is a very important step. When you cream together the butter and sugar you are also integrating air into your batter which has a direct impact on the texture of the cookie.

Add in vanilla and eggs (one at a time) beating in between each

Stop the mixer and add in flour, baking soda, and salt. Using a low setting, mix together batter until the dry ingredients are just combined. You definitely don't want to mix for too long--when you mix flour with liquids, gluten chains will form like in bread. Since you want delicate cookies, you want to avoid developing the gluten.

With the mixer on low, add in the chocolate chips and any other add-in ingredients. Mix just until combined.

Form the dough into a log, wrap in plastic wrap, and refrigerate for at least an hour and ideally overnight. It can be hard to wait. I usually bake off a tray of around 13 cookies immediately and refrigerate the rest of the dough. Letting the dough rest in the fridge and baking from chilled yield a better cookie, but also "Me Want

When you are ready to bake your cookies, preheat oven to 375 degrees. Form dough into ball-ish forms--I slice the roll and then form the dough into a rough-edged ball. Place on a parchment-lined sheet pan with appropriate spacing to allow for spread.

Bake for approximately 8-10 minutes until cookies are starting to turn golden brown on the edges and are just set in the middle. Let cool for at least 10 minutes before you gobble them up, you don't want to burn the rough of your mouth!

Crossword

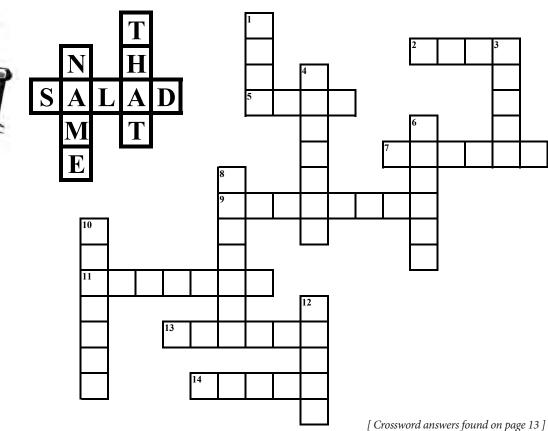
By Peanut

Across

- 2. Cabbage, mayo, your imagination
- 5. Kidney, chickpeas, green
- 7. Lettuce, tomatoes, carrots
- 9. Lots of fruit, baby marshmallows
- 11. Bird, mayo, your imagination 13. Croutons, parm, anchovies
- 14. Crab, eggs, cucumbers, tomatoes

Down

- 1. Avocado, bleu cheese, chicken
- 3. Iceberg, bacon, dressing
- 4. Apples, walnuts, celery
- 6. Yukon Gold, mayo, your imagination
- 8. Mozzarella, tomatoes, basil
- 10. Tomatoes, eggs, tuna
- 12. Tomatoes, olives, feta





COLUMNS

Allison's Book Report Bookmarks & Jet Lag



By Allison Diegel

I'm home from my travels, and I know I promised you all a "real" Book Report this week. Turns out, jet lag is very real—and I am very tired. As I write this, I've been home for two days and still don't know what time it is, what day of the week it is, or even what planet I'm on. So, I hope you won't mind just one more travel edition of the Book Report!

Greece is such a fascinating place, so full of history and culture. The people are warm and friendly—and on a whole new level of pride when it comes to that history and culture. They value reading and learning, and many bookstores line the streets. There are cats everywhere in Athens, which made this cat lady's trip even more amazing. They're mostly strays, but all are friendly and well-fed. I made it my goal to visit every last one of them.

The food was incredible—mezza plates of briny olives and delectable snacks, platters of juicy roasted meats and fresh veggies seasoned with warm spices and herbs, fresh-baked breads, and desserts soaked in citrusy syrup and sprinkled with pistachios or walnuts. I ate my way through Athens and am already dreaming of ways to bring some Greek flavors to my own dinner table!

All in all, we had an amazing time exploring, eating, and laughing. Now comes the hard part—jumping back into real life and recovering from this jet lag.

Until then, enjoy a few more photos from our trip, and don't forget to follow me over on 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.



WATER LEVELS

Measurements Taken May 20, 2025, at 11:30 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir	202,700 af
Carson River Below Lahontan	62.5 cfs
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth	62.1 cfs
Truckee Canal at Hazen	4.15 cfs
Carson River at Ft Churchill	571 cfs

May 20, 2024 May 20, 2023 May 20, 2022 295,819 acre feet 94,146 acre feet 151,652 acre feet

Cfs - Cubic Feet per Second | Af - Acre Feet | TCID.org & Water Data.USGS.gov

MEETINGS May 26-30, 2025

Churchill County Board of Trustees Wednesday, May 28 at 5:30 p.m. 690 S. Maine Street

County Meetings - 155 N. Taylor St. **Commission Chambers**

Central Nevada Health District Thursday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m.



Case No.: 25-10DC-0183 The undersigned hereby affirms this document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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

SUMMONS

DALE N. WAGNER, an Individual, Plaintiffs,

THE FALLON POST

CHURCHILL COUNTY TREASURER, DOES I-X, inclusive, and any and all persons claiming any right title or interest in the real property, which parcel is more particularly described as: APN 010-235-17,

TO THE DEFENDANT: DOES I-X YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. THE COURT MAY DECIDE **AGAINST YOU WITHOUT YOUR BEING HEARD UNLESS** YOU RESPOND IN WRITING **WITHIN 21 DAYS. READ THE** INFORMATION BELOW VERY CAREFULLY.

A civil Complaint for Quiet Title and for Declaratory Relief has been filed by the Plaintiff against you for the relief as set forth in that document. The purpose of the above action is to address a cloud on the title regarding the legal ownership of APN 010-235-17, described as follows:

APN 010-235-17 PARCEL IN SW1/4-SE1/4, LOT 10, **BLOCK 4, CIRAC ADDITION** STILLWATER MAP, FILE #750, RECORDED: MARCH 21, 1905, REVISED & AMENDED CIRAC ADDITION STILLWATER MAP, FILE #2424, RECORDED: JUNE 15, 1906, PARCEL #010-235-17

- 1. f you intend to defend this lawsuit, you must do the following within 21 days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service:
 - a. File with the Clerk of the Court, located at 73 N. Main St. Ste. B, Fallon, NV 89406, a formal written answer to the Complaint, along with the appropriate filing fees, in accordance with the rules of the Court, and
 - b. Serve a copy of your answer upon the attorney or Plaintiff whose name and address is shown below.
- 2. Unless you respond, a default will be entered upon application of the Plaintiff and this Court may enter a judgment against you for the relief demanded in the Verified Complaint.

Signed TIFFANY JOSEPHS Clerk of Court Date: April 29, 2025

Issued on Behalf of: Dale Wagner P.O. Box 7720 Reno, Nevada 89510

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City of Fallon **Publication of Quarterly Financial Statements**

In accordance with NRS 268.030, the City of Fallon hereby publishes notice of the following total receipts, disbursements and bills allowed and paid for the quarter covering January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024:

> Total Receipts: \$10,384,568

Total Disbursements and Bills: \$11,252,028

The public may view the detailed financial documents at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada or online at https://www.fallonnevada.gov/ quarterly-financial-statements/. For further information or further instructions on how to obtain the detailed financial documents, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 775-423-5104.

The original and any duplicate or copy of each receipt, bill, invoice, check, warrant, voucher or other similar document that supports a transaction, the amount of which is shown in the financial statement published pursuant to this section is a public record that is available for inspection and copying by any person pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 239 of NRS.

/s/ KEN TEDFORD, Mayor

ATTEST /s/MICHAEL O'NEILL, City Clerk/Treasurer

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> **H & L STORAGE 577 Gummow Drive Fallon 89406**

Online auction: www.storagetreasures.com

Auction ending: May 29, 2025 at 9 a.m.

Nicolas Martinez Unit # G159 Contents: Clothing, Boxes, Electronics, Totes, Tools, Misc.

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CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Crossword found on page 12

AMBROSIA LOUIE BEAN **NICOISE POTATO CAESAR CAPRESE** SLAW **CHICKEN TOSSED** COBB WALDORF **GREEK** WEDGE



COLUMNS

Postcards: Marge Milazzo's Memories

By Michon Mackedon

Native American Marge Milazzo dictated her oral history to the Churchill County Museum in 1998. Her interviewer was Marianne Peterson. A good portion of the oral history will be printed as part of the Churchill County Museum's resurrected journal, In Focus, due to be published in Summer 2025. You are in for a treat.

Peterson asked Marge Milazzo to talk about her years spent at Stewart Indian School in Carson City. So much has been written lately about the abuses of the Native American Boarding School system, enough to arouse the anger of any thinking person. That having been said, it is important to also listen to the voices of children who benefited from their boarding school days. I suspect that the culture of each school was unique and that some were brutal and others, fairly humane. What is true of all of them is that speaking native languages was forbidden, that cultural assimilation was the goal, and that corporal punishment was the norm. The Stewart Indian School is now the Stewart Indian School Cultural Center and Museum. The campus buildings alone are worth viewing as they were constructed by Stewart students, who gathered colored native stones and erected 63 buildings under the watchful guidance of professional stonemasons.

Milazzo: Oh, that, yeah. I went there [at ages] ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen... Oh, I had a lot of fun there. We couldn't talk our own native language, so when I first got



Photo courtesy of Churchill County Museum.

there, I felt real strange 'cause I'd never seen a lot of kids before, you know, all over the campus there, and the campus was so beautiful. It just had flowers and sidewalks. The flowers were lined up along the sidewalk. So pretty over there. I thought it was heaven to myself. (laughing) Mr. Snyder, our superintendent, he made that place feel so good. I think it was the wonderfullest time that I had in my life, and not only mine, the other children that did like it. It was a beautiful place, and they had a great big pond there. I remember my older uncle, Raymond's brother, Clyde, he took the Fallon children in a bus and drove us over. I was new that time. I really didn't know how to speak White too good. I still don't. (laughing) I met some Schurz girls from

Schurz Reservation. They talked to me, but I didn't answer, and I listened to them. Then one of the girls probably knew I was a Paiute, so she talked in Paiute to me, and I talked to her then. (laughing) We all got to talking and laughing and having a good time right there at the swimming pool.

After that we did a lot of studies, and we went to church every Sunday. We had to dress military style like, and the girls, oh, they used to look so good! Then we had a certain inspector that comes in from, I don't where, Reno or Carson. He was a big shot wearing this whole uniform outfit. He'd march between us when we were lining up for drills or whatever, and we had to present ourselves just perfect. He'd come along, and he'd walk along in front of us all down the line. There was over five hundred children. You could see so many boys and girls all lined up in their own companies, like I was in Company C. They inspected the way we dressed, and we had to stand certain ways. Then we had an officer that took care of us. She was from the building, but she was a mean big shot lady. (laughing) She'd come along with a paddle. If we got out of line, they'd strap us, but we always watched her, so it was really strict. We'd drill and march, and we did all the commands that they hollered to us when we were in line. We had to be about face. After the inspection then we all changed into our everyday clothes and play, whatever. I really enjoyed that 'cause I never had anything like that.

Did you or someone you know attend Stewart Indian School? Send that story or any story to mackedon@phonewave.net.

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.

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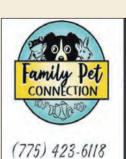
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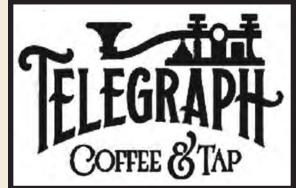




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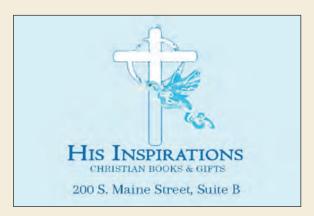


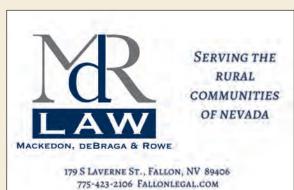
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