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Task Force Update

Part II

Fentanyl, Dirty 30s and the New Meth

By Leanna Lehman

The North Central Nevada Task Force (NCNTF) presented at the Churchill Community Coalition's quarterly meeting on Wednesday, March 18, to update the community on recent Task Force activity and narcotics trends in Churchill County.

NCNTF is a multi-agency task force comprised of personnel from the Nevada State Police Investigation Division, the Fallon Police Department, and the Churchill County Sheriff's Office that partners with other regional task forces and federal agencies.

One primary area of concern for NCNTF is the rising use and abuse of fentanyl. Task force officer Garret Long reported that officers seized nearly 62 grams of fentanyl, or 30,900 lethal doses, in 2025-26. "Although that is a small number, it is a drastic impact on the community," Long said. He noted the increase aligns with statewide data showing a 250% rise in fentanyl overdoses since 2020.



Fake vs. real oxycodone 30 mg tablets. Image courtesy of DEA.

Task Force Detective Carl Diggs said while fentanyl can be inhaled or smoked, the pill form is driving the most deaths. He explained that drug trafficking organizations manufacture counterfeit pills to resemble oxycodone or colorful candy. "I mean, we've seen it in kind of just every different form," he said. "The cartels are just trying to find ways to get it into the United States."

"The one thing with fentanyl is that a lot of these drug trafficking organizations are coming in from Mexico," Diggs said, adding that precursor materials are often sourced from China, manufactured in pill labs in Mexico, and smuggled into the United States.

The most dangerous aspect of fentanyl pills is the inconsistent dosage. "You get these users that are used to using two milligrams of the fentanyl," Diggs said. "One pill might

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Blake Cooper Voted Superintendent Candidate

By Sydney Trainor

The Churchill County School Board voted 4-3 on March 26 to select Blake Cooper as its superintendent candidate after interviewing four finalists during a special meeting.

The board conducted interviews with Levi Collins, Natalie Burgess, Cooper, and Mike Walker, scheduling 10 minute breaks between each session. After the interviews, trustees ranked the candidates on a scale of 1 to 4, with 1 being the top pick. Rankings were then converted to points, with first place earning four points, second place three, and so on. Cooper and Burgess tied for the top score with 23 points each, followed by Walker with 13 points and Collins with 11.

During his interview, Collins discussed his experience in a rural district and emphasized communication, visibility, teacher support, and priorities in reading and math. Burgess focused on collaboration, trust, and retention, noting that district goals aligned with her own. Cooper highlighted the need for cabinet meetings, weekly alignment, and timely communication, as well as his ties to Fallon and his rural experience



Blake Cooper, Churchill County School Board's superintendent candidate. Photo courtesy of the Churchill County School District.

as a principal. Walker stressed the importance of clear, consistent communication across the district and the need to build relationships with staff, students, and the community early on.

Board discussion reflected a divide between prioritizing experience and long term potential. Trustees said Burgess brought strong experience, a clear communication style, and a detailed, goal oriented vision for the district. Several noted that she provided specific benchmarks tied

to district priorities, including improving school star ratings and increasing attendance. Concerns were raised about her background in charter schools and whether transitioning to a traditional public school in a rural community could pose challenges. Some also questioned whether not being local would affect community fit.

Cooper's local ties were seen as a strength, with trustees pointing to his Fallon background and the fact that he has children in the district. Board members described him as coachable, ambitious, and capable, and noted his humility and straightforward communication style. Some

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Fallon Honors Vietnam Veterans with Ceremony

Story and photos by Lori Kaiser

As a warm breeze stirred the pear trees behind City Hall, familiar melodies like Bob Dylan's "Blowin' in the Wind" and Simon and Garfunkel's "The Sounds of Silence" echoed through the Veterans Memorial on Sunday afternoon, drawing a solemn and grateful crowd for National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

A prominent United States flag was displayed, suspended from a fire truck, creating a striking backdrop for the event. The color guard from NAS Fallon stood assembled, adding to the sense of formality and respect. Event organizer and retired Navy fire chief Stuart Cook warmly greeted those in attendance and then invited Navy Chaplain Reiner Harper forward to offer the invocation.

With the guard in place, the colors were formally presented, signifying the ceremonial opening of the event. Bill Post was then invited to the microphone to perform the national anthem. As he sang, the crowd respectfully joined in, their voices blending in a display of patriotism



Retired Navy fire chief and event organizer Stuart Cook speaks during the Vietnam Veterans Day ceremony.

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log:

Up and Down I-80

By Rachel Dahl

I'm somewhere between Lovelock and Winnemucca again, talking into my phone and watching it try to keep up with me.

It's a strange way to write. I've never quite trusted dictation. I've always done better with a pen in my hand or a keyboard in front of me. Even back in school, I noticed something about how my brain works—if I was standing at the board, marker in hand, I could think more clearly than if I just sat there trying to talk it out. There's something about my fingers that helps the ideas line up.

But here we go—because typing is problematic behind the windshield. Because lately, it's been a lot of miles.

This week, it's another run up I-80—Fallon to Lovelock to Winnemucca—working on a grant presentation, meeting with people, talking about what we're building. Burning up the highway.

And here's what we're hearing.

When we sit down and explain what we're doing—bringing local newspapers back, rebuilding something that used to be the backbone of these communities—people are listening. You can see it happen. Their eyes light up. They remember what it felt like to have a real local paper. Something that belonged to them. Something that showed up every week and told the truth about their town.

Most people don't need much convincing. They've been waiting for it.

That's the part that's so gratifying. It's that moment when someone realizes, "Oh, you're serious. You're actually doing this."

Not everyone sees it that way.

Every once in a while, I'll run into someone



who gives me a polite smile and a warning—don't spread yourself too thin, don't overdo it. Sometimes there's a metaphorical pat on the head in there too, like this is all just a nice little project.

I listen but never take it to heart.

Because the overwhelming response is coming from the communities themselves. And they're not skeptical. They're grateful, engaged, and excited.

So we keep going.

Back and forth across this stretch of Nevada, learning every stop along the way. Fallon. Fernley. Lovelock. Battle Mountain. Winnemucca. These roads have always felt like home.

And that's the point, I guess—we're building something that belongs here.

So while we find all the good stopping spots across the wilds of Nevada, we'll always be right here...

...Keeping you Posted.

—Rachel

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concerns centered on his lack of district level and superintendent experience, and whether he was ready to step into the role without additional time or development.

Two members of the public spoke during the meeting. One supported Cooper for his local background and involvement in the district. The second speaker, Matt Hyde, thanked the board for its work and emphasized the importance of

supporting whichever candidate is selected.

After discussion, Trustee Joe McFadden moved to select Cooper as superintendent, and Celestia Blakey seconded. The motion was amended to direct the board president and district attorney, with support from consultants, to negotiate a contract and return it for approval. The motion passed 4-3.



PETS OF THE WEEK

Meet Ferby

Ferby, a 3-year-old Shepherd/Retriever mix weighing about 35 pounds, is looking for a forever family.

Friendly with both men and women, Ferby is an active, affectionate dog who enjoys attention and being around people. He has been around other dogs, though a meet-and-greet is recommended. He has no known history with cats.

Ferby has spent most of his life outdoors, but is ready to learn what family living is all about. He describes himself simply as a good boy waiting for someone to give him a chance.



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

Meet Max and Molly

Max and Molly are a bonded pair of 5-year-old, short-haired siblings looking for a calm, loving home together.

Max, a handsome Lynx Point, is sweet, friendly, and outgoing. He loves attention and will happily greet you each day. Molly, his beautiful sister with her Burmese-style coat, is a gentle sweet-heart who loves being brushed and petted.

The two balance each other perfectly and share a bond that can't be broken. They're hoping for a peaceful home where they can relax, be loved, and stay side by side with their forever family.



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

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have two milligrams; the next pill might have five milligrams. Within that pill capture, when you're a user, you're thinking, "I'm taking a two-milligram pill with fentanyl," however, you get a five-milligram pill, and you end up overdosing."

Despite an increase in fentanyl use, methamphetamine abuse remains a significant problem in Churchill County. The drug, which stimulates the body and the central nervous system, can cause anxiousness, a false sense of confidence and power, aggressive or violent behaviors, and consistent talking, explained Diggs.

Methamphetamine today is different from that



Rainbow fentanyl. Photo courtesy of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

seen in the 1990s. The Task Force says that local manufacturing is rare. Instead, meth is being mass-produced by drug trafficking organizations, primarily from Mexico.

Today's meth is reportedly higher in purity, cheaper to make and to buy, and is far more accessible. Some studies report that it also causes more severe behavioral effects than those seen 30 years ago. One factor, however, has not changed—meth has a strong correlation with property crimes and crimes of violence.

Meth overdoses, which often occur in the form of seizures or heart attacks, are far less common than with fentanyl and opiates. According to Diggs, the body can better regulate stimulants, whereas opioids can suppress breathing to the point of death.

Diggs said cocaine use is increasing, describing it as "making a huge comeback." Additionally, the drug's "short high" can lead to high and frequent use.

As fentanyl-related deaths rise, some users are turning back to stimulant-based "party drugs," said Diggs.

Prescription opiate use is also an area of concern for the Task Force. While heroin is occasionally encountered, most opiates are seen in pill form, including both legitimate prescriptions and illicit counterfeit pills.

These counterfeit pills, often referred to as "Dirty 30s" or "Blues," are made to resemble 30 mg oxycodone tablets, typically blue and stamped "M30." These are often pressed with fentanyl in uneven amounts, making them especially dangerous.

"Unfortunately, I think in the last five years, we've had almost 100,000 fatalities every single

year just from opiate deaths alone," Diggs said. Many individuals begin with prescription pain medication, build tolerance, and transition to stronger substances.

Prescription drug use, even when correctly prescribed and used, can lead to the use of other drugs, explained Diggs. He noted a recent case in which someone had a prescription, but also had a methamphetamine abuse problem. "They were just doing trades on the side... they're dishing out their oxy to get the methamphetamine."

Other commonly abused prescription drugs include opioids such as morphine and oxycodone, as well as benzodiazepines like Valium and Xanax, and stimulant medications such as Ritalin. "From there, it's either abused or sold off to fund other narcotic activities," Diggs said.

The Task Force is also seeing an increase in psilocybin mushroom use and illicit marijuana sales. Marijuana, which can act as a depressant, stimulant, and hallucinogen, is increasingly consumed through edibles such as baked goods and gummies, raising concerns about accidental ingestion by children. With legalization, officers are also seeing more cases of adults providing marijuana to minors.

Task Force Sgt. Meghan Madrigan said another growing concern is drug-endangered children. "That's another really hot topic right now," she said, noting increased exposure to narcotics, drug use, and drug sales environments.

Despite the challenges, Task Force officials said they remain focused on their mission to disrupt illegal narcotics trafficking and protect Churchill County and the surrounding areas.

"We are here to assist our community," Madrigan said.

The Journey, Indeed

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman



Local artist Brynn A. Turner holds a copy of "The Journey", the newly published children's book she illustrated for Fallon author George Albert Morrow.

A new children's book rooted in farm life near Fallon has brought together two local creatives: author George Albert Morrow, whose short stories draw from real experiences he and his wife, Jean, have had on their farm, and illustrator Brynn A. Turner, a young Churchill County artist whose talent has been nurtured since childhood.

Morrow, a longtime children's book author, developed "The Journey" from stories he created to entertain his sons during family trips. As the manuscript evolved, he began looking for an illustrator who could bring the characters to life. A family friend, Marion Jonte, suggested his granddaughter, Brynn Turner — a connection that ultimately shaped the book's visual identity.

Turner said she could draw before she could write, sketching

with anything she could find — pencils, crayons, markers. Her grandmother, Clara Jean Turner, encouraged her early talent by introducing her to charcoal pencils and new materials, helping her experiment and grow. Turner later enrolled in Patricia Sammon's art classes, her only formal training, and contributed to the mural on the side of Momma's Meats, painting geese, toolies, and ducks. She also entered the Duck Stamp contest three times, earning honorable mention.

Illustrating "The Journey" presented new challenges. The story is based on the biblical account of Noah's Ark, with animals traveling two by two as a storm approaches. Turner said drawing animals was difficult, especially the main character, Peter the marmot. Having never seen a marmot, she and her mother visited a colony in Reno to study their

movements and features. She sketched repeatedly until she felt she had captured them accurately. The final artwork was outlined in India ink and painted in watercolor.

When Morrow submitted the manuscript and illustrations, the publisher initially cautioned that they "don't accept a few words and some pictures." Two days after receiving the materials, the book was approved for publication.

ORGANIZATION OF THE WEEK

Clerk / Treasurer

By Sydney Trainor

The clerk/treasurer's office oversees key county functions, from election administration and financial management to public record maintenance and meeting minute preparation, and ensures residents have access to information. Those responsibilities framed the department's presentation during the Feb. 19 county commission budget hearing, where the office outlined several technology related increases tied to ongoing operational needs.

The office requested a \$580 increase for computer and printer expenses to support maintenance of the commission chambers' audiovisual system, including Americans with Disabilities Act compliant upgrades such as hearing assistance devices. An additional \$440 increase was sought for clerk/treasurer software needs.

In the election budget, voter registration software costs rose by \$13,100, bringing the total to \$22,784.25. The office noted that past grant reimbursements totaling \$80,000 to \$100,000 in recent years have helped offset election expenses, and similar reimbursements are expected moving forward.

The department also requested \$3,600 for new blinds.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Egg Hunts Return to Fallon

Staff Report

Fallon families will have several opportunities to celebrate Easter this year, with community egg hunts and family activities scheduled throughout the first week of April.

In Fallon, the Fallon Lions Club plans to hold its annual Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 5, at Laura Mills Park. The long running event typically draws large crowds and features hundreds of eggs for children to collect. The hunt is expected to begin at about 1 p.m.

The Churchill County Aquatic Center will also host its popular underwater Easter egg hunt on Friday, April 3. Children will collect plastic eggs from the swimming pool, with different sessions organized by age group and swimming ability.

Fallon Nazarene Church will hold its Easter Egg Stravaganza on Saturday, April 4, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The free event is open to toddlers through sixth graders and includes egg hunts and children's activities.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will host an open house event, "Reflections of Jesus: An Easter Walkthrough," during Holy Week, Tuesday, March 31, through Friday, April 3, from 6 to 8 p.m. daily. Admission is free, and all are welcome.

Additional small egg hunts hosted by churches, schools, and community organizations are also expected throughout the week leading up to Easter.

Easter Sunday will be observed on April 5 this year.



Easter Events in Fallon

REFLECTIONS OF JESUS: AN EASTER WALKTHROUGH

Tuesday, March 31 – Friday, April 3, 6 – 8 p.m.
Richards Street Building, 750 W. Richards Street
Open house Holy Week event hosted by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints. Free admission.

UNDERWATER EASTER EGG HUNT

Friday, April 3, 3:45 p.m. (sessions by age group)
Churchill County Aquatic Center
Children collect eggs in the swimming pool. Hosted by Churchill County Parks and Recreation.

FALLON NAZARENE EASTER EGG STRAVAGANZA

Saturday, April 4, 9:30 a.m. – noon
Fallon Nazarene Church
Free Easter event for toddlers through sixth graders featuring egg hunts and children's activities.

CAPS EGG HUNT AND DOG TREAT TRAIL

Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m.
5894 Pasture Road, Fallon
The Churchill Animal Protection Society will host an Easter Egg Hunt with two waves: one for children ages 6 and under and another for children ages 7 and over. A Dog Treat Trail will also be available, with treats and surprises hidden along paths for participants walking with resident shelter dogs.

FALLON LIONS CLUB EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 5, 1 p.m.
Laura Mills Park
Annual community egg hunt hosted by the Fallon Lions Club. Children should arrive early.



MEETINGS

April 15 – May 7, 2026

Board of County Commissioners

Meets the first Thursday and third Wednesday of each month
155 N. Taylor Street
Next Meeting: April 15 at 8:15 a.m.

CC Communications

Meets the first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m.
155 N. Taylor Street
Next Meeting: April 7 at 11 a.m.

Churchill County School Board

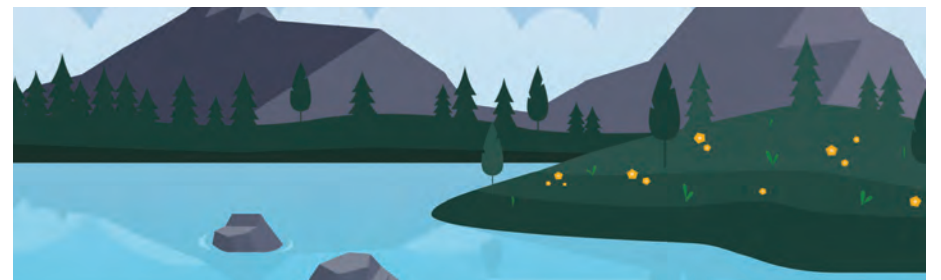
690 S. Maine St.
Next Meeting: April 21 at 5:30 p.m.

Central NV Health District

155 N. Taylor Street
Next meeting: April 16 at 1:30 p.m.

Library Board of Trustees

Meets the third Thursday of each month at 3 p.m.
155 N. Taylor Street
Next Meeting: April 23 at 3 p.m.



WATER LEVELS

Measurements Taken March 30 at 9:30 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir	230,400 af
Carson River Below Lahontan	633 cfs
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth	290 cfs
Truckee Canal at Hazen	256 cfs
Carson River at Ft. Churchill	793 cfs

March 29, 2024	March 29, 2023	March 29, 2022
269,686 acre feet	124,983 acre feet	137,524 acre feet

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

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, April 6

Biscuits & Gravy
LS Sausage Link
Apple Crumble
Blueberry Yogurt

Tuesday, April 7

Taco Casserole
Spanish Rice
Seasoned Zucchini
Fresh Cantaloupe

Wednesday, April 8

Chicken Caesar Salad
Italian Wedding Soup
Steamed Carrots
WW Bread Sticks
Mixed Berry Cup
Lemon Fluff

Thursday, April 9

Turkey Wrap
Spinach, Cucumber & Swiss
WW Tortilla
4 Bean Salad
Spiced Peaches
Baked Potato Chips

Friday, April 10

Lemon Baked Fish
Buttered Peas
Brown Rice
WW Bread
Tossed Salad

FALLON DAILY BREAD

WOLF CENTER | 457 ESERALDA AVE., FALLON NV | 775-423-4714

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

Monday, April 6

Enchilada Casserole
Salad & Dessert

Thursday, April 9

Enchilada Casserole
Salad & Dessert

Monday, April 13

Turkey Pot Pie
Bread & Dessert

Thursday, April 9

Soup & Crackers
Bread & Dessert

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

COMMUNITY

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that filled the air. Immediately following the anthem, attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance together, further uniting the assembly in shared national pride.

Mayor Ken Tedford addressed the crowd as the guest speaker, offering heartfelt remarks on the profound impact of the Vietnam War. He discussed the toll on those who served and those who remained at home, noting the extent of service and the losses suffered by communities across the nation.

Between 1961 and 1975, 2.7 million Americans served in the Vietnam War. Of those, over 58,000 lost their lives, and more than 300,000 were wounded. Mayor Tedford noted that Fallon, Nevada, was among the communities affected, with eight of its own citizens having served and sacrificed during the conflict.

Mayor Tedford continued his address by focusing on the sacrifices of those who became missing in action (MIA) or were taken as prisoners of war (POW) during the Vietnam War. He spoke especially about a personal friend who went missing in the conflict and the profound emotional impact these losses have on individuals and communities.

Tedford also highlighted the story of Captain Ray Alcorn, who endured seven years as a POW. Alcorn's dedication to service continued beyond his release; he later commanded NAS Fallon in the 1980s and served as Nevada's commissioner of Veteran Affairs under Governor Kenny Guinn. These accounts served as a powerful reminder of the resilience and commitment shown by those who served, and the lasting legacy they hold in Nevada and across the nation.

Tedford concluded with Ronald Reagan's freedom quote, "Freedom is a fragile thing, and it's never more than one generation away from extinction. It is not ours by way of inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people."

Stuart Cook, chairman of the Fallon-Churchill Vietnam War Veterans' Day Committee, stepped forward to share his personal story of arriving in Saigon in July 1970 to begin his tour of duty. His experiences, detailed in an in-depth feature published in the March 20, 2026, edition of *The Fallon Post*, are also accessible online for those seeking further insight.

Cook recounted vivid memories from his first month in Vietnam. He described arriving at just 19 years old and receiving only minimal weapons training before deployment. News of riots in his hometown of New Jersey



Fallon Mayor Ken Tedford delivers remarks as a guest speaker for Vietnam Veterans Day.

reached him soon after his arrival, adding to the sense of uncertainty and unrest. In Saigon, he witnessed street violence and was tasked with converting aging landing craft into minesweepers, working under the guidance of "Pappy Palmer," a seasoned World War II veteran.

Throughout his remarks, Cook also shared numerous stories of friendly-fire incidents and operational mishaps, which elicited murmurs of recognition and agreement from other veterans present. His recollections provided a personal and relatable perspective on the challenges faced by those who served during the Vietnam War.



A Missing Man Table is displayed in honor of service members who never returned home.



The NAS Fallon color guard marches in at the start of the Vietnam Veterans Day observance.

As the program began to wind down, a three-volley salute was fired, and Taps was played, all performed by members of the local American Legion. Chaplain Reiner Harper gave the benediction, and Pablo Hernandez soulfully played "Amazing Grace" on his bagpipe.

To end the program, Andrew Krug, first vice commander of VFW Post 16, explained the Missing Man Table display near the lectern and its symbolism.

Each element of the Missing Man Table carries its own quiet significance, coming together as a tribute to those who never returned home. The small, round table reflects the nation's enduring concern for the missing, while the white tablecloth speaks to the purity of their intentions when they answered their country's call. The empty chair conveys the ache of a sense felt by families still waiting. At the center, a single red rose honors both the blood sacrificed for freedom and the steadfast love of those who hope for answers, its yellow ribbon signaling the resolve to continue the search for every missing service member.

Nearby, the inverted glass stands as a reminder that these men and women cannot share in celebrations, and the lemon and salt evoke the bitterness of captivity and the tears shed by loved ones. A candle burns as a steady light of hope, guiding the way home, while a Bible or book of faith offers spiritual strength to those who endure the uncertainty. The folded American flag completes the display, representing the nation's lasting commitment to those who served and never came back.

As the ceremony concluded and attendees began to leave, the day's central message remained unmistakable. A promise to never forget underscored the lasting commitment to honor Vietnam veterans and recognize their sacrifices, reflecting the true purpose of the gathering.

FALLON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

[T]HERE Gallery Exhibit by Patrick Kikut
Churchill Arts Council
151 E. Park St.
Jan. 23 to April 5

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
Fraternal Order of Eagles (Fallon Aerie #1447)
7977 Reno Hwy.
April 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Author Talks: Jaci Turner
Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
April 14 at 6 p.m.

Evie Regan Art Reception
Western Nevada College
160 Campus Way
April 18 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Movie Day
Coalition for Senior Citizens
The Fallon Theatre
Every third Friday at 1 p.m.

Grand Opening
Rush Coffee Company and Rhythm Tap House
1805 W. Williams Ave.
April 4 at 11 a.m.

Pickleball Beginner Class
Churchill County Parks and Recreation
City/County Gym
April 14 - 16 from 5:45 to 9 p.m.

Family Carnival
Life Center
952 S. Maine St.
April 23 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Art of Storytelling
Churchill County Museum
April 7 and April 14 at 6 p.m.

Nevada Football Spring Showcase
Silver and Blue Scrimmage Game
Churchill County High School
April 10 at 5 p.m.

No Flea Flea Market
Churchill Animal Protection Society
Oasis Community Church
April 17-18

Wellness 2026
Churchill Community Coalition
Rafter 3C Arena
May 5 from 3 to 7 p.m.

Nature's Beauty Grand Opening
Fallon Chamber of Commerce
145 S. Maine St.
April 3 at 11 a.m.

Car Show
Soroptimist International of Fallon
100 Campus Way
April 11 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Future Fest Dinner
Oasis Academy
Fallon Convention Center
April 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Bark in the Park 5K
Churchill Animal Protection Society
Churchill County Fairgrounds
May 16

Bubble Fun Run 5K
City-County Gym
321 Venturacci Ln.
April 4 at 10 a.m.

Bad Art: Blackout Poetry
Churchill County Library
553 S. Maine St.
April 13 at 2:30 p.m.

Grand Opening Celebration
Clear Path Healthcare
50 Commercial Way
April 18 from noon to 1 p.m.

Plant Bingo
Churchill County Parks and Recreation
255 E. Stillwater Ave.
May 22



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COMMUNITY



Fallon Youth Club Searches for New Executive Director

By Sydney Trainor

The Fallon Youth Club is seeking an executive development director following the resignation of the previous executive director, Shannon Goodrick. According to the president of the board of directors, Gary Imelli, Goodrick has moved on to work at a startup company in Carson City. He stated, "You cannot carry what was and lead what is next at the same time." Imelli also mentioned that while she has resigned, Goodrick is still willing to give advice and feedback when needed.

The Fallon Youth Club started as a Boys and Girls Club in 2003. Several years later, they separated to become an independent local youth organization. The Fallon Youth Club has an after-school program and runs a full-day childcare program called the Little Clubhouse for young children, providing a safe space for kids to go outside of school. They currently serve around 400 youth, with around 100 children under age 6 at the Little Clubhouse.

The position of Executive Director has now been reorganized into three different roles: Director of Operations, Director of Programs, and Executive Development Director. The Executive Development Director will oversee strategic planning and daily operations for both the youth club and Little Clubhouse childcare programs. The role includes working closely with the board to manage budgets, track financial performance, develop marketing, fundraising, and lead community outreach efforts.

The position also requires strong communication skills to build relationships within the community and with staff, and to encourage financial participation in the club. The Fallon Youth Club is seeking a candidate with prior nonprofit experience, ideally in child care.

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Fallon Youth Club at 324 Pennington Cir. For additional information or questions, call Myndee Darcy at 775-427-0928 or Gary Imelli at 775-426-8461.

The cast of "The Addams Family, The Musical" basks in a wave of rousing applause as they take their curtain call during a Saturday, March 28 matinee, closing a brisk, quirky, and delightfully dark humored performance at Churchill County High School. The production leaned into the family's offbeat charm, drawing laughs with its macabre wit and playful gothic energy. Back row: Evan Connelly as the towering Lurch. Front row, from left: Naomi Saling as Pugsley, Kelly Melancon as Morticia, Joshua Enriquez as Gomez, Allyssa Poutree as Wednesday, and Lazarus Dawson as Lucas, Wednesday's earnest love interest. Audiences can catch upcoming performances on Friday, April 3, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, April 4, at 1 p.m.; and Saturday, April 4, at 7 p.m. in the CCHS theater. Photo by Lori Kaiser.



Oasis Academy students Makenzie Schroeder and Kelsey Nall share their fuzzy pet rabbits with young visitors at the Churchill County Library on Saturday, March 28, offering a gentle, hands on experience just in time for Easter. The pair helped anchor the library's "Farm Friends" program, which invited children to meet and learn about a variety of small animals during the weekend event.

The Byrne family — from left, Tara, Tiernan, Deaglan, and Caolainn — brought a pet goat and a chicken to the Churchill County Library's "Farm Friends" event on Saturday, March 28, giving children an up close look at some of the animals they care for at home. Their contributions added to the lively, community centered afternoon designed to introduce young visitors to friendly farm animals. Photos by Lori Kaiser.

Movies & More

By Kelli Perez

With Easter just around the corner, we have a beautiful weekend of films lined up here at the Fallon Theatre that are perfect for the season, and we hope you'll make a little time to join us before the holiday!

This Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m., we are delighted to bring you Joseph: King of Dreams (2000), DreamWorks' gorgeous and moving animated story of a prophet who can interpret dreams and is sold into slavery in Egypt, where people learn of his gifts. Featuring the voice talents of Mark Hamill and Ben Affleck, this film is unrated and runs 1 hour, 14 minutes.

Or, at 7 p.m. both nights, step into a world of glitter and glamour with Easter Parade (1948), the classic MGM musical starring the incomparable Fred Astaire and Judy Garland at their very best as a nightclub performer who hires a naive chorus girl to become his new dance partner. Filled with dazzling Irving Berlin songs, it is exactly the kind of film that leaves you with a smile. Unrated; it runs 1 hour, 43 minutes.

We are so pleased to share that the Coalition for Senior Citizens will host its third Friday matinee here at the Fallon Theatre on Friday, April 17, at 1 p.m., featuring The Intern (2015), a warm, wonderfully funny film starring Robert De Niro and Anne Hathaway. All senior citizens aged 60 and over will receive a free small popcorn and small drink, though, as always, everyone in the community is warmly welcome to come along and enjoy the free showing. It's a lovely, inexpensive way to spend an afternoon, and we hope to see a great crowd.

One of our most anticipated spring events is just around the corner with the Toiyabe Chamber Music Society returning to the Fallon Theatre on Saturday, May 16 at 7 p.m. for their Loneliest Road Chamber Music Project. The remarkable Berkelium String Quartet from Berkeley, California, will open their Nevada tour right here on our stage with a rich and varied program including Schubert's "Death and the Maiden", a new composition by Daniel Darmesin Flanagan, and a Beethoven Quartet, accompanied throughout by stunning projected images.

Admission is by donation, and children are very welcome. This is live chamber music at its finest, right here in Fallon.

Summer is coming, and we intend to enjoy it in style with Ventura Highway—The Music of America taking the stage on Saturday, July 18 at 8 p.m., and it is going to be a spectacular evening. Rich harmonies, beloved classics, and the timeless sound of the band, America, all come together in a concert experience that audiences cannot get enough of. Tickets are just \$10, and we can't wait to share the memories with you.

As always, we are proud to keep our doors open and our screens lit for this incredible community. Free moviegoing is something we will continue to work hard to provide whenever we possibly can. Don't forget to stop by the concession stand for fresh popcorn, candy, and all the classic favorites that make a night at the movies feel just right. And if you've ever thought about hosting a celebration here or putting a message up on our marquee, we would love to hear from you! Please give us a call at 775-423-6210 or drop us a line at thefallontheatre@gmail.com.

NOW HIRING:
Executive Development Director

Where every member counts!

The Fallon Youth Club LLC. is announcing a position opening for an Executive Development Director. The EDD position is responsible for managing the strategic planning and operation of the Club including the Fallon Youth Club and the Little Clubhouse Child Care facilities and programs.

The EDD position will collaborate with the Fallon Youth Club Board of Directors to develop an annual income and expense budget. Will provide timely and accurate reporting of financial results and recommendations for necessary actions to maintain the fiscal health of the Club.

The EDD position will work with the Board of Directors to establish an annual marketing plan to include local schools, fundraising events, community outreach activities and a local and social media plan.

The EDD will demonstrate strong social and communication skills in attending social clubs and organizations in recruiting and encouraging financial participation with the Club and its activities. Those skills will be essential in working with and supporting all staff and directors of the Club organization.

This is an exempt full time position reporting directly to the President and executive committee of the FYC Board of Directors. Prefer an applicant with a bachelor's degree and/or a minimum of 3 years of experience in non-profit children-based operation management and supervision.

Appropriate salary available based on responsibility of an organization with 3 executive director staff and an additional staff of 30 child centered personnel.

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Fallon Youth Club front office at 324 Pennington Cr., Fallon, Nevada or by email at imellig@ccomm.net. For more information you may call Executive Operations Director Myndee Darcy at 775-427-0928 or FYC Board President Gary Imelli at 775-426-8461. Or email Board Vice President Tricia Strasdin at strasdint@icloud.com.

BUSINESS



Lori Robles, owner of 7 Sisters Co., cuts the ribbon Saturday during the shop's grand opening celebration in Fallon, surrounded by Fallon Chamber board members, ambassadors, friends, and family. "Just... wow. I don't even have the words for the kind of support we saw today," Robles wrote in a social media post, thanking visitors from Fallon, Fernley, Carson City, Dayton, and Yerington for turning out in force. "I am humbled. I am grateful. And I am hopeful." Photo by Christina Rodarte

Workman Farms Fabric

Story and photos by Nancy Chapman

Workman Farms Fabric offers a wide selection of jersey, jersey knit, and rayon fabrics, along with an extensive lineup of seasonal and holiday prints, including Christmas, Halloween, Fourth of July, and children's themes. The shop also carries outdoor and men's themed materials.

In addition to fabrics, the store stocks quilt batting, threads, notions, and patterns. Owners Vicki and Liza travel to quilt shows throughout the year, bringing new materials and ideas back to the shop.



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PARTY

2026

Embark on a flavorful journey around the globe while supporting Fernley's Boys & Girls Club! Savor authentic dishes from four incredible countries and enjoy signature cocktails crafted for the party. Enjoy live music, bid on exciting auction packages, and explore all food stations for a chance to win a grand prize. Don't miss this first-class experience for a great cause!

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Commission Approves Fire Department Ballot Question for Election

By Rachel Dahl

Churchill County commissioners took action on two key issues at their recent meeting —advancing a fire funding measure to the ballot and moving quickly to fill a leadership gap in Social Services.

The board unanimously approved a resolution to place a renewal of the county’s fire department ad valorem tax before voters in the November 2026 election. The proposed measure would continue an existing levy of 3 cents per \$100 of assessed property value, a tax that has been in place through voter approval since 2008, renewed in 2014 and 2020. It is currently set to expire June 30, 2027.

County officials emphasized the tax is restricted in use and cannot be diverted to general operations. Instead, the revenue is dedicated specifically to major fire equipment and apparatus purchases.

Fire Chief Jared Dooley outlined how those funds have been used over the past six years, pointing to significant capital investments that would not have been possible through the department’s base budget. Among them were two new fire engines costing more than \$2.1 million combined, upgrades to aging trucks, replacement of breathing apparatus equipment, and new Type 6 brush trucks used across rural parts of the county.

The department is also facing increased demand. Call volume has risen from roughly 400 calls annually six years ago to more than 500 today, while equipment costs continue to climb sharply. Dooley noted that replacing

two aging fire trucks, both more than 30 years old, could cost approximately \$1.8 million each based on recent estimates.

Commissioners expressed strong support for putting the question back to voters, framing it as both a public safety necessity and a demonstrated return on taxpayer investment. The measure will now appear on the November ballot, where voters will decide whether to extend the funding for another six-year period.

Commissioners also discussed staffing challenges within the county’s Social Services department following the resignation of longtime director Shannon Ernst, who has accepted a new role as administrator of the Central Nevada Health District.

County officials described the position as significantly evolving in recent years, now encompassing expanded responsibilities, including oversight of programs, including CART (Churchill Area Regional Transportation) and the Pennington Life Center (senior center). With Ernst’s departure, commissioners face a timing challenge: recruiting a qualified replacement while a county-wide compensation study remains unfinished.

The board ultimately approved immediate recruitment for the position and adopted a temporary compensation approach to stay competitive in the hiring market. Rather than relying solely on the current pay scale, which ranges from about \$104,000 to \$140,000, they aligned recruitment with anticipated adjustments from the ongoing compensation study, placing the role closer to a range of roughly \$115,000 to \$155,000.

To bridge that gap, commissioners approved posting the position at Grade 81 on the current pay scale, with the understanding that it will be adjusted once the new compensation structure is formally adopted.

There was clear concern among commissioners about continuity and institutional knowledge. Ernst has led the department through years of program growth and operational changes, and officials stressed the importance of having a replacement in place before her full departure.

“I think it would really harm the department if we did not have somebody there,” Chris Spross, county manager, said, pointing to the complexity of the role and the breadth of services involved.

To help maintain stability during the transition, the board also approved a \$2,000 monthly stipend for Ernst to remain in an interim support role for up to 60 days while recruitment is underway.

Assistant County Manager Joe Sanford provided an update on the ongoing compensation study, reporting that nearly all departments have submitted feedback on position classifications and pay ranges, which have been forwarded to consulting firm Baker Tilly for review. The firm is currently incorporating that input and is scheduled to be on-site April 1 for in-person meetings with departments. Commissioners will also have an opportunity to meet individually with the consultants during that visit, as the county works toward finalizing a revised compensation structure in the coming months.

Library Board Updates

By Sydney Trainor

On March 26, the Library Board of Trustees met to discuss trustee ethics training, policy updates, and library programming and outreach efforts.

The library director’s report included an update on technology, programming, outreach, and volunteer efforts. John Hong said the library is considering adding the Ancestry Library Edition database for \$1,585.20, with usage to be evaluated after a year. The library also received around \$2,500 in grant funding for a historic book club, and strong attendance at story time events was noted, including baby and toddler sessions. Along with this, author talks have been growing in popularity.

Outreach efforts included visits to Lahontan Elementary School and participation in a literacy night at Churchill County Middle School. Volunteers also contributed 703 hours of service supporting the library. A “Meet the Director” fundraising event has been scheduled for April 16 to allow community members to learn more about the library.

Members discussed a proposed interlibrary loan policy, explaining that the library currently shares materials within the Nevada Library Cooperative. The new policy would formalize the requirement to try to obtain materials from outside the cooperative when possible. Hong noted limitations due to available resources and that certain items, including reference

materials and special collections, are not eligible for loan. The board approved the policy unanimously.

Updates to the library card application were also presented. Library patrons will now be notified that photos may be taken at public library events, with exceptions for those who do not want to be photographed. New cardholders will automatically be enrolled in the Wowbrary newsletter to improve communication. Hong noted that the subscription is optional and can be cancelled at any time.

Board members also reviewed training module three, which focused on ethics responsibilities and challenges. Hong explained that trustees must avoid conflicts of interest, protect confidentiality, and separate personal views from official roles. He noted that one of the most challenging aspects for trustees is often not being swayed by public pressure or criticism.

The board approved library closure dates for July 4, Nov. 28, and Dec. 26. During public comment, one board member suggested that the board define the roles of the chairman and vice chairman in accordance with the bylaws and requested that the topic be added to a future agenda. Staff clarified that future agenda items must be requested through the Clerk/Treasurer’s office. Other suggestions included reviewing the board’s bylaws more broadly and revisiting the library’s five-year plan.

The next library board meeting is scheduled for April 23 at 3 p.m.

City Council Approves Liquor Licenses, Continues Power Agreement

By Leanna Lehman

At its March 17 meeting, the Fallon City Council approved multiple business agenda items, including liquor licenses for local businesses, the extension of a power resource agreement, and standard financial matters.

City Council members unanimously approved a liquor license manager change for American Legion Post 16 at 90 N. Ada St. Adjutant, and judge advocate for the organization, Paul Valentin, will take over management responsibilities.

Council members clarified that the request involved only a manager change, not a new license.

Valentin confirmed, adding, “I have another bar manager, who is a paid employee, who does manage the bar. I will oversee her, along with our HR manager, making sure all the operations are in compliance.”

In a 3-0 vote, the council also approved a drinking establishment and cabaret license for Jesse Morrow, owner of Morrow Investments LLC, doing business as Rhythm Taphouse, at 1805 W. Williams Ave., allowing live entertainment. The taphouse will share space with Rush Coffee Co. in the former Telegraph Coffee and Tap building, with both businesses scheduled to open April 4.

During discussion, Councilman Paul Harmon asked about the relationship between the two businesses. Morrow said they would operate separately but with overlapping hours, adding safeguards would be in place to ensure compliance with alcohol service regulations. “100% of any of the alcohol will be managed entirely by me and my staff,” he said.

Morrow said the venue plans to host open mic events and live bands a couple of times a month. “I believe the stage would comfortably fit 4-5 musicians. That is kind of what we are trying to keep there.”

In another item, the council approved the continued assignment of the city’s entitlement to power under its Base Resource Agreement with the Western Area Power Administration to the Truckee Donner Public Utility District.

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe explained that Fallon maintains power entitlements through two projects overseen by the Western Area Power Administration, but the city is not currently able to access that power directly.

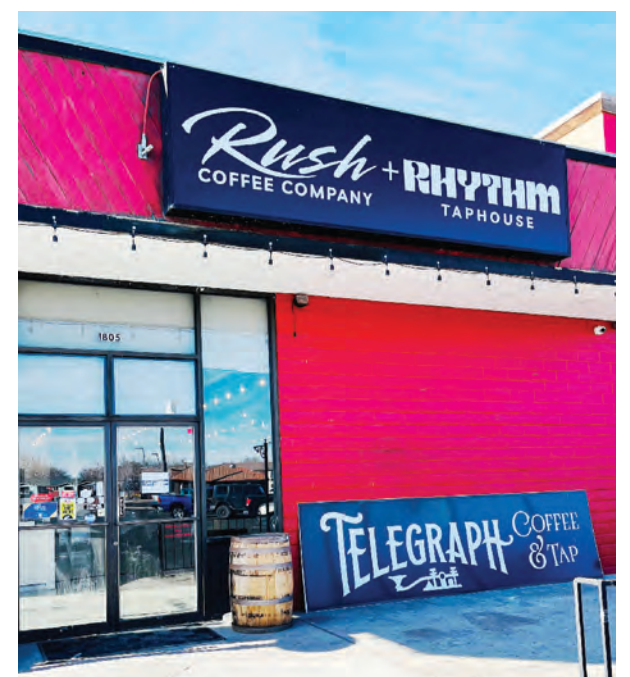
Councilwoman Karla Kent asked whether the agreement generated revenue for the city.

Rowe clarified that this agreement does not generate any revenue for Fallon. “What this enables us to do is to continue to maintain that resource, despite the fact that we cannot receive it.”

In a later interview, Chief of Staff Bob Erickson provided some background on the agreement, which he said has been in effect for decades. The contract with Truckee Donner Public Utility District renews every ten years and must be approved by the city council.

Expounding on what Rowe said, Erickson explained that while Fallon has a claim to a portion of the hydroelectric power generated at Stampede Reservoir, there is no infrastructure in place that can deliver it to Fallon. “Getting that power to the area would cost far more than the value of the power,” he said.

The agreement was made through Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS), which largely serves Utah, but also provides power to several small municipalities in other western states. The Truckee Donner Public Utility District and the City of Fallon are two such municipalities, with Fallon’s energy delivered through NV Energy. The agreement allows Truckee Donner access to the power while ensuring the city’s claim to power generated at Stampede active.



Rhythm and Rush take over the Telegraph Coffee and Tap space next to Louie’s Ace Hardware. Photo courtesy of Rhythm and Rush.

“It’s about wash,” Erickson continued, who said that this is a mutually beneficial agreement with no financial impact to the city. He added, “We would lose the allocation without using it,” noting that the claim would be forfeit if the energy is not utilized.

The council approved the assignment and supporting resolution on a 3-0 vote.

Fallon Police Chief Daniel Babiarz also presented the department’s monthly report for February, noting 592 calls for service. The report included 48 arrests, 74 traffic stops with 19 citations issued, 25 accidents, and 10 theft calls. Two domestic battery cases and four battery cases were also reported.

COURT

Tenth Judicial District Court

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, March 24, with Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

Justin Alvin Matheus, in custody, pleaded guilty to two counts of Battery that Constitutes Domestic Battery by Strangulation, Category C felonies punishable by 1–5 years in prison and a fine up to \$10,000.

APD Wright Noel requested that Matheus be allowed to enter the Salvation Army long-term residential treatment program with the condition that he return to custody upon leaving, whether he completes the program or leaves prematurely.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Chelsea Sanford said the plea agreement was made with the knowledge and approval of the victim.

Judge Stockard ordered a PSI, set sentencing for May 26, ordered Matheus released directly to the Salvation Army program, and told Matheus that if he leaves and does not return himself to custody, a warrant will be issued.

Derek Vradenburg-Wheeler, in custody, appeared for sentencing on Battery by a Probationer, Parolee, or a Prisoner in Lawful Custody, to which he pleaded guilty in December.

Deputy District Attorney Priscilla Baker noted the state and the defense had come to a global resolution that included another case, and the defendant agreed to pay \$1,210 in restitution in that matter.

Defense attorney Charles Woodman told the court that his client was on probation when he got into a fight, “It was a stupid disagreement between two guys that were actually friends.” Woodman said his client has come to realize there is no way to avoid a battery conviction.

He punched somebody while he was on probation.

Woodman asked the court to look realistically at whether this is a case in which Vradenburg-Wheeler goes back to prison or not, and to “fashion an appropriate resolution to this case based on what happened.”

Vradenburg-Wheeler told the court, “I made a mistake, and I own my mistake.”

Judge Stockard sentenced Vradenburg-Wheeler to 12–36 months in prison, which will run consecutively to the defendant’s prior case.

Cecil Mark Riggs Jr., in custody, appeared for sentencing on the Category B Felony of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, to which he pleaded guilty under special conditions in December, and for disposition on a non-technical sentencing violation he also admitted to in December.

Defense attorney Charles Woodman told the court Riggs had been accepted into the Salvation Army Program, describing it as rigorous and potentially life-changing. Woodman said his client was not taking prescribed medication at the time of the offense and described related behavioral issues. He said in both the new charge and the probation violation, Riggs was not compliant with treatment, believed he saw a threatening message, and reacted by pulling a knife and swinging it, though no one was physically injured.

The defense asked the court to allow Riggs to enter the Salvation Army Program, stating it could make a meaningful difference in his life.

Riggs told the court, “If given this opportunity,

I will make the most of it,” adding he was not asking for a handout but a chance to improve. “Things are looking a lot different now with my medications ... and I just throw myself on the mercy of the court.”

Chief Deputy District Attorney Lane Mills acknowledged the efforts of defense counsel and the Churchill County Forensic Assessment Services Triage Team, but said the Salvation Army is not a mental health program. He argued the court must consider community safety, noting Riggs’s history and the risk posed if he fails to remain compliant with treatment. Mills said there were three victims in the case and argued that the threat of harm alone was significant.

Judge Stockard revoked probation and imposed the underlying sentence for the violation.

On the Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Judge Stockard sentenced Riggs to 19–48 months in prison, to run consecutive to the prior case. Riggs was remanded to the custody of the Churchill County Sheriff.

Michelle Yvonne Read’s sentencing was continued to May 5.

Charles Ray Bowie Jr’s arraignment was continued to March 31.

David Steven Haskin’s status hearings were continued to March 31.

Matthew Dean Goodner’s sentencing was continued to May 5; a supplemental Pre-Sentence Investigative Report was ordered.

Visit thefallonpost.org for the remainder of the hearings on the March 24 District Court calendar.

Fallon Woman Facing 25 Counts of Child Exploitation

By Leanna Lehman

Tracy Elizabeth Hansen, 37, was arrested on March 26 by Homeland Security on allegations of distributing child sexual abuse material online. She was arraigned in New River Township Justice Court on Friday, March 27, and was subsequently released on her own recognizance.

Special Agent Mackenzie Miller with Homeland Security Investigations and a cross-deputized peace officer with the State of Nevada, submitted information for a Criminal Complaint against Hansen that included 25 counts of Promotion of Sexual Performance of Minor Less than 14 Years of Age.

Each charge is a Category A Felony punishable by life in prison with the possibility of parole after 10 years, up to \$100,000 in fines, and requires 25 years registration as a Tier II offender on the Sex Offender Registry.

Promotion of Sexual Performance of a Minor is a child pornography offense, formally referred to as child sexual abuse material (CSAM), and relates to the sexual exploitation of children.

CSAM includes material depicting minor children engaging in, simulating, or assisting others to engage in sexual conduct, or images or acts where a

minor is the subject of sexual portrayal.

The complaint alleges that Hansen shared 25 videos on Kik that show various portrayals of children, aged from infancy to 16 years, in sexual or sexually related acts. Kik is a legitimate messaging app that allows users to communicate using usernames rather than phone numbers, and has been referenced in law enforcement investigations due to its use in some cases involving the exchange of illegal material.

Several of the counts in the complaint allege the distribution of images that depict the sexual assault of very young children.

During her arraignment, Judge Trotter released Hansen without bail, on her own recognizance. Such releases are generally based on a lack of criminal history, no failures to appear in court, community ties, and low risk factors, per Nevada Supreme Court guidelines in the Jimenez Ruling. Should Hansen violate the terms of her release, she will be returned to custody with a \$580,000 cash only bail attached.

The charges are allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

Testimony Given to Tragic Details in Miller Murder Case

By Leanna Lehman

In the case of Adam Elijah Miller, Canal Township Justice Court Judge Lori Matheus entered seventy evidentiary exhibits into the record and heard extensive preliminary hearing testimony on March 5, 2026. After an hour and a half of testimony, the defense waived the remainder of the preliminary hearing despite the hearing having been allotted two full days on the calendar. The case was then bound over to Lyon County’s Second Judicial District Court.

It is during these hearings that much of the evidence supporting an arrest warrant is presented. This evidence is rarely addressed again in open court unless the defendant pleads not guilty and the case proceeds to trial. These details can shed light on less publicized aspects of a case and provide insight into what victims, defendants, and responding law enforcement officers experienced.

Based solely on the evidence presented, judges consider two primary factors: whether a crime was committed and whether the defendant likely committed it.

Adam Miller was 19 when he was arrested for the alleged fatal stabbing of his father, Lance, and the near-fatal stabbing of his mother, Elizabeth, on Dec. 18, 2024, in Fernley. The hearing consisted largely of testimony from Elizabeth, who was present during the incident and sustained injuries herself.

Additionally, a deputy with the Lyon County Sheriff’s Office testified regarding the response to the scene and events that followed.

Miller is charged with Open Murder with the Use of a Deadly Weapon, a Category A Felony punishable by death, life in prison, 20 years to life, or 50 years with parole eligibility after 20 years; Attempted Murder; Battery with a Deadly Weapon with Substantial Bodily Harm to a Victim 60 Years of Age or Older; and a misdemeanor charge of Destroying or Concealing Evidence.

Elizabeth testified that she and her husband had lived in the Farm District Road home for 22 years. Their only son, Miller, also lived on the property in a separate apartment space.

She provided the most direct account of what occurred inside the home, though she repeatedly told the court her memory of the incident is fragmented.

“I remember very little about that time,” Elizabeth said. “It’s gone. It’s gone.”

She testified law enforcement had been called to the home multiple times in December 2024, describing the Dec. 18 incident as the fourth contact that month.

On the morning in question, she and Lance were in their home office when events unfolded rapidly. “I didn’t understand what was happening,” she testified. “I just remember Lance falling... and he was saying call 911,” which she said were her husband’s final words.

Elizabeth said she did not initially recognize what was happening as an attack. “I didn’t get it until Lance was falling down,” she said. “I didn’t understand because... it was just an ordinary morning.”

She testified that her recollection begins only after her husband was already collapsing. She recalled addressing Miller during the incident. “I said, you’re hurting us... and it was as if something went off in his head and he just stopped everything... and dialed 911.”

Elizabeth testified she does not remember seeing a weapon.

“I don’t remember seeing a knife,” she said. “I think I just supposed there

was one.”

She described the scene as chaotic. “There was so much blood,” she said. “I knew from his face that I was losing him.”

Elizabeth, who has experience as an ER nurse, attempted lifesaving measures. “I was just doing everything I could.”

She sustained injuries to her neck, shoulder, and wrist, but she does not remember how they occurred. “They said I was on the ground. I don’t remember being on the ground.”

Elizabeth testified she spent three days in the ICU and four days hospitalized for psychological trauma. “I was told after the fact ... I was saying it should have been me.”

She described Dec. 18 as “the worst day of my life,” and said her memory of the weeks following is limited. “I don’t remember that first... month,” she testified. “I think I was going through the motions... I just don’t remember even being alive.”

Throughout her testimony, she emphasized that her understanding is incomplete. “I didn’t know what I was seeing,” she said. “I had to piece things together.”

When asked directly whether she saw Miller attack her husband, she said, “I can’t answer that yes or no.”

During cross-examination, Elizabeth acknowledged escalating tensions in the home leading up to the incident. “I always loved my son, but this was getting... out of hand,” she said. “We were scared.” She described his behavior as deteriorating. “He was unraveling before our eyes, and we didn’t get it.”

She also acknowledged making threatening statements during prior conflicts. “I don’t remember,” she said, adding, “I could have said something like that.”

Elizabeth confirmed writing notes to Miller, including “do not come upstairs” and “the answer is no,” explaining, “That is mommy trying to take control.”

Deputy Arsenio Reyes of the Lyon County Sheriff’s Office testified he was the first responding officer.

He said the initial dispatch reported “a female that sustained... a cut on her neck,” but was updated while he was en route. “It was confirmed [as] a stabbing.”

He said the update changed his approach. “More vigilant... more aware of possible dangers in the house,” Reyes said.

Reyes also testified he was familiar with the residence. “I responded there... two or three times for domestic disturbance,” he said, noting prior involvement with the family through juvenile probation.

He described the initial information as limited. “It was vague,” he said, before confirming it was upgraded to a stabbing prior to arrival.

The court also heard two 911 calls placed immediately after the incident, including one from someone who is believed to be Miller, in which the caller said, “My mom’s bleeding currently... she’s bleeding from her neck,” and moments later: “She’s been stabbed! She’s been stabbed!”

Following a short break, Adam Miller’s attorney, Christopher Robert Day, announced, “After consultation with my client, ... it’s his desire to waive the remainder of his preliminary hearing.” Miller also requested a transcript of the testimony already provided.

The case was waived up to the District Court. Miller remains in custody at the Lyon County Jail on a no-bail hold.

EDUCATION

CCSD Cool School News

Compiled by Kaitlin Ritchie with photos courtesy of CCSD.



Deanne Spencer and Principal Kimi Melendy suited up and ready to try their hand at welding during PD day.



Billy Peterson served up churro sticks and funnel cake fries to ChurchillCSD staff from the student-led Wave on Wheels food truck.



Students in Ashley Youles' class show off their opinion writings.

DISTRICT

Churchill County School District staff gathered for a full day of professional development at Churchill County High School for a "Greenwave PD Day." The day kicked off in the auditorium with a motivational presentation by adventurer and author John Beede, whose extraordinary experiences include climbing Mount Everest, swimming with sharks, surviving a lightning strike, and navigating dangerous jungles. Beede shared lessons on peak performance and leadership from his adventures, inspiring staff to set goals, persevere, and push beyond their limits.

Following the keynote, staff participated in conference-style sessions led by their fellow educators, covering a variety of topics designed to strengthen teaching skills and collaboration across the district. Sessions included topics such as goal-setting strategies, integrating technology in the classroom, social-emotional learning techniques, and hands-on STEM activities. Between sessions, participants enjoyed snacks and lunch from the CCHS culinary students' Wave on Wheels food truck. The day concluded in the gym with a closing statement from Superintendent Derild Parsons and a raffle, leaving staff energized, inspired, and feeling connected. "This conference-style professional development day has been something I have wanted to do for years. Gathering our entire ChurchillCSD staff on one campus was the perfect way to celebrate the staff members who make a lasting impact on our students every day. Witnessing our educators share their knowledge and support one another has been a true highlight of my career. It is a powerful memory that I will carry with me into retirement," Parsons said.

CCHS

Culinary art students in Alisha White's class led the Wave on Wheels food truck last Friday, serving Churchill County School District staff during their professional development day. Students prepared and served a full day of delicious offerings, starting with French toast sticks for the morning snack, followed by mac and cheese bites and fried green beans in the afternoon. Lunch featured Philly cheesesteaks, and the day ended with funnel cake fries and churro sticks as a sweet treat. The food truck was a huge hit with ChurchillCSD staff.

CCMS

Servant leadership was recently on display at Churchill County Middle School as Principal Dr. Deana Porretta was seen helping clean the school grounds. Instructional aide Daniel Ananata shared that he was inspired to see Dr. Porretta personally pitching in, noting that it reflects a leadership style rooted in service and example. By stepping in and supporting the daily needs of the campus, Dr. Porretta demonstrates a commitment to putting students, staff, and the school community first. This moment serves as a meaningful reminder that strong leadership is not just about direction, but about action and presence.

NUMA

Students in Alissa Bailey's class have been fully engaged in life science, making meaningful connections through hands-on learning. Bailey's students have been observing and caring for

mealworms as they track each stage of the life cycle, with growing excitement to see the final transformation. Students also explored the external structures of baby chicks and recently planted seeds to study plant parts. Their learning will continue as they compare and contrast the external and internal structures of both plants and animals.

E.C. BEST

Students in Ashley Youles' class are wrapping up the third quarter by developing their opinion writing skills. Youles' students practiced the full writing process by brainstorming, drafting, peer editing, and publishing opinion papers on a fun, engaging topic: "the best candy." Through this process, students strengthened their ability to express their ideas clearly while supporting their opinions with thoughtful reasoning.

LAHONTAN

Last week, students in Kirby Goetsch's kindergarten class celebrated the 100th day of school with a full day of engaging learning activities centered around the number 100. The day began with students searching for 100 glow sticks hidden around the classroom, then throughout the day, students counted, created, and explored through a variety of activities, including making necklaces with 100 Cheerios, building snacks with 100 pieces, completing a 100 chart, writing 100 words, and participating in a 100-game race. This memorable 100th-day-of-school experience reinforced counting skills while also celebrating the day.

Veritas Preparatory School

Classical and Christian

Hands-On Learning and Special Events

By Gretchen Felte with photo courtesy of Veritas.

The past several weeks have been filled with energy, creativity, and hands-on learning at Veritas Preparatory School, as students across all grade levels engaged in a variety of memorable activities that brought lessons to life both inside and outside the classroom.

On Wednesday, March 25, students in Mrs. Felte's third and fourth-grade class experienced a unique and engaging lesson in storytelling and critical thinking when Chief Deputy District Attorney Lane Mills and Senior Deputy District Attorney Chelsea Sanford visited the classroom to conduct a Fairy Tale Trial.

In a creative twist on a classic story, Goldilocks stood trial for breaking and entering, as well as causing damage to the home of the Three Bears.



Mrs. Pustovrh's fifth and sixth-grade class at the Thomas farm with goats.



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Students participated in the proceedings, taking on roles and considering evidence as they explored questions of justice, responsibility, and perspective.

The visit provided a real-world connection to the concepts of law and argumentation, leaving students both entertained and inspired.

Meanwhile, in Mrs. Buller's second-grade class, students completed their most challenging assignment of the year: the Biographical Book Report.

This multi-part project required students to research and present the life of a prominent Christian figure. Each student created a written report, a "living poster," and an oral presentation—bringing their subject to life for classmates and teachers.

The combination of research, creativity, and public speaking pushed students to grow in both knowledge and confidence.

In Ms. Pustovrh's fifth and sixth-grade class, students took their studies beyond the classroom with a visit to the Thomas family farm as part of their science unit.

During the trip, students had the opportunity to meet and interact with goats while learning about animal care, behavior, and the responsibilities of farm life. The hands-on experience provided valuable context for lessons previously studied in books.

Back on campus, students learned traditional dances in preparation for the Fairy Tale Ball.

Students in Kindergarten through 2nd grade practiced a Scottish line dance, while those in 3rd through 8th grade learned the Virginia Reel, a classic group dance known for its lively movements and coordination.

From courtroom drama to classroom presentations, farm visits to dance practice, the recent weeks at Veritas have reflected the school's commitment to engaged, meaningful education.

EDUCATION

Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera, with photos courtesy of Oasis Academy.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: MATTHEW BIRD

Senior Matthew Bird has been part of Oasis Academy since Kindergarten, building a strong foundation for both academic and personal success. Throughout his time at the school, he has excelled in the classroom and played an active role in the school community through his involvement in a variety of co-curricular activities.



Oasis Academy senior, Matthew Bird.

Academically accomplished, Bird is one of Oasis Academy's three valedictorians this year. He has earned honor roll recognition every semester, is a member of the school's National Honor Society chapter, and has been named to the Western Nevada College Dean's List each semester he has been eligible.

Beyond his success in the classroom, Bird has distinguished himself through his involvement in athletics. He has been a state qualifier in cross country and has competed at the varsity level in basketball, wrestling, and football.

At Churchill County High School, he served as a two-year starting quarterback and team captain. In 2025, Bird helped lead the Greenwave to a state championship, passing for 2,336 yards and 28 passing touchdowns while adding 332 rushing yards and five rushing touchdowns. He led the 3A North in every quarterback statistical category except one.

Athletic honors include being named to the NIAA All-State Academic Teams in basketball and baseball, NIAA 2A Honorable Mention in basketball, NIAA 2A Second Team in baseball, and NIAA 3A Second Team All-League in football.

Bird's time at Oasis Academy has been defined by both friendships and those experiences gained from being so active in school.

"My favorite memory at Oasis has been playing baseball. When Coach McNabb and Coach White started the Oasis Baseball team my freshman year, we didn't have a field of our own, and we still don't. We've practiced and played on a county field the entire time."

"But in the end, that's never been what mattered. What mattered was the effort we gave to build a team. And the grit it took to keep showing up and competing, no matter the circumstances. Being part of this program since the very beginning has been an honor. It's taught me that success isn't about what you are given, but it's about how hard you're willing to work to earn victory," he said.

In the classroom, Bird found a particular fondness for his agriculture classes taught by Ms. Jackie Bogdanowicz.

"My favorite class has been FFA. It's been more than just a class. It's a place where I've grown as a person and has offered me experiences to learn responsibility and leadership. I'm proud of the new animal pens I was able to design and build for future FFA members to use at Oasis. FFA gave me opportunities to step outside my comfort zone and be part of something bigger than myself," he noted.

He has been actively involved in numerous FFA activities and has achieved impressive results at the state level. Bird was a member of the Poultry Team, which placed third at State; the Milk and Dairy Team, which earned fourth place; and the Farm Business Management Team, which secured second place at State.

When asked about those who supported him along the way, he expressed appreciation for the educators who guided him.

"I would like to thank all of my teachers," he said, recognizing the collective impact they have had on his success.

As he prepares to graduate, he offers simple but meaningful advice to younger students.

"Do as many extracurriculars as possible," he closed.

Bird will graduate in May with both his high school diploma and an Associate of Science Degree from Western Nevada College. He was accepted to Brigham Young University (BYU) in Provo, Utah. After he serves a 2-year service mission, he will attend BYU and major in Business.

KINDERGARTENERS LEARNING TO WRITE NARRATIVES

Kindergarten students are taking another step in their literacy journey by beginning to write narrative pieces. In the most recent lesson, young writers were asked to tell the story of their latest birthday.

The students were asked to describe whether they had a party, what kind of cake they enjoyed, and what made their day special. From balloons and presents to family gatherings, students are discovering how to turn real-life experiences into meaningful stories.

Through narrative writing, kindergarteners build essential skills that go far beyond just putting words on paper. They learn to sequence events in order—what happened first, next, and last—while also practicing using complete sentences and descriptive details.

Teachers helped guide students in including key elements such as characters, setting, and emotions, bringing their stories to life. These early writing experiences not only strengthen reading and writing abilities but also encourage creativity, confidence, and self-expression in the classroom.

FUTURE FEST FUNDRAISER DINNER RETURNS TO SUPPORT OASIS ACADEMY STEAM PROGRAMS

The community is invited to attend the 8th Annual Future Fest Fundraiser Dinner on Friday, April 17, at the Fallon Convention Center. The popular annual event brings together supporters of education for an evening of great food, community connection, and meaningful impact.

This year's dinner will be catered by The Slanted Porch, offering guests



Kindergarteners share their narrative pieces.

a high-quality local dining experience while supporting a great cause. Proceeds from the event will directly benefit Oasis Academy's STEAM programs, helping to expand opportunities in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics for local students.

The City of Fallon returns as the event's premier sponsor, continuing its strong commitment to education and community growth. Additional sponsors include CC Communications, Tedford Tire, Northern County Dairy Services, Les Schwab, and Academica, all of whom play a vital role in making the evening possible.

Tickets are still available for purchase online at oanv.org. Community members may also contact Angela Viera at 775-666-0912 for tickets or additional information. Sponsorships and donations are still needed and welcomed.

In addition to the dinner, attendees and supporters will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for his-and-her e-bikes, available now at the school's front desk.

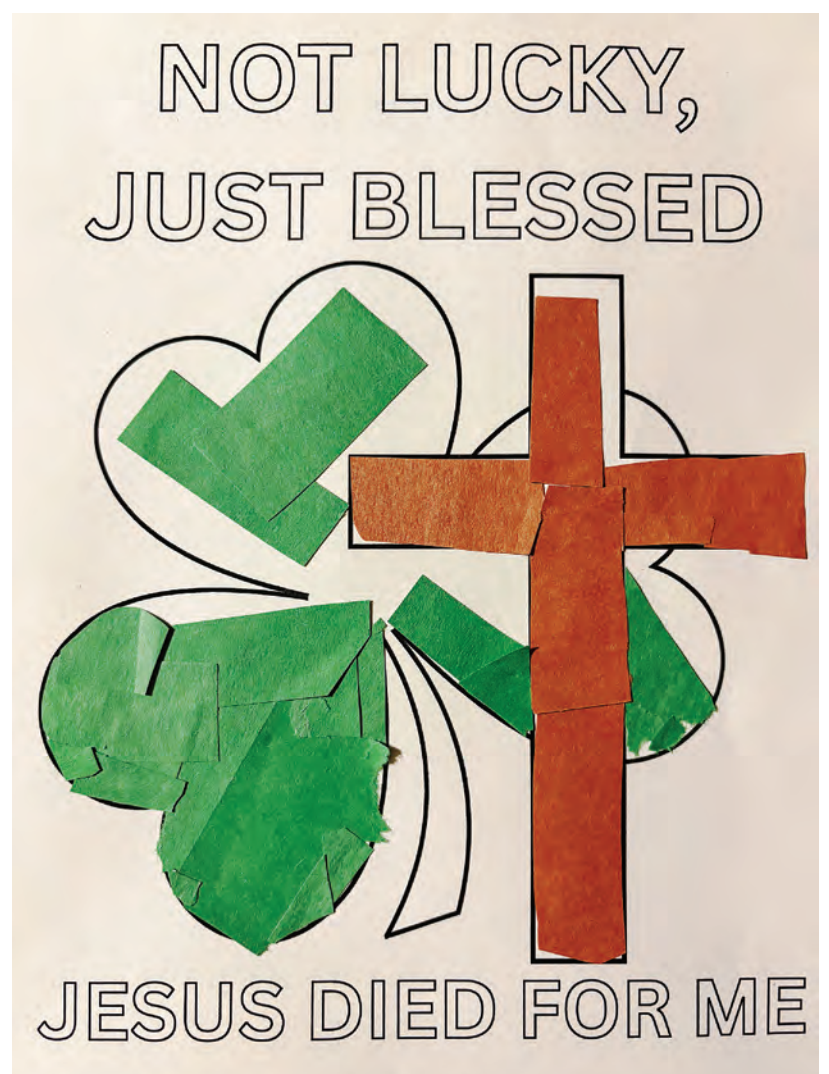
With its focus on innovation and student opportunity, the Future Fest Fundraiser Dinner remains a cornerstone event in supporting the future of Oasis Academy students.



Tenley Plummer, Myles Jullanant, and Harper Haffner write their narrative stories during class at Oasis Academy.

Weekly Highlights at Logos Christian Academy

By Brenna Goings with photos courtesy of Logos.



As we enter into the days leading up to Easter, may our hearts be filled with awe and gratitude for the love and sacrifice of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. To Him be all glory and honor forever and ever, Amen. From our Logos family to yours, have a blessed Easter.

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SPORTS

Lady Greenwave Dominates Opener, Shows Firepower in Tight Spring Creek Battles

Staff Report

The CCHS girls varsity softball team opened its three-game road series on Friday, March 27, with one of its most commanding wins of the season. On Saturday, the team battled through two narrow losses, continuing to showcase a high-powered offense and steady production across the lineup.

The Lady Greenwave (10-4) surged to a 19-3 victory in Friday's opener, extending their road winning streak to nine games dating back to last season. The team improved to 10-2 with the win and continued a season-long trend of lopsided victories, having already recorded eight wins by 15 runs or more.

Hayden Dooley set the tone on both sides of the ball, throwing six innings while allowing just one earned run on six hits. It marked her fourth straight appearance, giving up no more than one earned run. She also added a double and an RBI at the plate.

Kanani Mauga delivered a standout performance, going 3-for-4 with a home run, four runs, and five RBIs — a new career-high in runs scored. Miley Pimentel added two hits, four runs, and a stolen base as Lady Greenwave finished with a .395 team batting average, their eighth straight game hitting .381 or better.

The Lady Greenwave carried that momentum into Saturday's first game, rallying late before falling 9-7. Mauga stayed hot with a triple, a double, and two runs scored, while Kalaya Downs



Freshman Zoey Sheldon-Davis (11) catches behind the plate during all three games of the Spring Creek series. Photos courtesy of Carrie Sheldon-Davis.



Junior Hayden Dooley (9) bats during the Spring Creek series this weekend.

drove in two runs. The loss ended the CCHS six-game winning streak.

In the series finale, the Lady Greenwave again pushed Spring Creek to the final innings before coming up short, 16-14. Nine different Lady Greenwave players recorded hits, including another strong outing from Mauga, who reached base four times with a home run, three runs, and three RBIs. Pimentel added a 3-for-5 performance with three runs and a stolen base.

Despite the two-run setbacks, the Lady Greenwave's offense remained one of the most consistent elements of the weekend, producing 40 runs across the three-game series.

The CCHS varsity girls softball team returns to action on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 31 and April 1, when they travel to face the Dayton Dust Devils. Then, they will host Spanish Springs at home on Friday, April 3.

Greenwave Track Teams Collect Top 10 Finishes at Reed Invitational

Staff Report

The Churchill County High School boys and girls track and field teams turned in a strong collective performance at the Reed Reno Running Company Invitational on March 27-28, combining for more than a dozen top 10 finishes across sprints, distance races, relays, and field events. Against a deep Northern Nevada field, both squads showed early season momentum and depth, particularly in the relays and technical events.

BOYS

The Greenwave boys produced several standout results, led by a fast showing in the 4x100 relay. The quartet—Braydon Coldwell, Wyatt Dixon, Nate Bianchi, and Bransyn Wright—clocked a 45.88 to place fourth, marking the team's highest finish of the meet. CCHS also impressed in the longer relays, with the 4x800 squad of Jarrett Ugalde, Lars Rasmussen, Leo Arcoraci, and James Lofthouse taking fifth in 9:09.37 and the 4x400 relay team of Boyd Phipps, Wyatt Dixon, Nate Bianchi, and Bransyn Wright placing seventh in 3:44.26.

Individually, Nathaniel Bianchi broke into the top 10 in the 300 meter hurdles, finishing ninth in 43.19. Distance runner Lars Rasmussen added two more scoring performances, placing seventh in the 3,200 with a time of 12:03.96 and finishing 10th in the 1,600 at 5:23.72.

The boys also excelled in the field events, where the Greenwave earned three top seven finishes. Bransyn Wright cleared 6 2 in the high jump to take third, one of the team's strongest overall results of the weekend. Dequan Wallace tied for seventh in the same event at 5 2, giving CCHS two scorers in the discipline. In the pole vault, Tejae Edie delivered a fifth place finish after clearing 10 feet.



Lady Greenwave's Casandra Hooper, Keily Ugalde, Aubrey Strickland, and Tommie Fitzer compete in the girls 4x800-meter relay at the Reed Reno Running Company Invitational, finishing in fourth place. Photos courtesy of Tiffany Wright, Head Girls Track Coach.

GIRLS

The CCHS girls matched the boys' momentum with several top 10 performances of their own. Distance runner Casandra Hooper led the way with an eighth place finish in the 3,200 meters, clocking 14:09.67. She also competed in the 1,600, placing 23rd.

In the throws, Kinsley Viera continued her strong start to the season with two top six finishes. She placed fifth in the discus with a throw of 98 3 and added a sixth place mark in the shot put at 30 8.75, giving the Greenwave valuable points in both events.

The girls also excelled in the relays. The 4x800 team of Casandra Hooper, Keily Ugalde, Aubrey Strickland, and Tommie Fitzer earned a fourth place finish in 11:21.14, the highest relay result for the girls' squad. The 4x200 relay team—Karmen Alcantar, Lily Souza, Alexa Hessey, and Monse Medina—rounded out the team's top 10 performances with a 10th place finish in 2:01.39.

LOOKING AHEAD

Both CCHS varsity track and field teams will return to action Tuesday, March 31, at the 3A Western League #2 meet hosted by Wooster High School in Reno. Later in the week, the varsity boys and girls will travel to Las Vegas for another invitational, giving athletes on both squads a fresh opportunity to test themselves against a competitive field. With strong early season results already on the board, the Greenwave will look to build consistency, sharpen event groups, and continue measuring their progress as the spring schedule intensifies.

BY THE NUMBERS:

Greenwave at the Reed Invitational

Top relay finishes

- 4th – Boys 4x100 (45.88)
- 5th – Boys 4x800 (9:09.37)
- 7th – Boys 4x400 (3:44.26)
- 4th – Girls 4x800 (11:21.14)
- 10th – Girls 4x200 (2:01.39)

Distance highlights

- 7th – Lars Rasmussen, boys 3,200 (12:03.96)
- 10th – Rasmussen, boys 1,600 (5:23.72)
- 8th – Casandra Hooper, girls 3,200 (14:09.67)

Field event standouts

- 3rd – Bransyn Wright, boys high jump (6 2)
 - 7th (tie) – Dequan Wallace, boys high jump (5 2)
 - 5th – Tejae Edie, boys pole vault (10 0)
 - 5th – Kinsley Viera, girls discus (98 3)
 - 6th – Viera, girls shot put (30 8.75)
- Total top 10 finishes: 15 combined



Greenwave's DeQuan Wallace clears the bar in the high jump, tying for seventh place at the Reed Reno Running Company Invitational.

Lacrosse Boys 14U



Boys Lacrosse 14U team practicing.

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

Middle school athletes from Oasis Academy and Churchill County Middle School join forces to form the Bighorns 14U boys lacrosse team. The combined squad practices under Coach Ryan James, who leads drills and walkthroughs as the players prepare for their next game and continue building chemistry across the two schools.

Both squads showed early season momentum and depth, particularly in the relays and technical events.

SPORTS

FYB Kicks Off Opening Day at Oats Park



Fallon Youth Baseball players of all ages gathered for opening day at Oats Park Baseball Field.

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

The last Saturday in March is opening day of Fallon Youth Baseball, and 2026 was no different. On March 28, Fallon Youth Baseball (FYB) welcomed players of all ages to Oats Park Baseball Field as teams entered for opening day introductions. Coaches from T-ball, Babe Ruth, and Majors divisions introduced themselves, then had their players announce their names. Good luck to all teams this season — play ball.

Storm, Adams Lead CCHS to 14-3 Win at Spring Creek, Snap Road Skid

Staff Report

The CCHS varsity boys baseball team closed its weekend series at Spring Creek with an emphatic 14-3 victory Saturday, March 28, a performance that highlighted the Greenwave's depth at the plate and steady pitching while halting a brief road drought. The win moved the Greenwave to 8-6 overall and delivered a strong finish to a demanding two day stretch.

The Greenwave piled up 15 hits in the finale and scored in five straight innings, producing one of their most efficient offensive outings of the season. The team finished with a .469 batting average, continuing a trend of success when the

lineup produces at a high clip.

Sophomore pitcher Jackson Storm set the tone on both sides of the ball. He struck out eight over six innings and allowed only two earned runs while also delivering a career best three hits, driving in two, and scoring once. His consistency on the mound has been a steady anchor for the Greenwave throughout the spring.

The boys varsity offense surged around him. Zack Adams turned in a perfect 4-for-4 performance with three RBIs, two runs, and two stolen bases. Mason Llamas added a 3-for-5 day, including a triple, two RBIs, and three runs, continuing a pattern of strong production in games where he scores multiple times. Braylon Byrd

contributed another multi-hit effort with two runs and two RBIs.

The dominant win came after the Greenwave dropped the first two games of the series. On Friday, the Greenwave fell 6-2 despite a strong six inning outing from Ryan Judd, who allowed only four hits and added two RBIs at the plate. CCHS also took a 15-5 loss in Saturday's early game before responding decisively in the afternoon contest.

The Greenwave now shifts its focus to a familiar nonleague matchup at home, facing the Dayton Dust Devils here in Fallon on Friday at 3 p.m. and Saturday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.



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COLUMNS

What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen

By Kelli Kelly

Neil has been giving me a hard time lately because, if we're being honest, I've developed a bit of a weekend pattern.

It starts out at the golf course. Late morning, the kind of sunlight that only shows up in spring, where the air is just warm enough to sit outside but not so hot that you're rushing for shade. The patio is already half full, people lingering over their tables, no one in a hurry to leave. Folks are shaking off winter chills, relishing the feel of sunlight on their skin, dazzled by the bright green of the fairways. Spring really does feel like it was built for brunch. Everything about it invites you to slow down a little. The light stretches the morning, the air feels like a reset, and suddenly it makes sense to sit a little longer, order something a little more indulgent, and let the day unfold instead of pushing it along.

Then it escalates. Not a light brunch. Never a light brunch. A chicken-fried steak as big as my face, topped with country gravy or a stack of pancakes served alongside eggs and bacon; brunch is a meal that demands commitment. And drinks that set the tone for the whole thing (and the lazy afternoon to follow). Either mimosas, bright and easy, or Bloody Marys, savory and a little excessive.

By the time we get home, the split happens almost immediately. Neil settles into the living room, the TV already tuned to Cubs baseball, stretching out like he has nowhere else to be. The low, steady cadence of the announcers fills the space, the rhythm of the game carrying on inning by inning.



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

I make it to the bedroom. It's not a dramatic exit. Just a quiet one. Shoes off, curtains pulled just enough to soften the light, and then the immediate, familiar weight of a Rottweiler deciding that wherever I am is exactly where they should be, too. Warm, heavy, completely unbothered by anything resembling a



schedule. The game keeps playing in the other room. You can hear it, just faint enough. A rise in the crowd, the crack of the bat, the announcer's voice drifting down the hallway and fading again. It turns into background texture more than anything else.

Somewhere in the middle of all of that, sleep just happens; a slow drift where you're still aware of the sounds around you, the weight of a dog sprawled across your legs, the leftover warmth from the afternoon. Then it deepens. Time slips a little. The game moves on without you. He's not wrong to notice the pattern—Sunday brunch followed by a lengthy nap is just about my favorite spring activity!

Here's a great Springtime Brunch recipe to jumpstart your afternoon nap:

Baked Croissant French Toast

Ingredients:

- 3 tbsp. salted butter, melted
- 7 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups whole milk
- 3/4 cup maple syrup (plus more for serving)
- 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. ground cardamom
- 1/8 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 5 large croissants, torn or cut into bite-sized pieces
- 1 1/2 cups frozen blueberries

DIRECTIONS

1. Grease the inside of a 9x13 baking dish with the melted butter.
2. In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, maple syrup, vanilla, cinnamon, cardamom, and nutmeg. Add the croissant pieces and mix together until coated. Fold in the blueberries.
3. Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Meanwhile, allow the croissants to soak for about 20 minutes. Transfer the mixture to the baking dish.
4. Bake for 30 minutes, until the casserole is golden brown and puffy and the custard is no longer runny.
5. Serve straight from the dish, drizzled with more maple syrup!

Allison's Book Report: "Sirens" By Emilia Hart

By Allison Diegel

I'm back this week with a real page-turner by an author who is sure to become a favorite. Emilia Hart's "Sirens" is her sophomore novel – her first, "Weyward," was one of my favorite reads a while back, and her new release, "Sirens", is just as amazing.

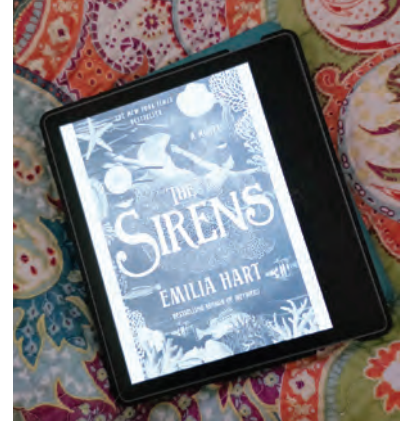
If you are looking for a story that feels like a dark, salt-crusted secret, "Sirens" is the book for you. Following the success of "Weyward," Hart returns to themes of feminine power and the untamable natural world, but this time she swaps the tangled woods for the treacherous, haunting depths of the ocean. The narrative is masterfully woven across three distinct timelines - 1800, 1999, and 2019 - connected by the rugged Australian coastline and the mysterious Comber Bay. It is the kind of book that makes you look at the shoreline with a bit more suspicion and a lot more awe.

In the 2019 timeline, we meet Lucy, a journalism student who flees to her sister Jess's desolate cliff-top house after a terrifying sleepwalking incident. She arrives only to find Jess has vanished, leaving behind a diary from 1999 that reveals Jess's own isolated adolescence and a rare, painful allergy to water. As Lucy digs into the past, she uncovers local rumors of men disappearing at sea and whispers of women's voices calling from the waves. In parallel, the 1800s storyline follows Irish twin sisters Mary and Eliza, who are sentenced to transportation on a brutal convict ship. As they endure the horrific voyage, they begin to notice unexplainable physical changes in their bodies that suggest they are transforming into something better suited to the sea than to the land.

The atmosphere is arguably the best part of the experience because you can almost feel the damp mist on your skin and hear the rhythmic, hypnotic thrum of the tide as you turn the pages. It isn't just a simple retelling of the siren myth; it's a reclamation of it. Hart's "Sirens" are complex figures born of necessity and survival, representing the raw, unyielding strength that refuses to be contained by a world that often tries to silence women. As the timelines eventually collide, the novel explores how trauma and power are inherited through generations, showing that these women are reclaiming a primal, dangerous agency. By the time you reach the end, you're left with a lingering sense of wonder and a reminder that some family legacies are as deep and powerful as the ocean itself.

I hope you enjoy "Sirens" – and don't forget to check out my Instagram @allison.the.reader to find my review for Hart's first novel, "Weyward", as well as more recommendations and book talk.

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.



The Greenwave Plant Corner

Lamb's Ear: Perfect for Nevada

Story and photo by Lauren Goings



My name is Lauren Goings, and the plant I would like to introduce you to is Stachys byzantina, most commonly known as lamb's ear. It flourishes in our beautiful, sunny state and is one of my favorites. The plant definitely lives up to its name — it's soft to the touch, and the leaves are covered in a tiny white fuzz.

Lamb's ear is very easy to grow from seed, is considered low-maintenance once established, and makes a great addition to your garden here in Fallon as an attractive perennial ground cover. Even better, it's not just a pretty plant. Lamb's ear is also a tough, drought-tolerant species. In our area, watering twice a week really helps the plant get established. It also helps to prune the dead leaves every now and then. Not only does that make the plant look more pleasing to the eye, but it also encourages more growth when you remove the dead leaves and spent flowers.

Did you know that lamb's ear's soft, absorbent leaves were once used as early bandages? Soldiers used the leaves as field dressings to help stop bleeding. The tiny hairs that protect the plant from pests, sun, and dehydration also protect us. The leaves and flowers are edible, although the fuzz might be off-putting for some. It's nice to know, however, that you could safely include it in a children's garden. I've read that in Brazil, the leaves are fried as a snack called "peixinho da horta."

Lamb's ear also produces small, purple, pinkish flower spikes that attract many pollinators, including honey bees, bumblebees, and specifically wool carder bees. Wool carders — also known as leaf cutters, carders, or mason bees — line their nests with the plant's fuzz.

I have always liked this plant and was glad when Mrs. Sammons dug up a large hunk from her garden and brought it to school for us to divide and transplant. As we divided it, we focused on preserving the shallow fibrous roots. Our school is redoing the front landscaping, and my plant systems class is designing it. Lamb's ear will be part of the landscape along the pollinator area border. You can also purchase lamb's ear that we grew for the Lahontan Conservation sale.

I am a junior in high school, and this is my second year taking this class. It has given me many opportunities in plant related careers and new information every day. I enjoy working in the greenhouse; it is a calming getaway from the rigors of schoolwork. Although we are forced to take handwritten notes at times,* I recommend this class to anyone interested in a plant-focused job or even to someone who just wants to feel a little more connected to nature.

We plant and study unique species such as lamb's ear, plants native to Nevada, and even plants that could never grow outside a greenhouse here, like lemon trees.

*Mrs. Sammons chuckling here

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the general election of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District ("District") will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of April 2026 between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock p.m., Pacific Standard Time, at the polling place herein specified. At such general election, the Director for Division 6 will be elected.

The District shall constitute one precinct for the April 7, 2026 General Election. The outside boundary of the precinct shall be the outside boundary of the division of the District designated to vote at that particular precinct. The division and polling place for the precinct shall be:

Division 6
Truckee-Carson Irrigation District
2666 Harrigan Road
Fallon, Nevada

CANDIDATES:

Abrahm Schank
Denver Nygren

Absentee Ballots will be available Friday March 23, 2026 until Monday April 2, 2026

COLUMNS

Legal No FP0001

INVITATION FOR BID

Sealed proposals will be received for the **Construct New Taxilane & Extend Existing Taxilane** project, PWP# CH-2026-321, addressed to the City of Fallon, Administration Office, City Hall at 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada 89406 until 2:00 pm local time on April 28, 2026 and then will be publicly opened and read. Bids received after the time fixed for the opening will not be considered.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at the Fallon Municipal Airport located on Rio Vista Drive at 10:00 am, local time April 14, 2026 for those interested contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers. Attendance of the pre-bid meeting is not mandatory but is encouraged.

The project consists of, but is not limited to, clearing and grubbing new project area, excavation to new section depth, subgrade preparation, placement and compaction of subbase and base courses, paving of asphalt surface course, pavement markings, and regrading of existing retention pond.

Digital copies of the Bidding and Construction Documents may be obtained via email at no cost by contacting Cole Herbert, P.E. at CHERBERT@JUB.COM. Bidders must receive digital copies from J-U-B Engineers, Inc. to be placed on the Planholder's List. Bidders must be on the Planholder's List to receive addenda and for their bids to be considered responsive.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cash, cashier's check, or bid bond in an amount not less than 5% of the total bid.

CIVIL RIGHTS - TITLE VI

As a condition of this grant award, The City of Fallon, Nevada, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4), 28 CFR § 50.3, and 49 CFR Part 21, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, all contractors will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of the owner's race, color, national origin, sex, creed, age, or disability in consideration for an award.

The proposed contract is also under and subject to the following federal clauses:
 • Affirmative Action,
 • Government-wide Debarment and Suspension
 • Government-wide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace
 • Foreign Trade Restrictions
 • Buy American Preference
 • Disadvantage Business Enterprise Requirements as follows:

The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy of the City of Fallon, Nevada to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership.

All required Federal Clauses including the labor provisions, and wage rates are included in the specifications and bid documents. Each bidder must supply all of the information required by the bid documents and specifications.

Each bidder shall furnish the Statement of Bidders Pre-Qualifications to the OWNER with satisfactory evidence of their competency to perform the work contemplated with the bid.

This project includes Federal funds and is subject to the wage provisions of the Federal Davis-Bacon, and related acts. This project is also subject to the State of Nevada Prevailing Wage Rates.

The City of Fallon, Nevada reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, waive any informalities, or irregularities, postpone the award of the Contract for a period not to exceed One Hundred Twenty (120) days, and accept the proposal that is in the best interest of the City of Fallon, Nevada. The award of the Bid is contingent upon the receipt of Federal funding.

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Postcards: The Wild, Wild West

By Michon Mackedon

I wonder how many fascinating tales sleep silently in dusty photo albums or newspaper clippings piled in a shoebox? Once in a while, a curious descendant of a hero—or a rogue—hears part of a story and tracks down the rest of it. Such was the case with Douglas A. Lewis, who had become “enthralled” with the story of his great uncle, Leo Lewis Sepulveda, and tracked down the details of a life both roguish and heroic but leaning toward the former.

Sepulveda was born in 1895 in White Pine County, Nevada, and spent his childhood in Deeth, Elko County, Nevada. Deeth was wide-open ranching territory, and young Leo learned early on to handle horses, ride expertly, and shoot straight. He also developed a flair for performance, and after his parents both died, he began traveling the rodeo circuit and working in “Wild West” shows. Why he ended up in Fallon, Nevada, is anyone’s guess, but he made the pages of the Churchill County Standard on April 4, 1917, after he was arrested by local sheriff Mark Wildes for cattle theft. He had two partners in crime, and the three must have been more than mere drifters, as the paper stated, “The arrest of the young men, all of whom are quite well known, has caused a sensation in Fallon.”

The evidence against Sepulveda and friends was convincing, and, once on the witness stand, Sepulveda supplied the details of the theft. They had stolen six head of cattle belonging to the Williams Estate in Fallon and sold them to the Fallon Slaughtering and Supply Company for \$396.25. “Sepulveda told his story in minute detail, explaining in one instance how they had spent a couple of dollars for drinks.”

Sepulveda was sentenced to one to 14 years in the Nevada State Prison. According to Leo Lewis, the great-nephew who dug up the story, the “verdicts and relatively light sentences imposed ... brought loathing from the local newspaper editor and populace alike” (In Focus, Volume 20). Churchill County’s economy relied heavily on the cattle feeding industry, and any leniency toward cattle rustlers could ruin the town’s reputation for being tough on livestock marauders.

Now comes the heroic piece of the story. Sepulveda arrived at the Nevada State Prison on June 28, 1917. A month earlier, President Wilson had signed the Draft Law, requiring “all men. Including convicts... born between 1886 and 1896 to register for the draft on June 5, 1917.” Sheriff Mark Wildes had registered Sepulveda for the draft while he was in jail in Fallon. His number came up.

Not a lot is known about his role in the war, but he did see battle and plenty of it.

When he returned stateside, his natural inclination for showmanship landed him jobs as an expert rider in rodeos and as an extra in Hollywood cowboy movies—sometimes wearing a white hat, sometimes a black one.

Ironically, as if he were playing a familiar role in a movie of his own making, Sepulveda died from a gunshot wound in the Commercial Hotel in Elko, Nevada, following an evening out in the “restricted part of town” (Elko Free Press, May 7, 1930). He was thirty-five years old.

Please send your stories and ideas for stories 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.

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 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, on the proposed Ordinance:

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE MAKING CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS, ADDITIONS, AND MINOR REVISIONS TO TITLE 9 - PUBLIC PEACE, MOREALS, AND WELFARE, SECTION 9.12 ADULT ENTERTAINMENT, TITLE 14 - BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION, SECTION 14.04 BUILDING PERMITS, SECTION 14.12 BUILDING CODE, SECTION 14.16 MANUFACTURED HOMES AND MOBILE HOME INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS, TITLE 16 - CONSOLIDATED DEVELOPMENT CODE, SECTION 16.08 ZONING AND LAND USE, SECTION 16.12 DIVISION OF LAND, SECTION 16.16 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, SECTION 16.24 DEFINITIONS, AND DEVELOPMENT OF A CHURCHILL COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DESIGN MANUAL DOCUMENT WHERE DESIGN STANDARDS AND STANDARD DETAILS WILL BE MOVED FROM THE CODE TO THE NEW DOCUMENT.

SUMMARY: An ordinance amending, adding and deleting definitions, regulations, and procedures related to the Consolidated Development Code and other items related to the Churchill County Code.

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 p.m. on April 14, 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 April 9, 2026 with the Agenda Packet on the county’s website at www.churchill-countynv.gov/1081/Agendas-Minutes.

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Case No.: CVFT2026-0016

IN THE FALLON TRIBAL COURT
IN AND FOR THE FALLON PAIUTE-SHOSHONE TRIBE

In the Matter of the Application of: JAYLEN MANNING (PARENT’S NAME(S))

For Change of Name of the Minor Child: Jazlynn Rose Lopez (Child’s Name)

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LEGAL NAME CHANGE OF MINOR CHILD

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person objecting to the changing of Petitioner’s name as noted above shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within 10 days after the date of the last publication of this Notice.

Jazlynn Rose Lopez (first) (middle) (last)

to (requested new name):

Jazlynn Rose Manning (first) (middle) (last)

DATED: March 2, 2026
Printed Name: Jaylen Manning

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Crossword

By Peanut



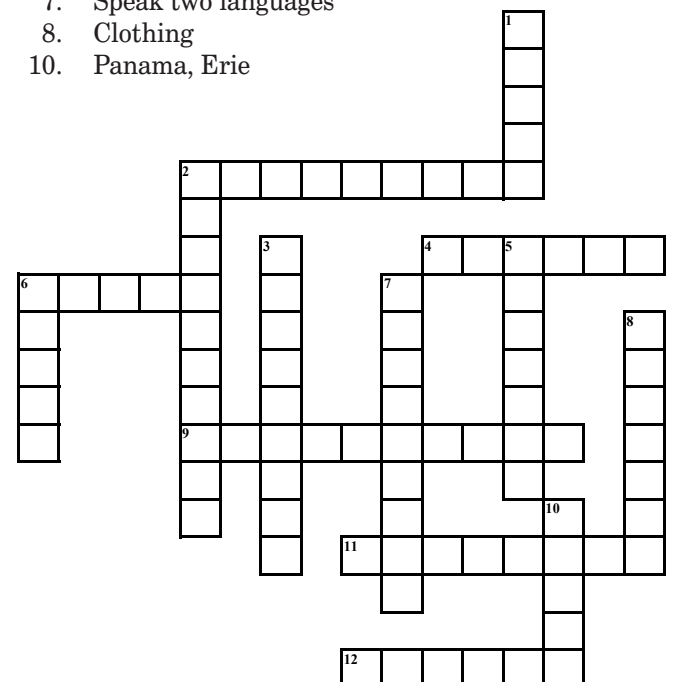
Across

- 2. Gorgeous
- 4. SA country
- 6. Biblical tower
- 9. Hundred year anniversary
- 11. National sport
- 12. Not vegetable or mineral



Down

- 1. Calm down
- 2. Birth parents
- 3. Michael, Raphael, Gabriel
- 5. Naval officer
- 6. Aromatic herb
- 7. Speak two languages
- 8. Clothing
- 10. Panama, Erie



[Crossword answers found on page 16]



In Remembrance

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LEGAL NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Contracted Healthcare and Wellness Services: Podiatrist | Clinical Psychologist Music Instructor | Dietitian Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe

Date of Issuance: March 9, 2026
The Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, on behalf of the Fallon Tribal Health Center, seeks proposals from qualified individuals or firms for the following contracted services:

Podiatrist – Outpatient foot care services including treatment of foot and lower extremity conditions with emphasis on diabetic foot care.

Clinical Psychologist – Behavioral health assessment, treatment, and crisis consultation services.

Music Instructor – Music instruction and programming promoting youth engagement and behavioral health prevention.

Dietitian – Nutrition counseling and community education supporting diabetes prevention and management (SDPI program).

To obtain a complete RFP package and proposal instructions, contact Jon Pishion, Health Director, at fthcdirector@fpst.org. Proposal submissions are intended to be simple and may consist of a brief letter of interest, resume or CV, and proposed compensation rate.

Proposal Deadline: Friday, April 10, 2026, 5 p.m. (PDT). Proposals received after that time will not be considered.

In accordance with 25 CFR and Tribal TERO Ordinance, Indian Preference will be afforded to qualified Native American applicants/firms. The Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

v. BLOCK 42 OF THE TOWNSITE OF WONDER, SITUATE IN CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA; AND BETTY NEWBERRY, et al., Defendants.

Case No. 3:26-cv-00126

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION FOR PUBLICATION

To: Unknown Heirs of William L. Newberry

You are hereby notified that Plaintiff United States of America has filed a Complaint and a Declaration of Taking to condemn in fee simple absolute, including any mineral rights, for the property described below. The public use for which said land is necessary for national defense and military use by the United States as authorized by law, including, but not limited to large-scale Department of Navy aerial testing and training; ground combat tactical maneuvering and firing; and equipment and tactics development.

This Declaration of Taking is filed pursuant to the authority of the Act of Congress approved August 1, 1888 (40 U.S.C. § 3113), as amended; the Act of Congress approved February 26, 1931 (40 U.S.C. § 3114); 10 U.S.C. § 2663(a)(1)(A), which authorizes the Secretary of a military department to have proceedings brought in the name of the United States, in a court of proper jurisdiction, to acquire by condemnation any interest in land, including temporary use, needed for the site, construction, or operation of fortifications, coast defenses, or military training camps; the Act of Congress under the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021, Public Law (P. L.) 116-283 § 2201 at 134 Stat. 4297; and the Act of Congress under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, P. L. 116-260, which appropriated funds for the Department of Defense.

Further authorities are the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023, P. L. 117-263 § 2201 at 136 Stat. 2975 and § 2901 at 136 Stat. 3015, allowing for the acquisition of private and state-owned land in fee title, and for private mineral and water rights, as well as for withdrawal of federal land from all public uses; and the Act of Congress under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, P. L. 117-328, which appropriated funds for the Department of Defense.

The authority granted to the Secretary of the Navy in 10 U.S.C. § 2663(a)(1)(A) was delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Energy, Installations and Environment) (ASN (EI&E)) in SECNAVINST 5430.7S. This authority was further delegated from ASN (EI&E) to Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations, Energy and Facilities) (DASN (I&F)) per SECNAVINST 11011.47D.

If you have any objection or defense to the taking of the property in which you may have or claim some interest, you are required to serve upon Plaintiff's attorney, at either of the addresses designated below, within twenty-one (21) days after April 3, 2026, an Answer identifying the property in which you claim to have an interest, stating the nature and extent of the interest claimed and stating all your objections and defenses to the taking of the property.

A failure to serve an Answer shall constitute consent to the taking and to the authority of the court to proceed to hear the action and to fix the just compensation and shall constitute a waiver of all defenses and objections to the taking.

If you have no objection or defense to the taking, you may serve upon Plaintiff's attorney, a Notice of Appearance designating the property in which you claim to be interested and thereafter you shall receive notice of all proceedings affecting said property.

You are further notified that at the trial of the issue of just compensation, whether or not you have answered or served a Notice of Appearance, you may present evidence as to the amount of the compensation to be paid for the property in which you have any interest and, if appropriate, you

may share in the distribution of the award of compensation.

You are further notified, however, that unless you file a Notice of Appearance, this proceeding may proceed to pretrial or trial without further notice to you.

You are further notified that all persons, firms and corporations named as defendants herein are joined as defendants generally to the end that all right, title, interest and estate of all said defendants in and to any and all of the land herein involved shall be divested out of them and vested in Plaintiff.

The property which is the subject matter of this proceeding is described as follows:

Land in the unincorporated area of the County of Churchill, State of Nevada, described as follows:

THAT PORTION OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 35 EAST, M.D.B.&M., LOCATED IN THE WONDER MINING DISTRICT, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BLOCK 42 OF THE TOWNSITE OF WONDER AS SHOWN ON THE WONDER TOWNSITE MAP RECORDED AUGUST 18, 1906 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA AS FILE NO. 3352, CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA RECORDS.

APN: 010-567-04
Dated: March 13, 2026
Respectfully submitted,

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CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Crossword found on page 15

- ADMIRAL
- ANIMAL
- APPAREL
- ARCHANGEL
- BABEL
- BASEBALL
- BASIL
- BEAUTIFUL
- BILINGUAL
- BIOLOGICAL
- BRAZIL
- CANAL
- CENTENNIAL
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