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### Rodeo Fans Cowboy Up Against the Nevada Heat



~by Leanna Lehman

If you are not familiar with the term "cowboy up," it is a phrase that has been around nearly as long as the cowboy. In essence, it means to take a tough approach to overcome something difficult, as a cowboy would – with guts and gusto. And in this case, in the blistering Nevada

heat.

With temperatures upwards of 100 degrees, rodeo fans came out en mass to be part of DeGolyer's 7th Annual Bucking Horse & Bull Bash last weekend, along with cowboys, cowgirls, and even cowkids. The fun started in the main arena with the traditional "mutton bustin" competition. Mutton bustin' is a children's event in which

a small child attempts to ride

a sheep, much like a bucking

horse. In most cases, the sheep

attempt to run out from under

its rider. And the term rider is

used loosely, with most only astride for a few seconds. Both boys and girls participated, with parents and volunteers close by to ensure no little ones were injured. This year's event winner was Jesse Pete Crystal (son of Shawn and Victoria Crystal), who scored 74 points and second place went to Weston Fernandez, with a 62-point ride.

The Bucking Horse and Bull

Bash, largely known for its rough stock events, left more than a few cowboys in the dirt. The Ranch Bronc Riding, an event similar to traditional bronc riding, is an event that many working cowboys call a regular day at the office. Riders must stay on a bucking horse for the required eight seconds using a western-style saddle and a halter. In

many cases, just staying upright until the buzzer is a feat in itself. Nearly anything can happen dǔrinǧ the ranch bronc riding, usually making for a fan favorite. In this event, the wildest ride usually wins. First place when to Robert Swift, who made a 75-point ride, 2nd place went to Cody Schroeder with a close 74-point ride,

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Stetson DeGolyer with Dad, Cody DeGoylěr

# **District Approves School Reopening** Plan

~ by Rachel Dahl

The Churchill County School District Superintendent, Summer Stephens held a Stakeholder meeting on Monday, June 28 at 5:00 p.m. to gather input regarding the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction Plan the district is required to submit to the Nevada Department of Education as part of the American Recovery Plan.
On Friday, June 25 an email and phone

calls were sent to parents alerting them to the information gathering meeting. Parents were also invited to submit email com-

ments regarding the Plan.

At the School Board of Trustees meeting Wednesday night, Stephens reported that she received two emails, six people attended the Monday evening meeting

online, and two attended in person.
The Plan is built around the principle that the top priority is health and safety for students and staff, and includes local state, and federal guidelines and directives. Academic achievement and whole child development will be at the center of every decision, said Stephens. The plan will be reviewed and revised periodically as required and as necessary, and the district is committed to being good stewards of local, state, and federal funds meeting the goals of the board's budget policy.

In the event that a significant outbreak is confirmed within the district, the superintendent will contact the Churchill County Chief Medical Officer and County Manager and will follow all established guidelines. If a short-term closure is necessary due to potential or confirmed COVID exposure, the district will cancel all activities. Students will return to fully remote learning if needed, and school facilities will

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# From the Publisher

### Captain's Log – A Sea of Sleeplessness

We drove all night. I'm sure there is a song, I'll have to find it and add it to the *Post* playlist. When I left you last week Mom, Sara, and I were sitting in Idaho Falls heading for Dillon to a hotel room. Sadly, it turns out, we tend to fly by the seat of our pants (I know you find that hard to believe) and we did not bother to make a hotel reservation. So of course, there were no rooms at the inn.

Nor were there rooms in Sheridan, Whitehall, Three Forks, or Bozeman. Finally, the gal at the Fairfield Inn told us there were no rooms to be had for the next several days all the way

to Rock Springs, Wyoming. Also. There were no parking spaces in any of the Big Sky Highway 90 rest areas. I'm tell-

ing you though, those Montanans go all out over their rest stops.

By this time of night copious amounts of caffeine and road weary rummy had kicked in and you should have witnessed Gramma Nancy's sense of humor – she was doing full-on stand-up. We actually had to start a list of our one-liners as we pressed on through Montana by moonlight.

And what the HECK is the point of a cross-country road trip if you can't see the country.

It was the greatest disappointment of the whole trip.
We got to Stanley, North Dakota about 9am and got a whole day more with the kids than we expected and had the best time ever. North Dakota is straight gorgeous. (They do not how-

ever, believe in rest stops).

At some point in the middle of the night as we crossed Montana, talking smack to keep each other awake, Sara suggested finding out how far away it was to Mount Rushmore from Stanley. Since we were "close" and by that time such great road trippers we decided that would be the thing to do so we measured and timed and made a room reservation in Rawlins, Wyoming for the trip home.

It was a true Bucket List trip – family, motorcycles, airplanes, National Monuments, the list goes on and on... like the ribbon of highway. But, man, it is good to be home. And it's good

to be back...

...keeping you Posted. Rach

#### Picture of the Week



Bucket list fulfillment: approaching Mt. Rushmore

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# Features

### **Update on Life Center Transition Plan**

~by Rachel Dahl

As the senior center transition moves forward and the Pennington Life Center is restructured under the purview of Churchill County Social Services, several items are making their way to the County

Commissioners agenda.

During the Thursday, July 1 Commission meeting, Edrie LaVoie, the retired Lyon County Human Services Director was approved as an independent contractor to provide consulting services for the restructuring of the Life Center. She will be tasked with the organizational and fiscal management as the Center is folded into the Social Services Department.

"As we moved into the transition at the Life Center," said the Director of Social Services, Shannon Ernst, "I have not said I'm an expert by any means with senior services, so I did reach out to one I

know is an expert."

LaVoie worked for Lyon County for over 30 years and has completed three transitions from non-profit organizations over to the county through various senior structures. She will now assist Churchill County with the development of grants, budgets, and the organizational structure of the Life Center and will be paid \$1,500 per week, for a period up to 13 weeks.

Ernst said her staff has been working at the Center on the budget, closing of the Life Center activities, opening the new ones, and applying for two new grants this week. "Her assistance is greatly needed, and although we have asked for 13 weeks, we are anticipat-

ing it will be a lot shorter," Ernst said.

Jim Barbee, county manager said, "I just want to reinforce how important this contract is. We've been learning a and very quickly in our engagement on the transition of the Life Center, but we still don't know what we don't know, and she definitely does." He said the county wants to continue to make the transition as smooth possible and ensure that Churchill County seniors have all access and every opportunity available to them.

"We are so lucky that Edrie is available and that she will come," said Commission Chair Pete Olsen. "It is huge that we will be getting all the paperwork that we need straightened out."

Additionally, Commissioners approved two full-time Office Specialists and one full-time Office Assistant who will serve as the receptionist for the Center, along with one part-time Bookkeeping Assistant who will work in the Social Services Department. These positions will replace the current office positions at the Center and will fall under Social Services.

Commissioners also approved the class specification for Senior Food Specialist and assigned that position to pay grade 39.

Employees of the Coalition for Senior Citizens who formerly worked at the Center have been invited and welcomed to apply.

"It's just really been taking us some time to evaluate the structure," said Ernst, "and overall, what the need is for the staffing to ensure we are meeting the needs of the participants and hopefully

more participants in the future."
Olsen said this has been a monumental undertaking and he thanked all the county staff who have gone above and beyond. "I was at an event there last night and it was nice to see the seniors, a bunch

of kids, nice music, and I hope for many more times like that ahead." Barbee said the transition continues and, "We are making some good advancements in bridging positive relationships with the existing staff and working with those folks to make application for positions. We have several applications that have been filled out and submitted and so we will continue to march forward." He said the dance the night before was very successful with 50 people attending. "They definitely like their Johnny Cash, and Rolling Stones."

School Reopening - Cont'd from front page

be properly disinfected and sanitized according to the CDC and local guidance.

Full in-person learning will begin on August 23.

According to language in the Plan, "No single health and safety measure in isolation will effectively mitigate the spread of COVId-19, therefore multi-layered approach will be used. The district will follow any current directives or mandates regarding health and wellness for staff or student who is working or attending in person.



CCSD Administration Building at The Old High School. Photo by Jo Petteruti

Several of the ques-

tions from the information gathering meeting revolved around masks, and the plan sets out the requirement according to Governor Sisolak's COVID Directive 045 that children nine and under, along with fully vaccinated individuals do not have to wear face coverings

The CDC recommends unvaccinated people wear face coverings in schools. All children and staff using school transportation with more than one occupant are required to wear face coverings while using the transportation. The Plan also clarifies that all children and adults are welcome to wear face coverings at any time. Vaccination availability will be shared with families and staff throughout the year but in answer to many inquiries, Stephens clarified that, "there is no current requirement that students or staff receive the COVID vaccinations, but unvaccinated individuals are subject to stricter isolation requirements, and may be subject to stricter CDC and state guidelines."

Nutrition services will continue under Chartwells, the district's contracted food service provider under USDA guidelines. All students including those in virtual learning can access daily breakfast and lunch, and all students from pre-K through grade 12 will contin-

ue to receive free meals through the district eligibility.

As far as transportation, bus transfers will not be utilized this year, and buses will run circuits with stops throughout town. Students in grades K-8 in town will have access to busing if they live further than one-half-mile from their school, and all students, K-12 who live in the county, not within the city limits will have access to a bus. Sanitization will be done regularly by drivers and transportation staff and masks on district transportation will be required. Students will attend school every day beginning in August and

will be held accountable for all policies and regulations related t in-person learning. Schedules will be posted on the district and school websites and communicated through Infinite Campus. Any student who becomes excluded due to exposure or isolation related to COVID will be given temporary distance learning opportunities

through their classroom teacher.

Stephens urges families to update their contact information in Infinite Campus and reiterated that this will be the main communi-

cation tool used by the district.

Students will still have the option for full-time virtual learning, working with principals and counselors. All students in the district will be provided with a district-owned device for their use along with internet connectivity if needed.

The Plan is available on the district webpage at churchillesd. com and was by the School Board trustees.

# Features

...Rodeo cont'd from front page



Mutton buster after a rough ride

and 3rd place went to Klein Kelly with 70 points.

The bulls came out ahead when it came to the bull riding, which is usually the most dangerous and unpredictable rodeo event. With 12 bull riders in the lineup, the tally at the night's end was Bulls-12 and Riders- 0. After dumping his rider headlong into the dirt, one bull jumped the 8-foot tall arena fence to evade a rope around the neck and a trip back to the bullpen. One Bull Fighter, dressed in shorts, tennis shoes, and a hot pink shirt to attract the attention of the 1,500-pound beasts, found himself nose-to-nose with several wickedly spinning bulls. On more than one occasion, the bulls lifted him off the ground while he attempted to protect the riders from harm. Often, once a rider is bucked off – or even gets off after the buzzer, bulls continue to twist and kick, placing the rider in danger of being stepped on, kicked, or worse. Even though the bulls ruled the day, the bullfighter managed to keep everyone ready to ride another day. The



bullfighters were Bo Burtman from California, Cody deGolyer from Fallon, and Dustin Borba from Eureka, NV.

The barrel racers and team ropers also drew cheers, applause, and stomps from the crowded stands. The top barrel racer, Maggie Sinclair, made an impressive 18.39-second run. Second place when to Josie Merritt with an 18.54-second run, and 3rd place went to Shelby Raper with an 18.59-second run. In the team roping, Denton Williams and Garrett Jenson earned first place with a 6.62-second catch. Second place went to Denton







Jesse Pete Crystal - Mutton Bustin' Ist Place Winner - Photo courtesy of Shawn Crystal

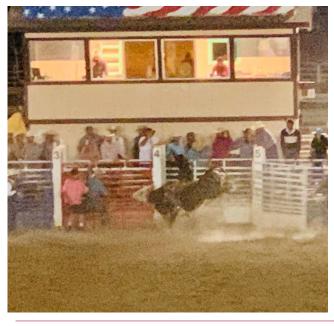
Williams with a different partner, Noah Williams, with a 6.68-second catch, and 3rd place went to Willie Coversup

place went to Willie Coversup and Gene Curtis, catching in 9.51 seconds.

With bounce houses for the kids, lemonade and snacks, a few vendors, and the Dry Gulch Saloon open for business, there was something for everyone. Steven Christie and his band provided live country music as the rodeo came to an end. Adults, children, and teens, along with several border collies and a few dachshunds, all seemed to be having fun at the DeGolyer's 7th Annual Bucking Horse and Bull Bash.

DeGolyer's next event, the Rough Stock Rodeo, is scheduled for Saturday, October 2nd.

Rodeo Photos by Leanna Lehman





# Letters to the Editor

### Open Letter to the Churchill County Board of Commissioners

I was more than a little disappointed that you quickly and whole-heartedly jumped aboard the statewide program that bribes Nevadans to get the China flu vaccinations that have raised so many doubts. Rather than approving and promoting the incentive (I call it a bribe) to get the shot you might have just reported the news and said people could make up their own minds about it.

You make it sound like a mandate. The words "with liberty and justice for all" ring hollow when you consider that so many people feel they have lost their freedom to choose what they will allow to be put in their bodies. The threats of vaccine passports being required for so many things that we used to accept as free and open are becoming more and more real; such as the right to work. You've no doubt heard of the 153 people who were fired or resigned at a large hospital in Texas because they rebelled at accepting the jab.

And you probably have heard that the CDC admits some 1,200 people who took the vaccine experienced heart problems, some of them fatal. If the CDC admits to a number

you can be pretty sure the truth would double it. And then there are the cases of blood clots forming in vaccinated people. Stay tuned. I'm sure there will be reports of new and probably more terrifying side effects. Anybody remember thalidomide babies? I hope you commissioners are praying that no one in the county suffers side effects from the shots.

I think it was Rahm Emanuel who said "never let a crisis go to waste", and that is pretty much what we are seeing now. Mr. Fauci and his non-governmental organization friends backed by the left-leaning lamestream media have pretty much taken this to heart. And then there's big pharma. They aren't going to miss a chance to make a profit. The Frontline Doctors (look 'em up) early on promoted the use of Hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin as an early treatment of the China flu. They were used by some brave doctors and saved many lives. They could have saved many more but so many powerful forces were in on the game and the drugs (available over the counter in many countries) were forbidden.

I think it was Rahm Emanuel who said "never let a crisis go to waste", and that is pretty much what we are seeing now.

My wife and I are in what has been considered the most vulnerable age group but we have escaped the virus so far, even though we violate the face diaper and social distancing rules whenever possible. And we will avoid any mandates or bribes promoting the vaccination because we have CS (that's common sense) and we don't like knuckling under to powerful interests that dislike America's values.

Jim Falk, Churchill County







Rodeo fans pack the stands and beyond - Bull Bash mascots get ready to have fun with kids in the crowd - Photos courtesy of the DeGoylers

# Local Government

# City of Fallon Launches Virtual Walking Tours on TravelStorys

Visitors can now virtually tour the City of Fallon from their own smart devices

~Staff Report

The City of Fallon has launched a virtual historical walking tour and an arts & agriculture tour on the TravelStorys app. The tours can be downloaded for free within the TravelStory app and includes photos, audio descriptions and an interactive map of The City of Fallon's

historical must-see sights.

The user-friendly web application allows prospective visitors to "tour" Fallon remotely or to learn about key areas of interest during their visit. This application, designed to speak to the region's diverse array of drive market visitors, presents users with audiovisual information about Fallon's historical, recreational, agricultural and cultural attractions — organized in the form of a number of digitally accessible tours.

More like a personal guide, TravelStorys works without users looking at their phones – so they can focus on the stories of The City of Fallon as they travel historical landmarks in Fallon, like the Old Post Office, Lawana Theater, and Overland Hotel, or arts & agricultural sights like Lattin Farms, The Fallon Food Hub and Churchill County Museum, all narrated by The City of Fallon's own Mayor Ken Tedford.

"By using this digital application, we are able to share The City of Fallon with more people than ever," Mayor Tedford said. "Visitors and those planning to visit can get an idea of what our great city is all

about while exploring on their own.

The two walking tours are the perfect opportunity to get out and explore without having to leave the comfort of your group, car, or even your own home to tour through Fallon. Based on recent data, drive market visitation has increased and visitor's levels of comfort on traveling in private, personally owned vehicles to locales close to



Photo by Leanna Lehman

home is more prevalent.

The application makes it easier for students to learn about the history and culture of Fallon through a virtual experience, and could potentially be used in place of field trips or in addition to summer programs.

The City of Fallon was awarded a Travel Nevada COVID-19 Rural Recovery Grant, which enabled them to provide the new virtual tours. Users can download the TravelStorys application for free at travelstorys.com/app, at the Apple App Store, or on Google Play.

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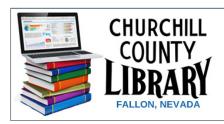
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# Local Government

### Housing Needs Continue to Escalate in Fallon - Needs Assessment **Planned**



~by Rachel Dahl

In what may be the understatement of the year Bruce Breslow told Churchill County Commissioners Thursday morning, "We are short of housing of all types in the county and in the city here," as he asked commissioners to support a \$5,000 funding request to update the County Housing Needs Assessment.

Breslow is the consultant hired by the

City of Fallon and the county to serve as Executive Director of the Churchill Fallon Economic Development organization.

According to Breslow, the Navy has announced between 1,100 and 1,300 new jobs expected by 2025, and 22% of the people who work on base currently commute from another county. He said EnviroSafe Demil has been awarded the contract with the Army so they will be building their plant north of town and will employ 60 people. Additionally, he hosted a second site visit Thursday morning for a large agriculture manufacturing plant. "The owners have fallen in love with our community and while it won't happen overnight, if they elect to come here it will be another couple hundred jobs. There are companies of that size that are calling and looking at sites here every month."

He said there are three large companies coming into Fernley with more than a couple thousand jobs. The Hazen Industrial Park has joined with Churchill Hazen Industrial Park, the Industrial Realty Group, and the Western Nevada Commerce Rail Park to work out details together over becoming a type of financing district that might be a way to help get needed infrastructure into Hazen. "As development comes east and jobs come east, Hazen is next in the line of fire."

DH Horton, the nation's largest home builder, by capacity, has signed a purchase and sale agreement to build 100 homes in Fallon and will begin a project just south of

Homes are under construction across the valley, but making little dent in the need for housing – Photo by Wayne Krys

Coleman Road, straddling Venturacci Lane.

Breslow gave an example of the demand for local housing, saying "In the subdivision on North Maine, just recently, they had a home buyer pull out at the last minute who had to put a house back on the market. It was an 1,800 square foot subdivision house on a 6,000 square foot lot that ended up selling for over \$400,000 and had ten bids on it. This market is more than heating up, - it's a supply issue.'

EKAY Economics originally completed the first Housing Study in 2019 based on data from 2017. With the new census and the

drastic change in pricing in the area, Breslow said, "We wanted to be able to have real data when a home builder asks for population, income, sales prices, and rental prices."

According to
Breslow, Multi-family
housing is "going to
be huge here." He said there hasn't been a new apartment complex built in Fallon in over 40 years, and there are no complexes with a swimming pool and a clubhouse.

'We now have developers looking to build that sort of prod-uct here, along with parks, walking paths, bike trails, but I need more data," he said.

One member of the

public was opposed to the spending request saying, "you can just look around." However, Commissioner Greg Koenig

said, "I think it is important that we do this and he just proved the point, you're going to have random people from the community come and say this and this, and if you have an outside consultant come in the numbers aren't skewed and if you have these solid numbers from an outside consulting firm it would be very helpful for us as these things come online and we have to irritate our constituents by agreeing to let things be built in their neighborhood we have some black and white facts to prove that things need to be

"I would agree with you, Greg," said Commission Chair Pete Olsen. "This provides the builders and developers the solid data and evidence they need to make the investments and meet the assurances for their lenders.'

Breslow reported the apartment builders he met with recently have said that Fallon is a good community in which to build. "We have people wanting to build nice communities and really good apartments." "There is no reason this community

can't have those nice amenities here," said Olsen. "Those amenities just add to our community, and we have to plan so we are ready for growth. I feel like the center of gravity has moved for Fallon and we had better be ready so it happens the way our folks want it to happen. On our terms."

Jim Barbee, county manager said that the cost of the update will be covered by grant funding and not come from the general fund. Commissioners approved the request and EKAY Economics will complete

the update.



# Obituaries

# Elgin (Cap) Eugene Souza

March 03, 1929 - June 29, 2021

Elgin Souza 92 went to join his wife Pearl Souza in their heavenly home on June 29,2021. He was a beloved father, uncle grandfather,

great grandfather, great-great grandfather and papa. Elgin was born in Merced, Ca. to William and Annabelle Souza. During high school he worked with his dad and brothers Robert and Elmer forming W.F. Souza and Sons Land Leveling and Custom

After high school Cap attended Cal Berkeley studying medicine but soon realized that his love of ranching and farming was his true calling. Cap worked with his dad and brothers for many years in the Merced area. During this time, he meets the love of his life Pearl Weaver Nye. They soon married and started to enlarge their new family.

In 1966 Cap along with his brothers Robert and Elmer moved, with their families to Imlay Nevada to run the Souza's Flying M Ranch. After many years all the families moved to Lovelock to their

separate homes after selling the Flying M.

Cap and Pearl moved to Fallon in 1980 were they enjoyed taking care of their 80-acre farm and raising alfalfa, chickens, cattle, goats and of course a large vegetable garden and lawn with flowers everywhere. In the late nineties they downsized and moved closer to town for their remaining years but always had a large vegetable garden and lawn with flowers.

Elgin was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, sisters, His wife Pearl, Stepchildren Geta Čarruth and David Nye, grandson

Mark Woodger.

Elgin is survived by his son Andrew (Deana) Souza. Grandchildren Travis Souza (Carolynne and Sarah), Elgin (Jennifer) Souza, Jessica (Johnnie) Shelton, Larry (Ray) Carruth, Jackie Holland, Aaron Carruth, David Miller, Heather Harris, and numerous great and great-great grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on July 05,2021 at 10:30 A.M. with interment to follow at The Gardens Funeral Home 2949 Austin

Highway, Fallon, Nevada



### John Tewell

John Tewell was born September 28, 1928 in Loomis, Ca, to Bernard Tewell and Arlis Tewell (Sims). He was raised in Elko, NV, attending elementary school and graduating from Elko High School in 1946.

He left Elko for San Francisco in 1941 to attend Glad Tidings Bible Institute, and later attended Bethany Bible College in Santa Cruz, Ca., where he graduated in 1951.



On September 1st, 1950, he married his childhood sweetheart, Laura Faye Hage, in Elko, Nevada. Over the next seven years, they had three children, Dotty, Les, and Joe. He was a resident of Elko for 60 years. He worked at the Elko

Daily Press, managing the entire print department. He was very involved in city government, serving as President of the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council, member and chairman of the Elko Planning Commission, City Councilman for eight years, and Police and Fire Commissioner for six.

He joined Gideon's International in 1968 and became a life member. He served in the Elko Assembly of God Church, the Elko Indian

Mission, and the Presbyterian Church.

In 1990, John and his wife relocated to Fallon, with his position as rural manager of Country Companies Insurance. He served as Vice President of Financial Concepts International, worked 10 years with the Churchill County School District, and served for 16 years on the Fallon City Council.

He and his wife attended Epworth Methodist Church for many years, and recently joined the Christian Life Center. He has president of the Fallon Camp of Gideon's, served on the Senior Center Advisory Board, the CART Board of Directors, ex-officio of Fallon Chamber of Commerce board member, and chairman of the Fallon

Convention and Visitors Authority.

On Father's Day, June 20, 2021, John went to Heaven.
He is survived by his lovely wife of 70 years, Faye; daughter,
Dotty Krake (Larry) of Fallon, son, Joseph Tewell (Cathy) of Elko,
grandson Dan Tewel of Elko, granddaughter Sabreena Adams of Las Vegas, grandson Nick Krake of Palau, and nine great grandchildren. Also, sisters Mary Glaesman of Fallon, and Ruth Winniger of New Mexico. He was preceded in death by his son Les, and his sister

His CELEBRATION OF LIFE will be at 1:00 on Saturday, July 17th at Christian Life Center, 1435 Kaiser St., Fallon, NV.

Arrangements are under the direction of The Gardens Funeral Home, 2949 Austin Highway, Fallon, NV. 775-423-8928.



# Organizations

### Community Youth Mural Project Underway



Mural design by JPO

~by Leanna Lehman

Though it may be a little-known fact, Nevada is a haven for artists. Even Fallon has a number of highly talented artists in residence. And now, the Churchill Community Coalition is helping to grow more. However, their goal goes far beyond paint and a brush.

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While the project may seem like just a mural at first glance, it is much more. The Youth Working Committee (YWC), formed by the Board of Health, has set out to address youth suicide and mental health wellness in Churchill County. According to Kadie Zeller, Coalition Outreach Coordinator, representatives from the Churchill Community Coalition Students Taking On Prevention (CCC STOP) conducted mental health research

amongst their peers. "Kids are depressed and using substances," said Zeller, "and we need to understand why." The results were eye-opening and showed that the majority of the youth surveyed experienced a variety of mental health problems and illnesses. They reported a lack of knowledge about mental health wellness, healthy coping skills, and available resources. Additionally, they feel that adults in the community do not care about their mental health.

In response, the YWC and the CCC STOP Team created a multi-media campaign that "creates visibility, reduces stigma, and increases conversation about mental health," according to Zeller. The project "engages and educates youth and adults, addresses the root causes of substance use, provides information about resources and support available to students and families, provides healthy coping tools and skills, engages peer-to-peer education, and revitalizes community spaces."

Thus was born the Mental Health Wellness Mural Campaign. The goal is to "promote a sense of identity, belonging, attachment, welcoming and openness, strengthen community identification to place and create a sense of destination.

Zeller hopes to make the project ongoing throughout the community. One of the first projects is a permanent youth mural to be painted in the Churchill County Juvenile Probation Office (JPO). Ideally, the mural project will encourage community participation and civic engagement. "Hopefully we will have murals all through town," said Zeller, "The goal is have buildings where everyone can come paint." These murals have the potential to help revitalize community buildings and offices while creating conversation and support around mental health wellness.

Since JPO is to be the home of the first mural, they have done all the design work with the drawing to begin this week. JPO wanted to align the mural with the concepts they strive to instill in the youth under their care. Some of these include values taught in the Why Try and Rize Above programs designed to help motivate youth and transform hopelessness into resilience.

Local youth and adults will help paint the mural, including the Artist in Recovery group from New Frontier. The Coalition, YWC, and the CCC STOP Team encourage local young people to join in and help paint the mural. The JPO building is open 24/7, and anyone entering will see the mural and know that Fallon cares not only about its youth but their mental health wellness.

their mental health wellness.
Following the first permanent mural project, more murals are going up at six area schools. The Coalition is on the lookout for community partnerships that can help provide building wall spaces and supplies for the many projects. Mobile murals are also planned. Zeller explained that these would be painted on plywood or vinyl that can be displayed at various locations, including community-wide reunions, during summer concerts at the park, Cantaloupe Festival, Christmas Tree Lighting, and similar events.
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Zeller also hopes that local organizations will join in and create their own murals for the project or participate in larger community mural projects, stating, "We want spaces that everyone can help create and be part of and be proud of."

If you would like to contribute to the program or join in the fun, contact Kadie Zeller at the Churchill Community Coalition.



Entryway of JPO where mural will be painted - Photos courtesy of Kadie Zeller

# WNC Fall Class Registration Open



Did you miss attending classes on Western Nevada College's campuses? Take astronomy, art, anthropology, sign language, biology, dance, French, geology and psychology, and many more classes in person this coming fall.

To ensure that you get the in-person classes that you want, register as soon as possible. You can find a schedule of classes online at wnc.edu/class-schedule/ that will help you plan for your fall semester at WNC.

Continuing students can register through their myWNC accounts. Individuals planning to attend WNC for the first time can apply for admission at www.wnc.edu/starthere/. To learn more about WNC's academic programs and degree requirements, see the Academic Program Guide at wnc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/AcProgram\_2021\_12.pdf. Fall semester starts Aug. 30. For more information, phone 775-445-3277 or 775-445-3267.

# Law & Order

### **District Court News**



Cassandra Davis – Photo courtesy of Churchill County Sheriff's Office

~by Alicia Parsons

The Tenth Judicial Court convened June 29, 2021, with Judge Stockard presiding.

Roland Isaac Zamora appeared on several Court Services violations. The allegations state that Zamora took extended trips out of the area, missed several drug tests, and has been taking advantage of the allowances given by Court Services. Churchill County Public Defender (CCPD) Wright Noel, counsel for Zamora, stated the most recent missed test was due to his car breaking down while his client was out of state. Zamora provided receipts showing the breakdown occurred on Sunday and was repaired on Tuesday, after which he returned to Nevada, immediately testing clean. Judge Stockard amended the terms of his release pending trial to preclude any other trips until his sentencing on July 27. On May 4, Zamora pled guilty to Burglary of a Business, a Category C Felony, which carries 1-5 years in prison. Zamora was charged after entering Kent's Supply Center after hours through a broken window and taking merchandise.

Francis Kaena Akau appeared for sentencing on one count of Offer, Attempt, or Commission of an Unauthorized Act Relating to the Manufacture or Compounding of Certain Controlled Substances, a Category B Felony punishable by 3-15 years in prison after being arrested for selling methamphetamine last October.

Assistant District Attorney (ADA) Chelsea Sanford argued "no one wants to go to prison, but Akau needs to stop blaming his mother for his actions and face the music for his crimes. With seven felonies on his record,

it is time to get this case done and over with." CCPD Wright Noel, counsel for Akau, stated his client was not trying to avoid facing the consequences of his actions. He, Noel, has been trying to find a way to help Akau address some of the problems leading to his behavior which led to the crime. According to Noel, at the age of three, Akau witnessed someone kick in the door to his home and shoot his father in the chest, killing him. The assailant then aimed the gun at Akau and his mother, when the gun jammed, the person ran from the home. Noel told the court that his client has been dealing with a laundry list of undiagnosed mental health problems from this trauma and many others in his life. His mother was also involved in dealing drugs. Noel requested that Akau be granted access to the Specialty Courts program in order to address his problems. He also stated his client has proven he can be a productive member of society and prison will not treat his mental health, but Specialty Courts can. Akau received probation on a suspended sentence of 24-60 months in prison and must complete the Western Regional Drug Court program.

*Joseph Ansel Howard* appeared for sentencing on a charge of Injuring or Tampering with a Vehicle, Causing Damages Between \$250 - \$5,000, a Gross Misdemeanor, which carries up to 364 days in jail, and Ex-Felon in Possession of a Firearm, a Category B Felony

that carries 1-6 years in prison.

ADA Chelsea Sanford stated that this was not a "one-off." Howard was found in possession of six guns after cutting the catalytic converter from a county vehicle to fuel his drug habit. Sanford asked for \$1,338.37 restitution and 364 days in jail on the first count and 12-48 months in prison on the second.

CCPD Wright Noel, counsel for Howard, stated that someone took photos of Howard removing the catalytic converter and called the police, who then obtained a search warrant for the residence he shares with family. The weapons found in the home belonged to other residents and should not fall under Ex-Felon in Possession of Firearms. He argued that the firearms were family heirlooms gifted to the other residents of the home, his client was never found in direct possession of the firearms, nor was he found carrying them or used them in his crimes. According to Noel, the guns were simply in a residence that he shared.

Since entering a guilty plea at his arraignment, Howard has entered an inpatient residential treatment program. He addressed the court apologizing for his mistakes, thanking the court for allowing him to enter New Frontier and change his life. Judge Stockard sentenced Howard to a suspended sentence of 364 days in jail and restitution of \$1338.37 on the first count, 28-72 months in prison, suspended, with the sentences to run consecutively.

Matthew Lloyd Grissom appeared for sentencing on charges of Assault with A Deadly Weapon, a Category B Felony punishable by 1-6 years in prison and Coercion with Use of Physical Force a Category B Felony punishable by 1-6 years in prison. Chief Deputy District Attorney (DA) Lane Mills told the court that Grissom fired a gun into a building that people were in and is fortunate no one got hurt. Grissom was under the influence of alcohol at the time with a blood alcohol level of .227 and his memory of the events is imperfect at best. CCPD Jacob Sommer, counsel for Grissom, said that this incident was the result of substance abuse issues Grissom is not proud of and needs to get under control. Grissom addressed the court, saying he is very remorseful for his actions. He was living in a way he shouldn't have and hopes others can learn from his mistakes. Judge Stockard sentenced Grissom to 200 days in jail and suspended consecutive sentences of 24-60 months in prison for each count.

Paul Kenneth Health Jr. (in custody) appeared for sentencing for Driving Under the Influence with Prior Felony Conviction for Driving Under the Influence, a Category B Felony punishable by 2-15 years in prison. DA Lane Mills states that Health was high on meth, marijuana and alcohol while driving county roads. This is his 8th DUI, his last one being in 2010, after which he served four years of a 13-year sentence. "Heath is going to kill himself or someone else with his behavior," said Mills. He asked the court to impose the maximum sentence to protect the citizens of Churchill County. CCPD Jacob Sommer, counsel for Heath, stated a stop sign violation led to his arrest, not an accident. Heath was raised by his grandparents and joined the military; he is not a monster out to hurt the community, but someone who struggles with alcohol abuse.

Judge Stockard sentenced Heath to 72-

180 months in prison.

Cassandra Gail Davis (in custody) was sentenced on charges of Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment of a Child Not Causing Substantial Bodily Harm, a Gross Misdemeanor punishable by 364 days in jail, and Attempt to Fail to Stop for Police Officer While Under the Influence, a Category E Felony punishable by 1-4 years in prison. ADA Chelsea Sanford stated, "Mothers are supposed to cherish and protect their children, but Davis chooses to drive under the influence of meth." When police attempted to stop her, she refused to pull over for miles, calling 911 saying she refused to stop because she had kids in the car.

CCPD Wright Noel said that Davis lost her husband in traumatic manner and has been trying to self-medicate with methamphetamine. Davis addressed the court acknowledging she has a drug problem, and has not proven herself trustworthy, but she is asking for the opportunity to change her life

Davis received probation and suspended sentences, 364 days on the first count and 15-48 months on the second, to run consecutively. She must also complete the Western Regional Drug Court Program and grief counseling.

# Bruce Pleads Not Guilty to Drug Trafficking Charges -**Evidentiary Hearing Held**

~ by Alicia Parsons

Della Bruce (55) in custody at the Churchill County Jail in appeared in District Court for an evidentiary hearing, with Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

On April 6, 2021, Nevada Highway Patrol arrested Della Bruce on several drug-related

- charges, including:

  1. Trafficking a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, between 400 and 1,000
- grams. Possession with Intent to Sell a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, a 1st offense.
- Possession of a Schedule I or II Con-
- trolled Substance over 42 grams. Use or Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - four counts.
- Throwing Burning Cigarette.
  Obstruct Driver's Vision Through Glass or Control over Driving Mechanism.

Bruce pled not guilty to the charges in District Court on May 25. Churchill County Public Defender Wright Noel, defense counsel for Bruce, called three witnesses to testify during the evidentiary hearing to verify the events that took place the day of her arrest. Noel argued that K-9 Nick (drug dog) alerts were invalid as marijuana laws have changed

Through the entirety of the evidentiary trial, Noel and Assistant District Attorney Chelsea Sanford extensively questioned all officers involved to determine whether or not any of Bruce's rights had been violated.

A narcotics detective with the North Central Task Force relayed to the court the events leading up to Bruce's arrest. The detective explained that on April 6, 2021, the court-ordered GPS tracker placed on Della Bruce's vehicle was moving locations. He and another Task Force detective followed Bruce to Fernley, maintaining visual surveillance on Bruce in her jeep.

The detective then advised a NHP Trooper of suspicious behavior that Bruce was exhibiting, including stopping at an apartment for a short period. She then made a stop at a convenience store sitting next to an unknown man and quickly leaving the area while doing "burn runs," which are unexplained driving patterns intended to lose anyone who may be potentially following you. The hope was to have the Trooper find probable cause for a traffic stop and determine if his narcotics trained K9 could locate drugs in the vehicle.

The Task Force determined that Bruce likely possessed narcotics. The detectives were prepared to arrest Bruce for selling methamphetamine to a cooperating source if the traffic stop was not possible.

Upon cross-examination, CCPD Noel questioned the detective about the accuracy of the statement provided by other the other

Task Force detective and ascertained that it did not include any detailed information about "burn runs" or him relaying information to the NHP Trooper.

A Fallon Police Officer was also called as a witness who was present for the controlled buy against Bruce and also while the GPS tracking device was placed on the Bruce's vehicle, which was known to be used in her potential drug purchase and selling patterns. He confirmed that he had a suspicion of the movements of Bruce's vehicle on the day of her arrest and that she was potentially traveling to the location where she was known to purchase large amounts of methamphetamine. The officer also confirmed that regardless of her traffic violations, the intention was always to arrest Bruce on drug charges on the day in question. The Trooper assigned to the Northern

Nevada Interdiction Task Force and his K-9 partner Nick are trained to and work with, narcotic cases. Nick is trained to indicate on methamphetamine, marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and derivatives ranging between residue or pounds. Nick has undergone extensive training and continually trained to ensure that he can alert to the odors for which he is

The troopers testified that he conducted a traffic stop based on Bruce failing to indicate during a lane change, throwing a cigarette out of the window, and had items hanging from the rear-view mirror. Bruce then failed to immediately stop when he acti-

vated his overhead lights. It took her a short time to pull over safely. He then approached the vehicle on the passenger side vehicle at Churchill County Mile Marker 7. The passenger side window was in the up position, and she seemed to be struggling to lower the window. Bruce's vehicle looked "lived in" containing a lot of clutter and trash along with other debris, which is often indicative of drug users. She took quite a long time to locate her documentation and made a statement that there was nothing in the vehicle, which he found odd.

Bruce's driver's license was not valid, and she was asked to get out of the vehicle upon which she exhibited behavior indicative of hard drug use such as heroin or methamphetamine. Upon asking for permission to search inside the vehicle, Bruce asked to schedule it for another time. As soon as Bruce denied the consent to search, K-9 Nick was deployed. Bruce did advise the Trooper of the potential for marijuana in her vehicle. Nick circled the vehicle, and he indicated upon the vehicle.

The Trooper continued a search and found methamphetamine in her purse, scales, and micro baggies between the seats, along with crystal-like substances indicative of methamphetamine. Marijuana pipes were also found

CCPD Noel argued that due to the broken back window, Bruce would have been unable to see that he had turned on his overhead lights. Also, that "lived-in" does not mean that she has a residence in the vehicle. It just means it has a lot of stuff or is messy - none of which is illegal. Noel argued that as a trooper, he could potentially arrest anyone without probable cause. The Trooper stated that he would not do such a thing and that he would need to have probable cause to do anything of the sort. Bruce claimed she was traveling to pick up a leaf blower for her job clearing the Walmart parking lots at night, but she wouldn't be going to be working that evening which seemed to be out of the ordinary or suspicious to the Trooper. Noel continued that the use of K-9 Nick was reasonably unfair due to marijuana being legal and not knowing which substance Nick did alert to.

Records show Bruce has an extensive criminal history in Oregon, including controlled substances, forgery, and theft dating

The Court has not made a ruling on the Motion to Suppress that was argued on Tuesday at 11:00 am. It is under submission and will be ruled on prior to the trial on August 4.



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# Sports

## Four Greenwave Football Players Sign Letters of Intent



~Staff Report

On June 29, 2021 Churchill County High School hosted a college football signing.
Julian Evans will be attending Feather River
College in Quincy, CA. Dylin Valerio will also be joining Evans at Feather River in Quincy, CA, playing for the Golden Eagles. Levi Andrews will be attending Butte College in Orville, CA playing running back for the Roadrunners. Last but not least Josiah Rosario will be attending Dordt College in Sioux Center, IA playing defensive back for the Defenders. Congratulations to all of the Greenwave recruited players and good luck with your studies and football paths wherever they may take you.

Photo courtesy of Alisha Hill

# Local Athlete to Play in **Pentagon Bowl**

~Staff Report

Former Greenwave athlete Camilla Cleveland has been chosen by the American Football Events USA All-Stars to play in the USA Women's All American Pentagon Bowl, Best of the Best Women's Tackle Football game in Myrtle Beach on September 11.

The game brings together the top 100 female athletes in the country in an exhibition game to commemorate and honor those lost in the 0/11 attacks and is played as a phayeau game to change the

in the 9/11 attacks, and is played as a showcase game to choose the best athletes to play in Mexico in December as an exhibition game leading into the March AWB Championships.

"Not only are we playing football," said Cleveland, "we will be doing a community service event and football camp for local kids, and we will be visiting disabled kids and adults."

This is the second time Cleveland has been chosen for an AFF.

This is the second time Cleveland has been chosen for an AFE event, and she said the organization is a pleasure to represent. "One of the things I like about AFE USA is not only playing football but giving back to those in need and being a positive role model."

She joins the top 100 best female football players from different teams across the country and splits them into two teams, Team National and Team American

tional and Team American.

Camilla Cleveland grew up in Fallon. She plays Defensive Tackle for the Mile High Blaze -Photo courtesy of Camiila Cleveland



# Community

### **Temporary Dump Location on North Maine**



~Staff Report

Due to the recent fire at the Transfer Station located on Enterprise Way off Indian Lakes Road behind Rattlesnake Hill, the temporary waste disposal location is at 327 North Maine Street, and will remain open seven days a week from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

With no temporary scales available, customers will be charged \$5 for each load. Cash or check are the only allowable payment methods.

The facility is currently not receiving burn barrels or scrap metal,

however, recycling bins will be available during the week of July 5.

As soon as the City of Fallon is able to provide an update regarding the reopening of the Transfer Station, The Fallon Post will make the information available on the website and social media.

Photo courtesy of Ty O'Neil

# Columns

### Is This You?

### Color of the Day

~by Trina Machacek

What, just what is puce? Is puce a color? Yes puce is a color. What else could puce be? The word puce just popped into my head as I was thinking about painting stuff. It's one of those words that just come and go without me really ever learning about it. Okay without me wanting to learn about it. I like to learn but I have limited time and space to learn more so I have begun to pick and choose what I want to spend time on. But puce? Do I want to use a spare brain cell to learn of puce? Apparently so because the word would not leave my pea pickin' brain until I checked it out.

Seems that puce is a dark red. Or a purple brown. Or a brownish purple. Maybe it might be a dark reddish brown. You know, puce. I love color. I spent a long time with a guy who would have been happy as a clam in mud if we would have painted all the rooms inside our home a fine black. Outside too. Yes black. He painted the hundreds of trailers he built black. He build a 1923 Model T and yes, just like Henry Ford he said he would make it any color I wanted, as long as it was black. On the inside he was very colorful indeed. But he liked black!

I am going to put on a new roof, well I am going to have a new roof put on. Ladders and Ĭ? Not a good match much more than cleaning the 30 feet of rain gutter I clean once a year—maybe. In trying to decide about this new roof it was decided I should go with a metal

roof. I am excited about it. At first it seemed to be a step I didn't want to take. I've lived in a few trailers with metal roofs throughout my years. I was not wanting to re-live some of those roof rattling days in this stick build house. But! Yes a wind rattling "but." I have been told the roof I will be getting will be quiet and keep me safe and soundless for a long time. So I'm moving forward with a new metal roof.

The cool thing about a metal roof? Well for me the cool thing was picking a color. Oh be still my heart. COLOR! I could have a red, perhaps a puce roof. The colors are many and the choice is mine. So I took a walk about my five acres and drove around my sparse but neighborly miles of neighborhood to see what I could see, in the roof department. I settled on hunter green. A choice that would be colorful, but match the gray of my home and the black of the trim. Yes. Green. Dark

hunter green. All green and colorful. There's something within all of us that gnaws as we go about making life decisions. I not only heard that gnawing, but actually felt it too. I knew green was a flitting decision. I knew green would not be the final decision. But for a moment in time I loved the idea of the new roof being a colorful thing to see. I tried sleeping on it. Next I asked for opinions from people in my trusted circle of family and friends. I have come to ask friends, when I ask for an opinion, tell me the unabridged opinion. When I first became a widow I was handled with kid gloves and opinions were handed to me like they were covered with egg shells. Oh egg shell white! What a blah color. Moving on.

I asked for votes of encouragement about my green roof. I wasn't at all surprised that

#### The Fallon Post welcomes our new columnist *Trina Machacek*

the unanimous decision of the color I should go with is, you guessed it, black! Yes black. The color the roof is now. An easy black. The color of the shingles, that have been up there for low these 30 plus years, are now. Black. Black. Black. The color you know who chose when we built this house. Black. Yes the



Trina and her happy feet in

color of the day, back in the day, was black. My new roof is going to be black and it'll be black for the next guy who will someday be the owner of this house.

I really am good with it. If it's not broken don't fix it right? The final decision was made. The order for the metal is placed? I tried to visualize the green. The more I look the more I feel all will be right with the roof

Now, as they say in the movies, "Fade to black!'

> Trina lives in Eureka, Nevada. Her new book They Call Me Weener is available on Amazon. com or email her at itybytrina@yahoo.com to find out how to get a signed copy.

# Community Events





RECEPTION FOR THE ARTISTS JULY 10, 5 - 7PM

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# SIMMER

#### Fun Events

4th of July Parade on July 3rd

**Green Goddess Farmers Market** 

July 3 - 10:00 am July 3 - 1:00 pm July 3 - 4-9 pm July 4 - 2:00 pm July 4 - dusk July 7 - 3 - 7 pm July 10 - 5 - 7 pm July 14 - 3 - 7 pm July 17 - 9:00 am July 21 - 3 - 7 pm July 28 - 3 - 7 pm

Aug. 7 - 3-8 pm Aug. 20-22 Aug. 21 - 7:30 pm Aug. 27-29 - 10 am

Sept. 4 - 3-8 pm

Races 4th of July Fireworks Pick:n & Grin'n Farmers Market **CAC Arts Invitational FYC Annual Kids Kup Tourney** Pick;n & Grin'n Farmers Market Pick:n & Grin'n Farmers Market Pick:n & Grin'n Farmers Market

**Green Goddess Farmers Market Community-wide Reunion** Free Concert in the Park Cantaloupe Festival & County Fair County Fairgrounds

S. Taylor - S Maine St. Rattlesnake Raceway Arts Center/Oats Rattlesnake Raceway Rattlesnake Raceway **Behind The Grid** Arts Center/Oats Park **Fallon Golf Course Behind The Grid Behind The Grid Behind The Grid** 

Arts Center/Oats Park Oats Park / other areas Oats Park

Green Goddess Farmers Market Arts Center/Oats Park



Because of you, life doesn't stop.

# **BLOOD DRIVE**

### **FALLON BATTLE** OF THE BADGES

Wednesday, July 14th 9:30 AM - 4 PM Give at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 750 West Richards St.

To sign up visit Vitalant.org and search Blood Drive Code: FallonBattle





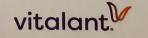
APPOINTMENTS are encouraged to help maintain social distancing.



All donors must bring and wear a MASK or CLOTH-BASED FACE COVERING.



All who give receive a special T-shirt while supplies last.



# Community Events



#### 7th Annual Community Wide Reunion August 20-22, 2021 Oats Park

All Years, All Classes, Students, Teachers, Family & Friends

Don't miss the opportunity to connect with friends from the past

#### Friday, August 20

- · 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Public Library Video Yearbook Display
- 7:00 p.m. Music by The Coaches Band at the Fallon Theatre

#### Saturday, August 21

- 8:00 a.m. to Noon Breakfast at the Pennington Life Center \$8.00 and \$5.00 for those 10 years and younger
- 8:00 a.m. to Noon FREE Show-n-Shine Car Show & Antique Tractors at the Pennington Life Center
- . 10:00 a.m to 6:00 p.m. Open Swim at the City Pool
- 3:00 p.m. Conversation with Bill Joe & the Dusty 45's at the Oats Park Arts Center and tour the galleries
- · 4:00 p.m. gather at Oats Park; extra parking at EC Best
- · BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS; some classes will have tents
- Honoring the Classes of 1960 and 1961
- · Food along with beer/wine will be for sale or bring your own picnic to the park
- 7:30 p.m. FREE concert Billy Joe & the Dusty 45's; continue the celebration after the concert at the Art Bar at Oats Park Art Center

#### **TOURS & ACTIVITIES**

Churchill County Museum (10-5pm) Old High School (1-4pm) Cottage School Tour (1-4pm) Frey Ranch Distillery (12-4pm)

Oats Park School/Art Center (4-6pm)
Fallon/Churchill Volunteer Fire Department (1-4pm)
Douglass House & The Old Post Office (1-4pm)

### Chat with Mayor Tedford at City Hall (1-4pm) Sunday, August 22

· Many individual classes are planning breakfast or get-togethers

Questions: communityreunionfallon@gmail.com or call 775.423.5465 ind us on Facebook (Fallon/Churchill County Community Reunion



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Please RSVP promptly as we need numbers for planning Happening this Weekend







# Gardening

# High Desert Dirt - The Raven's Rant

### Ten Questions with a Local Rosarian



There are times in life when it is just better to ask an expert. Years ago when I was new at the nursery I would quiz my friend and fellow employee Sooz Ellis endlessly about all things garden. She patiently shared all the good stuff with a brand new garden girl. This week I reached out to her to share a little about roses. She is an absolute expert and I'm still enjoying learning from her.

#### When and where did you plant your first roses? How many roses do you currently

I planted my first rose in 1980 in central California. Chrysler Imperial.

I moved to Fallon in 1989 and I now have just under 200. I have planted more, and have had some failures and each one taught

#### What advice would you give to a Rookie Rosarian planting their first rose here in

Spring for good garden tools. Good gloves, nippers, loppers and later on a saw.

Decide what you want in a rose; fragrance, color, height (climber?) and vase life. I go for fragrance and vase life.

Find a spot that has good light for at least six hours a day. One with a little afternoon shade will give you best results here.

Dig your hole and I would suggest replacing the native soil with a bagged product for best results. (Bare roots will be a little differ-

Fertilize and water daily until established.

Love them as they will become the Queens of your garden.

#### 3. If you only could have three roses in your 9. Bare roots? Worth planting? garden which would you have?

I am bowled over by the big bad fragrant reds. So I will choose Mister Lincoln for two. It can take the heat, has a very robust growth every year and lasts maybe 10 days as a cut

The third would be white iceberg. It will also take the heat and lasts well in a vase.

#### 4. Roses in containers? Yeah or nae?

Yes! You can bring in color to your yard in a container. Using a good bagged soil product; the container needs to be at least 20 gallons. Whiskey barrels are lovely planted with roses. Use the 6 hour rule and utilize the afternoon shade for best results. Fertilize no less than once a month.

#### Can you describe an ideal garden spot for a rose?

Six hours of sunlight during the day and morning light is really the best. Keep them away from where they don't need to compete with other root systems. Afternoon shade is a blessing but not 100% necessary.

### 6. Can you talk about pruning? How and

Do not be nervous about pruning. It is brutal. With every cut, remember that it will make them stronger, bigger, thicker and your blossoms will be larger.

The ideal time for pruning here in Fallon is around the second week in

April.

Cut off any dead or down wood.

- Cut off any canes smaller than a
- Cut out center canes for good air flow leaving 3-4 strong canes. Cut those to about 2 ft.
- Fertilize and water. Morning watering will be your best bet.

#### How and how often do you fertilize your roses?

Fertilize once a month and stop in August. Use a balanced food for flowering plants to promote beautiful blossoms all summer.

#### What are the greatest challenges with growing roses here in the high desert?

My greatest challenge has been learning which roses met my criteria for what I want-

Also, what rose will fit that criteria and tolerate our Lahontan Valley winters.

Learn each one. They are all different and they will respond with one of life's great pleasures.

# Bare roots are well worth planting when you

order it from a reputable grower. Follow the directions from the grower for best results.

Bare roots purchased from a box store may require more attention and may cost you more in the long run.

#### 10. Anything you might want to add?

Here is a quick timeline for your rose garden.

- March-start pulling back your winter protection mulch and water more
- April-prune second week. Fertilize.
- May-check for pests and treat. Fer-
- June & July-fertilize, water and enjoy!
- August-last week, stop cutting your flowers and let them start to prepare for winter. Stop fertilizing
- September-keep watering and get ready to mulch for winter protection.
- After the first frost, mulch them for winter. Their roots are going to sleep.

#### All of this needs to be done by thanksgiving.

Jaime Sammons carries a pair of pruners in her glove box – just in case, and believes you can be a gardener even with a single planted container on your porch.

#### Care Net is calling all PAINTERS (or willing helpers)

We are gearing up and trying to get our new facility in shape for our Grand opening. We will be having a workday on Friday and Saturday, July 16-17th starting at 9:00 a.m. each day. We are looking for people willing to come down and help us get our hallways and a few rooms painted. Please give us a call if you're interested in helping or even donating paint supplies! 423-4357. Care Net is a nonprofit organization that provides free and confidential services hat include but are not limited to pregnancy testing, parenting and life skills incentive program

### What's Cookin' in Kelli's Kitchen



I have a special relationship with beets. I find them utterly fascinating--they are audacious and colorful, fresh out of the garden they smell and taste of the earth, but when cooked their sweetness is the star of the show. The first time I contemplated beets, I was inspired by the role they play in one of my favorite books, Jitterbug Perfume written by Tom Robbins. The book is a fairy tale of sorts featuring a king and queen who manage to live virtually forever-early in the novel, they proudly declare that they are "Beet Eaters," a quality that they believe imbues them with vim and verve. Later, beets are the secret ingredient in a perfume created to mask the musky smell that permeates the trickster Pan, as he voyages across the ocean in search of a land where people still believe in the unexplainable. Tom Robbins' careful craftsmanship of a narrative around their magical powers was enough to inspire my fledgling love for beets--the most intense of vegetables.

It was during my time at the Slanted Porch that my baby-beet love was fed, watered, and allowed to grow. Beets were one of the crops that thrived in the parking lot hoop house at the restaurant--and beet salads became one of the most popular specials

at dinner service. Something changed for me during the "beet years" at the Slanted Porchsomething fundamental. There is a magic to growing your own produce, especially for a culinary professional and a lover of food. We cradled their tiny spiky seeds in our hands, babied them as they germinated in soil blocks on top of the freezer, transplanted them, watered them, weeded around their beds, and ultimately, we harvested them. Thursday afternoons were for preparations--often roasting scores of beets drizzled with olive oil, sprinkled with salt and pepper. After cooling, we would slough off their darkened skin to reveal a brilliantly bright veggie-jewel that would star in whatever iteration of a beet salad we offered that weekend.

I roasted, peeled, and waxed philosophical about beets so often that I got a beet tattoo-beets became emblematic of the beauty of slow, local, intentional food.

Beets come in many shapes and sizes. There are red beets, gold beets, orange beets, there are even striped "Chioggia" beets. Early in the season, you will often see bunches of baby beets with the greens still attached. Later in the season, beets are frequently sold without their green tops. Whatever the size, shape, or color of your beet, they can be prepared the same way.

Here is how I prepare a beet:

Thoroughly scrub the beet and trim off the greens if still attached and USE THEM. I typically also trim the long tap root at the base of the beet.

Place your washed beets into a roasting dish. If you have beets of different colors, you will want to keep them sorted otherwise the red beets will turn your other beets red in places. Drizzle with olive oil and season generously with salt and

Add a little bit of water into the bottom of the roasting pan. Cover tightly with a lid or foil and roast at anywhere from 350-400 degrees until your beets are done.

You can tell a beet is done when a knife 4. easily pieces and slides cleanly through to the center of the beet. Much like a potato.

Let your beets cool until you can comfortably handle them. Gently rub away the skin of the beet under a stream of runthe rest of the afternoon explaining to people why your hands are bright red.

There are so many recipes that you can make once you have roasted your beets. Here is one of my favorites:

#### Kelli's Favorite Beet Salad

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 bunch of beets, roasted 2 navel oranges 1 bunch of mint, chopped 4-6 oz of honey goat cheese 1 T Dijon mustard 1 Thoney 14 c orange juice 34 c salad oil (olive, grapeseed, avocado, a combination) Salt and pepper to taste

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

Cut the top and bottom off of the oranges then remove the peel. Working carefully, hold the orange in your non-dominant hand and cut out segments separating the fruit from the pith and connective membranes. Make sure you work over a bowl, so you collect any juice that drips. Squeeze the juice out of the pithy remnants after all the segments have been removed and discard.

Cut beets into wedges and put in a bowl with orange segments, chopped mint, and

crumbled goat cheese.

In a small bowl, combine orange juice, Dijon mustard, and honey together until well mixed. While whisking constantly (or using an immersion blender), slowly drizzle in oil until your dressing is thickened and creamy. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Dress your beet salad and enjoy!

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



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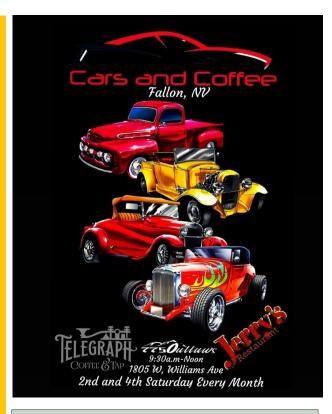
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#### Feral Housewives Weekly Horoscope 7/2

Aries- March 21 to April 19

Sometimes you are a lot for a person to handle. This week reign in that go big or go home attitude to avoid rubbing your social circle the wrong way. Be mindful of your presence, words, and responsibilities this week, you are in no position to quit your job to pursue the hobbies you have enjoyed. You still need to be able to support yourself.

Taurus- April 20 to May 20

There is no easy answers this week. You are struggling with that work life balance and questioning everything that goes with it. Do you get home at a decent time and enjoy your family or offer to stay late and get that overtime? There will be sacrifices made, but you must do some deep reflection to decide which sacrifice that will be.

Gemini- May 21 to June 20

Shhhhhhhhh.... There is nothing wrong leaving things unsaid, especially in regard to personal matters. You will be putting your foot in your mouth all week, be very cautious of what you share or it will surely be used against you later. Learn to tend your private matters, in private as the name suggests avoiding creating unneeded drama within your home.

Cancer- June 21 to July 22

Relationships around money this week are tense. Getting paid won't be easy, whether it is a loan repayment or paycheck. Be wary of lending money also, there will be a serious fallout when you do so! When splitting a tab turns into drama it might just be time to reevaluate you relationships with both parties and money. Your need for more is going to land you in a tight spot if you're not careful.

Leo- July 23 to August 22

Your fiery nature isn't lighting up the sky but more like burning bridges and leaving others feeling like you aren't worth the trouble being so difficult. You will not see eye to eye with your partner about life goals, before you get combative and ready to fight simmer down or you will literally destroy everything around you. It is not worth the loss.

**Virgo- August 23 to September 22** Take a break, you are a true workaholic but if you don't stop and take a complete break you are going to suffer a total burnout! When the weekend rolls around you will be finding yourself ready to fight to the death about certain beliefs you hold, bite your tongue and listen openly to the other side as you might learn something.

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Libra- September 23 to October 22

You are going to be running into people that will try to dull your shine and shame you for the things that you find joy in, don't let them! Do you the best you know how! When social situations arise don't work so hard to make new friend that you forget to take care of the ones that have stood beside you through the hard stuff. Keep those great relationships intact!

Scorpio-October 23 to November 21

As you fight for career success you are neglecting your family and home. You might get to the top of the career mountain but trust me when you get there it will be lonely. You are neglecting everything you love and they won't be willing to deal with it for long. Stop and take time to appreciate those relationships, work won't be doing your laundry like your loved ones do.

Sagittarius -November 22 to December 21 Slow down, breathe, and use your words! You have these amazing ideas that are swimming around inside your mind but you have to really work at getting those ideas out. Don't get so caught up in the ideas swimming around that you forget to take care of the everyday maintenance and care for yourself, there will be plenty of time for you to get back to these ideas.

Capricorn -December 22 to January 19
Be careful borrowing money from others currently, there will be strings attached to repayments that you have not seen coming. If you are able to navigate this financial tricky spot without borrowing you will be better off. You find yourself in weird position with your romantic partner, go ahead and make your intentions known right off the bat to avoid misunderstandings.

Aquarius- January 20 to February 18
Relationships are about to blow like the
4th of July fireworks. If you feel your
romantic relationships are boxing you in
and suffocating you it is due time to get
out of that relationship. But the drama
doesn't stop there, you are also going to
have some sort of a blow up in your family.
The feud will be real. Set your boundaries
now to protect yourself from future
hiccups like this.

Pisces- February 19 to March 20
Usually we say follow that intuition and go forth, this week it is probably not the best time to do so. You are toying with a fine line between intuition and self-destruction where things could go disastrously wrong. This doesn't mean go mindlessly forward in the rut you often feel you are in but don't go off script this week!

Alicia Parsons grew up in Yerington and has been a dishwasher, teacher's aide, patient care representative, and debt collector, before landing her current and favorite gig as a feral housewife to Trevor and card-carrying mother-of-the-year to four year old Rhett



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Thursday 7/8 @ 6:30





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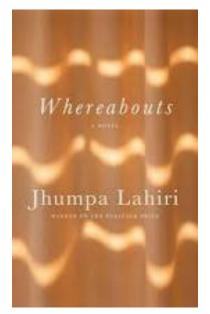
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# Entertainment & Art

### Carol's Book Report



### Whereabouts: A Novel by Jhumpa Lahiri

The unnamed narrator of this book is an unmarried, childless, middle-aged, city dwelling woman who lives a quiet life with a satisfying career, interesting friends, and rich social life. Told in short chapters that don't really need to even be read in order, we learn her father was a bit eccentric and she has a contentious relationship with her mother though that seems to be mellowing a bit with age. The reader follows the woman as she describes ordinary events and every day experiences in what seems to be a stream-of consciousness interior narrative. This is one of those character driven, thoughtful, and beautifully written novels. Quietly brilliant.

Lahiri won the Pulitzer Prize for her novel Interpreter of Maladies. Whereabouts is available in print and downloadable ebook via Overdrive/Libby.

Carol is the Director of the Churchill County Library. She is staying cool. Join her, staff, and neighbors at an Open House @ the Library on Thursday July 15, 2021 from 6 – 8 p.m.

Carol Lloyd ~ 2021



### **Churchill County Library**

# Summer Reading **Program** June 7 - July 30



Sign your child up for the The Churchill County Library Summer Reading Program. The program is for all ages and includes in-library and take-home activities, books to keep, and much more. Come in or call for more information.

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### 4th of July Crossword Puzzle

#### **Across**

- 4 Francis \_\_\_\_\_ Key wrote the lyrics to "The Star-Spangled Banner".
- 6 On the 4th of July 1865, the classic children's book "Alice's Adventures in \_\_\_\_ " was published in London.
- 9 Which country declared independence from the United States on July 4, 1960?
- **10** Approximately 150 \_\_\_\_\_ hot dogs are consumed each 4th of July.
- 12 In 1776, Maine was a "colony of a colony" -- part of the state of
- 13 One of Eliot's many historic sites includes Maine's probable first \_\_\_\_\_ Meetinghouse built in 1776.
- 15 The U.S. Constitution was signed on Sept. 17, 1787. Following much debate, the first 10 \_\_\_\_\_\_, known as the "Bill of Rights" went into effect on Dec. 15, 1791.
- 17 Thomas \_\_\_\_\_ was the first president of the United States to host a Fourth of July celebration at the White House.
- 19 The original U.S. Declaration of Independence is displayed in the National \_\_\_\_\_ in Washington DC
- 21 Of these four states (Delaware, Vermont, Georgia, Maryland), which was NOT one of the original 13 colonies?
- 22 The English word "patriotism" comes from the \_\_\_\_\_ word "patria" meaning "fatherland" or "homeland".
- 23 On the current U.S. flag, there are \_\_\_ red stripes.

#### Down

- 1 The three presidents that all died on the 4th of July were John \_\_\_\_\_, Thomas Jefferson, and James Monroe.
- 2 In the United States, freedom of religion is a constitutionally protected right provided in the Amendment.
- 3 The U.S. Declaration of Independence was stored at Fort \_\_\_\_\_ during World War II.
- 5 On the original American Flag, the thirteen stars were arranged in the shape of a
- 7 The 4th of July did not become a federal \_\_\_\_until 1870.
- 8 Both the U.S. Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were both signed in the city of
- 10 Although John Wesley didn't charter the first Methodist Church in the United States until 1784, the first conference of \_\_\_\_\_\_ preachers in the colonies was held in Philadelphia in 1773
- **11** Which bird did Benjamin Franklin propose should be the national bird?
- 14 The 32-gun frigate "\_\_\_\_" was authorized by the Continental Congress on 13 December 1775 at the shipyard of John Langdon on what is now Badger's Island in Kittery, Maine; this frigate served from 1776 to 1783.
- 16 The people of \_\_\_\_\_ gave the Statue of Liberty to the United States
- 18 U.S. President Calvin \_\_\_\_\_ was born on July 4, 1872.
- 20 Betsy \_\_\_\_ sewed the first official U.S. flag.

# Newlands Project Water Levels

Measurements taken July 1, 2021 at 6:30 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir 72,390 af

Truckee Canal at Hazen 45.7 cfs

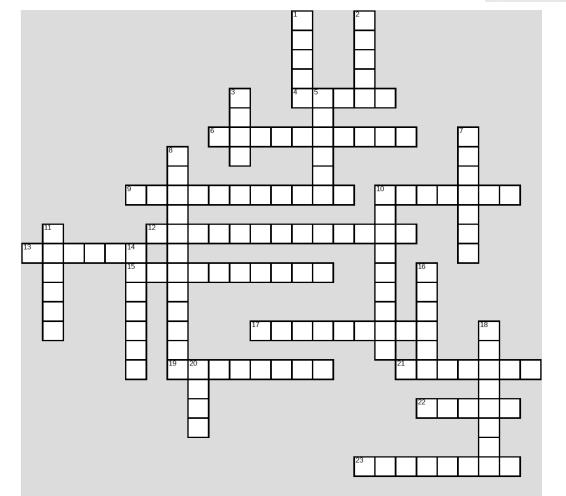
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth 108 cfs

Carson River Below Lahontan 931 cfs

Carson River at Ft. Churchill 1.88 cfs

> Water Levels June 24 2021 : 73,929 acre feet 2020 : 184,552 acre feet 2019 : 307,177 acre feet

cfs - Cubic Feet per Second af - Acre Feet



# Community Meetings / Events

**July 5** - **July 11** 

TCID Board Meeting Tues. July 6 9:00 a.m.

City Council Meeting Tues. July 6 9:00 a.m.

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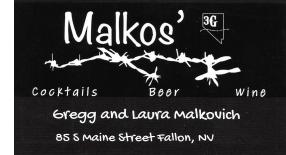
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