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Fallon’s First Responders Collect Nearly 24,000 Pounds of Food in Annual Community Challenge

By Rachel Dahl

Fallon answered the call again this year and answered big. The ninth annual First Responders Food Drive wrapped with a massive 23,760 pounds of food collected, continuing a tradition of service that has become one of the community’s most generous holiday efforts. With this year’s totals added in, Fallon’s first responders have now gathered 198,334 pounds of food over the past nine years, inching steadily toward the 200,000-pound milestone organizers have been chasing.

- This year’s breakdown shows just how hard each agency worked:
- Churchill County Sheriff’s Office: 6,600 pounds
 - Fallon Police Department: 3,080 pounds
 - Fallon Volunteer Fire Department: 3,280 pounds
 - Banner Churchill EMS: 4,600 pounds
 - Search and Rescue: 4,660 pounds.
 - Battle Born Air Rescue: 1,480 pounds.

The friendly rivalry between agencies remains alive and well, but the real win goes to the community. All donations benefit Out of Egypt, helping local families facing food insecurity during the holidays.

The event, held in front of Walmart every year, brought out steady crowds of donors, kids waving at engines and patrol trucks, and first responders who spent the day hauling cases of cans and boxed goods from carts to scales. One unexpected bonus: Toys for Tots collected more than a dozen cases of toys during the drive, adding another layer of generosity to the day.



Members of the First Responders who participated in the annual food drive, along with the many volunteers at Out of Egypt, all express their gratitude to the community. Photo courtesy of the CCSO.

Organizers credited local businesses for keeping spirits and energy high. Telegraph Coffee and Stone Cabin Coffee kept volunteers warm and caffeinated; Port of Subs and Woody’s donated food; and Walmart not only hosted the event but also contributed additional donations. Golden Gate again provided its facility for the official weigh-ins, and Fallon Sign created a fresh, updated event sign that volunteers say drew new attention from shoppers.

Corporal Mike Hardin of the Churchill County Sheriff’s Office, who coordinated this year’s effort, said the agencies look forward to the event every year. “It’s one of those days where everyone’s on the same team,” he said. “The competition is fun, but the mission is what matters.”

And judged by this year’s outcome, Fallon understands that mission well.

A Fallon Christmas Tradition Shines Bright: Imellis Honored With Tree Lighting at Annual First Friday Celebration



Fallon’s Christmas Tree Lighting has become a Northern Nevada tradition. Photo courtesy of Rachel Dahl.

By Rachel Dahl

Fallon has its rituals, the kinds that anchor a town, steady a generation, and remind us why small-town life still matters. Chief among them is the annual Christmas tree lighting on the first Friday night of December, a tradition as familiar as the crisp air in Oats Park and the chorus of kids waiting for the countdown.

This year, as snow framed the edges of Maine Street and families crowded shoulder-to-shoulder for cocoa, carols, and fireworks, Mayor Ken Tedford invited the community to honor two people who quietly represent the very heart of Fallon: Gary and Susan Imelli, chosen this year to light the 2025 community Christmas tree.

Before they pushed the specially crafted plunger used every year to light the tree, Mayor Ken Tedford spoke about the Imelli family, a name woven into Fallon’s history. Gary is the eldest living son of Allie and Doris Imelli, longtime residents whose legacy stretches across agriculture, rodeo, youth programs, education, and civic life.

Allie, a lifelong farmer and rodeo cowboy until the kids came along, was active in the 20/30 Club and helped launch everything from rodeos to community projects. He later served as director of the Fallon High School Rodeo Club. Doris, equally formidable, was a talented seamstress and school secretary, coaching girls’ softball and helping establish the very fields on North Maine Street that generations of Fallon athletes now call home.

The Imellis raised four children, Frank (lost to polio in 1954, before the vaccine), Gary, Carole, and Les, shaping a family steeped in service.

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain’s Log

Circles

By Rachel Dahl

I was actually ahead of the game this morning and then number three in Spring Creek called for an early morning chat. Often it is number two in North Dakota, and sometimes number one calls from Oakland on the way home from work, but mostly early-morning drives seem to be the perfect time to catch up with mom.

Except that’s prime writing time at Boyer Bunny Ranch, and now I am late getting to the office on production day. But there is no complaining – when your little dahhhhlings want to talk, you talk.

There is nothing in life quite as enjoyable as when your grown children reach out to spend time with you. No matter when that is.

Mornings have become my favorite time of the day. My sisters and I all agree that the greatest luxury in life is a long, slow, puttering morning. Bonus if you get to chat with your offspring.

A couple of weeks ago, the OG Book Club met for an impromptu session at Pizza Barn after work. We laughed a lot about how we have evolved as friends, starting off as a softball team that, after a few years, needed an excuse for a brief escape from the duties of early marriages and little children, so softball games morphed into a book club. Eventually, our own children would chauffeur us to and from book club as they learned to drive, and that night we found ourselves talking about holiday plans and which of those children were coming home and who was traveling to visit children out of the area.

Just this week, I found myself as the chauffeur, driving around the south end of the valley picking up friends who no longer drive at night so they would not miss our church potluck. It reminded me of youth group when we were all much younger, and whoever got to drive first had the duty of picking up the ones who were too young or did not have cars.

The more things change, the more they stay the same.

Which then had me thinking of a post I saw recently from the Senior Center and the large group of people who gather there every day for lunch. The camaraderie, the friendships, the cafeteria food. It is fun to visit with all these people and hear stories of their youth and their escapades at school, back in the day. And you cannot help but realize that, before they grew up and ran off to lead their own lives, these same people spent every day together at lunch in the cafeteria, just like they do now. Same cast of characters, just a different building, a different cafeteria. Friendships and adventures turned into friendships and memories.

Ahhh, life. Life in a small town. The ins and outs of family and community, and sharing all that.

So, while we navigate our part in this community family and catch up with our kids when we can, we will always be right here...

...Keeping you Posted.

—Rach

[Christmas Tradition continued from page 1]

Gary graduated from Churchill County High School in 1964 and played football on scholarship at Western Montana College, where he met Susan. He earned his teaching degree, returned to Fallon, and built a decades-long career in education: teacher, vice principal, principal, then assistant superintendent.

But perhaps the work closest to his heart, as Mayor Tedford noted, is his role in founding the Fallon Youth Club, where he has served as president for eight of its 20 years. Through lean years and prosperous ones, Gary has been the steady hand and its greatest advocate. Long before “youth development” entered modern vocabulary, Gary understood the importance of that idea and spent a lifetime devoted to it.

Susan, meanwhile, spent years serving patients as a lab technician at Banner Churchill, all while supporting parish projects at the Catholic church and quietly mentoring young people. Together, Gary and Susan sponsored exchange students, participated in the CASA program, and opened their home and their hearts more times than anyone can count.

When the Mayor finished speaking, he invited the Imellis forward, where they stood beneath the

towering tree, branches wrapped in lights, with the whole town glowing amber in the early dark. With the crowd counting down, Gary and Susan pushed the plunger, and the City of Fallon Christmas tree burst into life.

As the traditional fireworks erupted, the city also kicked off the celebration of America’s 250th anniversary, the first of many activities that will culminate in the July 4th celebration this summer.

The Lahontan Valley Concert Choir carried on singing at the Fallon Theatre. Santa’s Village bustled, ice skaters glided, and fireworks cracked overhead, invoking the small-town magic Fallon is “famous” for among those who have grown up with it.

For a moment, the whole town paused to honor two people who have spent their lives serving it. In a season built around giving and gratitude, the Imellis’ legacy is one of quiet, everyday generosity, the kind that does not seek recognition but deserves it all the same.

And so, Fallon has stepped into the Christmas Season the way it always does, glowing from the inside out.



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FEATURES

CCSD Hosts Christmas Giving Fair for Homeless and Foster Youth

Community Donations Needed as CCSD Supports Over 120 Students Facing Housing Instability

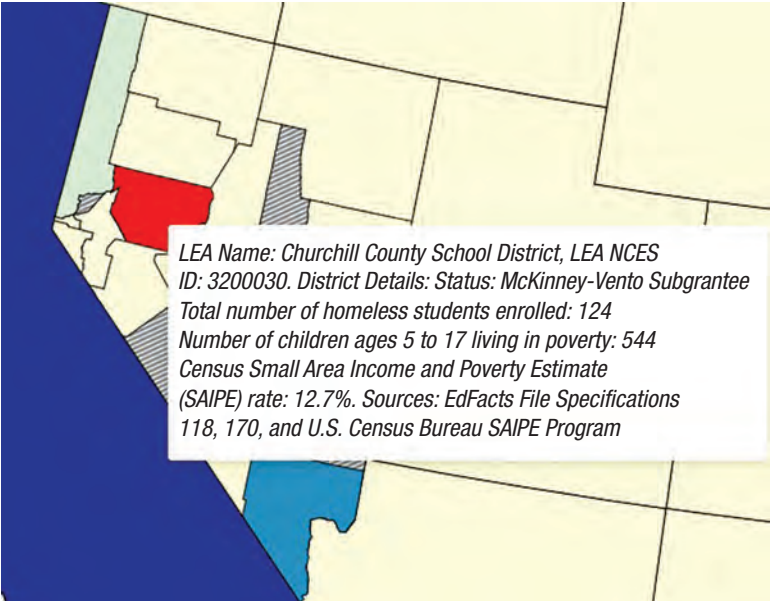
By Jim Fleming

The Churchill County School District (CCSD) is calling on local residents to help support an upcoming Christmas giving fair aimed at assisting homeless and foster children in the area.

On December 13, more than one hundred students will be able to “shop” for donated clothes, gifts, and toiletries at no cost—a creative and timely event organized by the Students in Transition (S.I.T.) program. Community members are encouraged to donate clothing, toys, toiletries, diapers, baby items, and household essentials directly to Churchill County High School.

Margaret Scharmann, the S.I.T. Coordinator for CCSD, leads the district’s efforts under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. This federal program provides funding to help identify and support students experiencing homelessness. “My role is to identify and support students experiencing homelessness under the McKinney-Vento Act, remove barriers to their education, and ensure they have access to the resources they need to stay connected to school,” Scharmann told the Fallon Post.

So far in the 2025–2026 school year, 120 students have been identified as experiencing homelessness in Churchill County, a figure that falls within the district's typical annual range of 125–150 McKinney-Vento-eligible students. Additionally, more than 500 students qualify as living in poverty based on federal indicators, such as free or reduced lunch eligibility and income thresholds. According to Department of Education statistics, CCSD currently serves 124 homeless students and a total of 544 students living below the federal poverty line.



Churchill County School District SIT estimates.

To identify students in need, the district uses tools such as the Home Residence Questionnaire, which families complete at registration and during annual updates. Instability—such as doubling up with other households, staying in temporary housing, or lacking adequate shelter—triggers a review for McKinney-Vento eligibility. Referrals also come from teachers, counselors, and community organizations, many of whom are mandatory reporters required to alert administrators if a child appears to be in distress.

Once a student is identified, S.I.T. provides support, including school supplies, transportation assistance, hygiene items, necessities, educational advocacy, and protections to ensure school stability. While most of the 120 currently identified homeless students qualify under the “doubled-up” category—families staying with others due to loss of housing or

financial hardship—the district also serves about eight foster youth, with numbers fluctuating throughout the year.

Scharmann notes that the McKinney-Vento Act uses a broader definition of homelessness than the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). “HUD’s definition is much narrower,” she explained, focusing on those living in shelters or places not meant for human habitation and excluding most doubled-up families. “But McKinney-Vento uses a broader educational definition, including students staying in motels, campgrounds, inadequate housing, or bouncing between temporary living situations. Our goal is to remove the barriers that instability creates so students can stay in school, stay connected, and stay supported.”

Superintendent Derild Parsons added, “We are grateful for our programs that support our students and provide them with the resources they need to focus on their education.”

Nevada Stakes it’s Claim in the West’s Tech Future

By Leanna Lehman

Startup Week events in Las Vegas and Reno this September offered a glimpse of what many state leaders and industry watchers have been seeing for a while: Nevada is becoming a serious player in the nation’s tech economy. Entrepreneurs, investors, and policymakers gathered to discuss innovation, capital, and technologies reshaping everything from logistics to clean energy. While much of it is still in development, the momentum is starting to build.

Nevada offers something few others can—space. Large, developable parcels near major transportation corridors remain available, even as the West grows more populated. The tax structure is equally attractive. Nevada has no corporate income tax, no personal income tax, no franchise tax, and no inventory tax. According to the Governor’s Office of Economic Development (GOED), companies can also qualify for a 75% personal property tax abatement for up to 20 years, along with sales and use tax abatements that reduce the rate to 2% for the same period. When dealing in millions, that is no slight advantage.

Location, location, location. From Reno or Las Vegas, companies can reach California markets within hours, ship through the major ports of Oakland or Long Beach and access the interstate and rail networks that connect the rest of the West. The state’s growing renewable energy infrastructure and clean energy incentives further support industries that rely heavily on power and sustainability commitments.

Nevada has also been intentional about attracting technology companies, going back to former Governor Sisolak’s proposed Innovation Zones, designed to court companies with groundbreaking technologies. Now, the Nevada Center for Applied Research at the University of Nevada, Reno, and GOED’s Innovation-Based Economic Development Division work directly with companies to test, validate, scale, and commercialize new and emerging technologies. Even workforce development programs at universities and community colleges have expanded to offer industry-aligned curricula, apprenticeships, and research collaborations.

The result is a wave of growth emerging in both Northern and Southern Nevada, one that some compare to the semiconductor era in Silicon Valley. The advancements of that earlier period reshaped global industries. Today, several Nevada companies sit at the forward edge of advanced manufacturing, clean energy, data infrastructure, and next-generation materials as they move from concept to real-world use.

In Northern Nevada, much of that activity is concentrated in and around the Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center (TRIC) along USA Parkway. At 104,000 acres, TRIC is the largest industrial complex in the country. Known for hosting Google, Microsoft, and Tesla, it has also become home to emerging data-center operators such as Novva, Vantage, EdgeCore, and Powerhouse, companies using the region’s space, energy, and logistics advantages to scale quickly.

Novva announced its entry into Nevada with a 224MW campus planned on 137 acres at TRIC. “Nearly \$3 billion will be invested in the project, with more than 1,200 individuals employed across the construction and ongoing operations of the campus,” officials said.

Vantage Data Centers is also expanding in Northern Nevada. “As the global race for AI dominance continues, Vantage is leading the delivery of digital infrastructure to support the innovation and applications of the world’s largest technology enterprises,” said Dana Adams, the company’s North America president. Nevada, she noted, offered a strategic location with faster time-to-market and long-term economic benefits.

Switch, founded and headquartered in Las Vegas, is another major operator at TRIC. Switch focuses heavily on data infrastructure and AI processing in what it calls “AI Factories.” CEO and founder Rob Roy described Nevada as ideal for secure, redundant, and scalable facilities. “In the race to build the future of Artificial Intelligence, infrastructure is your greatest advantage,” the company says. Switch operates around a million square feet of space within TRIC, with plans to expand to seven million. Switch operates across one million square feet of space within TRIC, with plans to expand to seven million. The company claims that upon completion, the campus will have gigawatts of power capacity and operate on 100 percent green power.

Google is adding to its Nevada operations with a new round of investment. On Aug. 27, 2024, Google Global Vice President of Data Centers Joe Kava joined Governor Joe Lombardo and UNR President Brian Sandoval to announce a new \$400 million investment to expand both Northern and Southern Nevada campuses. “Google’s continued investment is paramount to the tech hub that continues to grow across the state,” Lombardo said. “Nevada has established itself as a premier destination for technology investment.” Construction is currently underway on the 1,211-acre site adjacent to its existing facility at TRIC.

The Northern Nevada technology expansion is not limited to the Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center. Microsoft acquired 274 acres in Silver Springs in 2023 for nearly \$16.5 million, followed by another three hundred acres in Fernley’s Victory Logistics District for \$70.5 million in 2025. Apple, located just off I-80 near TRIC, has operated a large data center since 2012 and announced a \$1 billion expansion in 2017, with additional growth planned in 2024.

While data infrastructure drives much of today’s activity, early signs of deeper science-driven innovation are emerging. Advancements in biotechnology, artificial intelligence, renewable energy, and advanced manufacturing are driving much of Nevada’s newest science-based technology. One notable example is Lyten, considered an early deep-tech company focused on advanced materials and next-generation energy solutions. Lyten plans to invest more than \$1 billion to build the world’s first Lithium-Sulfur battery gigafactory in Stead, just north of Reno.

Not only are tech companies investing statewide, but a growing class of firms built around advanced science-driven innovation is emerging as well. MIT’s Dr. Phil Budden and Prof. Fiona Murray describe these “deep-tech” companies as ones that “create entirely new industries and markets and have tremendous impact shaping our futures.” These are the companies pushing past the limits of current technology, taking on elevated risk in pursuit of high reward. Nevada’s tech boom may still be in its preliminary stages, yet the groundwork underway shows the state edging into a larger role in the West’s technology landscape.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nevada Ranchers Test Virtual Fencing for Grazing and Rangeland Health

By Leanna Lehman

Across Nevada’s open country, the work of hauling barbed wire, pounding posts, and patching tired fencelines remains part of daily ranch life. But as rangeland conditions grow more complex and labor demands increase, some ranchers are turning to a new tool backed by University of Nevada, Reno researchers: virtual fencing.

The technology uses GPS-enabled collars and software to guide cattle in real time without physical barriers. Ranch managers can draw boundaries on a phone or tablet, rotating grazing land and shifting herds across rugged ground that would normally require days of horseback or ATV work. Specialists from the University’s Extension and Experiment Station programs, both part of the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology & Natural Resources, say the approach shows promise for protecting riparian areas, improving wildlife forage, and reducing wildfire fuel loads, concerns familiar to anyone running cattle across Nevada’s fragile landscapes.

“Virtual fencing technology isn’t brand new, but it’s emerging in a way that finally makes sense on working rangelands,” said Paul Meiman, an Extension state specialist who also conducts research for the Experiment Station. “It offers tremendous promise for both federal land management agencies and ranchers because it provides a level of flexibility in grazing management that we’ve never had before, especially when managing landscapes with sensitive riparian areas.”

With support from the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Forest Service, Meiman has been working with ranches to pilot the technology across tens of thousands of acres of Nevada country. The test sites range from brushy foothills to sweeping sage valleys, where traditional fencing can be costly, impractical, or disruptive to wildlife movement.

At Maggie Creek Ranch in Elko County, nearly a quarter-million acres of private and public ground, Meiman partnered with ranch manager Jon Griggs to train a herd of two hundred yearling heifers. After a virtual fencing company installed two receiver stations, each capable of transmitting signals up to ten miles depending on terrain, the crew fitted the heifers with GPS collars and created the first digital grazing boundaries.



Rangeland cattle with GPS collars. Photo courtesy of UNR.

“As a cow approaches the invisible boundaries, the collar emits a beep as a warning,” Meiman said. “If the animal persists into the restricted zone, it delivers a mild pulse along with another beep. Over time, the cattle learn the pattern and adjust their movements on their own.”

Within three days, the heifers were responding reliably to the cues.

“Virtual fencing gave us a level of control that we don’t typically get on large, open rangeland,” Griggs said. “We were able to place cattle exactly where we wanted them and move them through the pasture more efficiently. For operations like ours, it shows real promise, especially in areas where traditional fencing or herding just is not practical.”

After three years in the project, Griggs said the system has helped improve grazing efficiency while supporting habitat used by mule deer, wild turkeys, waterfowl, and other wildlife alongside the ranch’s cattle and horses. Maggie Creek Ranch has long been recognized for its conservation practices, as has the Cottonwood Ranch in Wells.

A second UNR research team tested virtual fencing in Paradise, Nevada, focusing on one of the state’s most persistent rangeland problems: cheatgrass. The project, led by assistant professor Tracy Shane and graduate student Austin Lemons, used virtual fencing to place cattle on cheatgrass during the fall.

“Cheatgrass is a persistent challenge for rangelands because it sprouts early, outcompetes native perennial grasses and quickly depletes soil moisture and nutrients,” said Lemons, who also serves as conservation manager for the Dayton

Valley Conservation District. “Once established, it forms dense, dry stands that are highly flammable, increasing wildfire risk.”

Lemons said logistical and archaeological constraints often make traditional fencing difficult. After a short training period with the cattle, ranchers used the app to adjust grazing zones and provide feedback as the study progressed.

“The advantage of this approach is that after summer, cheatgrass often greens up again while most native plants do not, directing cattle to focus primarily on the invasive species,” he said. The hope is to reduce the seed bank, clear dry litter that fuels fires, and limit future cheatgrass growth.

Early results were promising. At one study site, targeted fall grazing reduced cheatgrass biomass from four hundred pounds per acre to just over 100 pounds per acre, a 75% drop in carry-over fuels.

Ranchers participating in the studies also noticed practical benefits. Keeping cattle within tighter zones encouraged them to broaden their diet instead of repeatedly selecting preferred grasses, leading to more balanced pasture use.

“By guiding cattle to work through each grazing area before moving on to the next, we immediately saw reduced pressure on preferred grasses and better long-term sustainability of forage resources,” Griggs said.

Researchers caution that broad ecological changes take years. Shane noted that most grazing-related vegetation shifts occur on a three- to ten-year timeline, so teams track short-term indicators such as stubble height, stream-bank conditions, and early vegetation responses.

Cost remains the primary barrier for adoption. Each base station runs about \$10,000, and ranchers pay roughly \$60 per collar per year for service. Additionally, heavy tree cover or steep terrain can cause connectivity gaps, limiting real-time controls.

Support from the Nevada Agricultural Foundation, the Nevada Division of Forestry, the Nevada Department of Wildlife, the U.S. Forest Service, and the BLM has helped offset those costs for pilot ranches. University teams plan to continue expanding virtual fencing trials to build a toolset that fits Nevada’s diverse livestock operations.



November 2025 Marriage Licenses

- Nov. 12
- Nov. 21
- Nov. 26
- Lito John Iumin, 23, to Jolene Wanita Dyer, 23, both of Fallon
- Allen Jonathon Nelson Jr., 38, to Erin Kelly Anderson, 48, both of Fallon
- Kacey Ann Steele, 37, to Kristen Leigh Moffit, 40, both of Fallon



November Births

at Banner Hospital

Lucas Elijah Jones, born Nov. 19 to Cheyenne Walter and Brian Jones, weighing 8 lbs., two oz., measuring 20.5 inches.

Mateo Turner Orozco Torres, born Nov. 21 to Haley Weyand and William Torres, weighing 6 lbs., one oz., measuring 18.5 inches.

Congratulations!

Let us add your newborn to our birth announcements, no matter where they were born, or contact us for a special birth announcement with a photo. We would love to share the great news!

PETS OF THE WEEK

Meet Sleepy: A Special Cattle Dog Mix

Sleepy is a 7-month-old cattle dog mix who is looking for a loving home. However, he is completely deaf and has limited vision. Sleepy’s affectionate and gentle nature more than makes up for his sensory challenges. Despite his easygoing attitude, Sleepy has one unique quirk: he does not get along with goats. An experience with a goat may have left an impression, and now he prefers to avoid them entirely. If you are interested in welcoming a special dog into your life and are ready to open your heart to Sleepy, please call 775-423-2282 to learn more or arrange a visit.



Meet Tina: The Purrfect Holiday Surprise Awaits

Tina, a sweet and lovable kitten, is bursting with purrs, playfulness, and cuddles, eagerly anticipating the moment she can join her new family. Her playful antics and affectionate nature make her an ideal companion for those seeking warmth and cheer during the festive season. Tina is ready for adoption and eager to find her furrever family to love, snuggle with, and grow up alongside. If you are searching for a holiday kitten who radiates sweetness and joy, look no further — Tina is patiently waiting to fill your home with love and cuddles this Christmas.



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OBITUARIES

DONNA KAY FAIN
Feb. 15, 1958 – Dec. 3, 2025

Donna Kay Fain was born on Feb. 15, 1958, in Caliente, Nevada, to Leonard and Gloria Johnson. She was the middle of three girls. She spent only a short time in Caliente before eventually moving to Fallon, which she considered home. Donna took pride in herself with everything she did. She was tough in so many ways, which was driven by her love and compassion for what she believed.

As a young lady, she enjoyed everything country. She loved being raised on the dairy, working with her dad every chance she had. During her school years, she participated in various sports and activities. Donna was smart and excelled at whatever she put her mind to. She often reminisced about riding her horse Penny in many Fourth of July parades. She graduated from



Churchill County High School in 1976 and began college, pursuing a degree in criminal justice. However, her college life was short-lived, as she relocated to Pendleton, Oregon. There, she spent many years enjoying time with her sister and making incredible memories.

Donna was a proud member of the American Legion Auxiliary for many years. She held a variety of positions within the auxiliary, including president. She tackled all of the positions with pride and put her heart and soul into the organization

to help benefit many people and our community.

Donna was an amazing woman and an even greater mother with an enormous heart. She would give you everything she had before thinking of herself. Donna loved being a mother not only to her three children, but also to many foster children over the years. Her children kept her busy as they grew up playing sports. She was not

only their chauffeur, but their biggest fan and support system. She was always there to ensure they never missed an event. They were her everything.

Donna is survived by her husband, Ric Fairbanks; her two sisters, MaryAnne (Russell) Woodard and Judy (Bob) Norcutt; and her children, DJ Fairbanks, Erik (Whytnee) Fain, Kayla (Tyler) Carey, and Breanna Fain. Her grandchildren: Lillyonna, Johnathan, Greyson, Levi, Willow, and Walker on the way. She had numerous nieces and nephews that she loved dearly. Donna lost her battle with cancer on Dec. 3, 2025, and passed with her family by her side. She will be forever in our hearts.

Funeral services will be held at Smith’s Funeral Home, 505 Rio Vista Drive, Fallon, NV, on Friday, Dec. 12, 2025, at 1 p.m., and there will be a celebration of life on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2025, at 3 p.m. at the American Legion. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the American Legion Women’s Auxiliary, Fallon Post 16, at 90 N. Ada St., Fallon, NV 89406.

LT. COL. GARRY ANDREW “DUDS” DUDLEY
May 15, 1949 – Dec. 1, 2025

Lt. Col. Garry Andrew “Duds” Dudley slipped comfortably from this life and was welcomed into heaven on Monday, Dec. 1, 2025. Garry was born May 15, 1949, in Long Beach, California, to Robert and Joann Dudley.

Garry, along with his brother Bobbie and sister Robin, grew up in Fallon, Nevada, where he graduated from Churchill County High School in 1967. After graduating, he attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. After graduating from BYU in 1971, he received a commission into the U.S. Air Force as a second lieutenant and married Carol Boyce before moving to Reese Air Force Base to begin flight training.

He honorably served as a Wild Weasel F-4E/G fighter pilot and went wherever Uncle Sam called him. During his military service, his daughters, Samantha and Stephanie, and his son Sean, were added to the family as well as MANY brothers who flew with him. This was a life full of adventure.

Garry was a natural-born teacher, and after retirement he entered the education sector. He taught in high schools and served in administration but truly enjoyed being an elementary school principal. During his time as principal of Brown Elementary in Turlock, California, he met Sandi Young, another principal; they were married in July 2007. But his true calling was as a flight instructor sharing his love of aviation.

Family meant everything to Garry, and sharing DNA was never a requirement. From the first time meeting, you were now family and invited



to seize life by the horns. He was never short on sage advice, fighter pilot wisdom, or impactful lectures.

Garry is survived by his wife Sandi; his children Samantha (Eric) Burgin, Stephanie (Nick) Willingham and Sean (Jessica) Dudley, and their mother, Carol; his bonus children Kelly (Gilbert) Almeida, Scott (Elyssa) McCoy and Rob (Brandi) Young; his bounty of grandchildren: Christopher, Scott (Brooke), Jeffrey (Sally), Craig (Alicia), Noah (Tasha), Nathan, Tyler, Grant (Claire), Alexis (Mason), Grace (Jacob), Brooke, Chloie, Grady, Abi, Alison, Bobby, Evan, Myka, Kylie, Andrew and Thomas; his great-grandchildren: Addison, Weston, Felix and Conrad; his brother Tad Dickerson and sisters Cindy Sullivan and Karen Holcher; and many, many others who have been added in his heart. He was predeceased by his parents, Robert and Joann; his sister Robin; and his sons, Robert and Mark.

Garry will be interred at San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery on Dec. 30, 2025, at 1 p.m.

Garry loved his family, and all who knew him knew this about him. Garry loved to fly, and all who knew him knew this about him too. We, his family, had him for a while, and now the heavens have him forever. Until we meet again ... “May the departed aviator find eternal skies beyond all turbulence, where machines never fail and horizons stretch forever” (Air Commodore Pervez Akhtar Khan).

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Garry’s “home away from home,” the Turlock Municipal Airport. Donations in Garry’s name can be made to the Turlock Regional Aviation Association (TRAA) at P.O. Box 556, Denair, CA 95316, or contact turlock.airport.mgmt@gmail.com

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COMMUNITY

Local Author Book Signing Last Week



Last Saturday, local author Larry Neel held a book signing event at the Great Basin Trading Co., Fallon’s community bookstore. The newly opened store’s mission is to support both local authors and artists, offering a fresh platform for creative talent in the area. During the event, Larry Neel signed copies of his book, “Shadows in the Sagebrush,” for attendees. The occasion celebrated not only his literary work but also the spirit of local creativity. Pictured at the event with Larry Neel are Sara McGowan and Patricia Sammons, highlighting the supportive atmosphere among Fallon’s local authors and artists. Photo by Rachel Dahl.

Honeycomb Project Brings Hundreds Together in Collaborative Arts Exhibition

By Rachel Dahl

The Churchill Arts Council welcomed the community on Nov. 29 for the gallery reception of The Honeycomb Project, a sweeping collaborative exhibition curated by Nevada artist and educator Candace Garlock. Now on display in the Kirk Robertson Gallery through Jan. 5, the show brings together hundreds of hexagon-shaped artworks that form a visual “honeycomb” celebrating connection, creativity, and the power of community.

Garlock told attendees the idea began simply: five artists preparing a group show themed around Pollination: The Gift of Chance in the Desert. Each created an 8-inch hexagon panel for use in the exhibition’s marketing and entry display. But the concept of small pieces joining to form something larger sparked an even bigger vision.

In fall 2024, Garlock issued an open call to artists across the western states, seeking 1,000 contributions. She expected maybe three hundred. Instead, by the August deadline, she had five hundred artists signed up and nearly 900 individual works. Workshops sprang up from Las Vegas to Colorado and local studios in between, with some sessions drawing more than eighty participants. In the end, submissions arrived from forty-four states, turning a regional idea into a national conversation.

At the reception, Garlock emphasized that the project is as much about stories as it is about images. Each artist submitted a written reflection; all now bound into volumes available for visitors to read. “The artwork goes away, and the stories get lost,” she said. “I wanted to capture both.”

The resulting installation fills the gallery walls with hundreds of hexagons that together create a striking metaphor: individual pieces, distinct in style and medium, forming a unified whole much stronger than any single part. “At first glance, a honeycomb looks simple,” Garlock said. “But each cell works in harmony with the next. Communities do the same.”

Families, seniors, veterans, and children as young as three contributed panels, underscoring the project’s broad reach and shared spirit.

The Honeycomb Project will remain on display through Jan. 5 at the Oats Park Art Center. The gallery is open to the public, and visitors are encouraged to explore the artwork, the stories behind it, and the ongoing journey of a project that began in Fallon and grew far beyond it.

Gabby Moreno Delights at Oats Park Art Center

By Amber Hardin

Once again, Michael and I enjoyed a date night at the Oats Park Art Center—taking in the latest art exhibits, grabbing a drink from the bar (I’m currently partial to a Frey Ranch Rye on the rocks), and cozily planting ourselves in the umbral seats of the Barkley Theater to experience another live musical performance.

First, we had an unexpected opening performance from one of our own local musicians, Anabelle Forshee (aka Anabelle and the Desert Scrubs, also 2025’s Cantaloupe Queen). Anabelle has a warm, almost bohemian vibe. Mike noted a strong ’90s influence, and I agree – she shares vocal elements with artists like Joan Osborne or Meredith Brooks. Her music evoked a warmly hued, laid-back mood and made for a welcoming introduction to the evening.

Afterward, we had the pleasure of listening to the main performer of the night, Gabby Moreno, a Guatemalan-born singer-songwriter who performs her unique songs in both English and

Spanish. She is a Grammy Award winner with numerous nominations, and her creative work is something many readers of The Fallon Post have likely encountered without realizing it.

Touring alongside artists like Tracy Chapman, her music has appeared on television and in films, including Guillermo del Toro’s Cabinet of Curiosities. She composed the theme song for NBC’s Parks and Recreation—earning an Emmy nomination—and co-wrote and performed “Por Qué Te Vas?” for DreamWorks’ Puss in Boots: The Last Wish. She has also appeared on The Tonight Show twice, once hosted by Jay Leno and again by Jimmy Fallon.

Moreno was a joy to listen to. Moving fluidly between English and Spanish, her voice was both playful and smooth, occasionally delivering a smoky-tinted edge to her lyrics. Her songs danced the genre lines of jazz, blues, and a Tex-Mex/Flamenco style (evoking the Del Castillo tracks featured in Kill Bill Vol. 1 and Vol. 2), with her bluesy notes reminding both Mike and me of the sounds of Johnny Cash.

I would also be remiss not to mention the occasional rockabilly riff she skidded and strutted impressively on her guitar, as well as the excellent support from her two bandmates, whose low-slung bass lines and syncopated, driving drum work carried her rhythmic melodies effortlessly.

Overall, Gabby Moreno was a gem to have perform in our community, and I’m grateful that our arts council brings diverse and talented artists for our community to experience.

Up next at the Oats Park Art Center, audiences can look forward to an evening with acclaimed Scottish singer Julie Fowlis on February 7. Hailing from the Outer Hebrides and now based in the Highlands, Fowlis is celebrated for her crystalline, intoxicating vocals and deep connection to traditional Gaelic music. Many listeners will recognize her voice from the Brave soundtrack, where her songs helped bring the ancient Highlands to life. It promises to be a beautifully immersive night of folk music and storytelling.

MEETINGS

Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
155 N Taylor Street
Next Meeting: Jan. 21 at 7 p.m.

Central NV Health District
155 N Taylor Street
Next meeting: Dec. 11 at 1:30 p.m.

Board of County Commissioners
Meets the first Thursday and third Wednesday of each month
155 N. Taylor St
Next Meeting: Dec. 17 at 1:15 p.m.

Library Board of Trustees
Meets the third Thursday of each month at 3 p.m.
155 N. Taylor Street
Next Meeting: Dec. 18 at 3 p.m.

CC Communications
Meets the first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m.
155 N. Taylor Street
Next Meeting: Jan. 1 at 11 a.m.

Churchill County School Board
690 S. Maine Street
Next Meeting: Jan. 13 at 5:30 p.m.

WATER LEVELS

Measurements Taken Dec. 8, 2025, at 3 p.m.

Lahontan Reservoir	68,850 af
Carson River Below Lahontan	3.22 cfs
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth	0.00 cfs
Truckee Canal at Hazen	0.00 cfs
Carson River at Ft. Churchill	180 cfs

Dec. 8, 2024	Dec. 8, 2023	Dec. 8, 2022
117,166 acre feet	208,286 acre feet	22,603 acre feet

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BUSINESS

Fallon Businessman Develops Rental Property Maintenance Program

By Nancy Chapman

Hunter Drost’s journey into property maintenance innovation began unexpectedly while he was traveling through Wyoming on vacation. During his trip, he received a call from a tenant in one of his rental properties who needed electrical maintenance for a power outlet. This situation inspired Hunter to consider how he could effectively manage his properties remotely, especially when it came to addressing urgent maintenance issues.

With a background and interest in web design, Hunter saw this challenge as an opportunity. He realized that by creating a system tailored to his needs, he could not only solve his own problem but also help other landlords facing similar situations. Recognizing that rental properties are significant investments, Hunter understood the importance of proper maintenance support to preserve the value of these assets and potentially avoid expensive remodels in the future.

Hunter’s solution was One Tenant Property Maintenance (OTPM), a platform designed to streamline property maintenance for owners. Through OTPM, property owners can set up their property details, establish spending limits, and specify preferences regarding the maximum amount of money they are willing to allocate for a single maintenance incident. The system allows owners to designate the highest dollar amount that can be spent if they are unreachable during a four-hour emergency window.

Using OTPM’s itemized checklist, owners can conveniently select all their desired options for property maintenance, including procedures for contractors or vendors to access the property. This ensures that property owners have around-the-clock availability for emergency maintenance, all within their predetermined budget. OTPM manages a wide range of maintenance needs, from electrical and plumbing to HVAC and minor repairs.

When maintenance issues arise, OTPM acts as an intermediary, facilitating communication between property owners and tenants and coordinating with contractors and vendors. The platform handles logistics, receives updates, reports, and documentation from contractors regarding work progress and completion. This keeps property owners informed without the burden of daily involvement.

Hunter emphasizes that OTPM is neither a property management company nor a property-owning entity. Importantly, no money is exchanged



Hunter Drost giving a presentation. Photo Courtesy of Hunter Drost.

between OTPM and the tenant, maintaining a clear operational boundary. All contractors and vendors working with OTPM are thoroughly vetted by Hunter, ensuring that property owners receive quality service for every maintenance task. Owners benefit from monthly reports and real-time updates on all activities, allowing for quick coordination and preventing small issues from escalating into major problems. Neglected maintenance can significantly damage rental properties and frustrate both landlords and tenants. In fact, poor maintenance is responsible for approximately forty percent of high tenant turnover. This turnover is costly for property owners due to lost revenue, vacant properties, cleaning expenses, and the effort required to market the property to future tenants. OTPM caters to a wide range of property types, including single- and multi-family homes, commercial properties, warehouses, offices, and retail spaces. The platform simplifies property management tasks, and at the end of the year, owners no longer need to spend hours calculating expenses for tax season—OTPM handles all the necessary documentation, making tax preparation less stressful. For more information about One Tenant Property Maintenance or to reach Hunter Drost, inquiries can be sent via email at onetenant.com or Hunteronetenant.com.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

TCID Board Confronts Insurance Spike, Project Delays

By Rachel Dahl

The Truckee-Carson Irrigation District board met Tuesday, December 2, and heard a staff report on a recent canal outage caused by planned maintenance. Kelly Herwick, watermaster, said that the project is on schedule.

Staff also said they have been catching up on water orders after several months of being short-handed and training new employees. “We’re getting better there,” Herwick said, noting that a new water delivery analysis is underway and a written report should be ready soon.

The district is in talks with the Nevada Department of Wildlife over renewal of its grazing lease. NDOW is considering a shorter-term agreement than the traditional five-year agreement because an ongoing study could change the allowed cattle numbers partway through the lease.

Several board members questioned the logic of basing the study on low-water years when local permittees already cut back on their own in dry seasons.

“We’re the ones that cut ourselves back,” Lester deBraga said, pointing out that ranchers do not turn out full numbers when there is not enough water. “We do not just say, ‘Well, we are turning 100 percent out’ on a short water year.”

Directors said they would prefer a longer-term lease to give ranchers time to rebuild herds and take advantage of improvements being made on the ground. deBraga compared the timeline to aging whiskey: it takes years of planning before the first “bottle” or calf crop pays off.

The board heard that the district’s tower project, a key piece of infrastructure work, has run into challenges tied to federal grant requirements, particularly “Buy America” provisions that govern where materials are sourced.

Managers said complying fully with the requirement could push costs “substantially higher,” so they are seeking a waiver. That process itself requires additional paperwork, public advertising, and bid steps, but the tower project could cost 150% more if the waiver is not approved.

Because of those complications, the district is reevaluating how to move the project forward. Staff plan to return to the board within a few weeks with a revised approach and timeline.

A representative from the Bureau of Reclamation reported that an emergency-related request regarding the XM canal project as it relates to mud and dirt flows that cause the canal XM project to be delayed, that the district submitted at the end of September has been forwarded to Washington, D.C. but appears to have been delayed by the recent federal shut-down and a change in the agency’s acting commissioner.

The request has now been flagged for the current acting commissioner, and the Bureau is seeking an update on its status. At the same time, Reclamation staff are reworking the water measurement plan to make it “more reasonable and implementable,” and will be coordinating directly with TCID on those changes.

During the recent outage, Reclamation’s Technical Service Center has been looking at the Truckee River just upstream of Derby Dam. That work includes evaluating the fishway, an island that has

built up in front of the dam, and how changes in the channel affect both fish passage and flow measurement for the Truckee Canal loss studies. The data feeds into storage, accounting for the system.

In action items, the board approved a temporary right-of-entry for Hiskett and Sons, which is interested in exploring a TCID-owned parcel west of US 50 near Bango Oil for potential sand or aggregate material.

The agreement allows access to specified district lands west of the highway, with an expiration date built in. Directors briefly discussed legal access and the fact that vehicles may need to cross two or three private properties to reach the site, but staff believe access can be worked out.

Any future agreement for sale or use of materials would require separate board action.

The board also wrestled with its employee health insurance renewal. The district qualified for an “early renewal” program, which locks in a 5% increase for medical coverage and about 4% for dental, with vision holding flat. If TCID declined the early renewal, the broker warned that increases could range from 15% to 23% later in the cycle.

Several directors said they were frustrated by the rising cost of coverage, especially for employees with families. David Stix pointed out that premiums for an employee plus spouse now run into thousands of dollars each month, with employee-plus-children sometimes priced lower than full family coverage.

Directors acknowledged that the district’s generous insurance benefits are one of the main reasons many employees stay, even though wages are often lower than in the private sector. They also noted a mechanic had recently left for better pay, suggesting the balance between wages and benefits may need to be revisited.

After discussion, the board voted to approve the early renewal “reluctantly,” with the understanding that staff will spend the next year seriously exploring other carriers and plan designs.

In committee reports, board members discussed significant cattle losses in one of the district’s grazing areas this past season. One permittee lost roughly 11-12 head, and others reported losses, totaling over 30 head between two owners.

The deaths are believed to be related to an insect-borne disease, Anaplasmosis, spread by flies and mosquitoes, with vaccination providing only partial protection. The problem appears to be concentrated in a specific area with heavy tamarisk growth.

The board revisited earlier conversations about spraying to control insects, noting that NDOW had been open to allowing a targeted spray program. Ideas ranged from aerial spraying to using drones over problem areas. Directors emphasized the fiscal impact, with some estimating that losing 20% of a small herd at current cattle prices represents a significant economic hit.

Board members closed by thanking staff for the strong irrigation season, noting there were very few damage claims and almost no complaints about ditch riders, a sign, they said, of excellent work in a complicated year.



File photo.

Sheriff’s Office to Get E-911 System Upgrade

By Leanna Lehman

The Churchill County E-911 Committee’s meeting on December 3 focused on two longstanding challenges for the county’s emergency communications system: ensuring all required carriers contribute to the E-911 fund and determining how to modernize the 911 infrastructure without overextending local budgets.

The agenda called for members to approve funding for three new 911 servers for the Sheriff’s Office at a cost of \$63,352, as part of the county’s ongoing efforts to upgrade its communications center to Next Generation 911 (NG911) capabilities.

During the last meeting held on June 13, 2024, Churchill County Comptroller Sherry Wideman reported an E-911 fund balance of \$231,803, with the fund generating roughly \$80,000 annually. General Manager Mark Feest questioned whether all companies providing phone service in the county are consistently submitting the required per-line fee, noting the fund report only reflects outflows.

Feest asked how the county confirms which carriers are paying in, how often they submit payments, and whether those contributions align with the estimated number of phone lines in Churchill County. “I think, for the committee, it is important that we look at this information to see who is paying in and, at least, give it a sniff test on whether this sounds correct,” he said. He added that the rise of VoIP systems makes it difficult to know whether all providers with customers in the county are accurately remitting fees.

Wideman said payments arrive unpredictably and are routed through the Clerk/Treasurer’s Office, but she receives forms from various companies, including some from out of state. She told the committee she could provide a listing of deposits for review. Members agreed that gaining a clearer picture of who pays into the fund—and whether contributions match expected per-capita averages—would help determine if revenue is being lost.

The committee then shifted to a broader discussion about future technological needs. Undersheriff Bill Lawry outlined the high cost and complexity of upgrading to a full NG911 system. Initial estimates approached \$1 million, with Motorola’s proposal alone priced at approximately \$817,000, payable over five years. “We do not generate \$207,000 a year,” Lawry said, noting that the county currently operates on an Enhanced 911 system that works but lacks several modern capabilities.

Lawry described compatibility challenges between the county’s current system and newer management systems. He also noted uncertainty about whether outside vendors can support the county’s existing latitude-and-longitude-based call routing.

Committee members agreed at the June 2024 meeting that an independent evaluation was needed to determine realistic upgrade paths. After discussion, Feest made a motion “to identify third parties who can do an evaluation and provide us with a quote for such evaluation.”

Logically, a managed security and IT solution provider that offers server and infrastructure management confirmed the need for a system upgrade and submitted a \$63,352 quote outlining a statement of work and a multiphase plan for servers, hardware installation, and remote assistance.

While the county will eventually need to consider the costly NG911 full system upgrade necessary to meet the demands of modern emergency services management, the committee approved the \$63,352 purchase, with funding to come from the E-911 account.

Churchill County Commissioners Support Domestic Violence Safe House

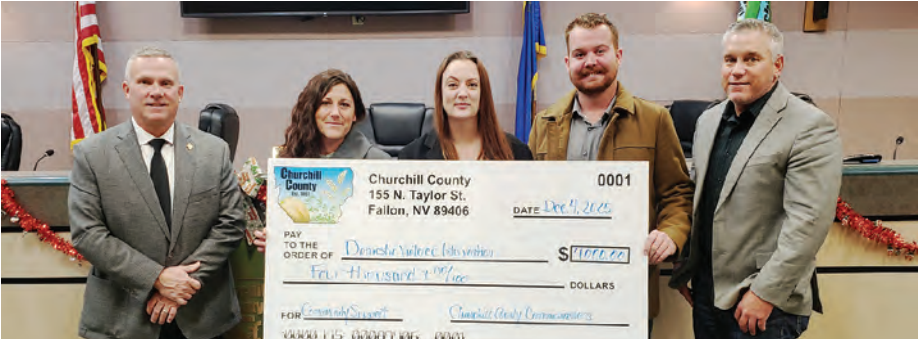
Story and Photo by Jim Fleming

On December 4th, Churchill County Commissioners approved a \$4,000 appropriation for Domestic Violence Intervention, Inc. (DVI), a Fallon-based nonprofit organization that provides support to victims of domestic violence. Carin Gomes, Executive Director of DVI since November 2024, requested the funds, which are designated for use in 2025.

In her letter to the commissioners, Gomes requested \$20,000 to address projected needs for the DVI-owned safe house. This amount includes \$8,000 for property repairs and \$12,000 for emergency services and ongoing support for safe house residents. The organization is requesting that the remaining \$16,000 of their initial request be considered in July, at the start of Churchill County’s 2025-26 fiscal year.

DVI has operated since 1982, initially paying rent on a county-owned property that transformed into a safe house for families in crisis. Several years ago, Churchill County transferred ownership of the house to DVI for one dollar, enabling the organization to continue its mission. Like any home, the property requires regular maintenance. According to Gomes, necessary repairs will cost approximately \$8,000, with contracted builders scheduled to replace rotted and weather-damaged siding, repair trim, and restore a section of the security fence damaged by a windstorm.

Victim services organizations such as DVI typically rely on grant funding, but these grants generally cannot be used for capital improvements. This limitation led DVI to seek assistance from the Churchill County



Domestic Violence Intervention Executive Director Carin Gomes accepts a surprise \$4,000 allocation from Churchill County Commissioners.

Commissioners to cover the costs of maintaining the safe house.

DVI offers a comprehensive range of services to victims of domestic violence, including counseling, support groups, clothing, and various legal services. These legal services include assistance with temporary orders of protection, preparation of victim impact letters, and applications for state crime victim reimbursement funds.

At the December meeting, the commissioners provided DVI with an initial \$4,000 check. Gomes expressed her gratitude for the support, noting that the funding was an unexpected and welcome development, especially during the Christmas season.

COURT

Tenth Judicial District Court

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, Dec. 2, in Fallon before Judge Thomas Stockard.

By Teresa Moon

Sean Berton Duffy pleaded guilty to Battery Causing Substantial Bodily Harm, a Category C Felony punishable by 1–5 years in prison and a fine up to \$10,000. Churchill County Alternate Public Defender (APD) Wright Noel asked that Duffy be considered for the Western Nevada Regional Specialty Court. Judge Stockard ordered a Pre-Sentence Investigation (PSI), set sentencing for Feb. 3, and provisionally placed him in the program.

Timothy J. Fast, in custody, appeared for sentencing after pleading guilty Oct. 7 to Offer, Attempt, or Commission of an Unauthorized Act Relating to a Controlled or Prohibited Substance, Second Offense, a Category B Felony punishable by 3–15 years in prison.

Deputy District Attorney (DDA) Priscilla Baker stated that Fast was stopped for lacking a license plate or registration. A canine alerted, and deputies found sixty-seven grams of methamphetamine in rock form and .338 grams in liquid form. Baker told the court Fast was also facing active Lyon County cases, including possession charges in July and August 2024, and repeated Court Services violations. “This defendant clearly has a drug problem. But it is more than just a drug problem. He is a known seller of narcotics ... repeated possession, sales, trafficking,” Baker said. She asked for 36–120 months in prison.

APD Noel argued that Fast’s substance abuse constituted a mitigating circumstance required for probation consideration. He said Fast had long struggled with methamphetamine and did not intend to distribute the drugs found in his car. Noel said Fast claimed his dealer “dumped the drugs on him” after spotting an undercover officer and asked for probation with inpatient treatment.

Fast told the court, “I know that I messed up. I’m just asking for your help to help myself,” noting he had been to prison four times without improvement. Judge Stockard acknowledged Fast was eligible for probation but declined to grant it, sentencing him to 24–72 months in prison, to run concurrently with his Lyon County cases. Fast was remanded to the sheriff’s custody and will later be transported to the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC).

Bradley Nelson Rogne, in custody, admitted to the Non-Technical Sentencing Violation of absconding. His attorney, Charles Woodman, acknowledged Rogne “blew off his probation,” noting Rogne told him early on, “I’ve had an out-of-control drug habit for too long.” Woodman asked the court to postpone a decision to allow time to secure an inpatient rehabilitation bed date.

Chief Deputy District Attorney (CDDA) Lane Mills argued Rogne was not a young man but a 37-year-old adult responsible for his choices. Mills read from a victim statement stemming from the hit-and-run case for which Rogne was on probation, in which the victim wrote, “I hope he decides to change his ways before it’s too late for him, or worse, someone else.” Mills noted that Rogne paid none of his restitution and failed to check in with his probation officer and requested revocation.

Judge Stockard revoked Rogne’s probation on the underlying Category B Felony of Duty to Stop at the Scene of a Crash Causing Death or Personal Injury and imposed the 72–180-month sentence.

Stefanie Marie Bousquet appeared for sentencing on Possession of a Controlled Substance, First or Second Offense, and Driving Under the Influence, both of which she pleaded guilty to on Oct. 14.

DDA Baker stated that the state did not oppose Drug Court on Count I, noting that Bousquet had performed well during provisional placement. On Count II, she requested a 180-day suspension and a \$400 fine.

Churchill County Public Defender (CCPD) Jacob Sommer said Bousquet was actively engaged in Drug Court and “has made a complete change in her life.” Bousquet told the court the program improved her coping skills and that she wants to do better for her son.

Judge Stockard suspended proceedings on Count I, placed her on 12 months’ probation, ordered a substance abuse evaluation, and officially placed her in the Western Regional Drug Court Program. On Count II, he sentenced her to 14 days in jail with 14 days’ credit for time served and imposed the statutory DUI fine. “You have been doing really well,” Stockard told her.

Rachel Nicole Brown was not present for her scheduled sentencing hearing for Attempted Burglary of a Business. Court Services Director Brenda Ingram said Brown complied with daily check-ins. CCPD Sommer said he could not explain her absence and noted she had paid restitution. Judge Stockard issued a \$25,000 cash-only warrant.

Christy Jo Hinch appeared for sentencing on Attempt to Possess a Controlled Substance, Low Level. Senior Deputy District Attorney (SDDA) Chelsea Sanford told the court that Hinch tested positive for methamphetamine that morning. Judge Stockard revoked her pre-trial release and remanded her with \$10,000 cash-only bail.

Joseph Robert Keller appeared for sentencing on Possession of a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine), a Category E Felony punishable by 1–4 years in prison. CCPD Sommer and SDDA Sanford supported diversion. Keller, who was provisionally attending Drug Court, said, “I cannot say enough about the drug court program; it’s amazing.” Judge Stockard suspended proceedings, placed him on probation, and ordered him to complete the Western Regional Drug Court Program.

Mekyel Kenneth Tybo, in custody, pleaded guilty to Failure to Stop on the Signal of a Peace Officer, a Category B Felony punishable by 1–6 years in prison and a fine up to \$5,000. Judge Stockard ordered a PSI and set sentencing for Feb. 3, 2026. Tybo’s Sentencing Violation Hearing for an earlier methamphetamine case was also continued to that date.

Roland Moore pleaded guilty to the Category E Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance (cocaine), punishable by 1-4 years in prison. A PSI was ordered, and the court set sentencing for Feb. 3.

Tyler Cody Taylor appeared for sentencing on two Gross Misdemeanor counts of Battery on an Officer. Judge Stockard granted probation on a suspended 364-day sentence and ordered restitution.

Cocaine Dealer Operating Near Schools Sentenced to 8-13 Years

By Teresa Moon

Cameron Tom Ray Allen appeared for sentencing in the Tenth Judicial District Court in Fallon on Dec. 2 before Judge Thomas Stockard on two felony charges: (1) Offer, Attempt, or Commission Relating to a Controlled or Counterfeit Substance at or Near a School, a School Bus Stop, Recreational Facility for Minors, or a Public Park; and (2) Possession of a Controlled Substance, a High Level. Allen pleaded guilty to both charges on Sept. 23.

Deputy District Attorney (DDA) Priscilla Baker told the court that Allen has a criminal history of violence and is someone who “tries to manipulate the system. He knows what to say. He knows how to avoid detection. And he knows how to manipulate.”

According to Baker, Allen was barely 18 when he was convicted of kidnapping and battery with the intent to kill. Baker said Allen now claims the victim provided false testimony, and he had to unjustly serve ten years in prison, during which he repeatedly committed disciplinary offenses. Allen was released in 2016.

“Then in June of 2024 ... his criminal activity went to a head,” Baker said. Churchill County law enforcement was made aware of a fanny pack found in the middle of a roadway. Inside, officers located a nine-millimeter semi-automatic firearm; drugs, including cocaine and alprazolam; and money. “There was also a check written out by The Slippery for DJing. All these were then traced back to this defendant.”

The Task Force then conducted multiple controlled cocaine buys from Allen in 2024, including two buys in May for a total of 15.7 grams, 20.7 grams in June, 27 grams in July, and 58.7 grams in Sept for a total of 122.1 grams. Additionally, some of the buys took place near schools.

“On September 10, 2024, he was arrested on a parole violation, which included possession of a knife, steroids, and a firearm,” Baker said. “He received a 90-day temporary [probation] revocation for that. Then he was arrested on these offenses on December 4.”

Baker noted Allen claims he has been clean and sober since September 2024, yet since then, he tested positive with Court Services and was caught using a cheating device. She said Allen “admits he needs help with his treatment, but not too much help. He thinks that weekly counseling was sufficient.”

“This is not a drug dealer selling to use,” Baker said. “This is a person who will say whatever he can to get what he wants ... This defendant is a dangerous drug dealer, spreading the disease of addiction by supplying drugs in our community ... We should not be putting a wolf in the hen house.”

The state asked for 24-60 months on Count I, 24-60 months on the school enhancement, and 60-156 months on Count II, to run concurrently, on the basis “that this defendant is a drug dealer, and “to send a message that we are not going to tolerate drug dealers in our community.”

Defense attorney Orrin Johnson asked the court to consider probation; however, he admitted, “Mr. Allen was dealing drugs, there is no doubt about it. He was engaged in the activities that were described.”

Johnson said his client’s childhood was marked by abuse, neglect, and early exposure to drugs. His parents were addicts who committed crimes, he began using marijuana at age eight, and he was repeatedly moved through the foster care system, “which statistically starts pointing toward doom for anybody.”

Regarding Allen’s first conviction, Johnson said prison is traumatic, violent, and “supposed to be a terrible place that demotivates you from going back.” He said Allen learned how to be a young man while “in prison and surrounded by some of the worst of the worst of society.”

“But there is something more to Mr. Allen,” Johnson said. For eight years, Allen was “a model parolee,” with no violations and a productive life. However, Allen’s relapse reflects the nature of addiction. He noted that Allen has engaged meaningfully at New Frontier, is compliant with treatment, and now understands that “the demon of destruction ... is always going to be there” and requires ongoing maintenance. Johnson acknowledged the state’s concern about putting a drug dealer in treatment, but argued, “We don’t have to guess how he’s going to do in treatment, because we’ve seen it.”

The defense asked the court to suspend the sentences, place Allen on probation, and allow him entry into Western Nevada Regional Drug. “I’m going to ask you to sentence Mr. Allen to six to fifteen years on Count II, and two to five on Count I, run them consecutive,” Johnson told Judge Stockard. “I want the biggest possible carrot, the biggest possible stick, because I think that’s the way to motivate Mr. Allen to do what he has been doing ... The community is better with a sober Mr. Allen in it than without.”

Allen read from a statement taking accountability for his actions. He thanked the judge for sending him to New Frontier, saying it opened his eyes to both addiction and mental health treatment. Allen said he now attends AA, NA, church, and counseling. “Your Honor, I pray and hope you’ll give me the opportunity not only to graduate from New Frontier, but to continue my treatment and therapy.”

Judge Stockard imposed 24-60 months on Count I, with a consecutive 24-60 months for the school enhancement, for an aggregate 48–120-month sentence. On Count II, Allen received a concurrent 60-156 months.

“I have weighed what you have done, and I recognize what you have done,” Stockard said. “But I’m not going to grant you the privilege of probation. I’ve considered the totality of these cases. I am not going to suspend the sentences.”

Allen was remanded to the custody of the Churchill County Sheriff and will be transported to the Nevada Department of Corrections.

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CCSD Cool School News

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Students in the Warhammer Club painting their first miniatures.

CCHS
Students in the CCHS Warhammer Club completed their first miniatures. Warhammer is a tabletop game where players collect, assemble, and paint fantasy miniatures for strategic battles. Club members learned painting techniques and brought their characters and creatures to life, highlighting creativity and attention to detail. Under the guidance of Mr. Tim Hamilton, the group is diving into this rich fantasy world.

CCMS
Elective classes play an essential role at CCMS, giving students opportunities to explore their interests and develop new skills beyond the core curriculum. This month, middle schoolers have been especially busy with their elective courses. In the Music Department, preparations are underway for the upcoming concert on Tuesday, December 16, with choirs performing at 5:30 p.m. and bands at 6:30 p.m. in the CCHS Auditorium. The CCMS Choir and Band also had several students selected

for the Northern Zone Nevada Music Educators Association Honor Band and Honor Choir. Northern Zone Honor Band students are Emalyn Murray (Flute), Linnea Koenig (Bassoon), Anna Lewis (Contra Alto Clarinet), Kayden Bowman (Trumpet), Jack Willey (Trumpet), and Tripp Toigo (Percussion). Northern Zone Honor Choir students are Rylee Hammond, Aiyana Minneard-Bobb, Ila Sorensen, Courtney West, Charis Brown, Aubrey Motl, Treyson Chappell, and D.J. Cloyd. In addition, Linnea Koenig was selected for the Nevada State Middle School Band on bassoon. Wonderful things are happening in the CCMS Music department. “Wonderful things are happening in the CCMS Music department,” music teacher Lucas Koenig said.
In the art department, students are welcoming the holiday season with winter-themed watercolor projects. As part of the unit, they are exploring fundamental painting techniques, experimenting with how watercolor behaves on the page, and learning to control color and texture. One highlight for students has been discovering the unique effects created when salt is sprinkled onto wet paint, combining scientific observation with creative expression. Students are also learning about layering, blending, and composition to bring their seasonal visions to life.

NUMA
Students in Dominique Johnson’s and Shannon Matheson’s fourth grade classes experienced a unique hands-on lesson about the justice system last week. Chelsea Sanford and Lane Mills from Churchill County District Attorney’s Office led students through a mock trial of The State vs. Goldilocks, giving them an engaging look at how evidence, testimony, and decision-making come together in a courtroom. After observing the trial, students deliberated and reached their own verdicts on whether Goldilocks was guilty or not guilty based on the evidence presented. “It was a

fantastic presentation and a memorable learning opportunity for our students,” Johnson said.

E.C. BEST
Tracy Wagner’s second graders have been learning about arrays as a foundation for multiplication. Students drew arrays in chalk and wrote repeated-addition sentences along with matching multiplication equations. This hands-on approach helped students see how numbers can be organized visually to understand multiplication.



Second graders in Tracy Wagner’s class using chalk to create arrays, linking repeated addition to multiplication.

LAHONTAN
High school students in Chelle Dalager’s PE classes visited Amy Hawkins’ first-grade class to read to them, giving the young students a special opportunity to engage with older role models. The first graders were eager listeners, while the high school students were patient, encouraging, and attentive as they shared stories. Experiences like this help foster a sense of community across grade levels, showing younger students the value of reading and giving older students a chance to practice leadership and mentorship.



Students Makenly Moon and Sherilyn McKnight working on their watercolors.



Student Reagan Harrison visits with Chelsea Sanford from the DAs office about the Goldilocks trial.



CCHS student Trey Bradley read to first grade student Hunter Lehman.

Veritas Preparatory School

Classical and Christian

School Celebrates Successful Fundraisers with See’s Candy and Pizza Factory

By Assistant Headmaster David Ernst

The holiday season brought not only festive cheer to Veritas Preparatory School, but also tremendous support from families and the wider Fallon community through two successful fundraisers: the annual See’s Candy sales and Pizza Factory Night. Together, these efforts provided a meaningful boost to the school’s programs and demonstrated the strength of community partnership at Veritas.

The See’s Candy fundraiser once again proved to be a favorite among families, friends, and neighbors. Students worked enthusiastically to share the holiday treats, and sales quickly surpassed expectations. Last week, boxes of chocolates, lollipops, peanut brittle, and seasonal treats were delivered, bringing cheer and advancing the school’s mission.
“This year we sold the most that we ever have with this fundraiser,” said Headmaster Jill Rosario. “A lot of families use the fundraiser to provide Christmas gifts to friends, family, and business associates.”

Many students earned rewards such as extra recess or pizza parties for their participation in the fundraiser, and the top two sellers earned the chance to be Headmaster and Assistant Headmaster for the Day.
In addition to the candy sales, Veritas partnered with the Fallon Pizza Factory for a fundraising night that brought families together over good food and warm fellowship. In the evening, a portion of every purchase went straight to supporting the school.
The restaurant was filled with friendly faces, and students were delighted to see their classmates and teachers outside of school hours. Parents appreciated the chance to support Veritas simply by enjoying a meal with their families.
The school expressed heartfelt gratitude to all who participated and to the local businesses that partnered with them. “We are incredibly thankful for the way our community shows up for our school,” said Assistant Headmaster David Ernst.
With the success of the See’s Candy and Pizza Factory fundraisers, Veritas enters the holiday season encouraged, supported, and reminded once again of the generosity that surrounds its mission.

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EDUCATION

Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR OASIS ACADEMY’S 2026–27 SCHOOL YEAR OPENS DECEMBER 1

Oasis Academy is preparing to welcome new students for the 2026–27 school year, with Open Enrollment officially beginning December 1 and running through February 28. Families interested in joining one of Nevada’s top-performing schools are encouraged to apply online at oanv.org during the enrollment window.

As a consistently high-achieving public charter school, Oasis Academy middle and high schools have received recognition as 5-Star Schools and the elementary a 4-Star School under the Nevada School Performance Framework. Oasis is widely known for its exceptional academic results.

Oasis Academy’s kindergarten through eighth grade offers a wide range of enriching experiences that help students build a strong academic foundation. Highlights include:

- Small class sizes that allow for individualized attention and stronger relationships with teachers.
- Hands-on learning opportunities, including STEM activities, science labs, and project-based learning.
- Robust literacy and math intervention program to support students at all levels.
- A variety of electives and enrichment classes such as art, music, technology, drama, and PE.
- A welcoming school culture that emphasizes character development, responsibility, and community involvement.
- Extracurricular opportunities such as robotics, student leadership, and after-school activities that help students explore their interests.

The high school proudly maintains a 100% graduation rate, offering students a supportive environment focused on both rigor and opportunity. It also stands out for its dual-enrollment partnership with Western Nevada College, allowing many students to graduate with not only their high school diploma but also an associate degree with no cost to their families.

In addition, the school is known for its strong community culture, dedicated staff, and a wide range of student opportunities across grade levels—from thriving STEM and arts programs to leadership, FFA, athletics, and hands-on learning at all grade levels.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: OLIVIA KUTANSKY

Oasis Academy senior Olivia Kutansky is eager to take her artistic talents to the next level as she heads to college after graduation in May. In addition to being a gifted artist, she has also been an exceptional student in the classroom and a dedicated member of the school’s golf team, balancing academics, creativity, and athletic commitment.

After graduation, Kutansky plans to attend the University of Nevada, Reno, majoring in graphic design with the possibility of adding a minor in ceramics.

“My plan after I graduate from Oasis Academy is to attend UNR to major in graphic design and possibly get a minor in ceramics,” she shared.

The art classes she has taken along the way have helped lead her to this path. Throughout high school, art became an important outlet. She took dual enrollment college classes ranging from watercolor to ceramics—experiences she found both fulfilling and refreshing.

“They were the classes I not only enjoyed the most but also felt like a refreshing break from my other classes,” she said.

Her journey at Oasis began in the middle of second grade—and admittedly, she wasn’t thrilled at first.

“To be honest, I hated school... I wasn’t thrilled and I honestly wanted to go home,” she recalled.

But everything changed in seventh grade when she met her closest friends. From that point on, her experience transformed.

“I’ve made new connections, been more involved in my school, and it’s helped me grow as a student,” Kutansky said.

Looking back, one of her favorite memories comes from an 8th-grade math project that turned into an unforgettable experience.

“One of my favorite memories was our hot chocolate stands we had to do for a math project. We had custom made aprons and a poster I designed that I was really proud of,” she said, “Running a stand with my friends was so much fun and it’s definitely a memory that has stuck with me this whole entire time.”



Bighorn Senior, Olivia Kutansky.

Kutansky has excelled in the classroom and on the golf course. She has competed in state every year and has finished in the top six every year as well. This year she helped the girls’ golf team place second at state and finished sixth individually. During the duration of her high school golf career, she has also been named team MVP, team captain, and received the NIAA Academic Athlete Award.

She also expressed deep appreciation for the mentors who helped shape her time at Oasis, especially her golf coaches.

“Coaches David Halloran, Mike Browning, Tomas Kutansky, and Gabriella Madraso were the ones who made my wish into an actual reality,” she said. “The time, effort, and dedication they put into the girls on the team paid off. And I could not have asked for better coaches.”

The dual enrollment student athlete has done more than excel in the classroom as well. Kutansky was consistently named to the Western Nevada College Dean’s List during her high school years.

The senior has stayed involved outside the classroom as well, participating in Oasis Girls Golf every year and spending her freshman year in Student Council.

“It was nice being in student council for a year at least to learn the ropes of high school... But I enjoyed most of my time during my golf seasons,” Kutansky explained.

As she prepares for this next exciting chapter, she leaves future students with heartfelt advice.

“Enjoy your time being at school, even during high school. Make sure to work hard but enjoy the little moments when you can. Do not worry about what others think or say about you. As long as you keep being the best version of yourself and you do what you love, that is all you can do,” she closed.

Along with her high school diploma, Kutansky will also earn her Associate of Art from Western Nevada College.

Advent Night at Logos Welcomes December with Joy and Community

A Beloved Tradition Brings Light and Unity to the Season

As December arrives and the anticipation of Christmas fills the air, Logos School marked its first week back from break with the time-honored Advent Night tradition. Students, families, and friends gathered to welcome the Advent season, sharing an evening rich in warmth and fellowship.

Throughout the night, guests crafted lanterns that cast a gentle, festive glow across the room, setting the perfect atmosphere for the celebration. Joyful voices joined in harmony for carol singing, lifting spirits and celebrating the hope that comes with Christ’s birth. The event’s conclusion was filled with sweet treats, laughter, and cherished moments, reminding all in attendance of the light, hope, and unity that Advent brings to the community.

Advent Night continues to be a beacon of togetherness and joyful anticipation, embodying the very heart of the season for Logos and its families.



Students and their families enjoying Advent night.



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SPORTS

The Greenwave Grapplers Kick Off the Season with Impressive Showing

CCHS Wrestling Team Shines at Earl Wilkens Tournament in Fallon

Staff Report

The CCHS wrestling season began in earnest on December 5 and 6 at the Earl Wilkens Memorial Tournament right here in Fallon, Nevada. Twenty-three teams attended the two-day round out of over three hundred wrestlers.

The CCHS wrestling team faced five teams on Friday and five more on Saturday, finishing with a remarkable 9-1 record, losing only to Lowry in Winnemucca.

Coach Trevor deBraga stated that this kickoff tournament used a dual-wrestling format, with two teams going head-to-head in each weight class to determine the winner. Individual efforts were rewarded with team points that added to the team’s score to determine the dual winner. A win is worth three points. A major decision (win by 8+ points) is worth four team points. A tech fall (win by 15+ points) is worth five points. A Pin or a forfeit is worth six team points.

Mat time and exposure to participants’ individual wrestling styles are integral to this experience for the Greenwave wrestlers. The tournament provided valuable opportunities for the athletes to refine their techniques, adapt to different opponents, and build camaraderie within the squad.

Coach deBraga expressed enthusiasm about the team’s outlook for the season, noting a significant increase in participation, with thirty-nine boys and twelve girls representing The Greenwave. He views the Earl Wilkens Memorial Tournament as a key early-season milestone, offering athletes the chance to compete in up to ten matches—far more than most tournaments allow. While the team has made progress compared to previous years, deBraga emphasized that considerable work remains to develop skills, improve conditioning, and strengthen teamwork. Due to intense competition for spots in each weight class, the team will hold weekly wrestle-offs to determine varsity positions, keeping everyone motivated and engaged as the season progresses.

- Highlights of the tournament include the following:**
- Several Greenwave wrestlers remained undefeated over both days, showing dominance and consistency in their weight classes.
 - The team’s only loss came in a hard-fought match against Lawry, with wrestlers showing resilience and determination until the final buzzer.
 - Newcomers to the roster made notable contributions, earning crucial points and gaining experience that will serve them well in upcoming meets.
 - The coaching staff praised the group’s focus and sportsmanship, emphasizing the importance of teamwork and preparation as the season progresses.



Wyatt Lambert, 165 pounds, takes on a fellow Lowry wrestler from Winnemucca. Image Credit: Photo courtesy of Assistant Coach Tim Grady.

With this strong start, the Greenwave wrestlers have set a high bar for the rest of the season. Fans and supporters can look forward to more exciting matches as the team builds on its early success and continues to make waves in the Nevada wrestling community.

THIS YEAR’S ROSTER INCLUDES:

Nathan Anderson	Rhett Hammond	Trace McKnight
Manny Barros	Peyton Heckman	Michael Melancon
Trey Bradley	Owen Holcomb	Carson Melendy
Tabitha Brockelsby	Cassandra Hooper	Jonah Morgan
Brayden Bryant	Trayden Huckaby	Cannon Phipps
Braylon Byrd	Evan Innes	Sara Poutree
Jayden Castillo	Alijah Juarez	Bailey Prinz
Avery Dealoia	Wyatt Lambert	Lars Rasmussen
Azalia Dent	Zachary Lewis	Zoe Rasmussen
Russ Downs	Jason Lewis	Marlie Ricketts
Tommie Fitzer	Saraphine Luna	Joseph Romero
Evan Garcia	Evan Mackuliak	Rio Segura
Katelyn Glinka	Tayven Martinez	Dustin Stritenberger
Andre Green	Kelton McAfee	Brady Sydney
Cooper Gubler	Ashton McCourtney	McKayla Taylor
Bartell Hammon	Neal McIntyre	Carter Williams

CCHS Boys’ Basketball Secures Decisive Win Over Moapa Valley

Home Crowd Cheers as Team Improves to 2-0 Record

Staff Report

Saturday night, December 6, the CCHS Boys’ Basketball team delivered a commanding performance on their home court, overpowering Moapa Valley with an 80-57 victory. The enthusiastic home crowd watched as the team showcased both offensive firepower and defensive discipline, quickly building a comfortable lead and maintaining control throughout the game.

This impressive win boosts CCSD’s early-season record to a promising 2-0. Players and coaches alike credited their teamwork and energy for the

result, emphasizing their commitment to building on this momentum as the season continues. Fans are eager to see if the squad can extend its winning streak in the upcoming matchups.

Leading the charge for the Greenwave, Calin Anderson dominated on both ends of the court, racking up 30 points, 11 rebounds, and eight blocks, while Barry Mitchell contributed a strong double-double with 18 points and 13 rebounds. Their standout performances fueled the team’s confidence and kept the momentum high, energizing teammates and fans alike as CCSD pressed its advantage against Moapa Valley.

COLUMNS

Movies & More

By Kelli Perez

Thank you to everyone who filled downtown with holiday spirit during last week’s Maine Street Christmas Tree Lighting. Seeing families bundled up, hearing carols, and watching the lights reminded us how lucky we are to be part of a supportive community. Your enthusiasm and kindness mean everything to the Fallon Theatre, and we’re grateful to celebrate this magical season with you.

At 6 pm on Friday and Saturday, the Churchill Community Coalition sponsors Home Alone (1990). This holiday favorite follows Kevin McCallister, a clever boy left home alone at Christmas, as he sets up amusing traps to stop two burglars. The festive lobby is decorated in Home Alone style. Rated PG, it runs 1 hour and 43 minutes.

At 7 pm both nights, enjoy A Christmas Story (1983), a nostalgic comedy about young Ralphie Parker’s quest for his dream Christmas gift amid family and school adventures. Rated PG, 1 hour and 34 minutes.

Next weekend, The Polar Express returns! Join us on Friday, December 19th, and Saturday, December 20th, for free showings at 6 pm and 7 pm, plus a complimentary hot cocoa bar. Bring the family, sip cocoa, and enjoy the magic of this Christmas classic.

The Fallon Theatre will be closed on Friday, December 26th, so that volunteers can enjoy quality time with their families. We appreciate their work and look forward to seeing everyone back that weekend!

To wrap up 2025, enjoy Elvis Presley in Follow That Dream (1962) at 6 pm—a lighthearted comedy about a family starting fresh in Florida.

At 7 pm, watch John Wayne’s 3 Godfathers (1948), a heartfelt western about three outlaws protecting a stranded newborn. These screenings are a warm way to end the year with family, friends, and classic movie magic.

Looking ahead, on Saturday, March 7th, 2026, join us for Heritage of the West, a free event celebrating our region’s roots. We invite performers, historians, poets, and storytellers to share music, cowboy poetry, dance, and oral histories. To participate, contact huck_salt@yahoo.com or call 775-423-2055 or 775-217-4142.

Most movie showings at the Fallon Theatre are free, with popcorn, candy, and snacks available at the concession stand. To rent the theatre or display a marquee message, call 775-423-6210 or email thefallontheatre@gmail.com.

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What’s Cooking in Kelli’s Kitchen: Tis the Season for Cloves

By J. Hodnett, in for Kelli Kelly

Nothing says December holidays like cloves. These humble dried flower buds play a starring role in so many seasonal favorites: gingerbread, mulled wine, Sufganiyot, spice cake, mincemeat, Speculaas cookies, sweet potato pie and many more.

Cloves are a versatile warming spice used in sweet and savory dishes year-round. Cloves are in everything from chai to snickerdoodles, and buying whole cloves to grind yourself is preferable to buying ground cloves, as they lose their potency quickly once ground.

And cloves have purposes beyond cooking as well. For centuries, clove oil has been used to relieve toothaches due to its numbing compound, eugenol. And long before I was cooking, cloves were a huge part of my childhood for their decorative purposes and aroma. I remember the delight I felt when my aunt gave me a clove necklace, and later when my mother gave me a box made completely out of cloves. I still have the box, and it still smells amazing.

Want to try cooking with cloves? Come by the library in December and pick up a sample of Burlap and Barrel's cloves, which come from Pemba Island in the Zanzibar Archipelago, and are supposed to be much higher in oil than other cloves. Cloves are the buds of a flowering tree, harvested just before they bloom; as they dry, their color shifts from pink to dark brown. These cloves come from ancient trees, and their cultivation is carefully managed by families who have overseen clove and other spice production in the region for generations.

If you are interested in grinding and combining your own spice mixes, cloves are a cornerstone for sauces and blends from all over the

world. While their starring role in five-spice powder is well known, cloves are also used in mole, garam masala, mulling spices, curry powders (like the one below), Cincinnati chili powder, pickling spice, pumpkin spice, as well as shawarma, berbere, tandoori and jerk seasonings. If you like the Spice Club sample from the library, you can easily find whole cloves—many stores even sell them in bulk.

Lamb Biryani Ingredients:

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| 1/2 cup | Plain yogurt |
| 2 cloves | Garlic, minced |
| 1/8 tsp. | Cayenne |
| 1/2 tsp. | Ground cumin |
| 1 pound | Lamb (or beef), cut into 1/2-inch cubes |
| 3 tbsp. | Butter |
| 1 | Onion, cut in thin slices |
| 1/4 tsp. | Ground cardamom or coriander |
| 1/4 tsp. | Turmeric |
| 5 | Whole cloves garlic |
| 1 stick | Cinnamon, broken in half |
| 1 1/2 cups | Long-grain rice, preferably basmati |
| 2 3/4 cups | Water |

DIRECTIONS:

1. Combine the first four ingredients in a bowl or bag, and salt and pepper to taste. Stir in lamb.
2. In a large saucepan, melt butter over moderate heat. Add the onion and cook until starting to soften, about 3 minutes. Stir in the rice and remaining spices. Cook for about one minute.
3. Add the lamb mixture to the pan. Stir in water and bring to a simmer. Cover and simmer until the rice and lamb are almost done, about 20 minutes. Remove from the heat. Let stand,

covered, until the rice and lamb are just done, about 5 minutes.

4. Remove cloves and cinnamon stick before serving.

Madras Curry Powder Ingredients:

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| 2 tbsp. | Coriander seeds |
| 1 tbsp. | Cumin seeds |
| 2 tsp. | Fenugreek seeds |
| 1 tsp. | Fennel seeds |
| 1 tsp. | Black or yellow mustard seeds |
| 1 tsp. | Black peppercorn |
| 1/2 tsp. | Whole cloves |
| 1 tsp. | Cardamom seeds |
| 8-10 | Dried red chilis (like chili de árbol), stems discarded |
| 2 sticks | Cinnamon, broken up into smaller pieces |
| 1 tbsp. | Ground turmeric |
| 1 tsp. | Ground ginger |
| 1/2 tsp. | Freshly grated nutmeg |

DIRECTIONS:

1. Combine spices (except turmeric, ginger, and nutmeg) in a spice grinder (or a clean coffee grinder), grinding in batches if necessary. Transfer to a medium bowl.
2. Stir in the turmeric, ginger, and nutmeg.
3. Store this spice blend in an airtight jar (preferably glass) in a cool, dry place, away from sunlight. This blend will keep for up to 6 months.

J is the Children's Services Librarian at the Churchill County Library. Currently J is undergoing chemotherapy and modeling an increasingly wide variety of hats.

Allison’s Book Report: “The Christmas Fix” By Lucy Score

By Allison Diegel

Last week, I reviewed a thriller/mystery, and as much as I loved that pick, I promised you all a little more seasonally appropriate read this week. It is time to deliver, and if you love a steamy holiday rom-com, this week’s pick is perfect for you! The Christmas Fix by Lucy Score is a heartwarming and funny holiday romance that perfectly captures the magic of small-town life and the unexpected joy of finding love where you least expect it. It is a story about fixing up more than just an old inn - it is about fixing lives and finding a place to truly belong.

The story introduces us to Noah Chandler, a brooding, grumpy, but undeniably handsome construction contractor. Noah, known for his ability to renovate anything, finds his latest challenge in the charming but very dilapidated historic inn in the town of Lush, Vermont. He is a man who prefers the company of power tools to people and views the job as a temporary escape from his own complicated life. Enter Molly Snow, the inn’s owner, and the bright, eternally optimistic force of nature behind the renovation. Molly has inherited the crumbling inn and is determined to restore it to its former glory in time for Christmas. Her spirited nature and relentless cheer are the complete opposite of Noah’s reserved demeanor, leading to plenty of hilarious and sparks-flying friction.

As they are forced to work closely together, the initial antagonism starts



to melt away, revealing a powerful attraction. Noah, the man who tries to keep everyone at arm’s length, finds himself unexpectedly drawn to Molly’s genuine warmth and her infectious love for her small town. He starts seeing Lush not just as a job site, but as a potential home, and Molly not just as a client, but as the one person who can truly see past his tough exterior.

This novel is packed with the delightful, quirky residents of Lush who are determined to help their beloved inn succeed and, more importantly, play matchmakers for their two very stubborn leads. Through holiday traditions, snowy mishaps, and shared moments of vulnerability, Noah and Molly navigate their growing feelings. The Christmas Fix is ultimately about the healing power of community and the courage it takes to open your heart. It is a holiday treat that reminds us that sometimes, the biggest fix we need is not in a broken building, but in our own lonely hearts. It promises a happily-ever-after wrapped up in a cozy, festive bow.

Light up that tree, make a cup of cocoa, put on your jammies, grab a blanket, and get cozy for this week’s pick. And while you are at it, do not forget to pop over to my Instagram @allison.the.reader for more recommendations and holiday 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.

Postcards: Virgil Getto, Part 1

By Michon Mackedon

My friend Pat Getto brought me an article about her late husband, Virgil Getto (1924-2014). It was written by Chris Hansen and published by the “Fallon Star Press” on July 6, 2007. As Hansen summed up Virgil’s career, he grew “from Fallon farmer to statesman.”

In addition to reading Hansen’s fine article, I read the Oral History of Virgil Getto, which you can access online at the Churchill County Museum website. Our country, including our Valley, was built by hard-working immigrants from all over the world, and Virgil’s memories of his parents’ roles as Italian immigrants in a new world are both familiar (in the sense that the struggles of early twentieth-century immigrants were somewhat similar) and particular in their personal and regional detail.

Getto was born and raised on the family’s farm, 1200 Lovelock Highway. His parents, Andrew Getto and Desolina Getto, were immigrants from Ivrea, Italy. Andrew came to America in 1907 and joined his brother John, who was working in Tonopah.

Getto: “They didn’t speak any English. In fact, there’s a story about–wish I could remember the name of the fellow, but when Dad and he went out to Tonopah and they were trying to get a job and this fellow–he was married, Dad was single, and so they told him, they said, ‘Well, the way to get a job is you go to the boss and you invite him to your house for dinner. Have your wife cook a nice dinner.’ So, he did that. He went up to the boss, and he says, ‘You come to my house and we’ll kill you for the chicken, and my wife will cook it.’ (laughing) He got things garbled up.

... So Dad worked with my uncle in Tonopah, but he didn’t like the mining, and so he was looking for something, and then, at that time, when they were advertising in the paper for the Newlands Project– they were advertising: ‘Farmers, come buy some land, and we’ll sell you the water, and you can have your own farm.’ So Dad, Uncle John, and Ed Frazzini–Ed Frazzini was in Tonopah. He was a real entrepreneur. He was in the furniture business, and he was doing everything. So they all three came to Fallon, and Ed Frazzini and my uncle, John, and my dad, the three of them bought all this land together. Well, Ed Frazzini was no farmer. He (laughing) hated it. So, eventually, in 1912, Ed Frazzini sold his [share].

We have all these deeds, and my cousin and I were looking at them this morning. In 1912, he sold his undivided one-third interest to my dad and my uncle, and that would have been this land on both sides of the River.”

Getto’s mother, Desolina, did not enter the scene until 1923, sixteen years after Andrew came to America.

Getto: “And then in 1923, my dad married. He asked my mother.... The ironical part about this was there was no dating and no romance. Dad went back to Italy in 1920, and they were trying to pair him up with somebody back there, and he did not particularly care for her. I guess he had just met my mom, and he said, ‘Well, if you ever get to the United States, look me up.’ So Mom really disliked her home life and things over in Italy because one other sister had come to the United States, and so she made a pledge that she would save every penny until she could buy a ticket to come to this country. She had a sister living in Indiana, and that’s the point that she would go to. So, in 1922, I think it was, she came to the United States and was staying with her sister, and then she wrote my dad a letter, and said, ‘I’m here! I’m in this country. What are you going to do about it?’ And so, Dad wrote back. I guess they corresponded back and forth, and finally–that was their romance, I guess, with letters ‘cause they didn’t travel that much in those days, and so finally, he said, ‘I’ll come and get you,’ and he did.

...They always spoke broken English, but Mom was a very intelligent woman. My dad was like a Rock of Gibraltar, steady, worked. He loved these animals He liked to work. And Mom had a good financial brain. So when they borrowed money from some Italian family [to build a house], and when they paid it off, they had to pay this interest, and so she immediately said, ‘well, that’s a good way to earn some money together, we’ll lend it.’And, that’s what she did. They never became wealthy, but they did quite well...They were just the most fair people you could imagine.”

I will bring you more of Virgil’s story next week. Please send your stories and ideas for stories to mackedo@phonewave.net.

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.

LEGAL NOTICES

Case No. 25DR16866

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
STATE OF OREGON
FOR THE COUNTY OF CROOK

SUMMONS
(Domestic Relations Suit)

In the Matter of:
JOSEPH SHERMAN and ADRINA
SHERMAN,
Petitioners,
and
JAZMINE JENNIFER SHERMAN
AND
JEREMIAH ANTHONY REYES,
Respondents.

**To: JEREMIAH ANTHONY REYES,
Respondent**

**IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF
OREGON, YOU ARE HEREBY
REQUIRED** to appear within thirty
(30) days from the date of the first
publication of this summons. In the
event of your failure to do so, Petitioner
may apply to the court to grant the
judgment and relief demanded in the
Petition.

NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT:
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this case if requested in the Petition. A
judgment for attorney fees may be en-
tered against you as provided in ORS
Chapter 109 should Petitioners in this
case prevail. If you do not “appear” in
this case, the other side will automati-
cally prevail. To “appear” you must file
with the court a legal paper called a
“motion” or “answer.” The “motion” or
“answer” must be received by the court
clerk within 30 days along with the re-
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court clerk is: Trial Court Office, 260
NW 2nd St, Suite 300, Prineville, OR
97754. The Clerk’s phone number is
(541) 447-6541. The “motion” or “an-
swer” must be in proper form and have
proof of “service” (mailing or delivery)
to Petitioner’s attorney, or if Petitioner
does not have an attorney, proof of
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DISTRICT COURT
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of the Estate of
ELAINE M. KORNACKI,
Deceased.

NOTICE OF SALE
[Pursuant to NRS §148.220]

ROBERT McMASTER, Administrator
of the Estate of ELAINE M. KOR-
NACKI, will sell at public auction
within one year to the highest and best
bidder, upon the terms and conditions
hereinafter mentioned and subject to
confirmation by the above entitled
Court, the Estate’s interest in and to
the following parcel of real property
commonly known as 7012 Grassy
Knoll Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89147
(the “Real Property”), more particu-
larly described as follows: Lot Twenty-
Five (25) in Block Four (4) of LAUREL
PARK HOMES NO. 2, as shown by
map thereof on file in Book 21 of Plats,
Page 39, in the Office of the County
Recorder of Clark County, Nevada and
that certain Certificate of Amendment
recorded March 18, 1980, as Docu-
ment No. 1160537 of Official Records.
APN: 163-15-811-138. Bids for said
property must be in writing and will
be received at the law offices of Daw-
son Lordahl Weisenmiller PLLC, or
may be filed with the County Clerk of
the above-entitled Court at 73 N.
Maine Street, Suite B, Fallon, Nevada
89406, at any time after the first publi-
cation of this Notice and before the
making of said sale. Said sale will be
upon the following terms and condi-
tions: (a) Cash or otherwise as ac-
cepted by the Administrator and as
approved by Order of the above Court.
(b)The Administrator reserves the
right to refuse any and all bids for any
reason whatsoever.

Dated: December 2, 2025
SUBMITTED BY:
DAWSON LORDAHL
WEISENMILLER PLLC
/s/ Kendal Weisenmiller

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PROPOSALS REQUESTED BY CITY OF FALLON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT US-50/SHERMAN AVENUE
INTERSECTION PROJECT CONTRACT NUMBER CH-2025-486
PWP CH-2025-486 THIS IS A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECT

Proposals via in person will be received by the City of Fallon Administrative
Office, City Hall, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, NV until 2:00 P.M. Local Time
on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, for Contract Number CH-2025-486.

Said Proposal shall include all labor, tools, implements, machinery, materials,
and any incidentals necessary to complete the work in the manner and time
prescribed, and in strict conformity with the Contract Documents to the satisfac-
tion of the City Engineer. In general, the major work items include:

Removal of existing power poles, installation of a complete signalized intersec-
tion system, pavement markings and other miscellaneous work as outlined in the
plans and specifications.

Minority and Women Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to
submit bids in response to this notice, and will not be discriminated against on
the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for and award of
any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement. The City of Fallon
affirms its interest in and encourages the different contracting communities to
actively pursue participation and utilization of Minority and Women Business
Enterprises on City projects.

The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246 of
September 24, 1965, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Labor
Standard Provisions. Minimum Wage rates have been determined by the Labor
Commissioner of the State of Nevada and are set forth in the contract documents.
In no case shall the wage rates be less than prescribed therein. In the event there is
a difference between the minimum wage rates as predetermined by the Secretary
of Labor and the prevailing wages rates as determined by the State Labor Com-
missioner for similar classifications of labor, the contractor or and his subcontract-
or shall not pay less than the wage rate which is the higher of the two.
Additionally, if a classification that is being used does not appear in the Davis
Bacon Wage decision, a Request for Classification will be required and will be for-
warded to the U.S. Department of Labor for approval.

1. This is a Federal-aid contract and the requirements for such shall apply. On a
Federal- aid contract, any Contractor otherwise qualified by the State of Nevada
to perform such work is not required to be licensed nor to submit application for
license in advance of submitting a bid or having such bid considered, provided,
however, that such exception does not constitute a waiver of the State’s right under
its license laws to require a Contractor, determined to be a successful bidder, to be
licensed to do business in the State of Nevada in connection with the award of the
contract to him.

2. Contractors and subcontractors are required to hold a valid Contractor’s
license of a class corresponding to the work to be done, in accordance with the
provisions of NRS 624, prior to being awarded a contract. NOTICE TO
CONTRACTORS NTC-2 Federal # SPF-050-2-(346)

3. Bidders are responsible to comply with all Federal, State, County and Local
laws, statutes, policies and procedures required to perform the scope of work.
All bidders must comply with the requirements of doing business in Nevada, as
directed by the Office of the Secretary of State (including a State Business
License), and any other County or Local agencies as may be applicable.

4. All Contractors doing business in Nevada must have a Federal Tax
Identification Number.

5. The following signed certification is required of the person, firm, association or
corporation in order for the bid to be considered responsive: • Anti-Collusion Affi-
davit (form included below) • Restrictions on Lobbying Using Appropriated Federal
Funds (form included below) • Bidder Subcontractor Information (5%) • Bidder
Subcontractor Information (1%) • List of Subcontractors and Suppliers Bidding

6. All proposals must be accompanied by a proposal guaranty (bid bond or
other guaranty) made unconditionally payable to the City of Fallon in the amount
equal to 5% of total bid amount. The guaranty may be cash, cashier’s check,
certified check, money order, bank draft, an undertaking executed by a corporate
surety company authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, an electronic
bid bond validated with Surety 2000 or SurePath, or any other guaranty that may
be especially approved by the City of Fallon. Such proposal guaranty is to be
forfeited to the City of Fallon should the bidder to whom the contract is awarded
fail to enter into the contract within 20 days of the award of the contract.

The bidder must supply all the information required by the bid documents and
specifications and complete all forms in the Proposal, including, but not limited to
the Section 3 Clause, Suspension and Debarment Certificate, Prime Contractors
Agreement of Compliance, and Bidders Statement on Previous Contracts Subject
to EEO Clause. The EEO requirements, labor provisions, and wage rates are in-
cluded in the specifications and bid documents.

The Bidders attention is directed to Nevada Revised Statutes 338.01165 setting
forth the requirements for the use of apprentices on public works which requires a
contractor or subcontractor to comply with certain requirements relating to the
use of apprentices on public works.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at
www.questcdn.com - Project Name: US50 and Sherman Avenue Signalized Inter-
section Project, #CH-2025-486 and may be downloaded for a non-refundable fee.
Prospective bidders shall purchase digital documents from Quest CDN to receive
addenda postings. Please contact Quest CDN at 952-233-1632 or
info@questcdn.com for assistance with digital project information. Bids will only
be accepted from bidders on the Quest CDN plan holders list. Documents may
also be examined for free at J-U-B ENGINEERS, Inc., 5109 Neil Road, Suite 500,
Reno, NV, 89502, 775-852-1440 or on Quest CDN.


The contact person for this project is Derek Zimney, City Engineer, with the
City of Fallon, and may be reached at 775-423-5107, dzimney@fallonnevada.gov.

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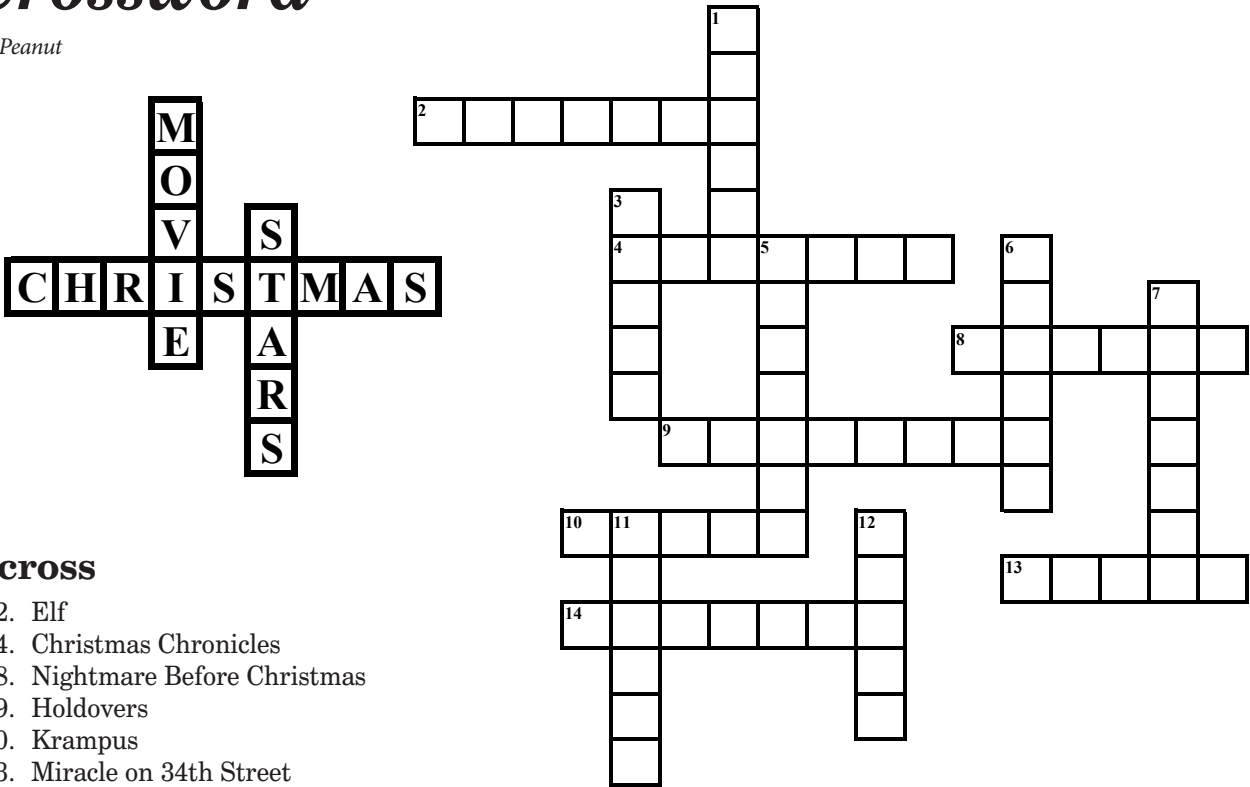
CROSSWORD ANSWERS
Crossword found on page 16

CROSBY	GRANT	RUSSELL
CULKIN	HANKS	SCOTT
ELFMAN	HARBOUR	STEWART
FERRELL	JOHNSON	WILLIS
GIAMATTI	OHARA	

LEGAL NOTICES

Crossword

By Peanut



Across

- 2. Elf
- 4. Christmas Chronicles
- 8. Nightmare Before Christmas
- 9. Holdovers
- 10. Krampus
- 13. Miracle on 34th Street
- 14. Red One

Down

- 1. Die Hard
- 3. Bishop's Wife
- 5. It's a Wonderful Life
- 6. Home Alone
- 7. Violent Night
- 11. White Christmas
- 12. Polar Express

[Crossword answers found on page 15]



NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to NRS 164.025, notice is hereby given that B.F. (RICK) MCCOY and JULIE R. SMITH are duly appointed and qualified co-Trustees of the B & A MCCOY FAMILY TRUST. The B & A MCCOY FAMILY TRUST was created on June 2, 1994, by Bert F. McCoy and Arlie D. McCoy as Trustors and Grantors. Grantor, Bert F. McCoy, died on January 5, 2014, and Grantor, Arlie D. McCoy, died on June 21, 2024. A creditor having a claim against the Grantors and/or against the trust estate must file a claim with the undersigned at the address given below within 90 days after the first publication of this notice.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2025

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