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Tribe Goes to Washington -- *Asks for National Monument*

By Rachel Dahl

In the ongoing conflict over the expansion and modernization of the U.S. Navy ranges in Churchill County, Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribal representatives spent three days in Washington, D.C. recently to introduce their idea of establishing a National Monument over nearly three million acres surrounding the NAS Fallon Range Training Complex. The Numu Neve National Monument would cover nearly 3 million acres and protect the ancestral home of the Paiute and Shoshone people and the area's cultural and natural resources.

On March 21, Cathi Tunni-Williams, chair of the Fallon-Paiute Shoshone Tribe, and Leanna Hale, the tribe's director of land and water, along with their legal staff including Brian Chestnut from the Seattle, Washington law firm Zientz Chestnut, presented their idea to top officials in the Biden administration. They also traveled to the Pentagon, meeting with the Secretary of the Navy, Carlos Del Toro, Assistant Secretary Meredith Berger, as well as members and staff of Nevada's congressional delegation, including Sen. Jacky Rosen (D) and staff of Rep. Mark Amodei (R). In early March they met with Sen. Catherine Cortez Mast (D) in Nevada before the D.C. trip.

"We're playing off the President's 30X30 plan and working with tribes on the indigenous lands and having them be co-stewards of these lands," said Hale. "We have been talking to people and pressing on and gaining support, this fits right into his 30X30."

When he was elected Biden issued an executive order establishing a national goal to conserve 30 percent of U.S. lands and freshwater and 30 percent of U.S. oceans areas by 2030.

The proposed Numu Neve monument would consist of public lands east of Fallon and adjacent to the four tribes' reservations encompassing the Stillwater, Clan Alpine, August, and Desatoya Mountain ranges, as well as Job Peak, known to the Tribe as Fox Peak which Hale said is the Tribe's origin site.



Fairview Peak. Photo Courtesy of Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe.

"We know that if we don't find a solution," said Leanna in response to the Navy expansion, "we may just end up with a big, fat zero. We want to protect lands that we can, our cultural sites, our spiritual sites, our burial grounds. We don't have a cemetery our people were buried where they could."

"We are part of this community, we grew up with the Navy," said Tunni. "We know that we need to support our military, look what's going in Ukraine. Our tribal members have served, past and present and some of them never made it back. It is such a fine balance that we are having to do here."

Hale said the Tribe is thinking of the community as well, they aren't preserving the lands just for the tribe. In their culture, no one owns the land. The community hunts and uses those lands as well, "Not just our people use, but it will be a preservation for all of us."

The Fallon Tribe joins the Walker River Paiute Tribe, the Lovelock Paiute Tribe, and the Yomba Shoshone Tribe in requesting what would be the fifth

national monument in Nevada, and the largest national monument dwarfing the 1.87-million-acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in Utah.

In response to the Tribe's proposal, a U.S. Navy spokesperson said, "The Fallon Range Training Complex modernization is a critical priority for Navy training and readiness. It is essential to the Navy's ability to provide for our national defense, and to project power around the globe. The Department of the Navy is reviewing the Tribe's proposal and looks forward to collaborating with our tribal partners in Northern Nevada to address concerns associated with the FRTC modernization."

The Navy has been working since 2018 to expand the Fallon Range Training Complex and modernize its training facility to meet the needs of modern warfare, holding public scoping meetings across Nevada as part of the policy process. The Secretary of the Navy

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Captains Log - *Colonizing*

At the risk of oversaturating the collective sense of humor with more bunny stories, here she goes again...

I'm adding to the herd. Are bunnies a herd? Let me look that up...nope, a colony or a nest. A litter if they're little babies. At any rate, there will be more bunnies.

The Super Bowl litter was a bit of an accident – I didn't think it actually worked but turns out Jane Russell liked Cary Grant just fine and we got the eight babies who have been joining me on my desk lately.



Then I tried again – providing candlelight and Chopin for Delilah and Cary Grant along with a re-try for Jane Russell and Humphrey Bogart. Clearly the Jane and Humphrey date was unnecessary, the seeds were already planted, however, Delilah has been pulling out all her hair to make a nest and is due for the stork on the 9th. We'll see if she makes it that long – that girl is ROUND.

In addition... a friend of a friend is moving from Reno to Elko and thinning her herd. Colony. She is leaving behind, at my house, four lovely angora bunnies. I'm inheriting these new bunnies and all their accessories and traipsing off to Reno on Sunday (the day the new litter of babies is due) to gather them and all their accoutrement. Using that term here instead of accessory, because it fits these new bunnies more accurately – they are French Angora. Truly Fancy Bunnies.

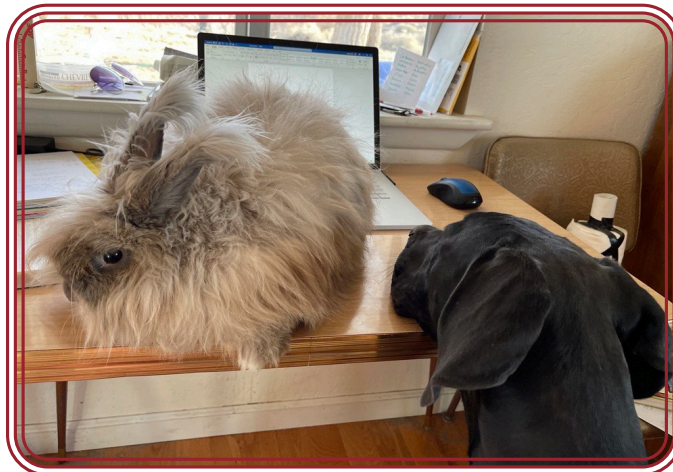
These lovely French Angora will be strictly for fiber for yarn spinning. We will not be having date night among the French. Neither will there be philandering between the Fancy French Angora and the Right Propper English Angora. We are not the melting pot here. Rachel's Bunny Ranch will only produce tassel eared, Propper English Angora. Or so we think.

Just when you think there are no more bunny stories, we have a whole new litter of them on the way... just like these rabbits. And while we wait for babies, and Fancy French bunnies, we'll be right here...

...Keeping you Posted,
Rach

Top: the most amazing part of bunny farming is the nest the momma makes prior to the babies showing up.

Right: Clio was super worried Marilyn Monroe would fall off the table and kept nudging her back off the edge.



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Cottage School Open Once Again for Education on April 4 -- Big Move for Parks & Recreation's after-school CARE & SUMFUN

By Anne McMillin, Churchill County Public Information Officer



City of Fallon and Churchill County officials gathered at the Cottage Schools on March 31 to cut the ribbon for reopening the newly renovated building as an educational facility.

In his remarks, County Commissioner Pete Olsen thanked the City of Fallon and Mayor Kenny Tedford for saving the

buildings, which had been unoccupied for several years, and agreeing to swap the property with the county in exchange for the old senior center building at the corner of Court and East Streets.

"This facility allows us to effectively double the size of our after-school CARE program," Olsen said, noting that the county's facilities staff had done a wonderful job renovating the building for kids.

City of Fallon Chief of Staff Bob Erickson, representing Mayor Tedford, said the mayor was passionate about

saving historical sites in town as a legacy of heritage. He noted that John and Nellie Oats (of Oats Park fame) donated the land to the county back in 1906 for use as an educational facility.

"These buildings have served education in Churchill County since 1906," Erickson said, saying it was an honor to

dedicate the facility once again to the kids of the community for educational purposes.

Jorge Guerrero, director of Churchill County Facilities and Parks & Recreation, gave special thanks to his facilities and grounds staff for their work to rehabilitate the building and recognized the school district for donating kid-sized desks, chairs and furniture for the kids in the CARE after-school program who will descend on the building on Monday, April 4 to enjoy crafts, activities and the playground equipment out front.

Looking around the building's interior before the ribbon cutting, Commissioner Greg Koenig noted that the classrooms looked much larger when he attended the Cottage School decades ago as a kindergartener.

The CARE program is a high-quality after-school program that provides homework assistance, tutoring and recreational activities in a safe and structured environment. Daily transportation provided from schools to the program from school district schools and Oasis Academy. Participants enjoy

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Top left Jorge Guerrero, Parks & Rec director; Bob Erickson, Chief of Staff City of Fallon; Pete Olsen, Chairman Churchill County Commission.

Features

Dixie Valley Toad Listed as Endangered

By Rachel Dahl

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced Monday, April 4, that the Dixie Valley toad will be emergency listed under the Endangered Species Act. Emergency listing is a rare step, and the Service has only issued an emergency listing for one other species in the past two decades. The toad is the smallest of the western toads and is endemic to Nevada. Its range is restricted to a 760-acre wetland complex that is fed by hot springs in the remote Dixie Valley northeast of Fallon.

The Service's press release explained



that upon publication of the emergency rule in the Federal Register, the Dixie Valley toad will be listed as endangered under the ESA and be provided immediate federal protections for 240 days. Concurrently, a proposed rule to list the Dixie Valley toad as an endangered species is being issued and public comment will be taken to aid in determining whether ESA protections should continue beyond the 240 days of the emergency listing.

"In making this emergency and proposed listing determination," the release

continues, "the Service has carefully assessed the best scientific and commercial information available regarding past, present, and future threats faced by the Dixie Valley toad. Protecting small population species like this ensures the continued biodiversity necessary to maintain climate-resilient landscapes in one of the driest states in the country."

The Service will continue asking for input from the public, tribes, other government agencies, the scientific community, industry, and other interested parties on the proposed rule to list the Dixie Valley toad under the normal rulemaking process.

On May 9, 2022, at 5 p.m. the Service will hold a virtual public informational meeting about the proposed listing rule. The informational meeting will be followed by a virtual public hearing at 5:35 p.m. during which the public can submit verbal comments on the proposed listing rule. Please visit <https://www.fws.gov/office/reno-fish-and-wildlife> for information on how to register for the public informational meeting and public hearing.

The Bureau of Land Management approved the two 30-megawatt geothermal plants in November that would move Nevada toward meeting the renewable portfolio requirements that utilities generate 25% of their energy from renewable sources by 2025.

Work at the first plant which is slated to eventually produce 12 megawatts, continues with clearing the ground and setting the footings. Officials at Ormat Technologies Inc. have said they don't believe a listing would impact the project because the company has spent six years developing a mitigation plan to offset any

potential environmental impact.

Jake Vialpando, Field Manager of the Stillwater Field Office of the BLM, recently reported at the Churchill County Commission meeting that the Dixie Meadows geothermal project began its construction phase in mid-February. "The first day was a little bit rough, with tribal monitors on the ground and the contractor figuring out how they're going to communicate, but since then progress and construction have been pretty smooth," he said.

"Ormat has long recognized the importance of conserving the Dixie Valley toad, regardless of its legal status," Ormat Vice President Paul Thomsen told the Associated Press earlier this week. "Ormat will coordinate with relevant agencies to ensure that any additional required process is met while we continue our work on this important renewable energy project."

According to a press release from the Center for Biological Diversity, the toads face an acute threat of extinction from the construction of a geothermal power plant adjacent to a hot spring-fed wetland, their only home at Dixie Meadows.

Conservationists and tribal members are trying to block the project in a lawsuit currently before the 9th US Circuit Court of Appeals. The Center for Biological Diversity and the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe filed suit on December 15, 2021, and U.S. District Judge Robert Jones issued a 90-day restraining order in January of 2022 stopping construction on the Dixie Meadows project, located about 40 miles northeast of Fallon. In February the 9th Circuit overturned the lower court, and the case is pending.

Fitting Clinic Prepares Grange Youth for Competitions

By Suzann Gilliland Peterson

Agriculture and all its aspects, including livestock, is an integral part of northern Nevada and a focus of High Desert Grange. It's not unusual to see grange members, young and old, teaching one another the skills necessary to raise healthy, happy animals. Sharing knowledge is so important to High Desert Grange member Debra Hoffmann, of Hoffmann Hill Farm in Fallon, that she organized the High Desert Grange-sponsored Fitting and Showmanship Clinic for Goats and Sheep that was held at the Churchill County Fairgrounds on March 12th and 13th.

The event was open to everyone,

youth and adults from Grange, 4-H, FFA, and Independent Youth were invited to attend.

What is "fitting" you might ask? Fitting means washing, drying, and clipping the hair on an animal to prepare it for the show ring.

During these two days, presenters David Mueller and Patrick Aliff from Chestnut Springs West, a farm in California, led participants through the hands-on lessons. Many people brought their goats and sheep. Those individuals who did not were able to audit the event.

Day one featured fitting techniques including how to clip the hair on the does for showing in breeding classes at fairs,

etc. Day two focused on the showmanship of presenting an animal in the show ring to bring out the best characteristics of the animal while maintaining control of the animal.

When asked what inspired her to organize this learning opportunity, Debra shared her reasons, "I am one of the goat leaders for High Desert Grange. Each year I try to help the youth fit their animals for all the shows. I am just learning myself and wanted to bring professionals in to teach so youth can be more competitive in the show ring." Helping Debra with this event were Snow Morrison,

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Donna Withers,Carolynn Chamlee, and Gloria Montero.

Mueller and Aliff raise and show Boer goats. They also raise and train horses. Aliff is a judge for the American Boer Goat Association and travels the country judging shows. Both men put on similar clinics around the western states to help individuals improve their showmanship ability and fitting skills. Fifty participants ages 7 and up, plus their families, came from Nevada, California, and Idaho to attend the Fallon clinic.

The Fitting Clinic fee was \$60.00

for those people who brought an animal and \$40.00 for those who did not. The Showmanship fee was \$40.00. Fees covered the clinic and lunch which was provided by the Nevada Goat Producers Association.

Putting on the event was easy for Debra once the date was set. Seeing the drastic improvement in the skills of the youth in such a short period was her greatest thrill.

High Desert Grange will be participating in the Nevada Junior Livestock Show and the Churchill County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Debra has had requests to offer this

clinic next year. Check the High Desert Grange website at the beginning of next year to stay informed: <http://www.grange.org/highdesertnv22/>.



Pinwheels for Prevention – Child Abuse Awareness



By Rachel Dahl

Local elected officials joined court staff, social services personnel, and community members last week at Millennial Park to kick off Child Abuse Prevention Month, complete with Hank the Special CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) dog, and the traditional blue pinwheels.

City Councilwoman Kelly Frost read a proclamation from the City of Fallon recognizing the extensive list of community partners banded together to combat child abuse. County Commission Chairman Pete Olsen also gave remarks, as well as Sheriff Richard Hickox, Superintendent Summer Stephens, and Tracy Rannels from the Churchill Coalition.

Sue Sevon introduced Shana Plount, CASA director along with Hank the therapy dog, explaining that their role is to ensure that children who are involved in the court system have moral support and comfort to lower stress levels while they are in court testifying or involved in custody or neglect abuse cases. Sevon also introduced Tiffany Josephs who will be replacing her when she retires on June 14.

Josephs said in her remarks that the Churchill County CASA is currently appointed to 14 cases and there are a total of 11 volunteer Special Advocates in the program who are assigned to 23 children. Of those cases, four cases were opened just this year, resulting in 12 children being placed into foster care in the

last three months alone. In the past year, March 2021 to March 2022, the CASA volunteers have assisted stakeholders in achieving permanent outcomes for 14 children, resulting in 10 children being reunified with their parents, two children being adopted, and two children being placed under a guardianship with family members.

In addition to providing advocacy for abused and neglected children in the foster care system, with the help of donations made by community partners, the Churchill County Kid's Closet has served 95 local children in need, along with 31 children from surrounding, rural counties.

Pinwheels for Prevention is a nationwide campaign created to promote change in how communities think about prevention and how service providers can deliver on their commitment to America's children. The pinwheel is an uplifting reminder of childhood and the bright futures all children deserve.

Activities sponsored through the county Social Services department will continue throughout the month, including a walk on April 23 from 10 a.m. to noon at Oats Park in partnership with Parks and Recreation, Banner Community Hospital, and the Department of Child and Family Services.



Shana Plount and Hank the therapy dog, with Sue Sevon, and Tiffany Josephs. City Councilwoman Kelly Frost and County Commissioner Pete Olsen

Community

Empty Bowls Were Overflowing at the Library

By Jo Petteruti

Jaime Shafer challenged her Churchill County High School Ceramics Class to craft food-safe bowls for a fundraiser for the Library. The students rose to that challenge, creating 155 bowls for the event. On Sunday, April 3 from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m., their hand-crafted ceramic bowls were available for a donation whereby the donor would select and keep a bowl then use it to indulge in multiple varieties of soups made and donated by community members.

For a small donation of cash or non-perishable items, attendees could enjoy a community meal of homemade soups, and freshly baked breads and rolls. Thirty crockpots containing more than 40 gallons of soup were available for attendees to eat as much as they wanted. Jaime said, "I am amazed and overjoyed at the turnout and at the community's generosity. This is above and beyond what I ever expected."

Donated non-perishables will be used to keep up the stock in the Karma Box located outside the Chamber of Commerce office at 448 West Williams Avenue. Cash donations received during

the event totaled \$2,720 and will be used for Library programs. Library Director Carol Lloyd said, "What a wonderful partnership this event was, and what a great community. I am so very proud to be a part of it."

Empty Bowls is a nationwide effort

to raise awareness of hunger in the community. Sunday's event at the Library was sponsored by the CCHS Ceramics Class students who made and donated the bowls, the Fallon Chamber of Commerce, and the Churchill Library Association.



A community meal of soups and breads in full swing at the Library

Donated non-perishables gathered in the Chamber's office

One of the two tables stocked with crockpots of soup

Some of the hand-crafted ceramic bowls made by CCHS Ceramics Class students

A second table of soups, along with breads, rolls, croissants, and bottled waters.

Photos by Jo Petteruti

Fallon Community Musicals are Back

By Ashley Adams

The Fallon Community musical makes its return with Disney's "Freaky Friday." The production stars Summer Stanton as Katherine Blake with the role of Ellie Blake being performed by Kamiah Henning. The actors will be taking the stage under the direction of Ashley Adams, along with Suzette Benecke as choreographer and Jan Bice as the music director. Evening performances are on April 29, 30, and May 6 and 7 at 7 p.m. with the matinee performance on May 7th at 1 p.m. in the Churchill County High School

Auditorium.

When an overworked mother and her teenage daughter magically swap bodies, they have just one day to put things right again. "Freaky Friday," a new musical based on the celebrated novel by Mary Rodgers and the hit Disney films, is a heartfelt, comedic, and unexpectedly emotional update on an American classic. By spending a day in each other's shoes, Katherine and Ellie come to appreciate each other's struggles, learn self-acceptance, and realize the immeasurable love and mutual respect that bond a mother and daughter.

Ashley Adams is the new Theatre teacher and Director at Churchill County High School and is excited to make her directing debut with "Freaky Friday" and to continue the Community Musical tradition post-Covid. All members of the cast and crew are from our community and have been working hard to bring this production to life.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at onsthestage.tickets/churchill-county-high-school. General Admission is \$15. Discounts for CCSD students, staff, military, and seniors are available on the website.



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Ronda Lee Wilson Brown

Text With heavy hearts the family of Ronda Lee Wilson Brown announce that Ronda was called to her heavenly home on March 13, 2022. She was effortlessly humorous and held a heart of gold for all she encountered. Ronda truly knew no strangers and welcomed all walks of life with grace and love.

Born and raised in Santa Rosa, California to Charles Wayne Wilson Sr. and Linda Lee Wilson (Brinkley), Ronda lived out her early years until she came to reside in Fallon, having such a generous family tie to the area. Ronda held pride in her everlasting dedication, not only to her family but the community as well. She gave her efforts to the LAVVFW volunteering her time to the youth and veterans of the area. Ronda enjoyed brightening people's day through smiles and conversation, passing time catching sunshine in the Nevada heat, and developed a passion for writing poetry.

Ronda is survived by her fiancé Kirk P. Keddington, two sons Jonathon and Christopher Brown, grandchildren Zariah and William Brown, Isaiah Wick, and Linda Brown. She also leaves behind her twin sister Wanda S. Wilson, two brothers Charles Wayne Wilson, Jr. and Donald Alan Wilson, nieces Dakota Smith (Wilson), Reyannah and Yvonna Wilson, and nephews Charles Wayne Wilson, III, Liam Wilson, and Owen Smith.

Ronda was above all else loved wholeheartedly and unconditionally by those she surrounded herself with. The weight of her loss will be carried for years to come by all who knew and loved her.

Her family will lay her to rest later this spring and will announce details at that time. Condolence cards for her boys can be sent to: c/o Wanda Wilson, 806 Timothy Way, Fallon, Nv. 89406.



Jake Edward Kyte

JAKE EDWARD KYTE, entered into life as an angel on August 8, 1991, on earth sent from God to his parents, father, Edward Phillip Kyte and Mother Julie Michele Kyte.

He had a beautiful smile even at birth, staring at his parents.

Jake was born at Washoe Medical Center in Reno, NV, now Renown.

Jake passed away at Renown Medical Center in Reno, Nevada, unexpectedly on March 18, 2022, at the tender age of 31 years old with his mother at his side.

Special Meaning Behind Cemetery Coins

By Jo Petteruti

There isn't a real term for coins left on the headstones of veterans at rest in the Churchill County Cemetery. But Cemetery Coordinator Claude Parsley explained they are left by anonymous fellow service members as a token of their remembrance and respect.

"If you are visiting someone that served in the military, and you had no affiliation with them, you leave a penny to say that you visited that veteran. If you leave a nickel, that says that you did basic training together but that was as far as you served together. If you leave a dime, that says you served with that person in your military career after basic training. If you leave a quarter, that says you were with them in their unit when they passed." When asked about maintaining the grounds around those headstones he said, "We try to move them when we're using the weed-eaters, and then put them back. But sometimes the coins get caught by the mower tires, and they get lost in the grass. The coins do also get picked up when we pick up all the flowers so that everything starts fresh. There is so much meaning in the tradition, and

it's been a pretty common practice in the veterans' sections of the cemetery."

Claude estimated that at present, there are between 1,100 and 1,200 military members buried there. The original veterans' section has headstones that date back to World War I which was filled long ago. Since the 1970s, three more cemetery sections have been added, and new veterans' sections were designated within them. Sadly, those are now running out of room, but the cemetery expansion area that is planned will include another larger veterans' section.

"They make the ultimate sacrifice for us, so we provide a peaceful, honorable place for them to be at rest."

Cemetery Board member Jaime Sammons, who also volunteers at the cemetery, brought this story idea to "The Fallon Post" saying, "We get an instant heartfelt connection working at the cemetery and coming across a coin on a headstone. I volunteer out there, pruning, weeding, and cleaning up. So, as I'm out there bumping around, I started to see the coins. I had

read about them on social media, and when you first see them, you get a certain feeling." She said she is asked often why she would want to volunteer at the cemetery and be on the Cemetery Board. "I'm happy to be able to help, you know, use your superpower for good. I felt I could help out here, I'm good with plants. I do wish more people would come out for visits. It is such a beautiful place."

She got hooked on the volunteer idea when she saw the headstone of a lady

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*Headstone of World War II Veteran Vernon Ezzell with a quarter left by a fellow serviceman who was with him when he passed.
Photo by Jo Petteruti*

Community

welcome baby

Banne Churchill Community Hospital



March 2022 Births

Lakelee Rae Abrams

to Paige Davis & Jeremy Abrams
Born March 1, 2022 at 5:26pm
Weight: 7lbs 7oz Length: 21"

Penelope Nicole Estavillo

to Vanessa Carter & Nicholas Estavillo
Born March 1, 2022 at 2:28pm
Weight: 6lbs 14oz Length: 20"

Westley Kayden Sorensen

to Brandon & Elizabeth Sorensen
Born March 5, 2022 @ 5:47am
Weight: 7lbs 12oz Length: 20 1/4"

Aurora Anne Monsour

to Morgan Monsour
Born March 6, 2022 at 9:39am
Weight: 7lbs 12oz Length 20 1/2"

Hunter Sebastian Hansen

to Brian Hansen & Lorilea Hunter
Born March 17, 2022 at 1:04am
Weight: 5lbs 15oz Length: 19 1/2"

Payton Elizabeth Gentry-Steep

to Charlize Quiroz & Eric Gentry-Steep
Born March 20, 2022 at 7:30am
Weight: 6lbs 12oz Length: 19"

Ariella Grace Lopez

to Janeth Valenzuela & Kurt Lopez
Born March 03, 2022 @ 10:49am
Weight: 7lbs 7oz Length: 20"

Harper Gracelyn Swails

to Amber Brondi & Chris Swails
Born March 29, 2022 @ 7:04pm
Weight: 7lbs 3oz Length: 19 1/2" Textv

March Annulments & Divorces

Annulments:

Bradey, Tiffany Nicole v Cooper, Nikki Shannon
Catlett, Charles v Mangutz, Barbara Elsa
Childs, Annalisa Juliene v Hammons, Jesse James Lloyd
Dalessandro, Jackie v Lewis, Mitchell
Fine, Tevita Taipaleiti v Fine, Feofaaki A Kakau
Hartin, John Michael v McBride, Laura Ann
Hughes, Brian Dale v Vosberg, Lanette Rene
Kimelman, Shani v Firestone, Michael
Kincer, Larry v Guzman, Isis Michelle
McCarthy, Hannah Violet v Jafarov, Abbas
Wilterding, Ekaterina v Wilterding, Kirk

Divorces:

Aguilar, Rodolfo v Felix, Blanca
Baghdasaryan, Karen v Nane-Louiza, Jangozian
Bigby, Valaria Lee v Bigby, Anthony Derick
Borremans, Andrew Kenneth v Borremans, Brianna Elise
Bradey, Tiffany Nicole v Cooper, Nikki Shannon
Burton, Jessica Noel v Heldt, Christopher Donald
Carter, Paul L. v Schroeder, Whitney
Catlett, Charles v Mangutz, Barbara Elsa
Childs, Annalisa Juliene v Hammons, Jesse James Lloyd
Cross, Erin Elizabeth v Cross, William Benjamin
Crossan, Jasmine Celeste v Malka, Omer
Dalessandro, Jackie v Lewis, Mitchell
De La Paz, Alexa Araceli v Lopez, Fabian Lopez
Devore, Alexander Thomas v Devore, Tuangpron
DeWitt, Margaret v DeWitt, Mack
Evans, Noble Braddock v Evans, Evelyn Marie
Fine, Tevita Taipaleiti v Fine, Feofaaki A Kakau
Ford-Peterson, Sara Lea v Peterson, Eric John
Fraser, Jamie Allen v Fraser, Victoria Elizabeth
Garcia, Rodolfo Escusa Jr. v Garcia, Natalia Mendoza
Golovachev, Alexander v Terekhovitch, Ekaterina
Hanson, Lisa Florence v Hanson, William Raymond
Happe, Laura Michele v Flack, Steve Carter
Harrell, Maryjane Malem v Harrell, Earl Edgar
Hartin, John Michael v McBride, Laura Ann
Hillar, Sarah Katherine v Hillar, Nicholas Walter
Holden, Joy Ann v Holden, Christopher Michael
Hughes, Brian Dale v Vosberg, Lanette Rene
Jackson, Jesse James v Jackson, Chelsea Lynn
Jenkins, Janet Monica v Scott, Matthew I.
Joern, Michale W. v Cabrera, Jessica E.
Kelley, Charlie v Mota, Emily
Kimelman, Shani v Firestone, Michael
Kincer, Larry v Guzman, Isis Michelle
Kinney, Miranda v Parmenter, Andrea
Kryzneski, Winalyn Bon v Kryzneski, Lawrence
Lewis, Randy Glen v Lewis, Lucille C.
Lineback, Amanda Zimmerman v Lineback, Christopher
Mahoney, Eugene Wayne v Gilbreath, Michelle
McCarthy, Hannah Violet v Jafarov, Abbas
McCoy, Darrell R. v McCoy, Kristy S.
Miller, Noah David v Miller, Shannon Michelle
Mitchell, Timothy Kevin v Stephens, Michelle
Mizrahi, Aviel v Munoz, Jessica Esther
Mohamad, Vincent Ambark v Mohamad, Meagan Lynn
Neidigh, Bryan Mac v Neidigh, Heather Lynn
Palmer, Sophia DeHeaven v Armstrong, Anthony Lee
Pashley, Delia v Pashley, Douglas Freeman
Pedroni, Kimberly Layne v Pedroni, Mark Brian
Pethel, Robert v Pethel, Cindy
Richards, David Allen v Richards, Erin Kathleen
Riley, Richard J. v Riley, Traci M.
Robertson, Jason Andrew v Robertson, Afton
Rudd, Tamara Noel v Rudd, Allen Dwight
Sagan, Arlin Rodriguez v Sagan, Steven Samuel
Sanchez, Hannah v Mabonga, Denis
Sanderson, Collene Marie Shields v Sanderson, Davin Wayne
Sattar, Mohammad v Sana, Jawaria
Shannon, David v Small, Paris
Sobejana, Maria Lea Cruz v Sobejana, Romeo Bucaloy
Sullivan, Brian Lee v Rascon, Janet Yolanda
Tobe, Peter v Tobe, Hana
Walker, Gary Jr. v Walker, Casey Nicole
Wilterding, Ekaterina v Wilterding, Kirk
Wisher, Marquise v Gibson, Jasmine Chloe



The following marriage licenses were issued by the Churchill County Clerk during March 2022

- 03/01 - Rodrigo Rodriguez Gutierrez age 37 to Carla Ivon Tellez Ortega age 35 both of Fallon
03/02 - Anthony Patrick Burnitt age 31 to Ashley Helene Albanese age 29 both of Fallon
03/03 - Aaron Arthur Green age 46 to Cheryl Lynne Halterman age 51 both of Fallon
03/07 - Christopher Timothy Johnson age 39 to Paige Elizabeth Lofgren age 29 both of Marysville
03/08 - Joseph Richard Brennan age 37 to Christine Nicole Brantley age 30 both of Fallon
03/11 - Thomas John Jameieson age 22 of Fallon to Maryann Wahl age 22 of Huntsville
03/15 - Kandon Tron Huckaby age 21 to Toriana Josephine Linda Rahm age 20 both of Fallon
03/17 - Paul IV Thompson age 36 to Dominique Tracy Mooney age 39 both of Maricopa
03/18 - Donald James Ashby Sr. age 71 to Sara Lea Ford-Peterson age 47 both of Fallon
03/21 - Donald Oscar Rogne age 64 to Andrea Frances Baisch age 61 both of Fallon
03/22 - Jacob Corey Stone age 27 to Jourdan Leigh Brown-Crawford age 27 both of Fallon
03/29 - Preston Micheal Moore age 27 to Chelsea Lynn Jackson age 32 both of Fallon

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signed the Record of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement in March of 2020, however, the Congressional request for expansion was denied in the 2020 National Defense Authorization Act. Congress did approve the extension of the Navy's current lease of 232,000 acres for another 25 years.

The modernization proposal seeks to withdraw up to 618,000 acres of additional federal land and acquire 65,000 acres of private or state-owned land saying, "Today's technology has outpaced the current capabilities of the Fallon Ranges. The training ranges must be able to support how the Navy fights today, so personnel are prepared for the conflicts of tomorrow."

NAS Fallon is home to the newest F-35 aircraft which the Navy says takes an entirely different space and area to maneuver than the F-14 and the F-18 jets that have flown over the Lahontan Valley for years.

During the 2019 Legislative Session lawmakers passed a bipartisan resolution opposing the proposal to expand the Fallon Range Training Complex.

Churchill County officials have worked toward mitigation efforts with the Navy that would include keeping certain roads open, keeping grazing permit holders whole, preserving recreation access in Dixie Valley, as well as legislation that includes a Churchill County Lands Bill to offset impacts from the Navy expansion and provide for economic development purposes.

The county officials declined to comment on the Tribe's proposal saying through their Public Information Officer, "Any comment on this topic would come from the Board of Commissioners in a public meeting setting."

As directed by Congress in the 2021 NDAA, the Navy has hired two full-time tribal liaison staff members to work directly with local Tribes as well as co-hosting with the Department of Interior an Intergovernmental Executive Committee "for the purpose of exchanging views, information, and advice" relating to the management of the lands withdrawn in that legislation. The IEC is made up of representatives from the Navy, DOI, the State of Nevada, six counties neighboring NAS Fallon, and 17 Indian Tribes.

Congressman Mark Amodei has worked with all parties involved in the

Range Expansion for several years. He responded to the Tribe's proposal for a National Monument by saying, "The Tribe has every right to take whatever position they feel is appropriate, and they have done so. As long as their position on the expansion of naval aviation's critical training infrastructure continues to essentially be 'we're opposed,' the need to continue to work on finding a balance between national security and cultural history will continue. This is not a great time to ignore the growing vulnerability in an important national security area, and I'll continue to look for an opportunity to give the appropriate respect to the cultural resources of indigenous nations while allowing America's naval aviators and SEALs to train to the highest standards. Clearly, we are not there yet."



Fissure Ridge Photo Courtesy of Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe.

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games, crafts, snacks and swimming at the Churchill County Aquatic Center.

Once school is out, Parks & Rec's SUMFUN summer day camp will take over the Cottage Schools providing full day childcare for the summer months. Campers enjoy daily games, crafts and recreational activities including weekly trips to such places as Wild Island Adventure Park, Nevada Discovery Museum, Children's Museum of Nevada Fleishmann Planetarium and Animal Ark. Local experiences include outings to the local museum, library and local parks. Swimming offered three-times weekly as are twice weekly trips to the City-County Gym.

The Cottage Schools are located at 255 E. Stillwater Avenue. The CARE pro-

gram can be reached at (775)427-7777.

History of the Cottage Schools

In 1906, John and Nellie Oats donated the property to Churchill County for use as a school with the stipulation that if it were to no longer be used as such, the property would revert to the Oats family heirs.

Site of:

High school 1906-1918

Original 1906 high school building constructed of bricks, trimmed with stone from the Rattlesnake Hill quarry.

Elementary school 1918-1939

1939 - Old high school razed and three cottage buildings built. Cottage #3 used bricks recovered from the old high school building

Cottage Schools 1939-2016

1939-1962: Used for grades 1-3

1962-1964: Atomic Energy Commission

leased the building

1964-1992: Used again for kindergarten and primary grades until Lahontan Elementary School opened in 1992.

1992-2007: Used for pre-kindergarten
2007: Cottage School added to National Register of Historic Places

2007-2012: Teacher training facility
2007-2015: Adult education moved to West End School

2016: Property ownership transferred to City of Fallon from Churchill County School District and Oats family

2021: City and County agree to swap the Cottage Schools and old senior center properties.

2022: Cottage School building #2 (center building) is renovated; Parks & Recreation's CARE after-school program transfers operations there from the fairgrounds.

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who passed back in 1838, and beside it was a beautiful old rose bush. "Beautiful hips, on its own rootstock. It made me wonder who this lady was, why she had a rose, and how old the rose was. There's one other patch of wild rose, otherwise, there aren't any here. I took some cuttings to preserve it, and now those cuttings are doing really well. There are

also some old heritage trees that we've taken cuttings of to preserve those too."

Jaime and her husband Kevin are both Navy veterans. She served five years as a Helicopter Crewman Rescue Swimmer and he retired after 24 years of service, first as a Rescue Swimmer and then as a Navy SEAL. "Funny story, SEALs used our helicopter all the time, and Kevin and I were in Kuwait at the same time.

So, I'm certain he was on my helicopter at some point. But we didn't meet until we got here in Fallon." Our service members and all that they give are imperative to our country. Working among those who have passed and tending to the plantings around them is just a continuation of Jaime's service, only now it's to Fallon and Churchill County.

Local Government

Shawcroft Hired to Replace Jardine at TCID -- *Allocation Adjustment and Raises Also Approved*



Irrigation water is flowing in the Carson Division of the Newlands Project. During their meeting this week, TCID moved the Truckee Division start date from April 15 to April 6. Photo by Rachel Dahl.

By Rachel Dahl

The Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors met this week in a regular, monthly meeting where they voted to approve the hiring of Ben Shawcroft to replace General Manager Rusty Jardine who is retiring from the district on July 1.

Shawcroft is currently serving as the Civil Deputy District Attorney for Churchill County.

“Water resources are more than important,” said Jardine in introducing Shawcroft, “water is a mission. It is your livelihood, and it is bittersweet leaving.” He said he feels confident he is leaving the district in good condition.

“When I first came on, we were six years in litigation and those issues have come to solution.” He talked about the flood of 2017 and how the whole community came together, “it was miraculous.”

Jardine also discussed the good relationships TCID has built over the years, and the contract with the Bureau of Reclamation that leaves the district “with a

lot of duties. But we have new ideas and new blood and very good managers.”

Shawcroft spoke briefly, reiterating the importance of water to valley. “I know just how important the water is in the community and I appreciate the improved relationships Rusty has built over the years with the Bureau and other agencies.”

Shawcroft’s contract will mirror that of Jardine’s and the two will overlap for the last two weeks of June during the transition, allowing them to spend time together for what President Eric Olsen called, “a good hand-off.” Jardine said they will spend time during the transition meeting with Jack Worsley, area manager of the Bureau of Reclamation and his team, as well as the Federal Water Master, Chad Blanchard.

In other business, the board addressed the water supply and delivery schedule for water throughout the district, revisiting their previous allocation of water on the Truckee Division. According to Kelly Herwick, Water Master, he recommended based on forecasts

and current conditions revising the 90% allocation previously set down to 70%, the same as the board had set for the Carson Division. He also said that instead of requiring Truckee Division farmers to wait until April 15 as originally set, water orders should be taken starting April 5. “We should start as soon as possible and set the allocation at 70% and end by late August,” he said.

The board approved changing the Truckee Division allocation to 70% and started taking water orders on Wednesday.

The board also agreed, under Nevada Revised Statute chapter 288, to recognize the TCID Employees Association as the group of employees “having sufficient community of interest appropriate for representation” and that the Association has the right to represent the TCID employees. The board approved a three percent step raise based on merit if the employee is eligible after evaluation, as well as a two percent Cost of Living increase for employees.

City Council Approves New Liquor Licenses

Staff Report

The Fallon City Council met on Tuesday, April 5 to review three applications for new liquor licenses in town, all three of which were unanimously approved.

Kamran Bashir applied for a retail liquor license for BA Food and Liquor located at 1660 West Williams Avenue, previously known as J H Food and Liquor. The building is owned by Louie's Commercial Properties.

Johan Luis-Vera Resendez applied

for a drinking establishment liquor license, on-premises only for Vaqueros Sports Bar/Cantina, a new business to be located at 2155 West Williams Avenue, near Game Stop and the DMV. Resendez told the Council that he plans to be open until 10 p.m. during the week, and until midnight or 1 a.m. on weekends. No food will be served but may have a food truck serving appetizers on-site. Bing K. Wong owns the building.

Lindsey Christoph applied for a retail liquor license and drinking estab-

lishment liquor license for Bottle and Brie, a new business to be located at 65 South Maine Street, Suite A. Christoph told the Council that she plans to sell at retail, and to have wine tastings. They plan to occupy two of the five units in that building, owned by Danny Burroughs.

The City Council meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, 55 West Williams Avenue.

Museum Seeks Youth Artist for Mural Painting

South side of museum building to be transformed

By Anne McMillin

The Churchill County Museum, working in conjunction with the Churchill Community Coalition, is looking for youth volunteers to paint its first panel of the new "Our Community, Our Stories" mural on the south side of the museum building located at 1050 S. Maine Street.

"We will create six murals reflecting Churchill County's history and the people who live here by focusing on topics such as agriculture, Native Americans, NAS Fallon, and local events," said Teri Hedgpeth, museum director. "By partnering with the Churchill Community Coalition, we hope to bring awareness to the mental health of Fallon's youth by having them not only help create the individual murals, but also have them place their handprints underneath each mural."

She added that the hope is that the effort will reflect that through our different backgrounds, we are one community, and will open dialogue regarding youth mental health.

Volunteer painters are needed on the following dates:
Friday, April 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Mondays, April 11 and 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday April 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This effort is supported by a Nevada Humanities matching grant. Museum

Curator Marilyn Goble is the project lead and has lined up volunteer artists to design the murals. Volunteer youth are

needed to help with the painting effort.

Please contact Goble at: (775)423-3677 with any questions.



*Kat Hull gets started on her mural design on the south side of the museum.
Photo Courtesy of Churchill County Museum*

Election

Truckee-Carson Irrigation District -- Board Candidates Elected

By Rachel Dahl

The Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors met this week in a regular meeting where they affirmed the election results for the Office of Director to the Board of Directors for the Election Year 2022. There were four seats open on the Board of Directors and incumbents

Wade Workman (Division 2), Eric Olsen (Division 5), Abraham Schank (Division 6), and Lester deBraga (Division 7) all filed for re-election. Because no one filed to run against any of the candidates, there was no contest for the offices, and the candidates were declared to have been elected.

Additionally, Eric Olsen was elected

by the board to serve as President, Davy Stix as Vice President, Bob Oaken as Secretary, and Lester deBraga will continue to serve as Treasurer.

"We are appreciative of the service each of our board members give to the water right holders," said Rusty Jardine, general manager of TCID.

Election Update – Campaign Contributions Reports Due Soon

By Rachel Dahl

Election Law requires all candidates for office in the State of Nevada to file Financial Disclosure Statements as well as campaign Contributions & Expenses Reports showing all campaign contributions over \$100 as well as campaign expenses. The first C&E reports are due no later than April 15 this year and cover the period from January 1 to March 31. Candidates must file four reports throughout the election year.

The Fallon Post will cover the campaign filings in a story in the April 22 paper.

The Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, with early voting beginning May 28. The General Election will be Tuesday, November 8 and early voting begins October 22.

In order to vote in the Primary Election, voters must be registered as either a Democrat or a Republican and can only vote in the respective primary. Since 2019 Nevada allows voters to register for the first time or update their existing registration on the same day they vote. To utilize same-day registration a valid driver's license must be provided and the voter must vote in person.

Currently there are only Republican candidates running in both the Assembly and Senate race. There are four Republican candidates for County Commission, and no Democrats. The school board race did not draw enough candidates for a primary election and all seven candidates will move on to the general election. School Board candidates run as non-partisans.

The Fallon Post will also continue running candidate features each week and will have those features posted online under the Election tab.



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Republican Primary Candidates Speak at The Overland Hotel



Assemblyman Jim Wheeler running for Senate District 17 and Vida Keller running for Assembly District 38

By Bill Post

On Friday April 1st, three Republican candidates spoke at the Historic Overland Hotel in Fallon. State Assemblyman for District 39 Jim Wheeler, who is running for State Senate District 17 currently held by Senator James Settelmeyer spoke first. He detailed his broad business background, his years of raising horses in California, Texas and Nevada and told of “killing bills” as a member of the minority Republican Caucus and as Chair of the “Freedom Caucus”.

Sometimes stopping bad bills from passing is as effective as passing good bills” he said. When asked why he was running Wheeler said: “Senator

Settelmeyer is termed out and I think he’s been an extremely good, extremely effective senator and I want to continue on with that” and that “the timing was right”. On what separates him from his opponent (State Assemblywoman Dr. Robin Titus District 38) he said: “We both vote pretty much the same, but the fact is, I’m a fighter. I will fight against the bad bills, that’s what I’m known for, a fighter for my constituents.”

Later in remarks to the 25 people in attendance he said that he was “prolife” and that Dr. Titus was “prochoice”. When contacted and asked about that issue, Assemblywoman Titus said: “I am of course prolife. As a doctor I have saved many lives. I would not have an abortion, nor would I perform an abortion. I do not believe the government should ever pay for abortion. I also believe in parental notification. Having said all that, this last

couple of years with the Covid mandates, I do not believe government should have anything to do with an adults’ health care choices.”

Also speaking at the Overland was Lyon County Commissioner Vida Keller who is running to replace Assemblywoman Titus in Assembly District 38. She spoke of her upbringing as a “small town girl” from California, her 37 years in Nevada, her background in small business as a real estate broker and her work with the Chamber of Commerce in getting the USA Parkway built. “I work for the people” she said when touting her time as County Commissioner “and will do the same in the State Assembly.” Her opponent in the race for District 38 is Churchill County

Commissioner Greg Koenig.

There was no comment about who put on the event or why the other candidates were not present, however the local Republic Central Committee sent out notifications of the event.

In what appeared to be a surprise, former US Senator, Congressman and Secretary of State Dean Heller who’s running for Governor was in attendance. He made very few remarks appearing to be present as support for the other two candidates.

At the time of this writing none of the candidates have filed their first quarter contributions and expenses report. For the end of the year 2021, Wheeler has a balance of \$54,895. Titus has \$81,646. Keller reports a zero balance and Koenig reports a zero balance as well. The primary is June 14 with early voting starting May 28.



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Soliciting Minors for Illicit Photos is a Sexual Offense *Fletcher Sentenced to 4-10 Years*

By Leanna Lehman

Gordon Dwayne Fletcher II appeared for sentencing in the Tenth Judicial District Court before Judge Thomas Stockard on Tuesday, April 5. Fletcher, who has been in custody in the Churchill County Jail for 374 days, pled guilty last November to a single count of Luring a Child with the Intent to Engage in Sexual Conduct, a Category B Felony punishable by 1-10 years in prison.

Even though there were two named minor victims in the case, Fletcher and Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer negotiated a plea with the state wherein other more serious charges were dropped. At the time of his arrest, Fletcher was charged with: (1) Luring or Attempting to Lure a Child or Mentally Ill Person to Engage in Sexual Conduct, punishable by up to 15 years in prison, (2) Lewdness with a Child Under the Age of 14, punishable by life in prison with the possibility of parole after ten years, and (3) Use or Permit a Minor,

Under Age 14, to Produce Pornography, which also carries life in prison with the possibility of parole.

According to Assistant District Attorney Jeffery Weed, the victims were both around 13 years old when the incident occurred and well-known to Fletcher. After the incident, Fletcher moved to Virginia and was later extradited to Nevada for prosecution. Weed argued against probation for Fletcher and asked the Court to consider the maximum penalty despite the psycho-sexual evaluation, which concluded that he was not at a high risk to re-offend. State statute dictates the offense is probational, provided the defendant completes the psycho-sexual evaluation risk assessment, which Fletcher did.

Weed told the Court that this case involved two children, stating, "This man knew these girls for a long time." The event took place between 2 and 4 a.m. while Fletcher was parked at the Post Office in town. One of the victims was present in the car with him (Victim

#1), and Fletcher contacted the other via text message. According to Weed, Fletcher essentially said to the girl he was with, "You could flash me in person," while soliciting the other girl to text him nude photos (Victim #2).

The investigation found incriminating texts that included conversations like:

Fletcher: What you doing, little girl?

Victim #2: Absolutely nothing.

Fletcher: You don't feel like sneaking out of your house again?

Victim #2: I could, LOL - What's on your mind to see me alone at night?

Fletcher: Just to see you before you leave, and I have nothing bet-

ter to do. (Approximately 3:46 a.m.)

Victim #2: What do I get in return?

Fletcher: Shh. What you read, don't say it out loud - you could flash me.

Fletcher: Does anyone ever check your phone?

Victim #2: No.

Fletcher: May I ask you something?

Victim #2: Yes.

Fletcher: Are you a sexual person?

Victim #2: No, why?

Fletcher: I wanted to ask for pics of you with no clothes on.

Weed then told the court that the victim proceeded to lecture Fletcher on his bad behavior, in which she made statements like, "I am not a random girl, I am family. So is she [Victim #1]." Victim #2 continued to tell him how disgusting he was, after which he stated he would never touch her and apologized, saying it would never happen again. According to Weed, the victim has nightmares, is afraid to leave her house at times, and trusts very few men, even those within her family. "We do not feel probation is appropriate in this case," said Weed, "and we are asking for the maximum sentence of four to ten years."

Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer told the Court during defense statements, "We are not attempting in any way to justify his behavior. There is no excuse and there is no question that this is reprehensible. But the question is, how do we help not only the victims but address the behavior, so it never happens again." Sommer explained that Fletcher has a minimal criminal history dating back to 2003. "He has never had an experience like this, never done anything like this," said Sommer, "He has spent over a year in custody, and he got the message that this is not appropriate."

Sommer told the Court that when Fletcher moved to Virginia, he was not aware of any warrants for his arrest. Rather, he moved there to live with friends and was not attempting to evade law enforcement in any way. "He did not know what he was being arrested for when it happened," Sommer continued. "He did not run, and if he had known, he would have turned himself in."

According to Sommer, who argued for probation for his client, Fletcher grew up in an abusive home and had a terrible upbringing. "We know that his social history has affected his life," stated Sommer, "While it does not

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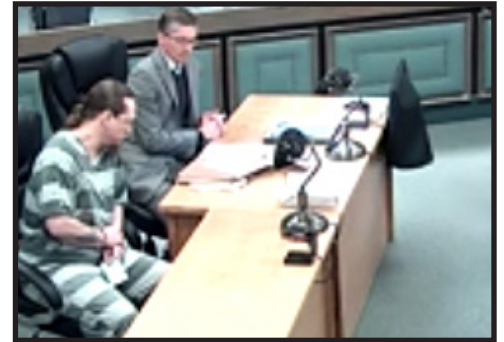
excuse it, these kinds of environments put some context behind his behavior." Even though Fletcher's evaluation deemed that he was not at a high risk to re-offend, he has found some treatment facilities in Virginia, where he also has a job waiting. "He is cognizant of his problem and realizes he needs treatment and how he wants to shift to the future and do what he needs to do," Sommer concluded.

Fletcher addressed the Court before sentencing was pronounced, stating, "I want to apologize to the victims and

the families. What I did is inexcusable - I am so ashamed, embarrassed, and disappointed in my actions. I understand what I have done is wrong and destructive. I don't ever want to hurt anyone again, and I am so sorry.

"I have considered counsel's argument and the contents of the case," said Judge Stockard, "and I have considered probation, and I do not find it appropriate." For the charge of Luring a Child with the Intent to Engage in Sexual Conduct, Stockard sentenced Fletcher to 43-108 months in prison. Upon release, he will be subject to lifetime supervision

and must register as a sex offender. He will receive 374 days credit for time served.



District Court News

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, April 5, 2022, with Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

Ashley Christine pled guilty to Attempting to Commit Burglary of a Business, a gross misdemeanor punishable by up to 364 days in jail. According to Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer, on January 29, 2021, his client went into a local business with the intent to commit petit larceny. The Court set sentencing for June 28.

Brady James Drayton, in custody, appeared for a status hearing on charges of Failing to Register as a Sex Offender. According to ADA Chelsea Sanford, both the state and defense need additional time to resolve this matter along with other cases that Drayton has pending in Justice Court. The Court continued the hearing until April 26.

Clay Edward Erb appeared for sentencing on Possession of a Controlled Substance and Attempted Burglary related to the theft of a local coin machine at a local laundromat. Erb's attorney Scott Jamieson, Esq., argued for probation for his client, citing Erb's progress since his arrest. Erb has stayed clean and sober, maintained full-time employment, managed custody of his two-year-old son, and assisted his father through some severe health challenges. On the charge of Conspiracy to Commit Burglary, a gross misdemeanor, Judge Stockard suspended a sentence of 364 days in jail and ordered Erb to pay \$1,800 in restitution. On the charge of Possession of a Controlled Substance, Erb received probation on a suspended sentence of 12-33 months in prison and was ordered to complete the Western Regional Drug Court program.

Michael Joseph Grant Jr. pled guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance, specifically between one ounce and 50 pounds of marijuana or between 1/8

ounce to one pound of concentrated cannabis. The charge is a Category E Felony and is punishable by up to four years in prison and a potential penalty of up to \$5,000. The Court set sentencing for June 28.


Robert Mark Havens failed to appear for an arraignment. According to CCPD Sommer, he has been unable to contact Haven in recent weeks. Sommer requested a one-week continuance; however, Judge Stockard issued a bench warrant with a no-bail hold. Havens was arrested in December on multiple charges, including (1) DUI Second Offense, (2) Possessing a Firearm While Under the Influence of Alcohol, (3) Driving without a Valid Driver's License, (4) Buy, Possess, Receive or Withhold Stolen Property (5) Petit Larceny, and (6) Residential Burglary, a first offense.

Mathew Raymond Quintana appeared for sentencing on a 2019 DUI after completing the DUI Diversion Program. According to his attorney, LeAnn Schumann, Esq., Quintana ran a perfect three-year program. Quintana was sentenced to a second offense rather than a third or subsequent offense and avoided prison by completing DUI Diversion. Judge Stockard congratulated Quintana on his success.

Allissa Arentia Lavina Simmont pled guilty on a charge of Abuse of an Elderly Person, which can be charged either as a Category C Felony punishable by 1-5 years in prison or a gross misdemeanor punishable by up to 364 days in jail. According to Churchill County CCPD Sommer, his client got into a minor physical altercation with her 65-year-old grandmother in May 2021. Judge Stockard placed Simmont under the supervision of Court Services and provisionally placed her in the Western Regional Specialty Court program pending sentencing on June 28.

Ryan Ungerman failed to appear for arraignment after a recent failure to appear for Court Services Drug Testing. A \$25,000 cash-only bench warrant was issued.

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It Takes a Village and More



An assortment of plants, topiary and other evergreens ready for a new home. Photos by Jo Petteruti.

By Jo Petteruti

Tami Lynn Edgmon-Bickel knows how much of a village it takes to create a village, The Village to be exact, located at 2975 Reno Highway. And it is developing into a village all its own far beyond what

the property's past tenants would have imagined.

Tami acquired the property in November 2019. Four months later she was open and hasn't stopped building since, creating a community haven for all to

enjoy. "We called it The Village because it took a village to get it started, and to get it to run." Her gift shop is filled with items from local vendors. The nursery and garden center contains all locally grown products. She encourages the use of the facility as a haven, saying "We want to have a place where you can float the river, then get out and sit in the gazebos, and have BBQs. Eventually, the workshop will become a beer and wine bistro on the river. The rest of the two acres back there will become little villages where local business-people can have their own space right on the river. Walking paths will be installed that will surround the

property and go through the gardens. It will be fun, but it all takes time. We want people to have an experience that they cannot get anywhere else in town.

"We average through the busy season anywhere from 15 to 30 employees plus many volunteers, and school kids in the summer too. I tell my employees how much I appreciate their work all the time." During their busy months of March through September, they have employees that do nothing but load customers' cars for them.

The work doesn't stop when the busy season ends. In October they start repairs and dormantize the trees and plants needed for the following March. That involves pruning things down, giving everything good fertilization and mulching, and then applying a dormant spray consisting of horticultural oil and fungicide. Many of the plants are kept on the lot or inside, but many others including the trees are buried in the ground in their pots. The key, Tami said, is to water a lot through the winter. "Wet roots are insulated roots. When they get dry, they can get a cold burn. Plants that go into the ground are watered about once a month, but the plants that stay above ground get watered once a week. If we can't keep plants alive all winter, how can we expect our customers to do so?"

They also run workshops and classes every Saturday from October through March starting at 10 a.m. On Saturday, April 9 at 10:00 a.m. they will have a class on planting companion herbs and attendees will leave with an herb garden. Tami said emails are sent out with workshop information, "Just stop by the shop to

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Greetings ISLAND

U.S. Army Awards Local Company \$315 Million Contract



Local Officials attend the groundbreaking at EnviroSafe Demil in early March

Staff Report

EnviroSafe Demil, LLC (ESD), a newly opened business in Fallon, was announced as a small business sole source awardee, for the U.S. Army's "Conventional Ammunition Demilitarization" of rocket motors. The contract has a total value worth an estimated \$315 million over five years. This contract is a 5-year Indefinite-Delivery Indefinite-Quantity (IDIQ) contract. ESD has previously been awarded contracts supporting the demilitarization of the U.S. Army's stockpile

of 20MM, artillery fuses, and infrared countermeasures/flares stockpile.

The rocket motor award will be added to ESD's existing contract as a contract modification. ESD's CEO, T.J. Ogden, said in a press release last week, that ESD is establishing the future of clean demilitarization technology in Nevada with innovative systems and high-technology careers.

"A sole-source contract of this magnitude being awarded to an emerging small business is a testament to the hard work of our team and the support from Churchill County and the State of Nevada," said Ogden. "This award further illustrates ESD and the State of Nevada as a clear leader in the future of the demilitarization industry."

ESD will be utilizing a revolutionary Hybrid Burn Chamber© (HBC) to perform the demilitarization services of the rocket motors. According to ESD President, Mike Wentz, the HBC is their flagship large-scale demilitarization system that innovatively combines sever-

al demilitarization processes into an omnivorous clean technology.

Along with the company's current projected workload, the rocket motor contract will support as many as 50-75 jobs in Northern Nevada and Churchill County through direct employment and support services. In addition to the Hybrid Burn Chamber, ESD has also unveiled their revolutionary Energetic Activation Unit© (EAU) and is currently in the process of developing a third highly innovative clean technology for the demilitarization industry.

ESD broke ground on its state-of-the-art facility in early March and plans to begin initial operations in late summer 2022. The company is based in Fallon and prides itself on striving to become "America's Clean Alternative to Open Burning and Open Detonation." ESD uses its combination of innovative and environmentally friendly demilitarization, decontamination, and materials recovery systems to provide services to the government and commercial markets.

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sign up." Mother's Day and Father's Day both bring about specialty classes as do all the holidays, and seating fills quickly for those.

The Village is considered a "retail-ready nursery" not a landscape nursery, meaning that its plants produce a finished look for their retail customers. Tami purchases higher-end stock that comes from suppliers that will only sell to her exclusively, and she won't work with any vendor that does business with anyone else in town which ensures that her products won't be seen anywhere else in Fallon.

"People are coming from Winnemucca, Elko, Eureka, Ely, To-

nopah, Hawthorne, Pershing County. We had ladies in from Winnemucca that said they came after hearing about our place, and then said they would be back with their truck. There's enough sun to shine on us all. We need Workman's, JK Llamas, The Village, we even need more because this town is growing and getting bigger. A little bit of competition makes every one of us better. When we all strive to be better, the customer benefits."

The Village is open every day from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and can be reached at 775-867-GROW (4769). More informa-

tion can also be found on their website, <https://thevillage89406.com/>, and on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/thevillage89406/>.




Nursery goodies and planting supplies along with bushes and metal yard art on display. Indoor seating area flowing with decorative and helpful items

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Oasis FFA Receives \$2,500 Grant

The Fallon Elks Lodge graciously donated \$2,500 to the Oasis FFA program. The funds received will be used to expand the Oasis FFA program and help the chapter to produce eggs and other food products for the Oasis food pantry.

FFA Advisor Jackie Bogdanowicz said of the donation, “The Elks have always been great supporters of our FFA program and have helped our chapter in many ways. We are truly grateful for all they do and their willingness to help our program financially.”



Hunter Arends, Gary Butori, Josh Gusewelle, Jackie Bogdanowicz

Senior Spotlight: Tayler Felton



Tayler Felton. Photo courtesy of Oasis Academy

Rodeo has been a huge part of Senior Tayler Felton's high school career and life. Felton participates in breakaway roping, team roping, cutting, pole bending, and barrel racing through rodeo. The sport has taken her across the state and country, including the High School National Finals Rodeo in Wyoming last year.

Along with rodeo, Felton has been active in Oasis' Student Council. The class helped create her favorite memories, including the Disneyland Leadership trip, and gave her a mentor in Mrs. Lisa Swan. “A teacher and mentor that I would like to thank is Mrs. Swan. She is the best.”

“My time at Oasis was memorable and went by quickly,” continues Felton. “So, my advice for future students is to get your work turned in on time and make sure you have fun during your high school years.”

Felton will graduate in May with both her high school diploma and Associate of Arts degree through Western Nevada College.

After graduation, she will attend Tarleton State University in Texas where she will earn her bachelor's degree in Equine Business Management. She will also continue her rodeo career in Texas.



Math Students Conduct Surveys

Eighth graders discovered the science and art behind creating and executing a sound survey. The students in Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Rosario's eighth-grade math classes were tasked with conducting both a biased and unbiased survey.

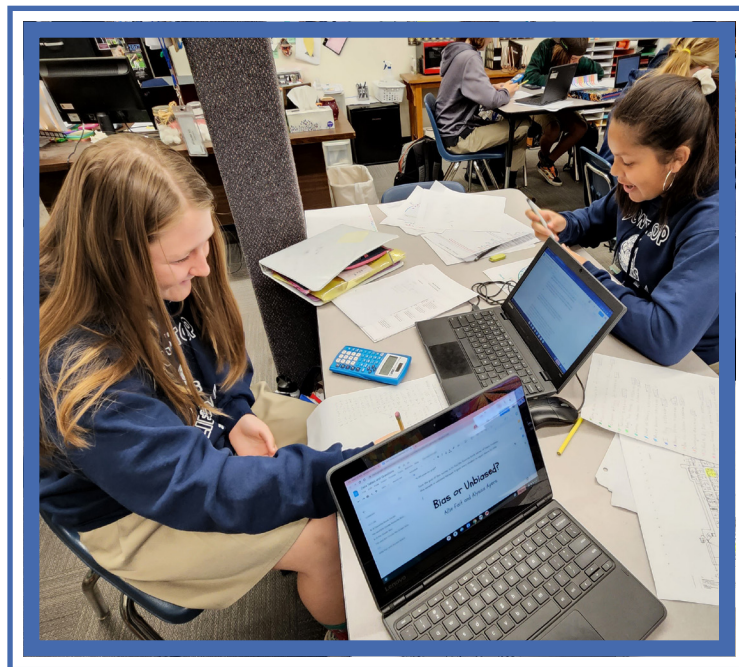
The project's goal was to answer the question, what is Oasis Academy's students' favorite book series.

For the biased survey students polled just the seventh and eighth-grade students to determine their favorite book series. They then conducted an unbiased survey, asking the same question of kindergarten through eighth-grade students.

Student Olivia Kutansky described the project, “After collecting the data, we created two types of charts - bar graphs and a pie chart. For the pie charts, we converted the data into percentages to find the angle of each section of the chart.”

Allie Fait and Natalia Martinez added, “the unbiased survey better represents the Oasis student population. We really enjoyed the project and being able to work in a partnership to collaborate and brainstorm.”

The results - seventh and eighth-grade students enjoy the Diary of Wimpy Kid Series, while K-8 prefer the Harry Potter series.



Regents Appoint Dr. Dalpe to Interim President at WNC

Courtesy WNC

The Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents has appointed Dr. J. Kyle Dalpe as interim president at WNC. Dalpe will serve as the ninth president of the college.



NSHE regents recognized Dr. Dalpe's leadership experience and supported keeping administrative continuity at the college by agreeing that Dr. Dalpe should direct the college into the near future. Dr. Dalpe has served as provost, senior vice president, vice president of finance, and legislative liaison since coming to WNC in 2019, and was named officer in charge earlier this year.

"I am humbled and honored to be selected for this position. Western Nevada College plays a vital role in higher edu-

cation in our region, providing access to programs and services for our diverse communities. I look forward to leading the college, and its outstanding faculty and staff, to better serve our students," Dalpe said.

At the regents' meeting, NSHE Chancellor Dr. Melody Rose presented overwhelming support for Dr. Dalpe as WNC's next president through conversations and meetings over the last two months with the faculty, staff and students at the campus. Chancellor Rose and several regents attended listening sessions with WNC faculty, staff and students, as well as community partners, foundation members and other stakeholders at the college.

"President Dalpe is a highly respected higher education leader and administrator," Chancellor Rose said. "I am confident his vast knowledge and understanding of Western Nevada College makes him the right person to lead the institution at this time."

As a result, Chancellor Rose, in consultation with then-Chair Pro Tempore Carol Del Carlo, proposed that the 13-member Board of Regents forgo a national search

and appoint Dr. Dalpe as interim president from March 4, 2022 through Dec. 31, 2023. An interim appointment may be converted to a permanent appointment after one year.

Dr. Dalpe has more than 25 years of experience in higher education, with nearly 20 at NSHE institutions.

Prior to coming to WNC, Dr. Dalpe devoted 16 years to Truckee Meadows Community College in various leadership positions, including acting president, director of institutional advancement, associate dean and chief of staff, and dean of the technical sciences division. He also served as the interim executive director of legislative affairs for NSHE for the 2019 legislative session.

Dr. Dalpe earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Photojournalism from the University of Connecticut; a Master of Arts degree in Journalism, Speech and Political Science from the University of Texas at Tyler; and a Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Leadership from the University of Nevada, Reno.



Sports – Middle School Wrestling

Staff Report

The Churchill County Middle School wrestling team, coached by Dan Shaw, Brian Shishido, and Jeff Bradley wrapped up a successful season with a Team Runner-up finish for the 8th Graders, and a 5th place team finish for the 7th graders.

Manny Borros was the 8th grade light weights Outstanding Wrestler, and of 23 wrestlers who qualified for the final

tournament, 17 of them placed, with four 4th place, two 3rd place, six runners-up, and five champions.



Local Columnist

High Desert Dirt -- The Raven's Rant



Almost overnight it seems, the Greenwave is coloring up and transforming our valley. That alfalfa we all love is sometimes referred to as the "Father of All Foods" for good reason. *Medicago sativa* is in the family Fabaceae, garden-

ers and chefs love this legume family that includes beans, peas, and clovers. In other parts of the world and often in ancient writings, alfalfa is instead named Lucerne. Whatever name you give it, we are lucky enough to drive by beautiful fields of it every day. More than just a pretty plant, alfalfa deserves greater recognition as an integral part of human history and development. The origins are often hazy and are still being argued over but there is much evidence it originated in ancient Persia. From there it is said to have spread to Greece and then the Middle East. It is now grown on nearly every continent and was a major factor in American expansion westward. Often brought by immigrants, it reportedly began appearing in California from Mexico and Chile during the Gold Rush period. The high protein crop was recorded as being brought to Utah by Mormon pioneers from seeds originating in the British Isles. From Utah, it spread to the rest of the western states. Today, alfalfa hay is the leading cash crop in Nevada.

I see the bumper sticker all the time claiming the west was won on beef, I

might need one that says the west was won on alfalfa.

Alfalfa is most often grown as a perennial. The nutrient-rich, clover-like legume is feed for livestock of course, but also makes great food for guinea pigs and rabbits (welcome to the world baby Dahl bunnies, if you don't have a Facebook account, you might get one just to see how stinking cute our head honcho Rachel Dahl's Angora rabbits are). Critters aren't the only Greenwave grazers, named also as an herb, alfalfa is a source of food and medicine for humans. Cooking is recommended in older stalks by the way. Health food stores carry tablets for sorting out all types of ailments. Young alfalfa sprouts are an easy find at any grocery store. They are a popular sandwich and salad addition in this house.

If you don't have an alfalfa farm, this plant or other clovers actually can be good to add to your home garden. They do like a bit of cool weather to get started, technically they are a cool-season perennial. Now or in the late fall, distribute the tiny seeds on top of the soil and pack them down. Look for seeds that contain an inoculant if you can, it just helps get them started. Keep them well-watered and weeded till they get established. Once they get going and they develop their fragrant purple-blue flowers, you can chop them down to a few inches above the crown. Then add what you chopped to a new bed you plan on tiling or even get in the regular practice of scattering clippings (like local farmers, you'll get several cuts per season) around as a top-dressing mulch. This "green manure" will break down and help fertilize your soil. Microbe activity will also increase. Alternatively, add to your compost pile, it sure helps heat things up.

Alfalfa is good for pollinators and bees are needed to pollinate the alfalfa. The alfalfa flower however is a little

tricky, the keel of the flower trips when visited to help distribute pollen. Honeybees, not surprisingly prefer not to be struck in the head repeatedly, so older bees develop a method of feeding out of the side of the flower. Pollination is not completed when this happens. Young honeybees who haven't learned this trick are farmer friends. Better at pollinating solitary alfalfa leafcutter bees. So much so, some farmers set up small tunnels around their farms to encourage them to take up residence. Big alkali bees that you might see emerging now from small holes in the ground are also excellent alfalfa pollinators.

Alfalfa is a smart crop for our fields. The deep extensive roots that alfalfa develops can sometimes reach 6-10 feet or more underground making it good for erosion control and great at drought resistance. It does not like wet feet. Kevin and I attended a lecture a few years back at the Churchill County Museum that was focused on the historic ranches in Western Nevada. What struck us both was how vital alfalfa was in the development of the state. An interesting story, UNR type Dr. Holly Walton-Buchanan shared was how originally early Nevada farmers often overwatered their alfalfa and had less than successful results.

If you haven't attended a lecture at the museum, absolutely do, they are always super interesting and informative. The next one will be Thursday, April 28th at 6 p.m. The speaker is avian expert Michael Goddard of the Lahontan Audubon Society, "Birds of Lakes and Marshes" is the topic, kicking off the Spring Wings Festival. The chance to hear Mike speak is not to be missed.

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 plant container on your porch.

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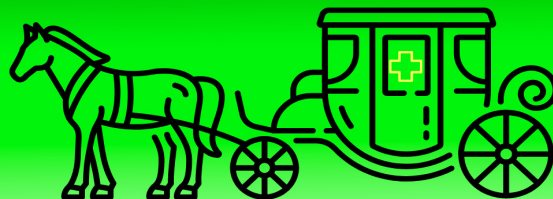
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What's Cookin' in Kelli's Kitchen -- *Something to Fill the Bowl*



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

This last weekend I contributed to and attended a wonderful event hosted by the Churchill County Library. The Empty Bowls Project is “a grassroots movement by artists and craftspeople in cities and towns around the world to raise money for food-related charities to care for and feed the hungry in their communities.” In Churchill County, this effort was spearheaded by Churchill County High School art instructor and Churchill Library Association board member Jamie Shafer. Community members prepared soup to be served in bowls crafted and donated by art students in exchange for the donation of non-perishable food items to stock our community's Karma Boxes. The event intends to raise awareness and respond to increasing levels of food insecurity in our community.

The issue of food insecurity is near to my heart. In 2020, I facilitated a grant project for the Fallon Food Hub that dis-

tributed over 50,000 pounds of locally raised produce to food-insecure households in Churchill County. When we surveyed the households participating in the Fallon Farmers Care Community Food Project, we uncovered some information that sheds light on food security here in our community. Over 75% of the families worried about running out of food to feed their families before they had more money available at least 6 times a year. Almost 80% of the respondents were unable to regularly provide balanced meals to their families. “Balanced” is defined as meals that included at least one portion of fresh fruits or vegetables a day. And 55% of respondents regularly relied on one or two kinds of low-cost food items to feed their children. Food insecurity is not just something that happens in undeveloped countries or amongst houseless populations in urban centers, it happens here too. Community efforts to combat food insecurity often make all the difference which is one of the reasons why I was so enthusiastic about participating in the efforts of the Churchill County Library.

I was reminded of one of the fables that was always a childhood favorite, “Stone Soup.” While there are many different interpretations of the age-old story, I prefer to celebrate how the community comes together to create a nourishing and delicious cauldron of soup that feeds everyone. The outcome of their efforts was greater than what each family or farmer would have been able to complete on their own. We must tackle our community challenges together because, with collaboration, the outcome will far surpass what any of us can achieve alone.

Kelli's Stone Soup to Fill Empty Bowls

INGREDIENTS:

5 carrots, washed and diced
2 onions, peeled and diced
5 celery stalks, diced
4 T olive oil
5 garlic cloves, minced
1 can crushed tomatoes
2 qts stock
3 bay leaves
4 cups cooked white beans
1 bunch kale, stems removed and chopped
3 cups cooked ditalini pasta, or other small variety
1 link Smoked Kielbasa sausage, diced
Salt
Pepper
Chili flakes
Fresh herbs



DIRECTIONS:

1.) In a large pot over medium heat, sauté celery, carrots, and onions in olive oil until soft. Add garlic and continue to cook until fragrant but not turning brown. Add crushed tomatoes, bay leaves, and stock. Bring to a simmer. Simmer for 20 minutes to let flavors meld.

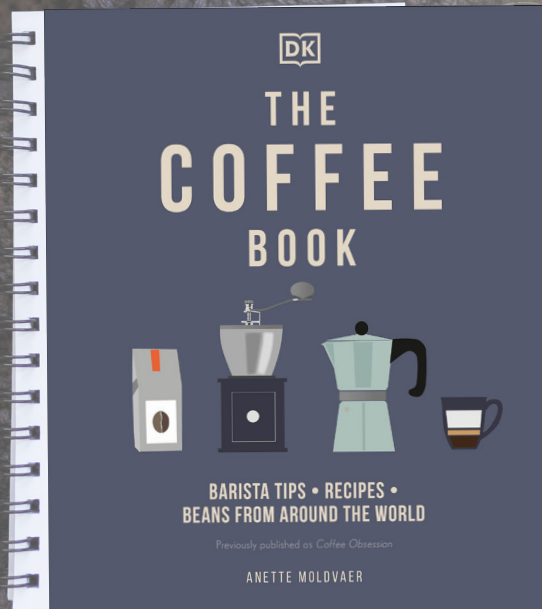
2.) Add in cooked white beans, kale, and sausage. Simmer until kale is wilted. Add pasta and any other dry herbs & spices that you prefer. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Add chili flakes if desired. Finish with chopped fresh herbs.

3.) For a true “Stone Soup” combine ingredients from your garden and your neighbors' gardens and share a bowl in community.



Carol's Recommends --

"The Coffee Book: Barista Tips, Recipes, Beans from Around the World" by Anette Moldvaer



Ever wonder where coffee originated? South Sudan and West Africa maybe, but no one knows for sure.

Did you know the coffee tree is an evergreen? And that it takes three to five years after planting to flower?

This book includes everything you might want to know about coffee, and in my case, never thought to ask. The many ways to brew coffee is included as well as what to brew it in; French press, aeropress, or stove-top pot perhaps? You'll learn what type of coffee grows where. How to "cup" coffee. And a list of recipes; Caffe Touba, Almond Fig Latte, Sparkling Espresso, Coffee Lassi, and many more.

Published by DK, this book has a great layout, is easy to read, has nice photographs, and is packed full of useful and fun information.

This title is available in print at the Library.

Carol is the Director of the Churchill County Library. She enjoys a good cup of coffee.

Museum Treasures -- *National Wildlife Week*



Albert Alcorn Collection

Burrowing owl in the desert.

It's National Wildlife Week, so we hope you take some time to enjoy the creatures flourishing all around us. Though the Spring Wings festival isn't until the end of this month, this burrowing owl had such a good expression we had to share it. CCM has many beautiful photographs of native birds, so if you'd like to see more, give us a call at (775)-423-3677 or email rsottile@ccmuseum.org to make an appointment.

Movies & More

This week we have some great movies for you to enjoy. Remember we are now showing movies on Friday and Saturday nights. All movies are free.

Friday night, April 15 at 6:30 p.m. we start with the 2017 movie "The Greatest Showman" which celebrates the birth of show business and tells of a visionary, P. T. Barnum, who rose from nothing to create a spectacle that became a worldwide sensation. Terrific cast with Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams, and Zendaya.

Saturday, April 16 at 6 p.m. our first movie is the classic 1941 movie "Penny Serenade" starring Cary Grant, Irene Dunne, and Edgar Buchan. Great story about a couple's big dreams which give way to a life full of unexpected sadness and unexpected joy.

At 6:30 we will be showing the animated 1998 movie, "The Prince of Egypt" which tells the story of the Egyptian Prince Moses as he learns of his identity as a Hebrew and his destiny to become the chosen deliverer of his people. Starring the voices of Val Kilmer, Ralph Fiennes, and Michelle Pfeiffer.

Join us at the theatre, Monday, April 18th, at 6 p.m. for our annual meeting. We would love to have you all there as we go over the projects we have completed, and those that are planned, and discuss how we continue in the future. Punch and cake will be served. Hope to see you there.



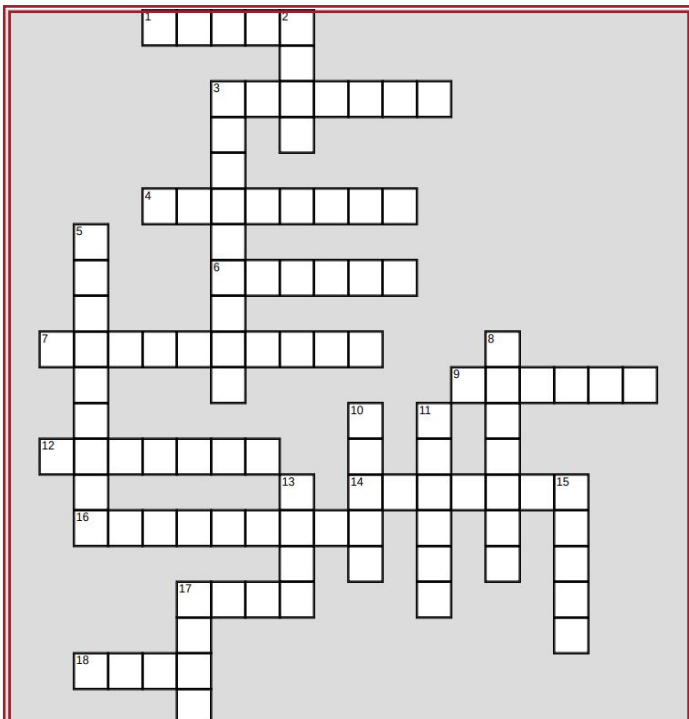
April Movies

<p>Friday 4/1 @ 6:30pm</p>		<p>Saturday 4/2 6:00 & 6:30pm</p>
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All movies are free!

Crossword-- Grammy Winners of the 70's



ACROSS

1. First Time Ever I Saw Your Face
3. I Write the Songs
4. Share Your Love With Me
6. You've Got a Friend
7. George Benson
9. Hotel California
12. Send in the Clowns
14. What a Fool to Believe
16. The Way We Were
17. Just the Way You Are
18. A Boy Named Sue

DOWN

2. It's Too Late
3. Uncle Albert
5. 5th Dimension
8. I'll Never Fall in Love Again
10. I Am Woman
11. Mitchell
13. Me and Mrs. Jones
15. Games People Play
17. I Honestly Love You



Entertainment

Hearts of Gold Quilts are on Display at WNC Gallery



Hearts of Gold Quilting Club. Photo by Nancy Bradley

By Marie Nygren

WNC welcomes the Heart of Gold Quilters through April 15th at the Fallon campus gallery. The public is invited to view the extraordinary work of these talented women. The gallery hours are 9-5, Monday through Friday.

Hearts of Gold Quilters work with other quilting groups to create raffle quilts. Quilts are displayed during the Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair. The proceeds from the raffle go to defray operating costs and purchase supplies for donation quilts.

The Hearts of Gold Quilters Club was formed in 1998 to create a learning and

helpful environment for those interested in quilting. The group decided to make baby quilts, especially for premature babies. Eventually, this led to making quilts for many charitable organizations.

Their Churchill County Museum Centennial Quilt is on display at the museum. The club has donated raffle quilts to CAPS, the Churchill County Library, Spring Wings, Fallon Fire Department, and Nevada Quilt Guild. Other quilt donations have been given to nursing homes, Rooms for Ruth, domestic violence shelters, Children's Cabinet, Care Net, Fernley flood victims, foster care children, CASA, and homeless families due to fires. The quilters continue to create their beautiful art to share with those in need and to help with the funding for

tion and a fat quarter exchange. The third Monday is learning something new, the fourth is working on donation quilts, and the fifth is a potluck, quilters of every skill level are welcome to visit, have fun, and join the group.

Hearts of Gold Members:

Alice McKinney, Carol Gramlich, Carol Landis, Emma Avila, Helen Kelsey, Janice Humphrey, Jennifer Derby, Kathleen Flanagan-Lower, Laurinda Warczak, Leona Quilci, Linda Vincent, Mary Cunningham, Merrilyn Bowles, Nancy Bradley, Nedra Hill, Ona Hunt, Pam Chamberlin, Rachel Lewellen, Ruth Kramer, Sam (Meredith) Martin, Samantha Horning, Sandi Scott, Sue Williams, Sue Dove, Terrina Sasser, Vicky Eckert, Vickie Lowrey, Vickie Paul.

“The Flying Artists”

By Anne McMillin

There's a new art exhibit up at the Churchill County Library for April and May starring a talented group of local Fallon and Fernley artists who call themselves “The Flying Artists.” The paintings and drawings are as varied as the artists, showcasing their skills in watercolor, oil, pastels, acrylics, and pen and ink.

Come meet the artists on Wednesday, April 27 from 1 to 2 p.m. at an artists' reception in the library. Refreshments will be served.

The library is located at 553 South Maine Street, for more information go to www.churchillcountylibrary.org.



Flying Artists artwork up in the library through May. Photo Courtesy Churchill County

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