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Fallon Rental Market - Weird, Overpriced, Unsustainable

By Rachel Dahl

For the first time in nearly two years, a search for available homes to rent in the Fallon community is yielding more than six possibilities, coming in at 18 available rentals on August 7.

For the past two years, a quick internet search of available rentals would produce a meager menu of either small, rundown possibilities that were nearly affordable or beautiful four-bedroom, two-bathroom homes for up to \$2,800 per month.

This week, 17 properties are available in Fallon/Churchill County if someone wants a home to rent. But don't get too excited if you have multiple family members. Ten of those are two-bedroom-one bathroom, and one is a 1/1; three 3/2, one 4/2, one 3/3, and one 3/1.5 are listed online and with local property managers.

Prices for the 2/1 range from \$950 per month to \$1,250, the 1/1 is \$775, the 3/2 average \$1,862, the 4/2 is \$1,900, the 3/3 is \$2,800, and the 3/1.5 rents for \$1,800 per month.

Local landlord Garrett Diegel, who grew up in Fallon and owns several rental properties, explained that making a business case for renting homes in the Fallon market is challenging. "The rent-to-price ratio in this community is broken," he said.

He said if a landlord can cash-flow \$200 to \$300 per month, that's as good as they can do. "The goal in this business is to make \$100 per door for an apartment and \$200 per home, and if you can make 10% on your money, that would be good."

As a landlord, there are many different variables to consider, and factoring in all the direct costs is something only some think about. Diegel says a good landlord will consider all possible costs when setting the rent, beginning with the mortgage. In addition to the principal, there is interest, taxes, insurance, repairs, capital expenses, 10% for a management company, and closing costs.

"The same people who are complaining about the cost of rent are the very ones who will complain when the



landlord isn't making the proper repairs," said Diegel. "To be a good landlord, you have to build those costs into the rent so you can take care of the property, and when something goes wrong, you can fix it immediately."

Photo and pricing courtesy of Rent.com.

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From the Publisher

Captain's Log - Yarn and Race Cars, and Maybe a Horse

Ahhh, the joy of early morning writing. I forget how much I love this. Is there anything better?

Well, yeah there are a ton of things that make us happy in life and I'm a fan of doing them all. Which is probably my downfall. I like so many things and want to get to try each one.

Honestly, what's the harm in learning to spin yarn and drive a race car. Let's start a newspaper! And a farm! Pretty sure I need a horse, too.

It's possible there's an affliction – but I just don't listen to anyone when they try to diagnose. There are things to get done.

Like, oh, the Captain's Log... there is some toe tapping going on at the design level this morning. We are almost done early except waiting on the Captain. This thing drug out a little long while I was tackling other projects. To be fair – I did ask very early this morning who was writing Captain today. My day got really jammed up. The suggestion was to have Siri do it on my way to Carson. But she's on strike, apparently.

How DO we get all these amazing things done. There is some wisdom in triaging with the good, better, best method. But also, then you have to pick, and that's always a problem too. I mean seriously.

Which has led to a life lived by deadlines.

Prioritizing the stuff that needs to be done ASAP.

My friends used to say I was a procrastinator, but that's not even true. I'm a got-a-lot-in-line-before-that-one-needs-to-be-done-er.

So let me finish this quickly so the girls can upload to Vegas and they can take a little break while I'm right here...

...Keeping you Posted.

Rach

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Calling Festival Volunteers

By Leanna Lehman

Fallon Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair organizers are still seeking volunteers. Volunteers have always been integral to the event's ongoing success, and this year is no different. As the event continues to grow, so does the need for help. The key to a fantastic community event like the Cantaloupe Festival is continued community in-

volvement and support.

Fallon has a host of hard-working, committed volunteers who share their love of Fallon and community spirit. Why not join them in bringing the fun, food, and festivities to our hometown?

Volunteers can register through an easy sign-up link to help before, during, and after the August 25-27 event. Help is needed in various areas, including setting up the vendor venue and the stage. Other volunteer positions

include general volunteer, gate checker, cashier, concert door help, working the rodeo entry and contestant gates, festival take down, and more.

The festival also relies on many sponsors, including premier sponsors CC Communications, New Millennium Building Systems, and the City of Fallon.

To volunteer, sign up at bit.ly/3qgwCfg or through Facebook at @CantaloupeFest.

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Putting on a Festival takes a lot of work and time, and our festival wouldn't be possible without the many volunteers that are involved.



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Features

Fallon Youth Club to Offer Infant/Toddler Care

By Rachel Dahl

Since 2004, the Fallon Youth Club has provided services to the Fallon Community for after-school and summer care of school-age youth. After 18 years of growing their program and meeting the needs of thousands of parents, the FYC is set to provide childcare for infants aged six weeks to six years old.

Shannon Goodrick, Executive Director of FYC, presented to the county commissioners last week, reporting on the club's work over the past year and making the annual request for community support funding of \$15,000. Usually, the county contributes \$10,000 to the club but was asked to tack on \$5,000 specifically to assist with getting the childcare service up and running.

During the past year, the FYC has served an average of 150 children per day, primarily students considered "at risk" by economic indicators.

In January 2020, Goodrick and FYC board member Gary Imelli participated in the county masterplan process, addressing recreation, youth, and childcare. At that time, childcare was identified as a significant community need.

Currently, there are five licensed childcare facilities in the Fallon community.

Goodrick said the club is sound financially, but it has not always been that way. "From 2008-15, I would say were the lean years," she said, "but

the covid relief money shored up our finances, and now we are in a situation to look at how can the youth club assist in the childcare solution and what would that process look like."

The answer is the old Auto Mall building on South Taylor Street just north of Dairy Queen. The Fallon Youth Club Little Clubhouse will be in that facility starting in early 2024 if all goes as planned.

There will be 45 seats set aside for families that qualify for state subsidies, and eight seats will be kept available as much as possible for emergency foster care spots. "If you are a foster family and you receive a child in the middle of the night, there are no places for that child to go, and we will do our best to accept those children and keep the families functioning," said Goodrick.

Jim Barbee responded to Goodrick's request by reminding commissioners that there had been discussion during the budgeting process when the original \$10,000 for the FYC was set aside that there would be more requests for funding because of the new activities generated at the 3C Arena. "Part of the conversation was to spread funding between new activities that would be coming forward, and that's where we held the line on the line items."

Additionally, Barbee said when the new FYC facility was built, there was an agreement between Mayor Tedford and Commission Chairman Pete Olsen that the county would take manage-



Left to right: Commissioners Bus Scharmann, Dr. Justin Heath, and Myles Getto with Shannon Goodrick Executive Director of FYC (center right). Photo courtesy of Churchill County.

ment of the senior center and not ask the city for additional funding to support the senior center and in exchange the city, or the programs going into the Fallon Youth Center, would not ask the county for additional funds.

According to Barbee, the city is also working with the school district and requesting the district release six cents from the tax cap that would go

toward the FYC budget every year. He also reminded commissioners that they support the CARES program for after-school and summer care for 140 kids each week at the Cottage Schools facility and are committed to the costs to complete the renovations on the final building.

Commissioners approved the request for \$15,000.



Proposed location for Youth Club Little Clubhouse, image courtesy of Google Maps

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Obituaries

Edward Noel Phillips

Edward Noel Phillips (70) passed away peacefully surrounded by friends and family at his Fallon, Nevada home on August 5, 2023. Edward was a decorated veteran who served in the Vietnam War. Edward was born on August 3, 1953, in Fallon, Nevada, to his parents, Edward Hyrum Phillips and Florence Emma Rescorl.

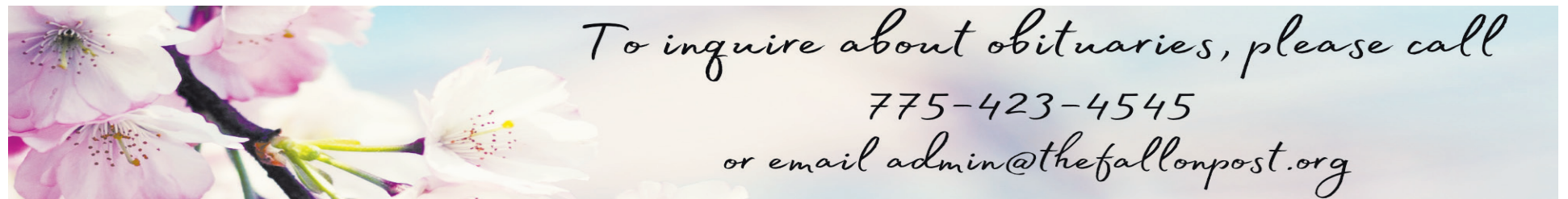
When he was 18 years old, Edward decided to join the United States Marine Corps. He was stationed at Camp Pendleton in California and went on to serve in the Vietnam War with some of the bravest men he knew. After returning from Vietnam, he met and fell for Theresa Anne Defilippi, whom

he married in 1978. In 1987 the two relocated with their three children to Sitka, Alaska.

After moving to Sitka, Edward started working at the Sitka Pulp Mill until its closure in 1993. Edward went on to work for Teck Alaska Incorporated at Red Dog Mine. Edward was passionate about acting, singing, woodworking, shooting, and the outdoors when he wasn't working. He was a proud Mason and an active member of the Episcopal Church.

Edward was predeceased in death by his father, Edward H. Phillips, mother, Florence Mullen, and sister, Florence "Flossy" Chilson. He is survived

by the love of his life, his wife, Theresa; his children: E. Michael Phillips, Maria (Radek) Stejskal, and Elizabeth Lesueur-Phillips; his brother Newton Phillips; his sister Harriet Frohlich-Fry; his mother-in-law Margaret A. Defilippi; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews as well as his little pride and joy, granddaughter Ava Stejskal (5). There will be a viewing Wednesday, August 9th, from 6-8 p.m. at the Smith Family Funeral Home in Fallon, NV. The funeral service will be held on Thursday, August 10, at 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Fallon, Nevada.



Cantaloupe King Promoted to Commander Cantaloupe

This year's Cantaloupe Festival king and queen, Gordon and Ashley Robertson pose to in recognition of Gordon's promotion to US Navy Commander. In appropriate fashion (and good fun), he has now also been officially promoted Commander Cantaloupe.

Photo courtesy of Ashley Robertson.



Jr. Rodeo Labor Day Weekend

Story and Photo by Rachel Dahl

One of the summer's best traditions in the Lahontan Valley, the Fallon Junior Rodeo will be held over Labor Day weekend, kicking off Friday night, September 1, and running through Monday, September 4.

Jennifur Peek, who serves as the secretary for the rodeo, and her youngest contestant, Quintin Peek, who will rodeo this year as a Pee-Wee, along with Rodeo Queen Macady Bogdanowicz, made a presentation to the County Commissioners last week, requesting an annual contribution and reporting on the upcoming event.

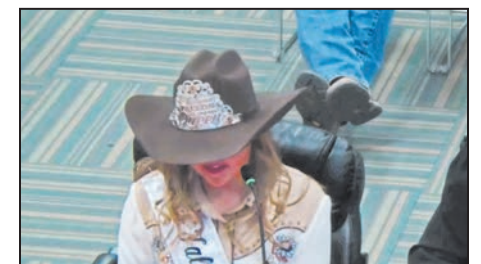
"The Fallon Junior Rodeo is the best junior rodeo in all Nevada," said Bogdanowicz, "The reason it is so great is we have an amazing rodeo committee, wonderful volunteers, awesome prizes, and a ton of community support. Thank you for your support of our rodeo. We look forward to many great years ahead."

Last year there were 239 partici-

pants in the rodeo, coming from as far away as Washington, Idaho, Arizona, and California. "We've made a name for ourselves," said Peek, "people know they can count on things being right, and we have fun events for the spectators and the contestants."

Peek said costs have increased considerably, with the trophy saddles running \$1,800 alone. The committee asked for \$3,000 in county funding, and commissioners unanimously approved that.

More information is available at the website fallonjuniorrodeo.com or by calling 775-302-6792.



Macady Bogdanowicz at the county commission meeting last week.

Births and Marriages




Births JULY

Camilla Aliyah Torres born on July 7 to Yeleima Ugalde and Jesus Torres, weighing 7 lbs 7 oz., measuring 19 inches.

Luka Tommy Armijo born on July 18 to Brooke Jones and Raymond Armijo, weighing 7 lb. 5 oz., measuring 19 inches.

Jayne Robert Draco Sutton born July 21 to Rachel Guevara and Steven Sutton, weighing 7 lb. 15 oz., measuring 19¾ inches.

Brantley Laine Herrin born July 21 to Rhianna and Bryce Herrin, weighing 7 lb. 1 oz., measuring 19 inches.

Soren Haze Schobinger born July 24 to Erica Hagman and Nicholas Schobinger, weighing 6 lb. 14 oz., measuring 19 inches.

Owen Lee-Nelson Fernadez born July 25 to Monique Knackstedt and Tony Fernandez, Jr., weighing 6 lb. 4 oz., measuring 20 inches.

Natalia Bambi Blankenship born July 29 to Alexandra Duncan and Josh Blankenship, weighing 5 lb. 7 oz., measuring 17 inches.




July Marriage Licenses

07/03/23	TIMOTHY JOE CARNES	82	TO	PATRICIA HOPE SNELL	62
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07/25/23	DAVID DAMIAN LOPEZ	43	TO	MINDY MARIE HAMMON	37
07/27/23	BRADLEY JOSEPH MORA	68	TO	BONNIE ELIZABETH MORA	77
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Community

New CAPS Facility in Design Phase

By Rachel Dahl

County Commissioners approved their annual \$20,000 contribution to the Churchill Animal Protection Society last week after receiving a report from Public Works Director Chris Spross about the status of the new building and a report from Executive Director of CAPS Julia Ameil.

According to Spross, the commission purchased and approved a structure in 2022, but the costs and availability for the design work have been prohibitive. Currently, GEM Drafting, a local company, is doing the design, working with Ameil and her team on the concepts to meet the organization's needs as they grow. Once the design is completed, it will be submitted to the building department for review

and then go out to bid.

Spross anticipates the bid process will begin by December, and with six months to build, CAPS could be in the new facility by the end of June 2024. "The pre-engineered building is on site," said Spross referring to the unassembled metal building that was purchased last year. The new facility will be located off Moody Lane near the water treatment facility and is a partnership with the City of Fallon.

CAPS was created in 1986 as a no-kill shelter to house and adopt the community's homeless cats and dogs. Ameil and her team of four kennel associates and local volunteers provide medical care, spay, and neuter services, and find homes for nearly 150 animals each year. They also provide community education to reduce un-

wanted litters.

"During covid, our donations and volunteers were way down," said Ameil, "and we also saw an increase in the number of surrenders." There are 20 in/out kennels at CAPS for dogs and ten cat condos, but she said they are over capacity with 19 adult dogs and six puppies.

Through 2022, CAPS served 163 animals, with 105 dogs and 58 cats. "Our vet bills totaled \$55,435 for the cats and dogs last year," said Ameil.

CAPS also provides a food pantry for pets with donations from the community and the SPCA in Reno. Last year, they assisted 35 families with 2,100 pounds of food for 60 dogs and 34 cats.

Volunteers are a significant part of life at CAPS, and Ameil recognized

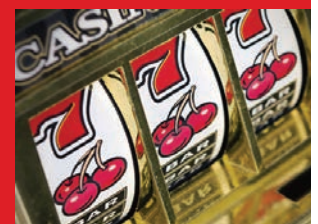
the contributions made by the military and the Jr. ROTC from the high school, along with the hundreds of people who have helped over the years with Bark in the Park, the annual yard sale, fundraising dinners, and the all-new paint night.

Anyone wishing to volunteer or contribute to CAPS and their mission can contact Ameil and her team at 423-7500 or see the available animals for adoption at capsnevada.org today.

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...rentals continued from Front Page

With interest rates currently at 7-8%, he said that penciling a rental deal is even more difficult. For example, Diegel said that if he bought a

Studio Homes

Nothing available at this time.

One Bedroom Homes



Two Bedroom Homes

Nothing available at this time.

Three Bedroom Homes

Nothing available at this time.

Four+ Bedroom Homes

Nothing available at this time.

Image courtesy of Wallace Realty.

house for \$210,000 at 7% interest and charged \$1,500 for the rent, he would easily lose \$500 per month. "That deal just doesn't make sense, so we wouldn't buy that house."

According to Diegel, the biggest problem with the rental market in Fallon is that rents didn't keep up over time, and these elevated prices are evidence that the market has corrected. "Rents have finally caught up," he said, "for 20 years, rents stayed around \$700, and that was not sustainable." He said the same owners held properties for years who never raised rents, but as properties have changed hands in the past few years, that has been when new landlords have increased rents to cover their costs.

Diegel said there are no easy answers, but our community needs affordable housing with less maintenance and less property management. If someone were to build apartment buildings, that would free up inventory.

Sometimes it is frustrating, Diegel said when people are offended at the rental prices throughout the community. "This is the way we make a living," he said. "You hear people say they won't pay that amount for a steak, but when the rancher explains it is local beef, then people understand, and they support the local producer. It is the same with us. This isn't a cash grab. This is the way we support our family."

He said they take the responsibility to maintain their homes very seriously and rent to people who will do the same. When a home is in disrepair, it lowers the value of that home and the neighborhood's value.

Community Day a Triumph

Staff Report

Churchill County sends a special thank you to all who participated in Fallon Community Day on July 29 at the Rafter 3C Arena.

The fun family experience for children and their families provided back-to-school preparation and information on area resources. A total of 21 vendors participated in the event, making it the largest Community Day yet. More than 600 children received back-to-school supplies, with more than 1300 people in attendance.

Churchill County is exceptionally grateful for this year's Community

Day supporters including CC Communications, Churchill County Federal Credit Union, Churchill County Hospital Auxiliary, Continental Equipment Company, City of Fallon, Fallon Ford-Toyota, Fitness for 10, Fred L. Johnson, Gemini, Inc., Jeff's Digitex Printing & Suzie's Picture Framing, Lawton-Silva VFW Post 1002, Louie's ACE Home Center, Mackedon, deBraga & Rowe Law, Never Alone Group of NA, New Frontier Behavioral Health, Oasis Bowling Center, Soda Lake Storage, Tedford Tire & Auto Service and The Woodliff Company LLC.



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District Court News

By Teresa Moon

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, August 1, Judge Robert E. Estes presiding.

Bryan William Serles, in custody, appeared for a change of plea. Serles pleaded guilty to Intimidating a Police Officer Without Threat of Force, a Gross Misdemeanor. The judge sentenced the defendant to 6 months in Churchill County Jail, suspended, with 12 months probation. Fees and assessments were imposed.

Becky Lee Hadley, in custody, admitted to a Probation Violation regarding being removed from the Drug Court Program. DDA Thomas said Hadley missed 6 drug court dates, showed up testing positive for methamphetamine, dumped the sample, and refused to provide another sample. He asked for 19-48 months in Nevada State Prison. PD Noel asked for probation either with the condition that Hadley returns to Drug Court, or that she be allowed to go to Arkansas where she has support from family. The judge sentenced Hadley to 19-48 months in Nevada State Prison, suspended, with 18 months probation. She was ordered to remain in Churchill County Jail until the Interstate Compact for her probation to be transferred to Arkansas is completed. Fees and assessments were imposed.

Ebony Nichole Earwicker, in custody, admitted to Probation Violations including Absconding, Failure to keep P&P advised of her residence, being \$300 in arrears on monthly supervision fees, and being removed from the Drug Court Program. The judge told

the defendant, "I can't see that you made any effort whatsoever. At some point that comes to an end. That's today." He sentenced her to 12-34 months in Nevada State Prison. Earwicker was remanded to the custody of the Churchill County Sheriff for imposition of sentence.

Georgina Lynn Brown appeared for sentencing on the Category E Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine). DDA Sanford told the court that Brown was provisionally placed in Drug Court in May and has attended and completed inpatient treatment. PD Sommer stated his client has been officially accepted into Drug Court and asked for probation with a diversion through the Drug Court Program. Estes sentenced Brown to probation for 12-24 months, with the condition she successfully Western Regional Drug Court Program. Fees and assessments were imposed.

Jacob William Kolwyck appeared for sentencing on the Category E Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance (fentanyl), which he pled guilty to in May. DDA Thomas told the court that Kolwyck has entered and graduated from the drug court program multiple times and asked the defendant to receive 19-48 months in Nevada State Prison. PD Sommer asked for probation with the condition Kolwyck enter and completes drug court. Kolwyck told the judge he is doing well in drug court and that during previous times mental health was not addressed, it is now, and that makes a difference. He stated he knows the sentence hanging over his head and



would like one last chance. The judge said, "You're going to have your last chance" as he imposed fees and assessments, fined the defendant \$2,000, and gave him a suspended sentence of 19-48 months. He was placed on probation for 18 months with standard conditions and the condition he complete Drug Court.

Joy Margette Vanzant-Thunder appeared for sentencing on 2 charges. On the charge of Attempt to Commit Uttering a Forged Document, the judge sentenced as a Gross Misdemeanor, giving Vanzant-Thunder 364 days in Churchill County Jail. On the E Felony of Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance for the Purpose of Sales, the defendant received 19-48 months in Nevada State Prison. Both sentences were suspended, with 30 months probation, with the condition that she enters and completes drug court, along with other standard

conditions. Fees and assessments were imposed, and Vanzant-Thunder was ordered to pay \$100 restitution for the money the task force used to buy drugs from her within the next 30 days.

Coleen Rose Camilli appeared for sentencing on Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment of a Child, a Category B Felony that carries a potential penalty of 1-6 years in Nevada State Prison. If the defendant gets a Psychological Risk Assessment and is found to not be at high risk, probation becomes an option. Attorney Steve Evenson explained to the court that due to a series of mishaps, Camilli obtained a Mental Health Evaluation rather than a Risk Assessment. Evenson asked for a continuance for his client to get the Risk Assessment. The judge granted a 60-day continuance saying, "Sentencing will take place in 60 days one way or another."



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Health District Seeks Advisory Board

Staff Report

The Central Nevada Health District is looking for volunteers living within its membership entities to form the Food Protection Hearing and Advisory Board (FPHAB). Residents and business owners in Churchill, Pershing, Mineral, Eureka Counties, and the City of Fallon can apply for the advisory board. They can do so via the online application: <https://www.centralnevadahd.org/applications-open-to-form-food-protection-hearing-and-advisory-board/>.

The board will provide independent, unbiased oversight if a food service facility disputes the decision of the Environmental Health program. The goal of the FPHAB is to help

ensure the district's Environmental Health program is meeting the needs of the local food industry regarding compliance and enforcement actions through a collaborative and systematic approach.

The voluntary FPHAB will be a District Board of Health-appointed seven-member advisory board, two of which (at least) will be representatives from the local food industry, and the remaining five members will be considered based on their willingness to make a difference within their communities. Three advisory board members will be appointed for a one-year term, three for a two-year term, and one for a three-year term. The board will meet, as needed, in person, by telephone, or by electronic communication to review any pending requests for appeals and waivers.

The first meeting will introduce



During a visit to Churchill County on July 21, 2023, Governor Lombardo signs SB 118 allowing for the creation of a health district by non-adjacent counties. He is surrounded by health representatives from Churchill County, the Central Nevada Health District and representatives from health organizations throughout Nevada. Photo courtesy of Churchill County.

the members and establish the structure of future meetings. Subsequent sessions will be scheduled to evaluate and determine if a food facility's appeal/waiver is warranted and make recommendations to the District Board of Health for a final decision. Meetings will only be scheduled when formal requests for appeals/waivers are received and will not occur more frequently than monthly.

The creation of the Central Nevada Health District was approved by the State of Nevada Board of Health on

December 2, 2022, as the third district approved in the state of Nevada and the first to serve rural communities.

As of July 1, 2023, the health district implemented services, including public health nursing, disease investigation, prevention, public health preparedness, and environmental health in Churchill County, including the City of Fallon, Mineral County, Pershing County, and Eureka County. For more information: www.centralnevadahd.org.

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Bighorn Bulletin

Story and photos by Angela Viera

High School Students Classes Early

Oasis Academy College Prep students started their first classes on Monday, August 7, through the dual enrollment program with Western Nevada College.

Juniors and seniors will complete either Communications, Music Appreciation, or Art Appreciation for three-semester credits within three weeks.

"It is so exciting to see the kids, especially the seniors. What makes it a little more special is the 11th and 12th-grade students are the only students on campus, so we get to focus solely on them for a couple of weeks. These classes allow our students to take a lighter load for the regular semester. We began this several years ago. It has helped increase our student success," Rochelle Tisdale, CAO.

"Western Nevada College is pleased to offer these early semester classes to meet the needs of students at Oasis Academy so they can get a head start on their higher education," said J. Kyle Dalpe, Ph.D., WNC president.

To learn more about the Jump Start dual enrollment program at Oasis Academy, contact Academic Advisor Eric Grimes at egrimes@oanv.org.



Ashley Duskin.

Ashley Duskin Set to Teach this Fall

With five years of classroom experience, Ashley Duskin will start at Oasis this fall, teaching fourth grade. Duskin came to Oasis from Fernley with experience teaching second and fourth grades and high school special education.

"My favorite part of teaching is the kids. Getting to see those little moments of joy and the increase in confidence when a student finally 'gets' it. You can see the excitement in their eyes when they have a breakthrough in understanding a concept they were struggling with," said Duskin.

In her free time, she loves to be

outdoors, including camping, hiking, gardening, and working around the house with her family. She also enjoys cooking, baking, painting, and doing art projects with her kids.

Duskin has a blended family with four children aged ten to twenty. They are looking forward to adding livestock animals to their home, which currently has a Maltipoo named Peanut and a bearded dragon named Sunny.

"I am just really excited to have the opportunity to teach at Oasis and for my kids to get to attend Oasis.

We're all looking forward to an amazing school year," she added.

Scott Hunter Joins Oasis

Coming from the Lyon County School District, veteran teacher Scott Hunter is thrilled to be part of the Bighorn team.

"This will be my 20th year teaching in Nevada. I have taught many different K-8 subjects at Silver Stage Middle School, Yerington Elementary/Middle School, and at Fernley Intermediate School," said Hunter.

"I really think my favorite part about teaching is that you are always learning something new," he added.

Hunter has several funny memories that stick out from his years of

teaching, but one, in particular, stands out.

"I have so many wonderful memories of all of the great students I have taught. One of the funniest things I ever witnessed was when a new kindergarten student started swiping a computer monitor to scroll down through a menu. This happened in the early 2000s and was before our modern touchscreen devices. Apparently, this student was more familiar with the use of an iPad vs. a PC," he said.

He enjoys biking, fly fishing, and riding his motorcycle in his spare time. He has been married to his wife for almost twenty years, and they have three sweet dogs.



Scott Hunter.

Logos Set to Start School September 5

Staff Report

Logos Christian Academy reports excellent progress as they move from their former Sheckler Road location to the school's new home at 1191 E. Stillwater Avenue.

While September 5 has been finalized as the first day of school, workers and volunteers are moving mountains to ensure everything is ready on time. According to board member Bill Sentz,

three modular buildings are in place, and teachers can begin preparing their classrooms soon. Fallon Floors has been busy installing new carpeting, and the Springs of Redemption Crew is currently working on placing skirting and taking care of the finishing touches.

Two 20'x40' modular buildings are expected to be delivered this week. "Thanks to Andy Fisher and others, all the playground equipment, includ-

ing the large set, all the playground grade wood chips, and the playground border, has been moved to the new location," reports Slentz. "Andy is also beginning the layout and trenching for installing the electrical and fiber optic services. We have secured the permit for the electrical services from the City of Fallon."

Logos is working to fill a few more open teacher positions while teachers, staff, and board members are prepar-

ing for the new school year. Classroom school supply lists will be posted shortly.

For more information, contact Logos at <https://logosfallon.org> or call 775-428-1825.



Sports

Top Gun Drag Strip Host \$5 Races Saturday, Aug 12

Staff Report

After significant damage from June rainstorms, Top Gun Dragstrip recently released information that they are ready to race again. Officials report that the track has been cleaned, the pit has been repaired, and the timing system has been restored to NHRA and Compulink standards.

Work continues on the well, but arrangements have been made with the City of Fallon and Churchill County for the water needed to supply the Saturday race and for upcoming

events.

Top Gun expresses appreciation for the ongoing support during this challenging season. "We couldn't have done it without you," writes Top Gun management, "This track will continue to work forward to provide a safe and enjoyable racing experience for everyone."

On August 12, Top Gun is hosting their "\$5 Saturday" race. Gates open at 3 p.m. with an open test and tune from 6 p.m. to midnight. Summit Points racers and other racers participating in ET bracket racing should

look out for a special announcement regarding the September 15-17 event.

Join The Fallon Post and Les Schwab on September 10 for a car show fundraiser at Les Schwab Tires to support Top Gun as they continue to repair the water and property damage. Sponsors include Summit Racing, Wild West Burgers, Fallon Speedway Market, The Alley Bar, and Camacho Auto Sales. Top Gun announcer Davy Munoz will be MCing the event. Enter online at bit.ly/3KwIjXg or search tickets.thefoat.com. Entry is \$30. Contact 775-294-9229 for more information.



Left and center: Race cars at Top Gun Dragstrip, photos by Leanna Lehman. Above: Work continues on new replacement well. Photo courtesy of Top Gun.





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What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen - Cookin' and Bookin'

Welcome to the cooking portion of our new "Cooking & Booking" Project. Allison and I decided to join forces once a month to celebrate the intersection of enjoyable Chick Lit and food. She will review the book, and I will prepare and discuss a dish that is featured within its pages.

I was so excited to choose the first book for the collaboration: "The School of Essential Ingredients" by Erica Bauermeister. It is a book I adore, and the plot plays out in a dreamy restaurant, the likes of which I want to own one day. It is a fictional restaurant as the chef/owner is untroubled by the slim profit margin generated by the commercial kitchen, has ample time to stroll through farmer's markets leisurely, and has no issues fully staffing her team with creative, hard-working, and reliable professionals.

After reading the book, I thought a lot about tortillas. Tortillas are both incredibly simple and infinitely complicated. They are simple because they require only two essential ingredients. They are infinitely complicated because the perfect tortilla is born from years of repetition and intuition, years that I have yet to invest in.

The first batch of tortillas I attempted was made from past expiration date masa that I picked up at Safeway. I could not find a tortilla press for sale anywhere in town, so I squished them with a pie plate. I cooked them on the stovetop in a sauté pan, not on a Comal tortilla press like the experts. I did not achieve the magical tortilla "puff."

Since then, I have acquired a super-bougie tortilla press and three varieties of specialty masa from Masienda, a store built around a commitment to equitable farming and ancestral techniques. The resulting tortillas are an improvement, with a tender texture and over-the-top corn flavor. I still strive for the puff; I may get there with a Comal and another few attempts.

Try making your tortillas as an exercise in focus, simplicity, and a celebration of essential ingredients. Trust me, even an imperfect handmade tortilla is one of the most delicious things you have put in your mouth.

Handmade Corn Tortillas Using Masa Harina - recipe sourced from Masienda

INGREDIENTS:

1 cup Masienda Heirloom Corn Masa Harina
1 cup warm water
Spices and seasonings to taste

DIRECTIONS:

1. Slowly add the warm water to the dry masa flour in your bowl, stirring the masa to incorporate evenly by hand.
2. Knead until the water is evenly incorporated and no dry, powdery spots remain. Tortilla masa should be moist but not tacky (leaving bits of wet masa on your hand and fingers). If it's too wet, add a bit more masa; if too dry, add a bit more water.
3. Once masa is well combined, add optional salt, spices, and seasonings to taste, evenly incorporating throughout finished masa.
4. Heat Comal or nonstick skillet on the stove to low-medium heat.
5. Roll masa into ping pong-sized balls, placing them back into the bowl once rolled.
6. Once all masa is rolled into balls, turn Comal or skillet up to medium/medium-high heat.
7. Open tortilla press and place down a sheet of plastic. Place one ball of masa on the plastic and press down slightly to flatten. Add a second piece of plastic on top of the masa ball. Close the tortilla press, applying pressure to flatten the dough, aiming for a tortilla 1/16" thick.
8. Open the press, remove the top sheet of plastic, and place the uncooked tortilla on your palm before removing the second piece.
9. Gently lay the tortilla on the hot Comal or pan (no oil is required), searing for 20-30 seconds on the first side. Flip the tortilla to allow the other side to sear for the same time. One last flip, to land back on the first side, is where the tortilla will finish and where you may see the elusive tortilla puff. Continue cooking all tortillas.
10. Store tortillas in a clean dish towel once cooked, allowing them to steam and soften slightly. Serve immediately.



Handmade corn tortillas using Masa Harina, photo courtesy of Masienda.

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For those looking at a movie this weekend, playing Friday, August 18, and Saturday, August 19, at 6 p.m. is the 2017 animated family comedy "The Boss Baby." A new baby's arrival impacts a family, told from the point of view of a delightfully unreliable narrator - a widely imaginative 7-year-old named Tim. The most unusual Boss Baby arrives at Tim's home in a taxi, wearing a suit and carrying a briefcase. The instant sibling rivalry must soon be put aside when Tim discovers that Boss Baby is on a secret mission, and only he can help thwart a dastardly plot involving an epic battle between puppies and babies. Voices provided by Alec Baldwin, Jimmy Kimmel, and Lisa Kudrow.

Our second feature, on Saturday night, August 19, starting at 7 p.m., is the 2005 family adventure "Zathura." After their father is called into work, two young boys are left in the care of their teenage sister and told they must stay inside. The boys, anticipating a dull day, are shocked when they begin playing Zathura, a space-themed board game, which they realize has mystical powers when their house is shot into space. With the help of an astronaut, the boys attempt to return home. Starring Johan Bobo, Josh Hutcherson, Kristen Stewart, Dax Shepard, and Tim Robbins.

Hope to see you at Friday's concert, the movies, and the Community Reunion. Thanks again to all our sustaining members, sponsors, and volunteers - we couldn't do it without you.



August Movies

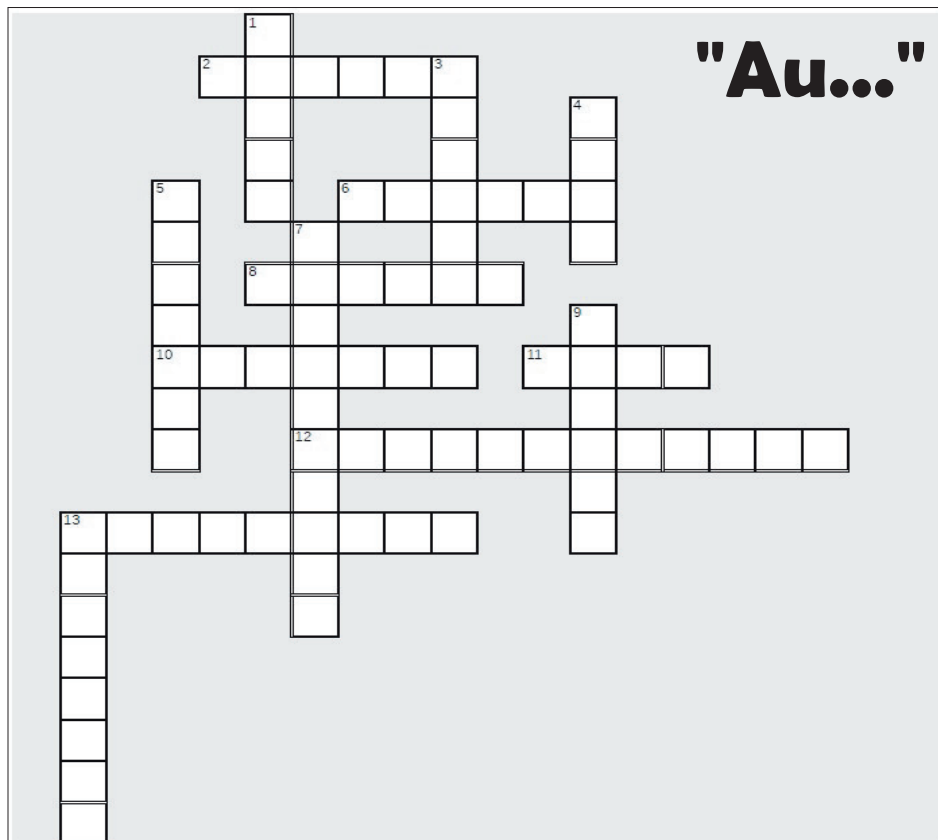


<p>Friday 8/4 Babe @ 6pm Seabiscuit @ 7pm</p>	<p>Saturday 8/5 Babe @ 6pm Seabiscuit @ 7pm</p>
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<p>Friday 8/18 Boss Baby @ 6pm LIVE MUSIC @ 7pm Community Reunion Acoustic Alignment Steven Christie Free!</p>	<p>Saturday 8/19 Boss Baby @ 6pm Zathura @ 7pm</p>
<p>Friday 8/25 Madagascar @ 6pm Jumanji @ 7pm</p>	<p>Saturday 8/26 *Cantaloupe Canter 5K* 9am Madagascar @ 6pm Jumanji @ 7pm</p>



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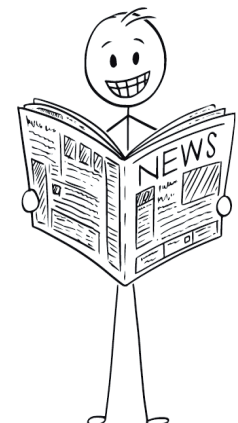
Crossword — by Peanut

Across

- 2 Atmospheric phenomenon
- 6 Novelist
- 8 Miss Hepburn
- 10 Postmortem
- 11 Old as Lang Syne
- 12 Expansion
- 13 Tries out

Down

- 1 The digit zero
- 3 Mame
- 4 Personal energy field
- 5 Lacking dexterity
- 7 Mechanization
- 9 British author
- 13 Spectrum disorder



Notices

July Divorces

Cardenas Velasquez, Maria J v Salcido Felgueres, Jose M	Annulment
Dean, Eve Autym v Spiezio, Logan Alexander	Annulment
Eligio, Rolando Rendon v Cervantes, Ma Guadalupe Farias	Annulment
Jennings, Tyler Thomas v Jennings, Hailey Renee	Annulment
Lemus, Mia Carmela v Coral, Mustafa F.	Annulment
Bell, Daren v Johnson, Melinda	Divorce
Bickel, Tami v Bickel, Eric	Divorce
Buell, Gina Ann v Buell, Melvin Harry	Divorce
Crowell, Tori v Crowell, Savannah	Divorce
Dortal, Matan v Green, Laura Naomi	Divorce
Douglas, Andre v Douglas, Ebony	Divorce
Du Mond, Kristina Solveg v Du Mond, Daniel Troy	Divorce
Duncan, Lindsey Nicole v O'Brien, Joseph	Divorce
Gedali, Tal v Pantoja, Melissa Anahi	Divorce
Grable, Jimmie v Grable, Dayleen	Divorce
Hijazi, Adel v Galliano, Tatiana Victoria	Divorce
Kaur, Jagroop v Donsanjh, Jaskeerat Singh	Divorce
Larkins, Johnny Lee v Larkins, Lisa Ruth	Divorce
Lemautu, Isley v Lemautu, John	Divorce
Mengistu, Hiwot Abeje v Maganga, Felix Songelaely	Divorce
Quatrale, Monica Lauren v Guzman-Torres, Jorge Luis	Divorce
Robbins, Lydia Demaris v Gabriel, James Jamal	Divorce
Scott, Cody Allen v Scott, Payten LeAnn	Divorce
Scott, David Leroy v Fredrickson, Samantha	Divorce
Scrivens, Eddy v Scrivens, Jessica	Divorce
Sirisuparoek, Benyapha v Sirisutharom, Niti	Divorce
Taub, Yaniv v Ornelas, Deysi Ashley	Divorce
Thompson, Aimee v Thompson, Derek	Divorce
Trimble, Scott Stephen v Arguijo, Sarah Nicole	Divorce
Van Ryn, Jason Henry v Van Ryn, Selene Cuevas Cazarin	Divorce
Winn, Maria Lynn v Winn, Kreg B.	Divorce

July Business Licenses - City

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was passed and adopted by the Churchill County Board of Commissioners on August 3, 2023:

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PROVISIONS OF TITLE 16 CONSOLIDATED DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY CODE

SUMMARY: THIS ORDINANCE AMENDS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 16 CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATED DEVELOPMENT CODE. IT AMENDS THE USE TABLE FOR ZONING DISTRICTS TO CLARIFY THE ZONES IN WHICH CERTAIN VEHICLES AND VEHICLE ACCESSORIES MAY BE SOLD, ESTABLISHES THE PERMITTING PROCESS UNDER WHICH CERTAIN VEHICLE AND VEHICLE ACCESSORIES MAY BE SOLD, AND PROVIDES FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

AYES:
Harry "Bus" Scharmann Chairman
Justin Heath, Commissioner
Myles Getto, Commissioner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: N/A

Copies of the Ordinance are available at the County Clerk's Office, 155 No. Taylor Street, Suite 110, Fallon, Nevada 89406, for inspection by all interested persons.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2023.
PAMELA D. MOORE
DEPUTY CLERK TO THE BOARD

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Ad #6105

NOTICE OF PETITION Case No. 23-10DC-0878

In the Tenth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada in and for the County of Churchill
In the Matter of the Estate of CRAIG STEVEN STURMAN, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that GERALD R. EDGMON, Petitioner, has filed with the Clerk of this Court a Petition for Letters of Administration in the Estate of CRAIG STEVEN STURMAN, Deceased. A hearing on the Petition has been fixed before the Court for the 29th day of August, 2023, at the hour of 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the Courtroom of the Tenth Judicial District Court, 73 North Maine Street, Fallon, Nevada. All persons interested in said Estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Petition should not be granted. A verified Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023.

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Friday, August 18

- 7:00 p.m. **FREE** concert at the Fallon Theatre – Music by:
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Saturday, August 19

- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. **FREE** Breakfast at the Oats Park Arts Center – Lariat Patio
- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. **FREE** Show-n-Shine Car Show & Antique Tractors at the Oats Park Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Public Library Video Yearbook Display
- 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **FREE** Swim at the City Pool & the New Splash Pad area
- 4:00 p.m. Gather at Oats Park ~ **BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS**; some classes will have tents: ~**EXTRA** parking at E.C. Best~
- We will Honoring the Class of 1963
- Food, beer & wine will be for sale ~ or bring your own picnic to the park
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10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (*unless otherwise noted)

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*Churchill County Museum – 10 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

*Frey Ranch Distillery – 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

*Oats Park School/Art Center – 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Questions: communityreunion@fallonnevada.gov or call 775.423.3040
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