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Nevada Livestock Marketing in Fallon Hosts Ranchers for Trump

Story and photos by John Baker

Red, white, and blue flags, banners, and signs filled the parking lots of Nevada Livestock Marketing and the Rafter 3C Event Complex last weekend, September 28-30, as Ranchers for Trump gathered for two events rallying supporting former president and Republican candidate Donald Trump.

Jack Payne, owner of Nevada Livestock Marketing, hosted the rally at the sale yard on Friday. A two-day Trump Rally Roping event followed Saturday and Sunday at the Churchill County Fairgrounds. Ranchers for Trump organized both events to raise money for the former president, specifically to fund ads informing voters about beef production and the potential shortages linked to Kamala Harris's plans.

Singer-songwriter Mark Mackay kicked off both events with the National Anthem and continued live performances throughout the rally. Event speakers included The Honorable David Bernhardt, the 53rd U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) Chairman Matt Schlapp, former Senior Advisor to



Some of the ranchers and supporters that attended the rally on Friday at NLM.

Trump, Mercedes Schlapp, and former Nevada gubernatorial candidate Joey Gilbert.

The rally featured an auction that drew ranchers, cattlemen, and conservatives from the region, with items ranging from non-cattle goods to hundreds of cattle donated from across the Western United States.

The Trump Rally Ropings tested skills

essential to ranchers, including breakaway roping, steer stopping, team branding, and muley roping, with each event contributing to fundraising efforts for the campaign.

The event underscored the importance of family involvement in agriculture and highlighted the need to keep the cattle industry strong and sustainable in the U.S.

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The Cantaloupe Festival: A Well-Oiled Volunteer Machine

By Leanna Lehman with photos by Victoria Crystal

Did you know that the Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair only had 20 volunteers in 2017 and 37 in 2021? How did they do it? According to Cantaloupe Festival Executive Director Adrienne Snow, it was no easy feat. With that in mind, the festival organizers gathered last Tuesday evening, September 24, at the Twisted Branch in Fallon to recognize and show their deep appreciation to the 200 volunteers who made this year's event so incredible.

"I was just sharing with some of the other volunteers when I came back from a festival in Southern Nevada, and it gave me an opportunity to see what our festival looks like in comparison," said Cantaloupe Festival Executive Director Adrienne Snow. "We have

a phenomenal festival, and so much of that is the volunteers who made that possible."

Snow introduced Fallon Festival Association leadership, beginning with Chairman Zip Upham, who could not attend the event but has



Left to right: Association members Shania Brown, Adrienne Snow, Todd Moretto, Carrie Sheldon Davis, and Samantha Horning. Not pictured Zip Upham and Angela Guthrie.

been integral to the festival's growth and success. Vice Chairman Todd Moretto, the longest-serving board member, handles all things entertainment, "And I don't mean just the musical entertainment," Snow said, explaining Moretto handles it all.

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log The Process

By Rachel Dahl

Sometimes it's hard. Finding something to write about.

There's a special kind of mental acrobatics that is often performed when one sits at a blank page with an obligation, for whatever reason, to fill that space.

Often, these time-killing activities don't happen at the paper or the laptop but manifest in the most mundane of household chores being methodically tackled. Or, like today, all the news sources have to be examined at length, and then the online classes checked out.

Anything but noun and verb on the page. I'm eternally grateful for the ability to string words together, some days with better results than others, but in a general sense, fairly satisfactorily.

I used to love to read Tim Findley when he was writing for Range Magazine – he and CJ Hadley were on the same political wavelength, and she turned him loose to do what he did best, one after another in beautiful cadence he would use words to eviscerate some federal agency or lackluster bureaucrat.

John Kennedy, Jr. also had a way about him – he published a magazine during the late 90s called George that I absolutely loved at the time. Maybe the part where he just started it from scratch, maybe the part where he did something unique and particularly bold. And he used words to do it.

My dad paid me a particularly lovely compliment earlier this week. He sent a quote by Joseph Smith, the boy prophet who restored Christ's church to the earth in the early 1800s and laid the groundwork for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints by translating the golden plates for our modern-day use. The boy Joseph dealt in words translating, proselytizing, and using them to grow what would become one of the world's largest organizations.

"Oh Lord God, Deliver Us from this prison... of a crooked, broke, scattered and imperfect language," wrote Smith.

And dad followed in his note to me by text, "You seem to do well with that imperfect language."

High praise, indeed, made more meaningful as they came from a lover of words. A man who devours stories and can spin some yarns of his own.

One of my favorite things to read, and my bookshelves will attest, are books written by writers about writing. Stephen King is one of my favorites. I won't read his novels, but this book, "On Writing," explores his personal path to fame as an author and then talks about his process to get words on the page. I learned from King that you are only a writer when you write. And that's as easy as it is. To write every day makes one a member of that exclusive club. Write, and your dreams come true. Write, and you are a writer.

Ray Bradbury, that brilliant scribe, wrote one as well—"Zen in The Art of Writing," which also changed my life or taught me to recognize life and living, to recognize myself.

"So while our art cannot, as we wish it could, save us from wars, privation, envy, greed, old age, or death, it can revitalize us amidst it all. Writing is survival. Any art, any good work, of course, is that. Not to write, for many of us is to die," he wrote.

So, while we pound out another paper, another Captain's Log, another love note to you, our readers, we'll be right here...

...Keeping you Posted.

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Snow then highlighted the hard work of Secretary Samatha Horning, who also serves as Vendor Coordinator. Horning works with over 200 vendors starting in early spring and organizes the exhibit hall and Country Fair, even managing the gift shop.

Another key association member is Marketing and Media Coordinator Shania Brown, who works year-round toward the festival's success. "Shania has taken us to an entirely different level," said Snow. "So everything that

makes this organization look professional online... and to the outside world."

Treasurer Angela Guthrie from Financial Horizons ensures the financial side of the festival runs smoothly. "Tracking ticket sales, vendor payments, incoming and outgoing monies—probably twice—Angela makes sure it's all accounted for," Snow explained. Financial Horizons also donated over 100 volunteer hours to handle ticket lines and will receive a catered lunch delivered by Snow in appreciation.

Volunteer Coordinator Carrie Sheldon-Davis is another highly valuable festival asset who manages the 200+ event volunteers. "Volunteers are the backbone of this festival," she said, excited that the volunteer base has grown so much in the last few years.

The association works year-round, logging an average of 4,821 hours. Snow is the only paid employee, but her contributions far exceed her official hours. "Since Adrienne's been here, she's done so much more behind the scenes than people realize," Moretto said. He credited her with converting the festival into a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, securing grants, and maintaining the budgets for each department. "There's so much she does, and she



Festival Vice Chairman Todd Moretto with Logos Christian Academy volunteers Paton Cooper, Nolan Cooper, and Emma Slentz.

doesn't get enough credit."

Beyond recognizing the volunteers' hard work, the festival also gives back to the community. The association donates \$10 for every hour of volunteer service to student organizations and nonprofits. This year, Boy Scout Troop 1776 earned \$1,100 for their 110 hours of volunteering, Oasis Academy Varsity Baseball Team received \$500 for 50 hours, CCHS JAG earned \$350 for 35 hours, and Logos Christian Academy was awarded \$145 for 14.5 hours.

Volunteers and organizations contributed 523 hours to this year's festival.

The festival organizers awarded two \$500 scholarships to the Cantaloupe Festival King and Queen, helping them pursue higher education.

Additionally, the festival association is donating to the upcoming Maine Street Spooktacular - a safe Halloween event for children in the community. "We get to pay forward to other nonprofits when we have it," Snow explained.

Thanks to the dedication of the Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair Association and many volunteers that help this beloved tradition continue in our community.

FEATURES

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David Bernhardt, the 53rd U.S. Secretary of the Interior addresses the crowd.



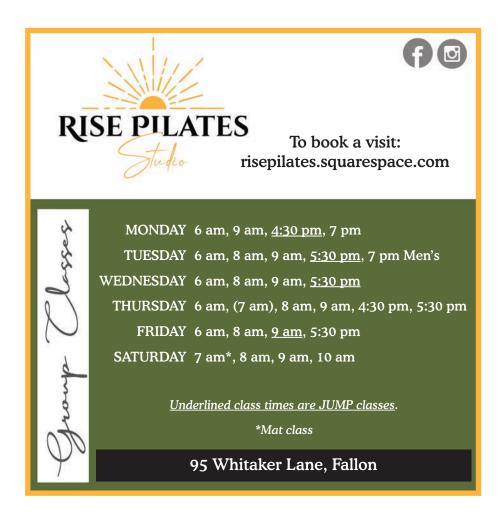
Former Nevada gubernatorial candidate and Northern Nevada attorney Joey Gilbert.



Mark Mackay performing under American flag.



Roper attempts to make a catch in the steer-stopping.







ANNOUNCEMENTS





These two unhappy pups were found near E.C. Best Elementary School several days ago. They are registered as D-727 and D-728 at the Fallon Animal Shelter. If you are their owner, call the shelter and make arrangements to pick them up as soon as possible. If you think you know where they belong, call the shelter so their owner can be contacted.

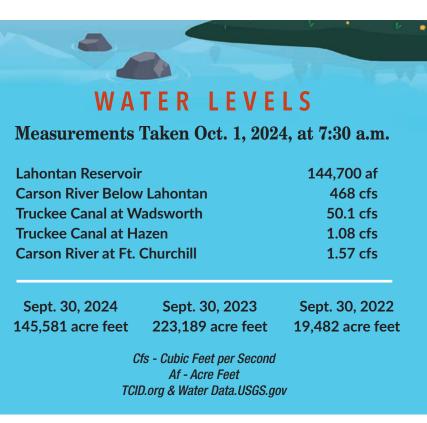
The shelter is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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OBITUARIES



JUDITH ANN WALSH AJA FABEL March 26, 1944 - September 20, 2024

Judith (Judy) Ann Walsh Aja passed peacefully at home on September 20, 2024. She was born March 26, 1944, in Rapid City, South Dakota, to Chuck and Dee Walsh. Her father worked in road construction in northern Nevada. Judy and her brother, Jerry, lived on many work sites and in different towns before settling in Fallon.

Judy and Bobby Fabel were together for 38 years and were married for 13 years. She is survived by her husband, Bobby; her brother, Jerry Walsh (Carol): daughters, Teri (Al McElrov) and Jamie (Rudy Lara); and grandchildren, Drake and Cody McElroy, Colton and Cooper Lara, and Kristen Pyatt. She will be missed by Bobby's mother, Shirley; brother, Thane; and sisters, Christine Longfield, Lucille Fabel, Beverly Bahasa, Gloria Fabel, Irene Wyrick, and Laura Tomac. Five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews filled

Judy was involved with the motocross racing scene in northern Nevada. She started "Shirt Jazz," a trophy and t-shirt business, making custom racing jerseys for many riders from all over. Judy was proud to have opened a shop called "Dirt Jazz," the first KTM motorcycle dealership in Nevada. Judy was proud to have been a "Blue Coat" official with the AMA.

She was an "ornery" member of the Nevada Old Timers Club and promoted racing at all the tracks. Her sparkling blue eyes, welcoming smile, and personality greeted the racers at the sign-up trailer, answering questions, working on the race schedule, posting results, and chasing pit riders. People who met Judy were never strangers for long. She had a knack for remembering the names, faces, and stories of all the riders. Judy made sure they could race, even when entry money was tight.

There are no services scheduled at this time. A celebration of her life will be announced in the spring.

RICKY MARTIN BANOVICH, SR.

September 13, 1946 - September 11, 2024

Ricky Martin Banovich, Sr., was born on Friday, September 13, 1946, in Tonopah, Nevada. He passed from this life on September 11, 2024, surrounded by the love of his family, near and far.

Ricky was born to David and Mildred Banovich, the third of four sons. He grew up and went to school in Tonopah, Nevada. He loved to play basketball and football and enjoyed boxing.

Ricky followed in the footsteps of his father, several uncles, and a brother, going into law enforcement at age 21. He served on the

Fallon PD, the Churchill County Sheriff's Department, and the Nevada Highway Patrol. He was extremely proud to wear the "French Blue," graduating #1 in his POST training. Ricky enjoyed working on cars, riding his Harley, and visiting his friends. He loved to

watch drag and circle track racing. Ricky is survived by his loving wife, Tanya; his three sons, TR, Ricky, and Michael, and their families; his brother, Raymond; and numerous nieces, nephews, and extended

family. He was preceded in death by his parents and two older brothers, Dave and Randy. Per his wishes, there will be no services. The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Banner Hospital for their fan-

tastic care of Ricky in his final days. Words can not convey how very much they appreciate everything that was done for him.

Deepest thanks to Dr. Hockenberry and Dr. Thai for their care and compassion. To all the nurses, CNAs, therapists, and anyone I may have missed: Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Eternal gratitude to Smith Family Funeral Home for taking care of Ricky's final wishes.



MICHELLE LEE'ANNE LEON

January 2, 1977 - September 6, 2024

Our beautiful little angel Michelle Lee'Anne Leon left this earth on September 6, 2024, to be with Jesus. She is singing and dancing with the angels in Heaven now, at the age of 47.

She was born January 2, 1977, to Ronald and Margaret Leon in Hawthorne, Nevada.

Michelle was a true fighter all through her life. Despite the disability she had from birth, she defied all the medical prognoses throughout her life and exceeded all expectations.

She never gave up and was very determined to do things her way. She was always smiling, laughing,

and enjoying life with a love that glowed very brightly. Michelle was one of the greatest gifts given to our family and the greatest love our hearts will ever know.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ben and Arlie Jones, Donald Leon, and Beverly Schorzman; uncles, Benjamin Jones and Donald Leon Jr.; and cousins, Ronald Jones and Tammie Jones Thorpe, all of Fallon.

She is survived by her parents, Ronald and Margaret Leon; her sister, Wanda (Andrew) Smith; and brothers, Bobby (Eileen) Fish, all of Fallon, and Jonathan (Lara) Leon of Surprise, AZ.

She is also survived by her aunt, Joyce Reynolds, of Missoula, MT; uncles Sam (Kathi) Leon of Eugene, OR; David (Shannon) Leon of Eugene, OR; and Eddie Schorzman of Boise, ID; along with numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Services will be held in Fallon, Nevada, with the date to be announced later.

ELLEN (MICKEY) SULLIVAN FLORES

November 3, 1947 - September 6, 2024

Ellen (Mickey) Sullivan-Flores passed away on September 6, 2024, after a short battle with cancer. Mickey was born the third of eight children to Robert Edwin (Bob) Sullivan and Eleanor (Ellie) Laux Sullivan in Cleveland, Ohio, on November 3, 1947. She spent her early years cheering on the Fighting Irish in South Bend, Indiana, where her father was a professor at the Notre Dame School of Law and an assistant coach for their football team. When Bob accepted a job as the Dean of the University of Montana School of Law, Mickey moved to the place that forever had her heart the Big Sky Country.

After graduating from Carroll College and the University of Montana with degrees in speech and language pathology, Mickey moved to Fallon, NV, a move that was only anticipated to last a single year; 45+ years and six children later, Nevada was officially home.

Mickey worked as an early childhood speech therapist in Fallon, NV, where she touched the lives of many children. Yet, her true passion was family. Mickey was a supportive and understanding mother. She constantly showed up to her children's activities and always cheered them on in any endeavor. For Mickey, family wasn't just her own kids and her large extended family; it was a group that included neighbors, friends, the friends of all her children, and anyone who was far from home or didn't have family. Even with a large family of eight, there was always room for more at the table. Due to Mickey's generosity and kindness, the Flores house was considered home to anyone who walked through its doors, and she was never happier than when there was a house filled to the brim with the people she loved.

In her later years, Mickey relished the role of

grandmother, and a new generation was treated to her love and attention. From 'grandma slumber parties' to beach vacations and trips to the pumpkin patch, she was there for the big adventures. Where Mickey really shined was in the daily interactions with her grandkids, where she turned simple things like a walk to school into a precious memory.

Mickey cared deeply about her community and making it a better place. She had a spe-

cial way with people that let them know how much they were valued for exactly who they were. In a large group, Mickey wasn't the loudest or the most visible person, but she was always at the heart of any operation, moving it forward with her quiet Irish determination. She put her talents to work at St. Vincent's Dining Room, where she volunteered weekly, preparing and serving meals to those in need. She also donated her time at Little Flower Catholic Church, as her faith and service were very important to her. She greatly enjoyed the friendships she formed while supporting both communities.

In addition to her volunteer activities, Mickey greatly loved cooking and baking and found the kitchen to be a calming place. Mickey loved having her meals be the reason for people to gather. She enjoyed crocheting, cross stitching, gardening, and going for walks with her family and dog, Murphy. Mickey took pleasure in visiting her children and grandchildren and embarking on adventures during her time with them. She also really enjoyed spending time catching up with all her sisters. "Family is everything," she often said.



Mickey is survived by her six children: Kathleen Cederlöf (Jörgen), David Flores, Patricia Flores, Michelle Barbato (Steve), Theresa Devenport (Chris), and Kevin Flores; her six grandchildren: Elin and Mira Cederlöf, Nelsen and Harriet Martinson, and Reilly and Quinn Barbato; her sisters: Sheila Merkel, Kathleen (Kitty) Sullivan, Shannon Anderson, Bridget McGregor and Kerry Sullivan-Lechner; sisters-in-law:

Vickie (Tony) Cadiente and Rosalind Wick, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bob and Ellie Sullivan; her brother, David Sullivan; her sister, Maureen Dougherty; and her son-in-law, Rune Martinson.

Services will be held at Little Flower Catholic Church in Reno, NV, on Saturday, October 5, 2024, at 1 p.m., followed by a reception at the Reno Elks Lodge.

The family invites memorial donations in honor of Mickey to support the organization that she supported so much, the St. Vincent's Dining Room of Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, PO Box 5099, Reno, NV, 89513.

Beloved mother, grandmother, sister, sisterin-law, aunt, and friend, you are deeply missed. The world is less loving and welcoming without you in it. We love you and hold you close in our hearts until we meet again.

May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, The rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

COMMUNITY



Photo by Dr. Sue Segura.

Local High Schools Host Stanford Recruiter

Staff Report

Churchill County High School and Oasis Academy High School hosted a Stanford University recruiter on September 25 at CCHS. The 143 students who attended the presentation learned what grade point averages and ACT scores the university expects from its applicants and other Stanford admission requirements.

Stanford is now recruiting in rural school districts, and according to Dr. Sue Segura, CCHS School-to-Careers Coordinator, a student trip to the Stanford campus is planned for the spring.



Left, Levi Kaster, and right, Tess Ludlow. Photo by Bridget Slentz.

Logos Christian Academy Kindergarten celebrated Johnny Appleseed Day in style from crafts to homemade applesauce.

CCHS Intern Spotlight



Darius Poalini is our intern of the week. After gaining valuable experience last year with Stillwater Homes, Darius is now learning new skills with M-D Tree Surgery. Under the guidance of owner Marco DiGiacinto, he is gaining firsthand knowledge of what it takes to succeed in the workforce while exploring a different skilled trade industry. On prevailing wage jobs with M-D, Darius earns an impressive \$44 per hour. Photo by Dr. Sue Segura.



SENIOR CENTER MENU

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Monday, October 7

Hawaiian Beef Meatballs w/Pineapple Fluffy Rice Capri Blend Veggies WW Bread Fresh Pear

Tuesday, October 8

Roast Chicken Breast w/Gravy **Cornbread Stuffing** Peas and Carrots **WW Roll** Fruit Cocktail Apple Slices

Wednesday, October 9

Swiss Steak WW Pasta Mixed Vegetable Orange Spinach Salad Seasonal Fruit

Thursday, October 10

Chicken Enchilada Casserole **Refried Beans** Sour Cream & Salsa Fiesta Cole Slaw **Pineapple**

Friday, October 11

BBQ Pork Riblet Scalloped Potatoes **Mustard Greens** WW Bread Spiced Applesauce

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Monday, October 7

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ELECTIONS

Kidd Campaign Stop in Fallon

Story and photo by Nancy Chapman

Greg Kidd is running for Congressional Nevada District 2 as a Nonpartisan candidate against the incumbent Republican Mark Amodei. He made a campaign stop in Fallon at The Grid Market and Brewery on Sunday, September 29. Kidd stated that he spent part of his life in New Hampshire, whose motto is "Live Free or Die," so his campaign slogan, "Free, Fair, Wild," fits right in. He wants to create jobs and improve

the quality of life for Nevadans.



Congressional candidate Greg Kidd at the Grid Market and Brewery in Fallon last Sunday.

Candidate Kidd has experience in outdoor leadership and is concerned with keeping Nevada's lithium processing in Nevada. The processing is now outsourced to China, and then the lithium is shipped back to the United States at a safer level for manufacturing. He wants to keep the jobs and the lithium processing within Nevada for a positive financial impact. He works with the Federal Reserve and knows the policies required to help Nevada prosper as a state.

He has personal experience with startup investing, having started the first bicycle messenger business in New Zealand. Jack Dorsey, who later became the founder of Square and Twitter, hacked into his company. Greg Kidd hired Mr. Dorcy on the spot, sight unseen, knowing his capabilities would find the weak points in his business and its

He believes Nevada needs to improve its infrastructure for future generations. Greg Kidd is in favor of term limits for Congress and the Senate but would prefer that the voters vote incumbents out

of office over enacting term limits. He also went on to say that he is in favor of personal rights, including women's right to choose, as well as personal responsibilities.

He said that he fell in love with Nevada for the great outdoors it holds. As a bike racer, he enjoys Nevada's trails and their challenges, along with the beauty.

General Election **Important Dates**

By Anne McMillin, APR

The General Election will be held on November 5, 2024. Sample ballots will be mailed to all active registered voters on Oct 1, and mail-in ballots will go out on Oct 7.

MAIL BALLOTS & EARLY VOTING

With the passage of Assembly Bill 321 during the 2021 Legislative Session, all registered voters will receive a ballot by mail. If you wish to vote by mail and the state has your correct address, you do not need to do anything. To confirm or update your voter registration, please visit the Nevada Secretary of State's website.

Early voting for the General Election begins Oct 19 and runs through Nov 1 at two locations in Churchill County:

Churchill County Commissioner Chambers

155 N. Taylor St., in Fallon Saturday, Oct 19 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, Oct 21 - Friday, Oct 25 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct 26 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, Oct 28 - Friday, Nov 1

Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Community Learning Center

8955 Mission Rd., Fallon, Nevada Saturday, Oct 19 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday, Nov 1

8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

• Clerk/Treasurer's Office at 155 N. Taylor Street, Suite 110, Fallon, Nevada • City of Fallon Clerk's Office at 55 W. Williams Ave., Fallon, Nevada

CHURCHILL COUNTY'S OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP BOX LOCATIONS ARE:

Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe Administration Office at 565 Rio Vista West,

Fallon, Nevada

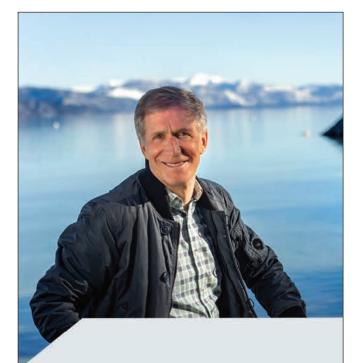
8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

GENERAL ELECTION DAY Polls will be open at two locations on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, from 7 a.m.

- Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way, Fallon, Nevada
- Fallon Paiute Shoshone Community Learning Center, 8955 Mission Rd, Fallon, Nevada

contact the Churchill County Clerk/Treasurer's office at (775)423-6028.

For any questions regarding your voter registration or the election process, please



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— Greg Kidd

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About Greg

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CHURCHILL COUNTY COURTS

Tenth Judicial District Court

Tuesday, September 24 - Judge Thomas Stockard Presiding

By Teresa Moon

Darrin Ray Dummer, currently in custody, pleaded guilty to the gross misdemeanor charge of Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment of a Child Not Causing Substantial Bodily or Mental Harm, which is punishable by up to 364 days in jail and a fine of up to \$2,000. A psychological risk assessment is required before probation can be considered.

According to the factual basis for the plea, Dummer left his three-year-old child unattended at his residence for at least 30 minutes. Sentencing is scheduled for November 19 to allow the psychological risk assessment.

Jason Manuel Rothert pleaded guilty to the Category C Felony of Non-support of a Spouse, a Former Spouse, or a Child, punishable by 1 to 5 years and a fine up to \$10,000.

Churchill County Alternate Public Defender Wright Noel stated that if Rothert makes monthly payments of \$440 for one year as outlined in the plea agreement, the charge will be reduced to a gross misdemeanor. Rothert is currently \$22,101.13 in arrears on his child support. Judge Stockard continued sentencing to September 30, 2025, to allow Rothert time to demonstrate consistent payments.

Rosselder James Badger, in custody, appeared for sentencing on the Category D Felony of Ex-Felon Not to Possess a Firearm, to which he pled guilty under an Alford plea on July 23. In an Alford plea, defendants do not admit to guilt but agree to accept all applicable penalties upon sentencing.

CCPD Wright Noel emphasized his client's limited ties to Churchill County and noted Badger was passing through when he was arrested. Noel acknowledged his prior offenses, "If you look at Mr. Badger's criminal history, you'll see some significant criminal history, but most of it is relatively dated. If you look back... there was a period there up until about two years ago where he did very well." Noel asked for probation with an interstate compact to Washington or Oregon "where he has employment, he can go get back to work, and he can put this behind him, and we won't see him again."

Badger reported he had been clean since 2018 but relapsed, leading to his current situation. He told Judge Stockard that after spending 85 days in jail, he had gotten to know himself and his recovery and was learning about the Lord. "I really know I don't deserve any leniency from this court, Your Honor," said Badger, "but I would really, really ask the court to grant me mercy and let me go back to Oregon where my family's at."



Tenth Judicial District Court Building.

Judge Stockard imposed fees and assessments and sentenced Badger to 12-36 months, granting credit for time served. Citing Badger's criminal history, firearm possession, and prior 11 or 12 times in prison, the judge stated, "I just can't give you the leniency you ask for." Badger was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's office for imposition of the sentence.

Alisha Gonzalez Ezly, in custody, appeared for sentencing on the Category C Felony of Grand Larceny of a Motor Vehicle, to which she pled guilty on July 23.

Senior Deputy District Attorney told the court, "We have an individual who was in our community, took a car, ran rampant with it for about a day." She said Ezly then failed to appear for her arraignment and was arrested in the Carson City area. "I understand the defendant has quite a convoluted history; however, her history and or substance abuse do not negate what she did and that her actions had consequences," Sanford stated, explaining that Ezly saw a car with keys in it and decided to take it. The vehicle was found the next day in the desert. Ezly had removed the VIN in two places and put a different license plate on. "This is not a case again where she turned herself in, that she got clean and sober, and decided to own up and beg the court for mercy. She was caught and had to be transported back here." Based on the facts and circumstances of the case, Sanford requested restitution of \$1,233.18 and a sentence of 18-60 months in prison.

CCPD Wright Noel read from Ezly's Pre-Sentencing Investigation, noting that she had been living in a domestic violence shelter in Carson City, attending therapy daily, and looking for a job. She met a family who let her move into their home, and was able to get employment driving a truck. According to Noel, she was gainfully employed, stable, and sober for the first time in ten years. She ran a stop sign and was taken into custody. "There's no question that Miss Ezly handled this case in the worst way possible," said Noel, who reported he sees a complete change in his client from when she failed to show up for court and today; that at the beginning of this case, she was difficult to deal with and refused to accept any responsibility for her actions. When she came back into custody, she had her CDL, was driving for a trucking company, and was very sorry for what she did. Noel asked that, in recognition of the good things she has done, Judge Stockard consider probation for Ezly and an opportunity to go to work so she can pay her restitution.

Ezly apologized for her actions, stating that the day after she was released on bail, she checked herself into a 30-day treatment facility and has been sober since. She also spent five months inpatient in a domestic violence shelter where she received more treatment. Ezly concluded, "I've been sober for two and a half years, gainfully employed for a year and a half. And I'm a different person today than I was in the past. And I hope to continue that."

Judge Stockard granted Ezly probation on a suspended prison sentence of 28-80 months, ordered restitution of \$150 per month, a substance abuse evaluation, and warned her not to return on a violation. The judge also prohibited all future contact with the Fresno Bulldog Gang, stating, "You need to make this victim whole like you told me you would."

CONTINUANCES:

Carlos Casillas-Morales's Arraignment - continued to November 19.

Taylor James John Vaughn's Sentencing - continued to October 8.

James Lewis Greene, Jr.'s Sentencing - continued to October 22.

Nathaniel Arnold Slaamot's Sentencing Violation Hearing - continued to October 8.

Maverick Woodward Richards's Status
Hearing - continued to October 1.

Court Grants Keeling Probation After FTA

By Teresa Moon

Joseph Abraham Keeling, in custody, appeared in the Tenth Judicial District Court on September 24 before Judge Thomas Stockard. Keeling pleaded guilty to the gross misdemeanor of Failure to Appear (FTA) after Admission of Bail or Release without Bail, which is punishable by up to 364 days in jail and a fine of up to \$2,000.

According to Senior Deputy District Attorney Chelsea Sanford, Keeling failed to appear for a New River Justice Court hearing on July 11. She reminded the court that Keeling was in court a year prior on a gross misdemeanor of domestic violence concerning a person over 60 in which he received a suspended sentence of 364 days (with time-served credit applied for 118 days) under a provision that Keeling was not involved in further criminal activity.

"What did he do after being out of custody

for that one? He was involved in more criminal activity; more domestic batteries which he pled guilty to," Sanford stated, noting misuse of 911 and altercations with family members, girlfriends, and ex-girlfriends.

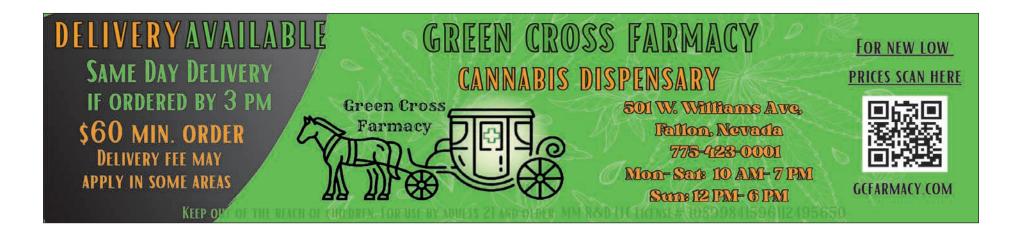
"What does he do 21 days later? He fails to appear, and he totally dismisses Court Services and his obligations to them," Sanford said, arguing that the defendant has shown he is unsupervisable, citing his continuous interactions with law enforcement. She asked the court for 364 days to run consecutively to his 100-day jail sentence for his Justice Court case.

Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer began his defense by stating, "Mr. Keeling recognizes that there may be some issues in his life that he needs to handle in different ways than he has previously." According to Sommer, Keeling has taken responsibility for his failure to appear, acknowledging the cost of a conviction and his desire to change for the sake of his two sons.

"We're not here for all of the things that he's done in the past," argued Sommer, "and we aren't here for anything else except for a Failure to Appear on July 11 of 2024."

Keeling expressed concern for his aging parents, remarking, "It should not be their responsibility to have to chase a ten-year-old and a thirteen-year-old." He voiced his desire to be there for his sons rather than spend more time in jail, stating he now has options for work since his sons are in school. Keeling mentioned he had worked in the past but had been a full-time parent since his wife left six years ago.

Judge Stockard granted probation on a suspended jail sentence of 364 days to run consecutively to the Justice Court case, ordered a substance abuse evaluation, and Keeling must find gainful employment within 30 days of release.



GOVERNMENT

Library Board of Directors Sets Special Meeting to Address the Kids on the Porch

By Rachel Dahl

Interim Library Director Carol Lloyd provided the Library Board of Directors with a monthly report at the last regular board meeting and asked that a special meeting be called to address security issues caused by students from the middle school who have been exhibiting behavior problems both in the library and on the porch of the library after school. Lloyd will present a stable, sustainable plan that will provide permanent solutions and support staff, and address the public's security and safety at the special meeting on Oct 4 at 8 a.m.

"One of the things not on this agenda are security issues at the library. They are ongoing, and we are in the process of again working on a solution with the county and various other organizations," said Lloyd. "And to that end, I would like a special meeting to discuss that, go over some policy changes, and get that lined out and stable."

During the regular meeting, Library Board Chair Jessica Rowe said, "While we have received a great deal of support from the county and our partners, I think there is a call for us at the library to put in some thinking and a solution for this. Especially since we have new employees coming on and we've got people who need to come in, and they should not be tasked with solving this problem if we have the ability to advise at this time."

Dr. Sue Segura, who also sits on the Board of Trustees, said she



would like Lloyd to look at other districts. "I've called a couple, students are not allowed if they are like, 7 to 14 years old, to enter the library without an adult. I can tell you that what I see going on at our high school on a Friday night they're very disruptive. A lot of districts around our state have policy around if you don't come in through that gate with an adult, you may not come in."

"I don't want to get too deep in the weeds," Lloyd said, "except I want to tell you, libraries are not high schools. It's a whole different ball of wax, and that's why

we need a special meeting, and I'll bring you a plan and we'll talk about it on that date."

"You also need to know," Segura said, "the same students you're dealing with, middle school kids, has been a real problem."

"We're all on the same page that a sustainable solution that we offer a safe access to the public is something we really ought to be thinking about," Rowe said.

During her report, Lloyd asked that the board address the possibility of returning to full operation now that the library is fully staffed at their next regular meeting on October 24.

Lloyd reported that Tom Patterson is the new Digital Services Librarian, and Kathy Thorsen was offered the position of Library Director and will begin work on Oct 14. Lloyd will work with her on Oct 14, 15, 21, and 22, and on Oct 23, Lloyd's last day as interim director.

BUSINESS

Frey Ranch Whiskey Harvest on the Farm

Staff Report

In celebration of its annual harvest season, Frey Ranch Distillery will host its third yearly Whiskey Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bigger and better than before, the festival will feature a sip and shop, food trucks, complimentary tours of the distillery, live music and more. The annual Whiskey Harvest celebration is also a chance for Frey Ranch to commemorate a special anniversary, as the award-winning American Whiskey brand marks ten years of distilling in Northern Nevada this year. More details can be found online at Frey Ranch's Facebook page.

Last year's Whiskey Harvest drew a crowd from all over the West Coast. This year, the complimentary event will feature an impressive guests. Spread out among the tasting room and main lawn, attendees will have the opportunity to purchase handmade and artisan goods from 18 local vendors, such as pottery, clothing, and woodwork, as well as Frey Ranch's signature boozy pickles made in

Delicious fare from several food trucks and seasonal Frey Ranch craft cocktails will also be available for purchase. The festivities will by the local band The Coaches. A complete list of vendors and food trucks is below:

ARTISANS

- Drink It to Build It

- array of vendors and activations to entertain collaboration with Nevada Brining Company.

include a corn cannon activity and live music



- Bellator Creations
- Nevada Brining Company



- Eye of Rie Photography & Tintype
- Tammy Barker Pottery
- Angel Baby Tile
- Fallon Fisk Herbs
- My Gypsy Soul
- Cow Creations
- Desert Babe Boutique
- Desert Air Jewelry
- Nevada Silversmithing

FOOD AND DRINK

- Slater's Ding-a-Wing
- Mendoza Mexican
- We Can Warriors
- Bali Express • Grandpa Archie's Ice Cream
- Rusty Canteen

"To honor ten years of distilling, we wanted this Whiskey Harvest Festival to be a celebration unlike any other with more opportunities for our guests to interact with an incredible group of local vendors, from food and drink to home goods," said co-founder Ashley Frey. "Colby and I are incredibly grateful for the warm embrace we've received from our Northern Nevada community, so putting together the Whiskey Harvest Festival is our way of celebrating with everyone that's supported us through the years."

As winners of the Nevada Agriculture Small Business award, Frey Ranch is among only a few whiskey producers who grow, harvest, distill, and malt 100% of its whiskey grains on-site. The annual Whiskey Harvest yields the crops of corn, wheat, barley, and rye that make Frey Ranch a true farm-toglass distillery. As the seasons change, the annual Whiskey Harvest runs from August to late October and will be marked with the festival at Frey Ranch.

For more information, visit www.freyranch.com or follow Frey Ranch on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.



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EDUCATION

CCSD Cool School News

Compiled by Kaitlin Ritchie. Photos courtesy of CCSD.

CCHS

The CCHS Auto Shop is open for business. Students in Todd Wright's Automotive Technology and Diesel Technology classes are ready to begin hands-on learning by providing various services, including vehicle safety inspections, engine oil changes, tire mounting, balancing, rotations, brake services, alignments, and minor repairs. "Currently, we're offering services exclusively to CCHS staff members, but our goal is to ex-



Autoshop Students.

pand and eventually serve the entire community," Wright said. Staff who wish to book a service are asked to bring oil, filters, and parts for their appointment. All services are available for donations to support the Auto and Diesel CTE programs.



Zoey Gerhardson's students racing against the clock to accurately graph and execute their unique set of transformations.

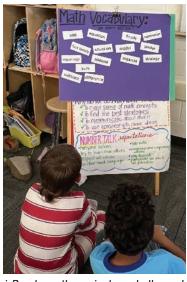
CCMS

Math teachers at CCMS are on a mission to make math easier to understand and fun to learn. In Zoey Gerhardson's class, students embarked on a sequencing hunt, sequencing rigid transformations. Students raced against the clock to accurately graph and execute their unique set of transformations, fostering both teamwork and excitement. In Kailyn Simpson's class, collaboration was in full swing. Students who excelled on

their recent test took on the role of mentors, guiding their peers through test corrections and reinforcing their understanding. Teachers at CCMS prove daily that they are creating a dynamic learning experience where every student can thrive.

EC Best

Students in Heather Alves' secondgrade class have been busy. Last week. the class learned about communities and discussed many reasons Fallon is a great place to call home. They dove into the ELA SAVVAS curriculum, immersing themselves in the world of poetry. They worked on i-Ready math curriculum that challenged them to expand their vocabulary and rethink their approach to math. The students are developing critical thinking skills they will use beyond the classroom. Students got to do an art project to celebrate their hard work and conclude a productive week.



i-Ready math curriculum challenged students in Heather Alves' Class to expand their vocabulary.



Students see firsthand how wind and water cause erosion.

their community. "It's inspiring to see their knowledge grow and their curiosity deepen,"
Bailey said. As the students continue their exploration of science, they are about the environment and developing a greater appreciation for the world around them.



Alissa Bailey's class started their first science unit, focusing on the topic of erosion. Last week, students participated in hands-on learning, observing firsthand how wind and water can shape the landscape around them. Many students were excited to share examples of erosion in their yards or around Fallon. These real-world connections enriched their understanding and highlighted the impact of natural forces on

Student Ella Pritchard feels pumpkin pulp in a cup attempting to guess what it is without being able to see it.

Lahontan

Kindergarten students in Erika Stanford's class have been focused on their five senses. They participated in a variety of activities designed to enhance their sensory awareness. Students were challenged to write their names, draw a heart, read a book, taste blueberries and chocolate, listen to the sounds of water, trains, and ambulances, smell coffee grounds, dirt, and bananas - all while blindfolded. They explored textures by touching cotton balls, pumpkin pulp, and paper clips. This hands-on approach helped them appreciate their five senses, understand how they work together, and how to rely on other senses when they cannot use one.

Oasis Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera. Photos courtesy of Oasis Academy.

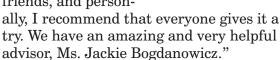
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: LYLY DAIGH

Graduating senior Lyly Daigh started at Oasis Academy in her freshman year. It took some persuasion to get her to take those first steps into the school, and now she's thankful she did.

"I still remember being so nervous on the first day that my mom had to go into the school and get Mr. Andy Lenon to convince me to get out of the car," Daigh said.
"I'm glad he did because I have made so many good memories and friends throughout the years."

Daigh has been active in FFA and Academic Olympics.

"Throughout high school I have participated in FFA. It is always very fun. We learn so many new things, and there are so many career opportunities," she said. "FFA is a great way to make amazing friends, and person-



Lyly Daigh.

"I also did Academic Olympics my sophomore, junior, and senior years, and boy, is it fun. You get to meet lots of interesting people," she said. "Don't be afraid to join because you may know the answer to a question that the rest of the team has no clue about. The competitions don't only ask questions about school-related stuff. They have questions about video games, movies, and so many other things."

"I would like to thank Ms. B [Bogdanowicz] for always helping me when needed, even in my college science classes, and for always pushing me to be the best I can be," Daigh said. "I would also like to thank Mrs. Stockard for helping me develop so much as a writer and always being there to listen to me talk about whatever book I was currently reading."

"And last, but most certainly not least, I would like to thank Mr. Lenon. Without him, I would be nowhere near as successful as I am today, he has always pushed me to be my best no matter what. Mr. Lenon was always there to talk to whenever I had any sort of problem or if I just needed to talk with someone. Talking with Mr. Lenon is

just like talking to a friend. He is the best counselor I have ever had and is so invested in all the seniors' lives, at home and in school," she said.

Daigh has two pieces of advice for future students. She wants to remind them to not procrastinate and to be themselves.

"The advice I have for future students would be, do not procrastinate. In the end, it will only hurt you, and it

will end up consuming so much time trying to catch up, especially in college classes," she said.

"Also, show up every day with a positive attitude and just be yourself. Don't try to change yourself to fit in. If you just be yourself, then you will find your people. I spent years pretending to be someone I wasn't, and, in the end, I got hurt because my 'friends' didn't really like me for who I was."

Daigh will graduate in May with her high school diploma and associate of arts degree from Western Nevada College. She then plans to attend the University of Nevada, Reno, and to study nursing. SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS CARVE TOOLS OUT OF SOAP



Blake Brandenburg.

In a creative and engaging classroom activity, sixth-grade students delved into the world of the Paleolithic era by crafting tools out of soap. The activity simulated how early humans made their tools.

This hands-on project allowed students to explore the techniques used by human ancestors and encouraged critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Students shaped their soap into tools such as scrapers, hand axes, and points. During the process, they gained a deeper appreciation for the resourcefulness required for survival in prehistoric times. The hands-on experience enhanced their understanding of material properties and tool functionality, making history come alive in a fun and memorable way.

SPORTS



Rylan Clark running the ball.

TRUCKEE OVERTAKES GREENWAYE VARSITY

Photos by John Baker

The Churchill County Greenwave football team played Truckee on Friday night. However, things did not go as planned for the Greenwave, as they lost 42-0.



Barry Mitchell returning kickoff.



Ryder Letourneau and Trevor Hyde going for a block.

Jim Regan Golf Tournament

Story and photos by Anne McMillin, APR

For more than 20 years, Churchill County has hosted the Jim Regan Memorial Golf Tournament to raise funds for academic scholarships for dependents of county staff. Regan was a county commissioner who was heavily involved in the community and died in office in April 2000.

The 2024 tournament saw 48 golfers come out on September 21 for a day of golfing, raffles, food, and fun at the Fallon Golf Course. After two rounds through the nine-hole course, the tournament results are:

First Place

City of Fallon's Team 2 of Andy Dooley, Tristan Rodarte, Colin Shishido, and Hayden Strasdin, pictured right.

Second Place

Fallon Golf Course Team of Jamie Davis, Jim Privett, Andrew Palmer, and Pakela Malama-Gomes.

Third Place

Churchill County Team of Motulalo Otuafi, Trevor deBraga, Brooke Hill, and Riley Horn.



Jim Reagan 2024 Golf Tournament first place team.

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SPORTS



Attendees shooting in the Annie Oakley competition. Photo by Nancy Chapman.

Second Annual Clay Shoot Competition

By Nancy Chapman

On September 28, the Fallon Lion's Club Clay Second Annual Shooting Competition fundraiser coordinated by Ryan Hiibel of the club, in conjunction with the Fallon Trap Club, welcomed new shooters to the sport and established members of the trap club. Out-of-town shooters also enjoyed a perfect day for shooting.

Two members, Wyatt Ricks, Lahontan Valley Claybreakers, and Sean Erb, Fallon Trap Club, shot in the same competition, and both shot perfect scores of 50 clay targets out of 50. Wyatt would come away with the prize money.



L-R: Wyatt Ricks, Sean Erb, and Ryan Hiibel. Photo by Traci Ricks.



Tamara Hughes. Photo by Nancy Chapman.

ertificate of Membership

taking home a 20-gauge shotgun donated by The Fallon Lion's Club. Both raffle winners can pick up their new guns at the Churchill Armory. The final competition of

20-gauge shotgun donated by Legacy Sports. Brett

Frank won the Adult Raffle,

the day was the Annie Oakley Shoot. In this competition, everyone stands and shoots from the 27-yard line. There was a \$5 buyback to shoot again should the shooter miss the clay target and want to continue. The competition continues until there is a single winner. Sean Erb won the competition against 19 other shooters.

For more information

about the Fallon Trap Club, visit www.shootnevada.com. For the Lahontan Valley Claybreakers, visit Claybreakers.com.

Any funds raised by the Fallon Lion's Club stay in the community and help fund projects such as free eye screening in the schools, youth fishing derby, teacher's pantry, and camp dot-so-la le. If you would like any information about the Fallon Lion's Club and its activities, please contact Ryan Hiibel or Barbie Hertz at fallonlions@gmail.com.

New to the sport of clay target shooting, Tamara Hughes brought and shot her regular hunting shotgun. She had a great time and said she would be back to compete. During the raffle drawing, Tamara won a one-year membership. Congratulations, Tamara.

Wayne Krys, another non-member of the trap club, with his 20-gauge shotgun hit 42 out of 50 clay targets. He said, "This was the first time in many years I competed."

The Youth Raffle winner was Carter Larramendy, winning a

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MENDACIOUS

The important definition of "mendacity" is lying in order to deceive. The critical definition of "puff" is overstating and exaggerating one's own opinion in order to convince others. Both could include throwing out numbers of dollars, people, or events in the thousands, millions, billions, or even trillions (that's a lot of numbers, as Trump might say).

Here on my table, which came in today's mail, is the black pamphlet from Kamala. It has four pages, both sides three folds, and the message is as dark as the black. The message is "Trump's 2025 Agenda." Anyone paying a little attention knows that is not his. He said he's never read it. The only truth in it may be that, we could hope, he may attempt to do away with the Department of Education with its history of failure. Other than that, it is completely mendacious, lying in order to deceive. Since she was dragged onto the scene as the nominee, we are familiar with the substance of that continuously lying message to get elected.

We hear a lot about Trump's lying. For years, we have seen his blustery, sometimes disjointed, erratic, sometimes nasty, and sometimes brilliant speaking. Looking closely, we may find a genuine lie in there someplace, but not an attempt to materially deceive us. Puff, a legal definition of overstating or exaggerating an opinion in order to sell an item or idea, is not punishable by law. I think that applies to our man. Lying has been a sin since the beginning of the world, both morally and legally.

Should we be concerned about the moral consequences of the blatant lying of the democratic nominee for president and the lying of her supporters? Did you hear her speech at the border? It should have made her supporters

cringe if they are not lying to themselves. If there was a truth in there, I missed it.

They also lie on Trump's stated position on abortion. Remember the OB-GYN doctor, also Governor of Virginia, when aborting the fullterm fetus, it came to life; they laid it on the table to decide what to do while he tended to the mother. What if they didn't terminate, but when it became a yearling and was such a problem in so many possible ways that the mother could not cope with it? Now, could they terminate? Or, as a sixteen-year-old, it was the nastiest, meanest teenager anyone ever knew or a normal teenager, but the mother had issues she couldn't handle; now, can we terminate?

Uncomfortable questions. It's hard to write. It's hard to think of the millions that have not come to full term. We have an efficient system for killing our unwanted babies before they have a chance at life. We should improve and encourage adoption as well as motherhood.

Here are two of our national sins: abortion and lying. Do we need to repent?

America, based and created on the Judeo-Christian traditions, old as the world, with the divine promise of liberty, and with that prosperity, to and for a righteous nation. Are these two national sins enough to deprive us of God's continuing blessings and perhaps earn us divine punishment?

Would that punishment be that we elect Kamala Harris and lose the blessings of America as it has been for these two and a half centuries?

 $Joe\ Dahl$ Fallon, Nevada

Dear Mayor and City Council,

I wanted to ask for reconsideration of the 15 mph 24/7 speed limit on Venturacci between Keddie and D Street. I frequently travel this road to visit family.

I realize with the new Oasis High School that this merits speed limit considerations, but it should not be 24 hours, seven days a week.

Please take into consideration the following:

- 1. It is a High School, not a grade school. Kids that age walking to school should have a clue.
- 2. The Churchill County High School on Sheckler is normally 40 mph and yet the school limit is 25 mph only when flashing (from about 7:30 to 8:30 and 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.)
- 3. Venturacci is becoming a major thoroughfare due to the Coleman Road Bridge, and it is only going to get worse as housing increases on the north side of Coleman. I would greatly appreciate reconsideration of this one block limit to only restrict speed during school hours.

Thank you for your discussion and further reconsideration of this issue.

Sincerely, Dale White

Postcards

By Michon Mackedon



L.C. Schank Ag Boys 1958.

To Michon from Ernie Schank

This postcard contains a picture taken in 1958 of my grandfather, L.C. "Roy" Schank, and 10 American Farmers Degree recipients from the Churchill County Chapter of Future Farmers of America, of which he was the advisor between 1929 and 1956. Back Row L to R: Bill Lee, Earl Harriman, Verl Hendrix, L. C. Schank, Louie Venturacci, Cyril Schank, Lonny Curry. Front Row L to R: Mario Peraldo, Virgil Getto, Bill Bell, Don Travis. Verl Hendrix, Virgil Getto, and Don Travis also served as National Officers in FFA. Louie Venturacci was a Star American Farmer in Livestock Production. As a side note, Ted deBraga received his American Farmer Award the year after my grandfather retired and should have rightfully been in the picture. All the gentlemen in the photo have passed away, and all have left a tremendous legacy in the Churchill County agriculture community. All of them today, except Mr. Curry, have posterity involved in agriculture in this community.

L.C. Schank went on after retirement to work for the U.S. Department of State at a post in Baghdad, Iraq, teaching teachers of agriculture in that country how to teach. When the government of Iraq was overthrown, he returned to Fallon. He won a seat in the Assembly of the Nevada Legislature. Then, he spent his last five years of professional service as the Director of Vocational Education in the Nevada Department of Education.

In 1964, he returned to Fallon from Carson City and served a term on the Churchill County School Board of Trustees. I was a freshman in high school in 1964, and he was a substitute teacher for Mr. Howard Hutchings's ag class. Mr. Hutchings was very ill at the time. It was my privilege to have my grandfather as a teacher and to spend almost every day until he died in 1980 under his tutelage.

Editor's note: The Iraqi government overthrow referenced above by Ernie Schank took place on July 14, 1958.

MORE FROM MICHON:

"In Focus," Volume 3 contains a reprint of an essay written by L. C. "Roy" Schank and included in a book entitled "Inside Nevada's Schools: A Challenge for the Future" (1976). The essay describes the challenges faced by L.C. when he began teaching Ag classes at Churchill County High School in July 1929. His salary was \$165 per month. His biggest challenge was turning what he called "a dumping ground for unruly students" into a platform for success. "We had many field studies such as grafting and pruning fruit trees, judging, branding, dehorning, and castrating cattle, hogs, and sheep. We culled chickens and observed new farm machinery and new farming methods...They learned parliamentary procedure and public speaking...The boys entered State Contests in shop skills like welding, tool sharpening, and figuring bills of materials. They always came home with a lion's share of the trophies."

His essay reads like an enlightened instruction manual on "How to Teach." As his grandson notes, his legacy lives on.

Please send a postcard about a person, place, or event important to you and to our town to mackedon@phonewave.net

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

COLUMNS

What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen

By Kelli Kelly

Lately, I have been thinking a lot about how place intersects with food. "Terroir" is the term that describes the entire natural environment in which a particular food or food product is produced, including climate, soil, and topography. While terroir is most closely associated with wine, the term applies to cheese,

coffee, tea, and whisky. Terroir is why the same seeds planted in different places yield ingredients that taste different. Fallon cantaloupes are a perfect example. Our soil, water, irrigation techniques, diurnal swings, and unique high-desert climate all contribute to our melons' superiority.

This week, I listened to a story on NPR that detailed another example of terroir in produce. While most folks have heard of the Hatch chile, another pepper cultivated in New Mexico is even more special. A tiny village called Chimayo is nestled in the Sangre de Christo mountains between Taos and Santa Fe. Chimayo is most known as the home of El Santuario de Chimayo, a Catholic pilgrimage sight with "holy dirt" that believers swear cures a variety of maladies. Perhaps the soil in Chimayo is, in fact, holy because the peppers grown in that soil are truly something special. The Chimayo chile is an heirloom



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

that has never been hybridized or grown commercially at scale. Despite huge market demand, the Chimayo pepper is mostly grown in backyard gardens, and its price reflects its scarcity. Chimayo, New Mexico, residents have shared seeds from their pepper worldwide. However, none of the fruits taste the same as the ones that are grown in Chimayo's sacred dirt.

Full disclosure: I have yet to taste the Chimayo chili powder, but some will arrive next week. Since we must postpone further dialogue about America's rarest and, allegedly, most delicious chili pepper, let's talk about a different spice that benefits from the terroir of its origin: Black Urfa Chili.

As you may have guessed, Black Urfa Chili is our October Spice of the Month at Churchill County Library. Black Urfa Chili is a mild and deeply savory pepper cultivated in Urfa, Turkey, for centuries. The city was known as Edessa from Hellenistic times and into Christian times. Urfa is situated on a plain about 50 miles east of the Euphrates River. Its climate features sweltering, dry summers and cool, moist winters. The peppers ripen to a bright red and are laid under sheets in the hot summer sun. This technique cures the pepper in its own juices, giving it a deep umami flavor and beautiful dark color. As a result of the specific terroir, harvesting, and curing techniques, Urfa chili tastes malty with notes of cocoa, espresso, and raisins. While it is definitely on the milder side of the chili heat spectrum, Urfa has a slow burn that adds great depth to dishes ranging from stews to chocolatey brownies.

Stop by the Churchill County Library in October for more information and a sample of Urfa Chili Powder to try in your home kitchen.

Chai Chili Brownies

Recipe adapted from Burlap & Barrel

Ingredients:

5 tbsp. Unsalted butter, plus more for greasing

6 oz. Chocolate chips or chopped chocolate

2/3 cup Sugar

2 Eggs, lightly beaten

1/4 tsp. Cardamom

1/4 tsp. Ginger

1/4 tsp. Cinnamon 1/4 tsp. Black pepper

1 tsp. Black Urfa Chili1/4 tsp. Sea Salt, plus more

for sprinkling

1/3 cup AP flour



Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 325°F and line an 8 x 8-inch baking pan with aluminum foil, then butter the foil.
- 2. Gently melt butter and chocolate in a pan or microwave; stir in sugar, salt, and spices.
- 3. Add eggs and mix well.
- 4. Fold in flour, do not overmix.
- 5. Use a spatula to scrape the batter into the pan, and sprinkle with a bit of salt.
- 6. Bake for 30 minutes or until done to your liking. We like 'em squidgy.



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Movies & More October 4 & 5

By Kelli Perez

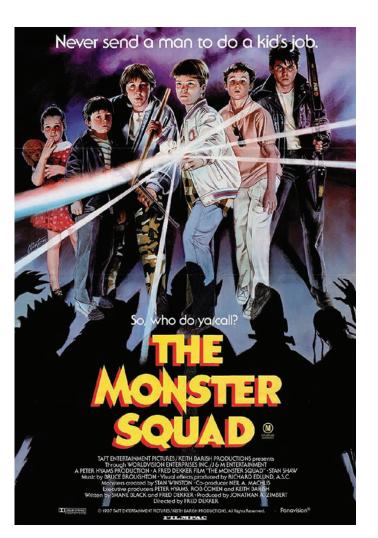
Last week's Show 'N' Shine was a huge success. The Fallon Theatre's fully volunteer staff is beyond grateful to every participant and volunteer who made it happen. For those who spent any part of their day at the show, your support is appreciated more than you know. The Theatre staff would love to hear your thoughts on what parts of the show you enjoyed and any suggestions you may have for changes. Reach out on Facebook or at the fall on the atre@gmail.com to let them know your thoughts.

There is a huge Monster Movie Weekend on Friday and Saturday, October 4 and 5. Huck Salt is sponsoring these films and has also donated funds to decorate the lobby of the theatre for the month of October. There are some fantastic photo ops, so feel free to come in costume. There will also be some fun monsterthemed goodies at the concession stand.

The 6 p.m. movie on both days is the 2001 Disney-Pixar hit, "Monsters, Inc.," rated G. To power the city, monsters have to harvest the screams of scared children, but chaos ensues when a child gets through a door into the monster's world. This film has a runtime of 1 hour and 32 minutes.

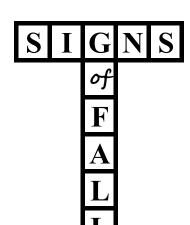
"The Monster Squad" will be shown at 7 p.m. The 1987 film follows a group of 12-year-olds who attempt to save their hometown from Count Dracula and his monsters when they appear in the real world. This movie is rated PG-13 and has a runtime of 1 hour and 22 minutes.

October is packed with fun. The full schedule of movies and events is available on Facebook, Instagram, or at www.fallontheatre.com. To book a Marquee Message or reserve an auditorium for a party, leave a message at 775-423-6210.



Crossword

By Peanut



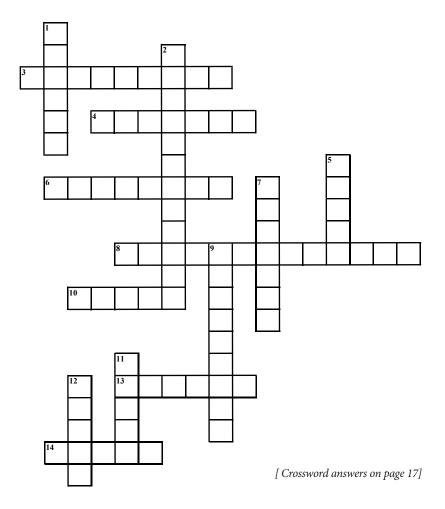
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- 3. Trick or treat
- 4. Winter squash
- 6. TDs scored 8. Fall flower
- 10. Migrator
- 13. It happens earlier
- 14. Hibernation preppers



Down

- 1. They change color
- 2. They go down
- 5. Migrator
- 7. Added to bed
- 9. Nuts & seeds collectors
- 11. Fall flower
- 12. Warm apple drink

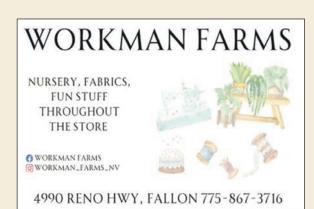


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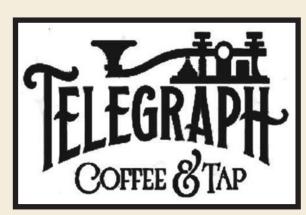
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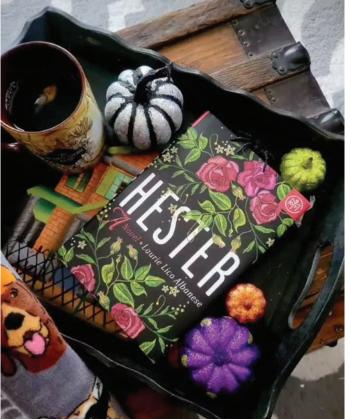
Allison's Book Report

"Hester" by Laurie Lico Albanese

If you have been following the "Book Report" for long, you know that I love a good "witchy" story, especially in the fall months. One of my first reviews in The Fallon *Post* was about "Weyward" by Emilia Hart. Since then, I have also reviewed Kirsten Miller's "The Change" and Alice Hoffman's "Practical Magic." These are all amazing stories about witches and women who are not to be crossed, and I loved them. This week, I have a little different take on the witchy novel. "Hester" by Laurie Lico Albanese is a little less magic and more historical fiction than the books I mentioned above, but with a literary twist that will keep you turning pages.

Isobel Gamble is a young seamstress with generations of secrets. She sets sail for the New World from her home of Scotland with her husband, Edward. Edward is an apothecary who has fallen under the spell of opium, and the debts that he has piled up are what has forced them to flee from Glasgow. Only days after they arrive in Salem, Edward joins a departing ship as a

medic, leaving Isobel broke and alone in a strange country to fend for herself. The two have an instant connection when she meets a young Nathaniel Hawthorne (there's that literary twist – he is the real-life author of "The Scarlet Letter"). Hawthorne is a man haunted by his ancestors who sent innocent women to the gallows for witchcraft. Isobel is an unusually gifted needleworker, troubled



by her strange talents that seem almost magic to her and to suspicious eyes all around her. As the weeks pass by and Edward's return becomes less and less likely, Nathaniel and Isobel grow closer a muse and a dark storyteller, the enchanter and the enchanted. Which one is which? You will have to read to find out.

I could not put this book down. It is a meticulously researched and beautifully written book, and I can see it becoming a modern classic. I had not read "The Scarlet Letter" since high school, and I remembered finding it all quite dull back then, but "Hester" sent me down a rabbit hole. I re-read "The Scarlet Letter" and did a bit of research about Hawthorne. While that was all fascinating, "Hester" stands on its own, and there is no need to be an expert on American literature to enjoy it thoroughly.

"Hester" is a perfect October read, and I hope you grab a copy this week.

Then, you can visit me on Instagram @allison.the.reader to tell me about your favorite witchy stories and what I should crack open next.

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.

LEGAL NOTICES

MEETINGS

Oct. 7-10, 2024

CC Communications
Wednesday,
October 9,
1:45 p.m.

Planning Commission Wednesday, October 9, 6 p.m.

> Central Nevada Health District Thursday, October 10, 1:30 p.m.

All meetings
are held in the
Commission Chambers
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CASE NO.: 24-10DC.1021 DEPT.: 1 FILED 2024 Sep 26 9:41 AM Tiffany Josephs Court Clerk

Your Name:
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Phone: 775-481-6816
Email: uncledre2010@yahoo.com
Self-Represented Petitioner

DISTRICT COURT CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of the Application of: Andre William Perry-Winter For Change of Name.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition was filed in the above-entitled Court requesting that the Court legally change applicant's name from:

Andre William Perry-Winter (first) (middle) (last)

to (clearly print the name you want to be known by in the future):

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(first)William
(middle)Allred
(last)

The applicant submitted a statement signed under penalty of perjury that the applicant is not changing his or her name for a fraudulent purpose. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person objecting to the changing of applicant's name shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within 10 days after the publication of this Notice.

DATED this (day) 24 September, 2024

Submitted By: Andre William Perry-Winter

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ELECTRONICALLY FILED 2024 Sep 25 12:34 PM 24-10DC-1042 CLERK OF COURT

Your Name: Katelin Marie Felicetti Address: 8711 Helens way City, State, Zip: Fallon, NV 89406 Phone: 832-423-2659 Email: katelin.okeefe@gmail.com Self-Represented Petitioner

> DISTRICT COURT CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of the Application of: Katelin Marie Felicetti For Change of Name.

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The applicant submitted a statement signed under penalty of perjury that the applicant is not changing his or her name for a fraudulent purpose. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person objecting to the changing of applicant's name shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within 10 days after the publication of this Notice.

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Submitted By: Katelin Marie Felicetti

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF REDEMPTION OF CERTAIN HEADQUARTERS BAR & CASINO CHIPS

Pursuant to Regulation 12.070(2)(c) of the Nevada State Gaming Commission, as of July 7, 2024, the following chips are discontinued at the Headquarters Bar and Casino: \$25 – Green, \$5 – Red, and \$1 – White.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR PLAYGROUND **IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Replacement of Artificial Turf with Poured-in-Place Rubber Surfacing and **Installation of New Play Structure**

I. Introduction

Oasis Academy is seeking proposals from qualified contractors for the replacement of the current artificial turf playground surface with poured-in-place rubber surfacing and the addition of a new play structure. This project will enhance the playground area for students aged 5-12 years, meeting ASTM F1292 standards for safety and durability.

II. Project Scope

- 1. Demolition and Disposal:
- Remove (1) existing approximately 10' tall play structure pole and salvage to owner. Photo attached at the end (Page 5) of this RFP for reference.
- Remove and dispose of the existing artificial turf surface and underlayment and 2"x4" nailer.
- Remove sand bed as necessary in preparation for new Type 2 base
- Dispose of all excess material and debris generated during demolition in accordance with all county and state environmental regulations.
- 2. Site Preparation:
- Perform any necessary compaction work of the subgrade and Type 2 base to ensure a stable foundation for the new surface.
- Install 5022 square feet of poured-in-place rubber surfacing in accordance with attached poured-in-place playground surfacing specification, with a TPV topcoat that meets or exceeds ASTM F1292 standards. Five (5) total pieces of playground equipment will be left in place requiring surfacing to be poured around them. The poured in place surface around these structures should also meet or exceed ASTM F1292 standards and should be installed in such a way that it meets all other safety requirements.
- Install a new play structure suitable for children aged 5-12 years, equal or greater quality, subject to school approval of exact equipment selection of Playworld 350-2244.
- 4. Testing and Compliance:
- Provide attenuation test results confirming that the fall ratings of the pouredin-place surface meet or exceed ASTM F1292 standards.

III. Project Timeline

- Start Date: Approximately early January 2025.
- Completion Date: Weather dependent. Approximate completion time of two weeks.
- Bidders are encouraged to submit their own projected timeline based on the scope of work, contractor availability, and material/equipment lead times.

IV. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- 1. Lifespan of Equipment and Warranties:
- Quality and durability of the play structure and surfacing material.
- Length and coverage of warranties provided.
- 2. Initial Cost:
- Total cost of the project, including material, labor, and any other associated
- 3. Vendor Experience, Reputation, and Support:
- Experience and reputation of the vendor in similar projects.
- Quality of customer support and after-installation services.
- 4. Installation Process and Timeline:
- Efficiency and effectiveness of the proposed installation process.
- Adherence to the project timeline or justification for any deviation

V. Proposal Requirements

Proposals must include the following elements:

- 1. Examples of Previous Work and References:
- Detailed examples of similar playground installation projects completed by the bidder.
- Contact information for references.
- 2. Detailed Description of Projected Timeline and Installation Process:
- A comprehensive timeline outlining each phase of the project.
- Description of the installation process, including any special considerations.
- 3. Compliance with Prevailing Wage Rates:
- The Prevailing Wage Rate as established by the State Labor Commission shall be paid on projects with a contract price of \$100,000 or more. The Office of the Labor Commissioner (OLC) has assigned PWP-CH-2024-524
- https://labor.nv.gov/PrevailingWage/2023-2024_Prevailing_Wages/

VI. Budget

The total budget for this project is \$175,000. Proposals should be based on this budget and include a detailed breakdown of costs.

VII. Submission Instructions

- Submission Deadline: October 18, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. PDT.
- Submission Address: 10785 Double R Blvd. Ste 102 Reno, NV 89521 Richard.moore@academicanv.com
- Proposals can be submitted electronically by email with "RFP for Playground Improvement Project" in the subject line or by mail in a sealed envelope with "RFP for Playground Improvement Project" clearly marked on the exterior.

VIII. Selection Schedule

- Proposal Review and Selection: October 23, 2024.
- Bids will be opened at Oasis Academy 920 W. Williams Ave. Fallon, NV 89406. Bidders are encouraged to attend in person or virtually via Zoom. Link to be provided upon request.
- Notifications of award will be made following the evaluation of proposals.

IX. Contact Information

For any inquiries or additional information regarding this RFP, please contact: Richard Moore

Facilities Manager, Academica Nevada

On behalf of Oasis Academy 775.790.7394

Richard.Moore@academicanv.com

Oasis Academy reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to negotiate with the selected vendor to ensure the best value for this project.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO **COUNTY OF CIBOLA** THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. D-1333-DM-2024-00005 **SHERRY Z FORTNER** and GARY A RENO, Petitioner(s) IN THE MATTER OF THE KIN-SHIP GUARDIANSHIP OF E.V.H., J.A.M., and J.E.M., Children, and concerning, CRYSTAL RENO, ROBERT HUDSON, and MIKE MALLORY, Respondent(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY **OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, to the above-named Respondents, Crystal Reno and Robert Hudson, Greetings: You are hereby notified that the abovenamed Petitioner has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being the Kinship Guardianship of Emberlynn V. Hudson, Jayden A. Mallory and Josie E. Mallory to Sherry A. Fortner and Gary A. Reno. A hearing has been set in this matter on December 6, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. before the Honorable Amanda Sanchez Villalobos. The location of the hearing is at the Cibola County Courthouse, 700 E. Roosevelt Ave. Ste. 60, Grants, NM 87020.

Unless your enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 5th day of December, 2024, a judgment by default will be entered against you.

Stephen P. Eaton Attorney for Petitioners 4110 Wolcott Avenue NE, Suite A Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109 (505) 837-9200 Seaton2@swcp.com

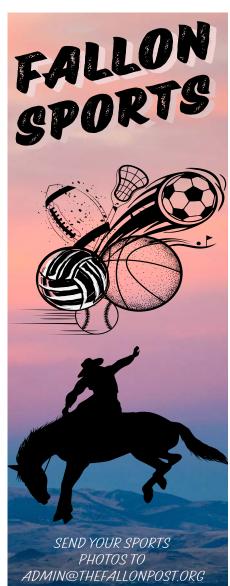
WITNESS the Honorable AMANDA SANCHEZ VILLALOBOS, District Court Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of Cibola County, this 19 th day of September, 2024.

TOINETTE GARCIA, CLERK THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

By: /s/ Bernabe Jaramillo

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CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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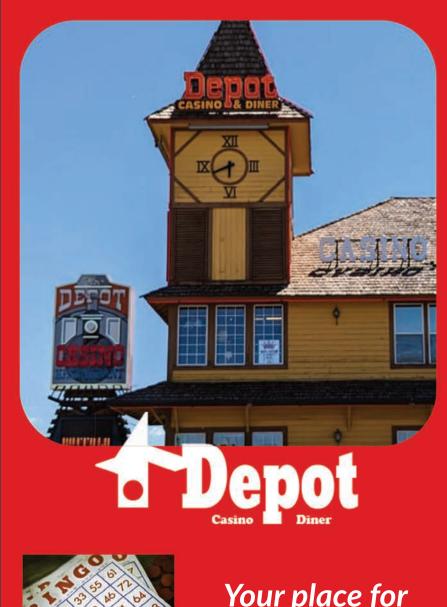
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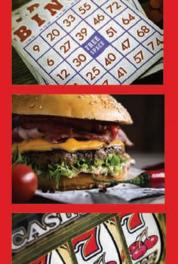
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