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## 100 Year Celebration of The Fallon Theatre — 1920-2020



The cake presented at the celebration (PG. 3), A modern image of the Fallon Theatre in all of its glory (above). Photo provided by Denise Edgmon.

By Rachel Dahl

City of Fallon Mayor, Ken Tedford was on hand for the Centennial Celebration of the Fallon Theatre last week, naming December 30, 2020, as the “Fallon Theatre Centennial Day.”

The open house celebration was nothing like what the Fallon Theatre organization had envisioned back in January a year ago: They had planned a huge, exciting, and over-the-top red-carpet-Roaring-20s gala. Instead, attendees were welcomed through the rooms in a trickle of social distancing.

“The theatre has seen worse,” said the Fallon Community Theatre in a message on social media, “In a century of existence, here it still stands, solid and steadfast and as symbolically representative of Fallon as anything could be.”

One hundred years ago, on December 30th, 1920, the excited owners of the newly completed Fallon Theatre were putting the finishing touches on their grand opening in which celebrities, politicians, and dignitaries were invited. The silent film, Humoresque, by Cosmopolitan Productions, was projected on opening night and was rerun for the community to experience last week during the centennial event.

The Fallon Theatre was the dream project of John Walton (J.W.) Flood and his wife, Maebelle. They were performers engaged by some

of the better-known vaudeville circuits of the era and were part of their own well-equipped roadshow that traveled through the west before they ventured into theater ownership. The pair performed in Fallon on numerous occasions where their company was well received. During a visit to Fallon, Flood became familiar with the Newlands project and believed in what the project would bring to the area. Soon after, Flood sold his traveling roadshow and bought the Rex Theater on South Maine Street, which was built in 1911.

The Floods wanted to build a new vaudeville performance venue and silent movie house. Mr. Frederic DeLongchamps, a prominent Nevada architect, was commissioned to rebuild the theatre. No expense was to be spared. The Floods were determined to build “the finest theatre in Nevada.” There was one common bond between the Floods and DeLongchamps; both were living in San Francisco on April 18, 1906, when a 7.9 magnitude earthquake shook the city for 42 seconds. As the story is told, the Floods used their traveling big top tent to shelter some of the homeless for a time. As an architect, DeLongchamps had a hand in rebuilding the city after the earthquake.

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## Fallon’s Firstborn 2021 - Welcome Alayah Gomez



Brenda Morales and Antonio Gomez with their new baby Alayah

By Rachel Dahl

We would like to welcome the first baby born in 2021 at Banner Churchill Community Hospital, Alayah Gomez who was born on January 4, 2021, at 7:51 p.m. to the proud parents Brenda Morales and Antonio Gomez.

The Fallon Post is happy to partner with Howieloo Photography, Dandelion Express, Belle La Vie Salon, His Inspirations, The Grid, and Banner Churchill Community Hospital to provide a gift basket and flowers for the new family to enjoy as part of the first annual, Fallon's Firstborn announcement.

# From the Publisher

*Captain's log... January 8th*

I have no profound thoughts this morning as I sit in shock having watched the awful events in Washington D.C. Wednesday. Profundity has fled along with the rage, abhorrence, and disbelief, that ran through me. It has been replaced with a dull numbness and a slow, creeping, overwhelming feeling of sadness.

I cannot watch the news, let alone talk about it.

I'm scared to try to report it.

Now more than ever we need an honest, honorable media. As a consumer of news, with all the various outlets available to us with often conflicting messages, how can we be sure what we are being fed is accurate and complete?

As a provider of news how can I, and our little team do the amount of work it takes to provide all the information, from every angle, that our community needs? Information on which a well-informed public must be able to rely. It is a daunting task, and we are up to it, but I'm going to need a minute to get my second wind. This past year has taken the collective starch out of all of us.

I'm grateful that our focus is hyper-local. Especially after yesterday. It is plenty to keep us busy.

Today I'm going to fly my American flag and think of all the good in the country. I'm going to drive around and find my neighbor's American flags and take pictures of them. If you're reading this and have a minute, take a picture of yours or your neighbor's and send them to me at the paper [publisher@thefallonpost.org](mailto:publisher@thefallonpost.org) or post them on our Facebook page.

Let's focus on the good like we always do in Fallon, and do what we can to go forward with feelings of optimism and stubborn believe in each other.

Keeping you posted,  
Rachel



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Flood brought in the finest seats available for his dream project. Everything was done to enhance the public's viewing pleasure. Additionally, he spent nearly \$20,000 on a pipe organ, which in today's economy would be a couple hundred thousand dollars. A Steinway piano and the organ sat on stage and was played during silent films and vaudeville acts. Ground broke on the project on March 6th, 1920, with the grand opening held on December 30, 1920. Every seat in the house was sold, with several dignitaries in attendance including Lt. Gov. Maurice Sullivan and U.S. Senator-elect Tasker L. Oddie.

During the Fallon Theatre Centennial event, board members became tour guides and were stationed throughout the theatre sharing the history of the iconic Nevada theatre. Tours were given of the lower supply room, upper theatre, on the stage, under the stage, the lower theatre projection booth, and the upstairs apartment. Glen Perazzo shared the theatre's rich history along with the lengthy undertaking that has been underway over the last few years to restore the theatre to some of its iconic glory.

Dr. Stuart Richardson, who should be credited with "Saving the Fallon Theatre", said he was very happy with the celebration. Ironically, January 1st marks the 5th anniversary of his purchase of the theatre, which then led to the transfer of ownership to Fallon Community Theatre in 2017. "The theatre board of directors was extremely pleased with the public turnout to celebrate the 100th birthday of the Fallon Theatre," said Richardson. Champagne, birthday cake, and tours of the historic downtown theatre were enjoyed by all. Richardson and The Fallon Theatre wishes to thank everyone who joined in the celebrations, stating, "May 2021 bring brightness and blessings and a deep appreciation for all we've ever taken for granted."



Cake for the centennial celebration which was held last week.

## Births

Babies born at Banner Churchill Community Hospital during the month of December 2020

Ava Lula Ann Duncan To Albert Dillon Duncan and Alyssa eve Durham on December 2, 2020 at 8:38 AM  
Weighing 8 lb. 6 oz., measuring 20 inches.

Adelade Edith Wadsworth To Brent and Caliesha Wadsworth on December 3, 2020 at 6:50 PM  
Weighing 8 lb. 13 oz., measuring 19 inches.

Emberlee Dawn Jade Little To David Little and Dallas Michele Knezovich on December 6, 2020 at 6:32 AM  
Weighing 6 lb. 8 oz., measuring 16.97 inches.

Scotlyn Grae Holeskl To Brad and Echo Holeskl on December 8, 2020 at 7:38 PM  
Weighing 7 lb. 6 oz., measuring 20 3/4 inches.

Michael Stephen Rowley To Michael Reed and Amber Rae Rowley on December 8, 2020 at 6:08 PM  
Weighing 8 lb., measuring 20 1/4 inches.

Grayson Billy Lane Avriett To Billy Avriett and Melinda Tidwell on December 15, 2020 at 1:16 PM  
Weighing 8.02 lb., measuring 20 inches.

Levi Alexander Zepeda To Alex and Skai Zepeda on December 23, 2020 at 12:02 AM  
Weighing 8 lb. 1 oz., measuring 21 inches.

Freeda Leanne Fretschei To Loretta Jean Key and Edward Fretschei III on December 30, 2020 at 7:47 AM  
Weighing 7 lb. 4 oz., measuring 19 1/2 inches.

Andre Ross Budahl To Peter Budahl and Chazz Crouch on December 25, 2020 at 8:19 AM  
Weighing 7 lb. 11 oz., measuring 20 inches.

River Griffen Darrough To Travis E. and Haley P. Darrough on December 23, 2020 at 6:18 PM  
Weighing 7 lb. 8 Oz., measuring 20 inches.

FALLON'S  
FIRSTBORN  
2021

*Firstborn* 21

WHO WILL IT BE

We are super excited to bring in the New Year and what better way to celebrate than with the first born baby in our Community of Fallon!

**GIFTS WAITING FOR BABY!**

Interview with story in our local news paper: The Fallon Post

Gorgeous Flower Bouquet & Gift Basket

Relaxing facial for the new mommy

Parent/Baby Activity Scarf  
\$30 Gift Certificate

\$40 Gift Certificate for a Mom & Dad Date Night

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All Inclusive Dreamscape Session  
16x20 Textured Paper Print, professionally mounted in a Double Airfloat Matted 20x24 Frame

**BOY ? GIRL**

Banner Health  
Churchill Community Hospital

## Marriages

*The following marriage licenses were issued by the Churchill County Clerk during the month of December.*

12/02

John Travis Moore, age 20 to Sadie Lola Hartzog, age 19 both of Fallon.

12/03

Miles Anthony McClanahan, age 31 to Morgan Taylor Neighbors, age 28 both of Fallon.

12/07

Ronald Anthony Cardinal, age 64 to Darlene Marsha Holseth, age 60 both of Vacaville, CA.

12/01

Scott David Poyner Jr., age 21 to Kaytlynn Louise McClure, age 20 both of Fallon.

12/01

Vicente Vazquez-Cardenas, age 26 to Kristine Nicole Carlisle, age 23 both of Fallon.

12/03

Carson Lane Rigney, age 23 to Graciela Lynn Castro, age 25 both of Fallon.

12/04

Parker David Goodbar, age 20 to Elena Victoria Gomez, age 22 both of Fallon.

12/04

Blake Eugene Davis, age 23 to Bryanna Marie Herter, age 22 of Fallon and Yerington.

12/09

Riley Jacob Bowen, age 23, to Micah Sequoia Johnson-Herwick, age 23 both of Fernley.

12/08

Sean Brandon Rubalcava, age 28 to Bethany May George, age 27 both of Fallon.

12/09

Dylan Lee Brooks, age 27 to Christine Louise Ogle, age 26 both of Fallon.

12/10

Izaa Michael Williams, age 26 to Alyssa Janae Parmenter, age 25 both of Fallon.

12/18

Anthony James Lynn, age 45 to Michelle Ashley Bryant, age 33 both of Fallon.

12/22

Michael Andrew Potts, age 35 to Adriana Eunice Hall, age 27 both of Fallon.

12/24

Derek Andrew Boyovich, age 23 to Rhianna Elaine Farren, age 20 of Ft. Carson, CO and Fallon.

12/29

Braydyn Timothy Gunnells, age 21 to Clairissa Marie Chandler, age 20 of Fallon and Batavia, OH.

12/29

Martin Edward Garcia, age 58 to Marcia Elizabeth Murphey, age 41 both of Fallon.

12/30

Aaron Garcia-Gallegos, age 24 to Chyenne Marie Adsit, age 24 both of Fallon

12/30

Francis William Schilling, age 65 to Anita Michele Owens, age 59 both of Fallon.

12/31

Anthony W. Baltazar, age 48 to Jamie Elizabeth Larr, age 36 both of Fallon.

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## Divorces

*The following were granted in the 10th Judicial District Court during December 2020.*

Babkou, Aliaksei v. Serebryakova, Elena Decree of Divorce 12/31

Benson, Daniel Jr. v. Benson, Kaitlin Decree of Divorce, 12/24

Berry, Rebeca Cristal Iniestra v. Taub, Ron Decree of Divorce 12/16

Brewer, Thomas McKinley v. Brewer, Cindi Ann Decree of Divorce 12/24

Brewer, Tracy Ann v. Brewer, Nathan Dale Decree of Divorce 12/31

Delude, Clifton George v. Delude, Marina Decree of Divorce 12/30

Denney, Preston v. Denney, Andrea Jean Decree of Divorce 12/30

Dike, Vanessa Rene v. Dike, Justin Ryan Decree of Divorce 12/24

Golubeva Valeriia v. Luna, Xiomara Areli Decree of Divorce 12/17

Hepner, Terri Lynn v. Hepner, Troy Henry Decree of Divorce 12/24

Lagrosa, Joana Cristina v. Santos, Ronnie Decree of Annulment, 12/2

Lessinger, Brian v. Lessinger, Amy Decree of Divorce 12/24

Liggett, Maria Elaine v. Liggett, Terry Lee, Decree of Divorce-Default 12/9

Macon, Chaz Ryan v. Chapman, Jamie Lauren Decree of Annulment 12/8

Maestas, Sherri Lee v. Moseley, Erik Renon Decree of Annulment-Default 12/9

Mangat, Paramjeet Kaur v. Mangat, Hardeep Singh Decree of Divorce 12/7

Mayhall, Blake v. Mayhall, Alyssa J. Decree of Divorce 12/23

Metsikyan, Hrachya v. Gevorgyan, Veronika Decree of Annulment 12/30

Moshe, Shai Yehuda v. McGuire, Michael James Decree of Annulment-Default 12/30

Neil, Shirlee Roman v. Neil, Kelly Jay Decree of Divorce 12/24

Patterson, James Michael v. Patterson, Bonnie Kathryn Decree of Divorce 12/31

Porter, David William Jr. v. Porter, Michele Jeaine Decree of Divorce 12/16

Pullen, Theresa Ann v. Arndt, Timothy Michael Decree of Divorce 12/24

Redmond, Amely v. Redmond, Ronnie Decree of Divorce 12/30

Romfh, Laura Frances v. Bisson, Tony John Decree of Divorce 12/14

Sargsyan, Ara v. Melkonyan, Ruzanna Decree of Divorce-Default 12/17

Sauni, Simon Cameron Laufou v. Savea, Maria Henrietta Lekayna Decree of Divorce 12/3

Solowy, Sarah Ann v. Wulle, David Victor Decree of Divorce 12/11

Steingrabe, Charles David v. Lin, Su Chun Decree of Divorce 12/8

Turincs, Hope v. Makdisi, Maria Decree of Annulment 12/3

Vivar, Jacqueline v. Patel, Sureshkumar Decree of Divorce 12/24

Weiser, Crystal v. Leonard, Michael Lynn Decree of Annulment 12/23

Whyre, Jeremiah v. Whyre, Jasmine McGill Decree Annulment 12/8

Yan, Ed v. Yeghiazaryan, Aghavni Decree of Divorce 12/24

## A Special Thank You from the Kids Closet

*Submitted By Carry Thibaut*

Thank you to everyone who donated to the raffle for the "Mary Sauer Memorial Toy Closet" making it possible for every child in Foster Care to have a wonderful Christmas. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing community filled with so many giving hearts. You made it possible for every one of the foster children in our community to receive amazing Christmas presents.

Over \$3,000 was raised and over 267 toys were given, along with 89 handmade quilts were given to each child. Ten of those were from my mom, Starr Friedenthal, as well as the beautiful raffle quilt and 79 quilts donated by the Hearts of Gold Quilters Club!

Stay tuned for future events for the foster kids and families along with fundraising opportunities. We hope to have our yearly 5k along with the Foster Kids Christmas Party but are still uncertain of how things will look as we head into the New Year and wait for COVID restrictions going forward.

For any questions you can contact [carrythibaut@gmail.com](mailto:carrythibaut@gmail.com) or [DevereDeVereruthKarlson@gmail.com](mailto:DevereDeVereruthKarlson@gmail.com) anytime. Remember, year-round we take new clothing for boys and girls ages 0-17. The needs primarily are jeans, t-shirts, sweatshirts, shoes, sock and underclothes. Coats and pajamas are taken care of by local businesses.

Yearly toy donations are also accepted, popular toys are ones we have all loved like Legos, trucks and cars, blocks, board games and art kits. We take school supplies and coats year round.



## Girl Scouts Begin New 'Mining In Today's World' Patch Program



*Press Release provided by Nevada Mining Association and the Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada*

The Nevada Mining Association has teamed up with the Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada for the first-ever "Mining In Today's World" patch program.

The program explores different areas within the mining industry as well as the impact it has on today's world, including a virtual mine tour, creating your own metamorphic rocks out of clay, making a mineral collection and more. In addition to age-spe-

cific activities for Girl Scouts that are Daisies through Ambassadors, "Mining in Today's World" is open to all students (kindergarten through high school) throughout the United States.

The program fits the mission of both the Nevada Mining Association and the Girls Scouts of the Sierra Nevada.

The mission of the Nevada Mining Association (NVMA) is to unite, educate, advocate, and serve as the public voice of Nevada's modern mining industry. From advocacy on major policy issues to developing innovative ways to connect members with opportunities, the Nevada Mining Association builds recognition of the mining industry's contribution across the Silver State.

The Girls Scouts of the Sierra Nevada's mission is to be an organization for building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place by helping them discover their inner strength, passions, and talents. With incredible programs and great friends, there's a chance for every girl to do something amazing.

A list of the activities and requirements – touching on a number of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)

elements – is available for free at [www.gssn.org](http://www.gssn.org). All activities may be completed at home and/or virtually.

"Mining is very much a STEM-driven industry and impacts our daily lives in ways that so many aren't aware of," said Tyre Gray, President of the Nevada Mining Association. "We see this program with our longtime community partners at Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada as an opportunity to introduce budding minds to mining and further educate them on its importance and scope. We hope it inspires the next generation to consider a career in mining."

"We are thrilled to be partnering with the Nevada Mining Association to bring valuable information about mining to girls in the Sierra Nevada Council and across our nation," said Ann Nelson, Chief Executive Officer of Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada. "We know that when young people are given opportunities to actively engage in STEM activities early on, their confidence and enthusiasm for STEM grows. The Mining in Today's World patch program is designed to inspire girls, help them recognize why they are needed in mining and show them how to turn inspiration into action."

## Leona Sam Hicks



**Leona Sam Hicks**, age 84, passed peacefully at her home and went RIDING on January 1, 2021. Leona was born to Dorothy Dyer and Flavino Mina in Fallon, NV on January 13, 1936 where she lived on the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Reservation for all of her life. Leona Loved the ranch life, riding her horses and being outdoors fishing and making hunting trips up to Ruby Mountains with her family.

Leona graduated from Churchill County High School and afterwards met the love of her life, Fred Hicks Sr. Soon after, they married in Virginia City on April 10, 1954, where they would soon build a ranch together on the Stillwater Indian Reservation. They raised their family and built a beautiful life together. Leona had the biggest heart for family and, no matter the circumstance, she and Fred would open their home to anyone who needed a roof over their head. Her life was committed to her family and always doing what she could to help others.

Leona worked in the Churchill County School District as a teaching assistant and at the Stillwater Indian Reservation Headstart program. Later in life, she was presented with the Pesa Namane-du Award for being the foundation for Native American Educators by being one of the first Headstart teachers in Nevada. She was also a local leader for the 4-H programs in Fallon where she led groups in horsemanship, sewing and cooking.

Leona was one of the founding members of the Nevada Indian Rodeo Association in 1966 where she would later serve on the committee for many years as both

Secretary and Treasurer. She also helped out with the Pow Wow by using her sewing skills to help make jingle dresses for the dancers. Leona also competed in the Indian rodeo in barrel racing and horse races. Her and Fred loved to compete and would make countless friendships, and endless memories, with the other participants from all over the West Coast and Canada. Leona was also a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints where she built many cherished friendships throughout the years.

Leona Hicks was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Fred Hicks Sr, sisters Lavara Williams, Lyla Henry, and her brother Louis Austin.

She is survived by her 4 children Jennifer (Hansen) John, Bonnie Hicks, Fred Hicks Jr. (Cheryl) all from Fallon and Dorothy (Steve) Palmer of Nespelem, WA, 15 grandchildren, and 30 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday January 9th @ 1:00 pm at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on N. Taylor Street. Services will be for immediate family only due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

Following services, Leona will be laid to rest at the Stillwater Indian Reservation Cemetery, which will be open to everyone and a Celebration of her Life will happen when it is Safe to gather. The funeral will be Live Streamed for anyone wishing to view, please text (775) 997-5961 for link information. Flowers can be purchased and delivered to the church that morning.

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## Mary Getto Carter



**Mary Getto Carter** passed away peacefully on December 26, 2020. Mary was born on March 24, 1930, to Andrew and Desolina Getto on the family ranch in Fallon, Nevada.

She was proud to be born into an immigrant Italian family. She had an older brother, Virgil Getto, with whom she was very close. She was very active in 4-H growing up, showing lambs, and learning how to sew. She won a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, Illinois, in Clothing Achievement. She graduated from Churchill County High School and continued her education at the University of Nevada. She was the first in her family to go to college, much against her parents' wishes, as they didn't think that girls should go to college. At UNR, she was a majorette. She also sewed professionally making costumes, coats, suits, and bridesmaid dresses.

While attending UNR she met her future husband, Donald L. Carter, of Elko, Nevada. After graduating in 1952 with a degree in Home Economics, she moved to upstate New York to take a teaching job in Maybrook, New York, while Don finished his last year at West Point Military Academy. The day after his graduation on June 3, 1953, Don and Mary were married in Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, New York. They were married for 57 years until his death in 2010. Don was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Air Force, and so began a 20-year military life. Don and Mary lived many places during his career including Arizona, Texas, Utah, Alabama, Japan, California, and Montana. Mary enjoyed the life of an Air Force wife seeing the world. She was in the Officers' Wives Club and was well known for her fabulous parties.

When Don was assigned to Vietnam in 1970, Mary and her daughters moved back to her childhood home of Fallon, Nevada. After Don retired from the Air Force in 1973, Don and Mary purchased several rental properties. Mary had quite the reputation as being a feisty, tough landlord. One of her favorite past times was to clean her rentals until they sparkled.

Mary enjoyed traveling, skiing, collecting art, weeding her properties, spending time at the family vacation home in Graeagle, California, and especially cooking. She was a gourmet cook, and she prepared many wonderful meals during her lifetime. She was especially

known for her Italian cooking and her home-made ravioli and biscotti were famous with those who knew her.

She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Fallon Rotary Club, Navy League, and AAUW. She was a strong supporter of Churchill Arts Council and West Point. She had a very generous nature and donated to numerous organizations.

Mary was predeceased by her husband, Donald L. Carter, and her brother, Virgil Getto. She is survived by her daughters Andrea Vest (Dave), Deidre Pace (James), and Kendra Erwin (Christopher), her grandchildren Lindsay Carey, Kristen Carey, Brett Carey, Alex Vest, Claire Pace, Robert Pace (Alanna), Justine Pace and great-grandchildren, Carter Williams, Charlotte Pace, and Tyce Martin. She is also survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Andra Carter of Reno, Nevada, and sister-in-law Pat Getto of Fallon, Nevada, cousin Inez Lituania of Reno, Nevada, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She will be interred with her husband, in Elko, Nevada, at a later date. A Celebration of Life will be held once it is safe to gather together. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to either St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 850 West Fourth Street, Fallon, NV 89406 or Churchill Arts Council, PO Box 2204, Fallon, NV 89406.

## Carol Card Rutecki



Holding her in our arms and paws forever.....

**Carol Card Rutecki** born in St. Louis Missouri May 18th, 1935 and has now greeted our Lord in Heaven on December 28, 2020 in her home in Fallon, Nv.

Carol was Head Song Girl at San Jose State University. This is where she landed a center photo in "Sports Illustrated." After graduation, Carol was hired by Pan American Air-lines as a "Stewardess" where she flew all over the world. After having her two daughters Dana and Dawn, she decided to stay grounded for a while.

Adopting and fostering dogs and kittens became a lifelong journey for Carol. There was never a moment that she was not surrounded by animals. Carol worked for Revlon Cosmetic's for over 20 years as a Beauty Consultant. She then owned her own store in San Carlos, Ca. called "The Unique" where she sold items inspired by her travels of Hong Kong, England, France, and Thailand. After the San Francisco earthquake of 1989, Carol sold the store, and started a team with our father James Rutecki selling real estate at Alain Pinel in Woodside, Ca. The Rutecki's retired to La Quinta Ca., where she joined Animal Samaritans SPCA in Thousand Palm, Ca. and continued fostering kittens. After Jim's death, Carol moved to Fallon Nv. to be near family.

She is survived by her daughters Dana Delicino, (Robert), Dawn Johnson, granddaughter Serena Swartz, grandson David Johnson, beloved brother William Card, nieces and nephews; Dianne Card, Bill Card (Donna), Debbie Card and namesake Carol Arciniega (Charlie), and great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Rutecki, Father Charles Card, and Mother Marian Card.



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## District Court – January 5, 2021



Kevin Sneed - District Court via Zoom

By Leanna Lehman

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened January 5th, with Judge Tom Stockard presiding.

James Daniel Balocca (in custody) appeared to enter a plea on a charge of attempting to commit battery, with substantial bodily harm, to a victim that constitutes domestic violence. The charge was amended on December 28th from a battery charge, also a category C felony that carries 1-5 years in prison. During his arraignment in Justice Court in November, Assistant District Attorney, Jeff Weed, alleged that on October 11th, Balocca beat his wife in the head and stomach, broke several ribs, and punctured her lung. Jacob Sommer, the public defender for

Balocca, stated that the allegations are statutorily correct. He did strike his wife, but the events surrounding the incident constitute a "legal fiction" – an assertion accepted as true, though is probably fictitious, is used to reach a decision or to apply a legal rule. Balocca pled guilty to the charge and is scheduled to appear for sentencing on March 30th.

Daniel Lester Lee appeared for sentencing on DUI charges. Lee previously entered a guilty plea for driving under the influence last June while having a prior felony DUI conviction. According to Judge Tom Stockard, Nevada statute states that a prison term of 2-15 is mandatory along with a fine of \$2,000-\$5,000. According to ADA Weed, Lee's blood-alcohol level was .235. Lee also previously entered a guilty plea for attempting to possess a firearm as an ex-felon, which carries 1-5 years in prison. Lee was sentenced to 33-84 months in prison and was fined \$2,000 for the DUI. He was sentenced to 12-36 months on the firearms charge which will run concurrent to the first sentence.

Richard Clark Madole Jr. appeared for sentencing on larceny charges. According to arguments made by Chief Deputy District Attorney, Lane Mills, during Madole's arraignment in Justice Court in August, he illegally took a vehicle from his father, Richard Madole, Sr., which resulted in a police chase. Madole Jr. received a suspended sentence and probation not to exceed 24 months. He was also placed in the Western Regional Drug Court diversion program and must ob-

tain a substance abuse evaluation and follow all recommendations therein.

Kevin Andrew Sneed (in custody) pled guilty on a charge of attempting to possess a dangerous weapon (or facsimile) by an incarcerated person, a category C felony that carries a penalty of 1-5 years in prison. According to the allegations, while in the custody of the Churchill County Jail, Sneed attempted to possess a weapon. A spoon had been sharpened to a point and could have been used as a weapon. Sneed is also facing probation revocation on prior unrelated convictions and will for sentencing on March 30th.

Steven Kord Wolfson (in custody) was arraigned on three charges. Count 1; offer, attempt, or commission of an unauthorized act relating to the manufacturing of certain controlled substances, a first offense that carries 1-5 years in prison. According to the allegations, Wolfson offered to sell methamphetamines to a cooperating source. Count 2; possession of a controlled substance, low level, which carries 1-5 years in prison. The allegations state that on July 27th, at Lucas Road, Wolfson possessed 66.1 grams of methamphetamines. Count 3; failure to stop on the signal of a peace officer, a category B felony with a potential penalty of 1-6 years in prison. On the same day, Wolfson failed to stop when signaled by a Churchill County Sheriff's deputy, after which a high-speed chase ensued for about two miles. Wolfson pled guilty on all three counts and will appear for sentencing on March 30th.

## White Receives 4-11 Years for Assault With a Deadly Weapon

By Leanna Lehman

James Michael White (in custody) appeared in District Court on January 6th for sentencing, after previously entering guilty pleas on two separate counts of assault with a deadly weapon last July.

According to Assistant District Attorney Jeff Weed, his girlfriend, Michelle Bray, stopped by his home to give him an Easter present last March. Allegedly unprovoked, he proceeded to verbally accost her and instigated an altercation. During Bray's attempt to leave, White chased her with a 12" metal filing tool and threw it at the vehicle, breaking a window. He then retrieved the tool from inside the car and began striking another window, also causing it to break. Glass shattered throughout the interior while Bray was inside the vehicle. White then thrust the pointed end of the tool through the window at her head. Bray was able to duck out the way and barely avoid being struck.

During his arguments, Weed stated that when law enforcement arrived, White ultimately resisted arrest. At the time, he had methamphetamine and multiple knives on his person, including a utility knife. According to Weed, while Churchill County Sheriff's officers attempted to restrain him, White attempted to harm Deputy Timmons with the utility knife, which constituted the second assault with a deadly weapons charge.

White also has a violent criminal history, stated Weed, with the majority of convictions in Florida. His previous convictions include simple assaults, domestic violence charges, felony batteries, probation violations, and

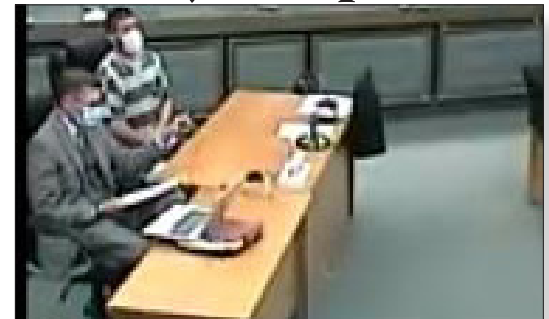
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The victim, Michelle Bray, provided testimony to the court asking the judge not to send White to prison. She stated White was a good man and she had some responsibility in the events that took place. Bray also stated that she wished she had never written the statement for law enforcement. "We have five kids and we need him at home," Bray said.

"I have considered probation," stated Stockard, "but I am extremely concerned about the proximity of the respective offenses and the escalating nature of the crimes of violence. I can't stress to you how dangerous these situations were and could become." White received 24-60 months in prison on the first count and 28-72 months on the second count. The sentences are to run consecutively. White will receive 155 days of credit for time served and will be transported to the Nevada Department of Corrections.

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James Michael White - District Court via Zoom

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## First City Council Meeting of 2021



By Viviane Ugalde

The Fallon City Council met for their first meeting of the year on Monday, January 4, 2021. Councilman Richardson was absent this week.

The main item of business was approval of the liquor license for Laura and Greg Malkovich for Jo's Stillwater Tearoom, which they have purchased from Jo Petteruti. The Malkovich's were present for the hearing. Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee appeared before the council. Deputy City Clerk Lee said that the liquor license application was reviewed by Legal and Administrative Director Erquiaga, Captain Alexander from the Police Department, City Engineer Derek Zimney, and herself.

Councilwoman Frost asked if the tearoom would be open for the same hours.

Laura Malkovich said they were opening a little earlier to accommodate guests. She said they would be open from 2 pm to 9 pm, instead of 4 pm to 9 pm.

In public comment, Geoff Knell said he liked the environment of Jo's Stillwater Tearoom, and they had a good reputation, so he approved of the liquor license request. The license was approved unanimously.

There were no staff, department, or council reports this week.

Public minutes and agendas are accessible on the City of Fallon website, for more detailed information see:

<https://www.fallonnevada.gov/archived-meeting-agendas/>

The next meeting of the Fallon City Council is scheduled for Monday, January 18th, at 9 a.m., at City Hall, 55 W. Williams Avenue, Fallon. The Fallon City Council normally meets on the first and third Mondays of each month.

## County Awards Bid for Civic Center

By Rachel Dahl

At their regular meeting, and the first for newly elected Justin Heath and Greg Koenig, Churchill County Commissioners awarded the contract for building erection services for the Civic Center to Clint Jensen Construction in the amount of \$1,298,600.

Public Works Director, Chris Spross said, "it is our attempt to keep the contracts for this job local." Jensen was the only local contractor to bid on the project and after the geotechnical report required the column fittings to be preloaded, the Colorado company that had bid raised the cost.

Jensen was the lowest, most responsive and competitive bidder.

Deputy District Attorney, Ben Shawcroft, noted the untraditional nature of this public works project because it is being done, "in response to the emergency COVID-19 pandemic and under an emergency, you can dispense with the formal public bidding procedures." The District Attorney's office has prepared two memos to the board addressing this issue and providing the justification for using the emergency contracts under this scenario.

Spross said as part of the civil package and contract that Lumos Associates has with the county to do the geotechnical investigation, it was their recommendation to do the pre-loading and any liabilities associated with that fall to them.

In other matters, the Commission declined to support a request from the Elko County Commission for support of a conceptual statewide Lands Bill that would provide

for the transfer of certain federal lands to county governments. Jeremy Drew, Resources Specialist with Resource Concepts Inc., explained, "while there are some merits to the approach, I have serious concerns as it relates specifically to Churchill County."

The language for the proposal is still under development, and there are questions as to whether it would be submitted to Congress or the State Legislature. Additionally, Drew says the approach is inconsistent with the lands bill that Churchill County has developed with extensive stakeholder input and feedback. As it relates to the political landscape, supporting a conceptual lands bill that has not been vetted by the congressional delegation could jeopardize the Churchill Lands Bill that has been vetted.

County Manager Jim Barbee said, "This would be us taking the last four years worth of work and negotiations with the Navy and working with all the affected state agencies and stakeholders and throw that out the window and say we want to start over with this new proposal for a lands bill that has not done any of that." He says it is nothing against the effort out of Elko County, but this would be a "start over" and Churchill County would lose all the previous work as well as jeopardize the relationships with the congressional delegation who are willing to reintroduce the Churchill Lands Bill within the next few days.

Commissioner Koenig asked if there was any way to reach out and let Elko know that once this is settled with the Navy expansion, we would potentially be happy to jump on board with the rest of the counties?

Barbee said that has been the conversation over the past three years, "Unofficially, we've said down the road we could be supportive of this, but we have to be clear of the current situation we find ourselves in."

The Commission also approved the Annexation Agreement with the City of Fallon allowing county property located at 899 South Maine Street to be annexed into the City. CC Communications is currently building an operations and administration building at the property and will need to access utilities that are most easily accessible through the City.

Pete Olsen was appointed as Chairman of the Commission, with Greg Koenig as Vice-Chairman. Justin Heath was appointed Chairman of the Highway Commission with Koenig as Vice-Chairman, and Koenig was appointed Chairman of the CC Communications Board with Olsen as Vice-Chairman. Appointments to the 23 various boards or committees were also made. Among others, Olsen will serve on the Carson Water Sub-conservancy District and the Fire Board. Koenig will serve on the Library Board, Museum Board, and the Fallon Youth Club. Heath will serve on the Hospital Board, CART, the Senior Coalition, and Parks and Recreation.

In staff reports, Barbee said that there is proposed legislation being sponsored by Senator Pete Goicoechea in the upcoming legislative session that would address the issue of geothermal abatements that would give counties a say in the approval process.

# Local Government

## Elected Officials Take Oath of Office

Staff Report

Newly elected County Commissioners, Justin Heath and Greg Koenig, along with re-elected Judge Tom Stockard from District Court, were sworn in at the County Commission meeting Monday. Gregg Malkovich and Kathryn Whitaker took the oath of office as Churchill County School Board Trustees; along with Marion Jonte from Mosquito Abatement; Bill Washburn and Morena Hesper from Lahontan Conservation District; and Sharron Harper from Stillwater Conservation District.

Not in attendance, were School Board Trustee Tricia Strasdin, and Wes Viera from Stillwater Conservation District.

Linda Rothery, County Clerk Treasurer, administered the oath of office to Justin Heath (far right) and Greg Koenig (below), as well as Gregg Malkovich and Kathryn Whitaker (above right).



## A View from The Street: Locals Comment on “Storming Of Capitol”



Protests outside of Carson City (above), National Guardsman during the BLM protest in D.C. (below).

By Leanna Lehman

Wednesday marked an unprecedented day in the history of the United States of America, albeit not a good one. What began as a planned “Stop the Steal” rally on Wednesday, January 6th by President Donald Trump supporters to protest Joe Biden’s official electoral college victory, ended in disaster. By day’s end, the U.S. Capitol was stormed and subsequently locked down. Forty-five arrests were made, and two pipe bombs were discovered outside of the Democrat and Republican Committees. Additionally, a long-gun and a Molotov cocktail were recovered from the surrounding areas and four deaths were reported, including a woman who was shot by Capitol Police.

Protests also took place in several states, including Nevada, in both Carson City and Las Vegas. Protesters hoped to convince Congress to suspend today’s official count of the electoral votes. Fortunately for Nevadans, the rallies remained peaceful.

Some Washington lawmakers and media

personalities claimed that President Trump incited the event in statements made over the hotly contested election. Others stated that President Trump did not advocate violence and urged protesters to avoid using violence. It appears that the only thing Americans can agree on is the fact that our country is divided. Several Fallon residents were willing to share their thoughts and insights on the events of the day.

“I don’t understand why hate on both sides is being manifested into such a mess.” – Will Shamberger.

“It is never appropriate to force one’s opinion onto another. If we are to heal, we need to work together. It is sad we have come this far.” – Steve Russell

“I think yesterday’s violence is the natural result of our leaders and media outlets playing games fueled by lies, about election fraud and much else. Our leaders need to find some integrity – some humility and moral courage would help, too – and learn to work together for the good of this country. I am praying that yesterday left them shaken up enough to do some good. I yearn for a way to help Americans discern truth from falsehood, too. Transparency from our lawmakers would help that, too, I think...like, for Trump to come right out and say ‘Human trafficking of all kinds is horrible, and I am working hard with experts to fight it. But no, I am not working to defeat a secret cabal of Democrat Satan worshippers addicted to adrenaline, because I have no information that such a thing is real.’ – Dawn Blundell

“It’s heartbreaking. This is NOT the United States that I love that I spent my entire career working for, the country that I took an oath to support and defend. These protestors are acting like they live in a third world country having a revolution. The world is watching with ridicule - and probably feeling that this great country, this great experiment of

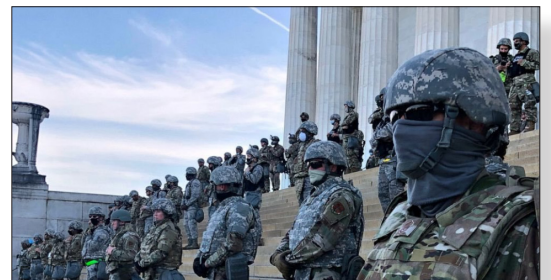
democracy, is failing. We CANNOT fail - our forefathers believed in democracy and did their best to draft legislation to encourage its future. On another note, Vice-President Pence impressed me this morning, both with his letter to Congress and his actions on the floor. That, sir, was the right thing to do, and the actions of a graceful loser. God bless America. We need it.” – Wendy Matuszak

“Propaganda media will falsely blame the violence on Donald Trump supporters and freedom-loving Patriots. Do not be fooled. The violence will be the actions of Antifa, BLM, and similar communist groups. Lock them all up. They had their lawlessness fun. Now Rule of Law takes over. Trump will be President. It’s happening right now. Get ready military under the guise of riot control.” –Montana Werle

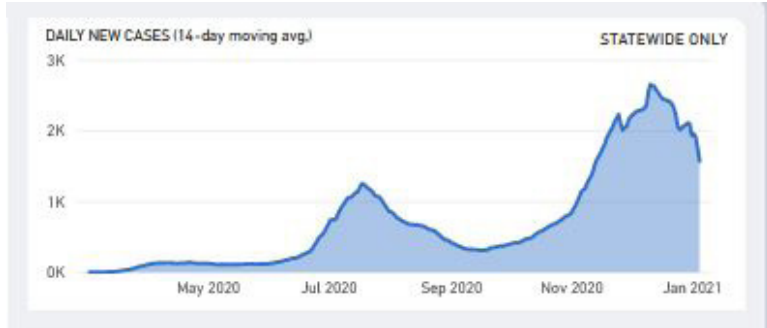
“Take a look at the photo of the Lincoln Memorial from a BLM protest in June. A statue got more serious protection than both houses of Congress and the VP. The contrast in security speaks volumes about the state of America.” – Justin Sielsch

The Fallon Post thanks everyone willing to share their thoughts.

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## COVID Update



Statewide cases image from NV DHHS.

By Leanna Lehman

Nevada was hit hard by confirmed positive COVID-19 cases and COVID related deaths in the first week of the new year. Also, frontline health care workers, emergency responders, and acute care hospital patients continue to receive the vaccine.

**Vaccines:** In a recent message released by the Chief Clinical Officer for Banner Health, Marjorie Bessel M.D., she addressed a few questions regarding the distribution of the new COVID-19 vaccine, its safety, and effectiveness.

According to Bessel, the CDC and state health departments have prioritized who can receive the vaccine first. This prioritization is important because it ensures that the health care community is in the best possible position to save the most lives. “At this time, health care workers, first responders, and those at highest risk of severe illness or death due to COVID-19 are at the top of the list,” wrote Bessel. “The good news is the vaccine will continue to be made available to other groups. Progression through these

phases varies by state and county, with some moving forward before others.”

Bessel also addressed the safety of the vaccine. “We want to assure you that the COVID-19 vaccines from BioNTech/Pfizer and Moderna, have been thoroughly vetted by a team of Banner Health physicians and pharmacists who found them to be safe and effective,” Bessel said. “Many who have received the first dose of the vaccine only experienced mild side effects, so everyone is encouraged to get it as soon as it becomes available.” More information on the vaccine’s safety may be found on the CDC website.

**Statewide COVID data:** On January 5th, Nevada health officials reported 1,938 new positive COVID cases. Since the onset of the pandemic, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has reported a total of 273,393 cases. The number of individuals hospitalized with confirmed coronavirus totaled 1,739. Sixty deaths were reported on Tuesday, an all-time high for deaths in a single day in Nevada. Total cumulative deaths are now at 3,295.

Despite what appears to have been a minor downward trend in cases and deaths over the last few weeks, health officials are concerned that Nevadans may soon face a spike in positive cases stemming from family and social holiday gatherings. It is recommended that residents remain vigilant and continue following Governor Sisolak’s mandates regarding masking, sanitizing, and social distancing.

**Local COVID update:** In Churchill County, the number of active positive cases has continued to decline. However, the number of those hospitalized for COVID has increased over the last seven days. The total positivity rate for Churchill County is 8.23% as shown on the table.

During the Churchill County Commissioners meeting on Wednesday, county manager Jim Barbee reported that Walgreens and CVS pharmacies will be acting as the primary outlets for vaccinating residents 75 and older. Senior citizens in that age range are currently listed in Governor Sisolak’s Vaccination Playbook under Tier II, and are second in line to receive the vaccinations after health care workers, first responders, and acute care hospital patients. The county will provide more information as it is made available. According to Barbee, the county is also working with the school district to plan for the vaccination of district employees through the community testing site at the fairgrounds and that plan will be released once it is in place.

**Churchill County School District (CCSD) COVID data:** CCSD reported on Wednesday that two additional students have tested positive for COVID-19 over the holiday break: Middle School: two students and one staff member, E.C. Best: one staff, Lahontan Elementary: one student, and CCHS: one students. Neither students or nor staff have returned to campus. Additionally, all schools will continue to remain open for those enrolled in the AM/PM model. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the District Office at (775) 423-5184. The District will ensure that the students will transition into fully remote learning if necessary.

<b>Churchill County</b>	<b>As of Dec. 22nd</b>	<b>As of Dec. 28nd</b>	<b>As of Jan. 4th</b>
<b>Active Positive Cases</b>	226	198	165
<b>Tests Administered since March</b>	16,412	16,990	17,516
<b>Recovered Individuals</b>	1,019	1,128	1,254
<b>Currently Hospitalized</b>	7	7	11
<b>Total Deaths</b>	4	35	39
<b>Total Positive Cases since March</b>	1,280	1,361	1,458
<b>Asymptomatic Positives since March</b>	101	101	105



## Tips to Assist With Some of That Stress



By Susan Weikel

2020 was certainly a time of stress, helping our immune systems is important always. But now is certainly a good time to give it a little extra support. Tips that help us do just that were shared by Debbie Klein, a registered and licensed dietitian, at the last quarterly meeting of Churchill Community Coalition.

Many of us have seen more empty alcohol bottles in our trash than usual, and most of us have been hitting the cupboards and fridge more. It is quite likely that hit has not been to increase our intake of veggies and fruits. Often, we snack on less than healthy items. With it cold outside, we are stuck inside – and man do those comfort foods taste even better!

An often-overlooked component of healthy eating and stress reduction is maintaining healthy digestion. Klein shared the importance of gut health, stating, “Eighty-five percent of immune function takes place in the gut. It’s the 2nd brain of the body.” Keeping that in mind, a tip that can help support the gut is to take probiotics. These live microorganisms are found in fermented dairy products such as yogurt and buttermilk. Klein suggests that you look for multi-strain and live/active when checking the label on foods. There are many good yogurts on the market; two that Klein recommended were Nancy’s and Stoneyfield. Some other sources for gut support are found in Kombucha and Keefer. It may take a bit to get used to the flavor but hang in there. Know that you are helping that very important organ that will then help you out. Probiotics are also available in capsule form. You can check with your doctor to help find the best fit for you.

With today’s hectic schedules and the distance and time from the field to the table, good nutrition is often difficult for many. For these reasons, Klein recommends regularly taking a good multi-vitamin with minerals. Other vitamins that support the immune system are Vitamin D, Zinc (too much can cause a copper deficiency), selenium, Vitamin C, fish oils, and iron. It is best to talk with a health care professional to evaluate dosages and the effects that may be specific to you.

A healthy balanced diet must also include an adequate amount of hydration. That hydration can be found in many ways. A few examples are good ol’ water, flavored drinks (no – not sugary drinks), coffee, teas, and watery soups. Some fruits and vegetables have a higher water content, but the amount that one would need to eat to gain a benefit does not make it a countable source.

As one plans their meals around the ‘Plate Method’ (¼ protein, ½ vegetables/fruit, ¼ starch) to support a healthier you, don’t forget about exercise and sleep. No matter how busy your day is, fit at least 11 minutes into the day for a brisk walk or a jog around the house. And as the day comes to a close, remember to head to the bedroom for a night’s rest of at least seven hours. Now that all of that is in your schedule, don’t forget that consistency is the last (and very important) part of all good health ideas. If we don’t do it regularly, we won’t see/feel the benefit.

The Churchill Community Coalition is made up of over 50 community partners who have come together to address the needs of Churchill County - <http://www.churchillcoalition.com/about-us/>



## High Desert Grange Seeks Help from Goat and Sheep Producers



By Suzann Gilliland Peterson

Fallon's High Desert Grange is looking to assist the Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley in the disposal of their wreaths. Because of COVID-19, access to the cemetery this year is not permitted, but people who are interested in picking up wreath as treats for their goats and sheep should contact the High Desert Grange at 775-427-8210 or at [highdesertgrange22@gmail.com](mailto:highdesertgrange22@gmail.com). The Grange will give instructions on date, time, and where to park trucks and trailers to be loaded. This will allow the cemetery to save money on disposal, lessen the landfill, and naturally recycle.

No wreaths will be removed until the designated time. When removal is scheduled, the Grange will contact everyone who is interested.

## WNC Fallon Gallery Welcomes Larry Neel

By Marie Nygren

Since Larry Neel was nine years old, he had dreams of going to Africa. His inspiration to travel came from collecting wildlife trading cards, inserted in wrappers of Sugar Daddies. He also watched *Wild Kingdom* and became fascinated with the diversity and wonders of the different species.

In the summer of 2013, after 21 hours of traveling, his plane landed in Serengeti, and his dream came true. Larry was there to see the tail end of the migration of the Wildebeest, when the land was dry, the rivers had receded, and an abundance of predators visited the existing waterholes to feast. His experienced guide understood his desire to photograph, and for ten days he traveled and captured photographs that showed the personality, behaviors, and habitats of wildlife.

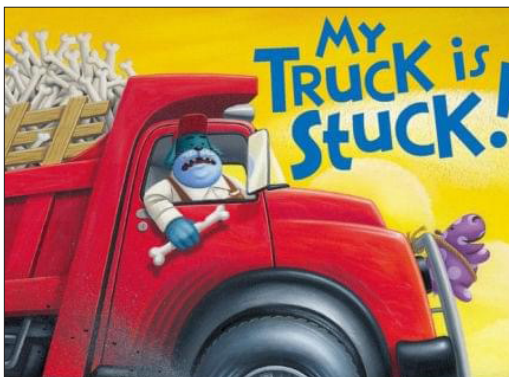
A second trip was made to Africa in

February 2016, when the Wildebeests were calving. It was another epic time to see a dynamic pageant of animals that followed this event to prey and reproduce off of the vulnerable Wildebeests. Their numbers were staggering, as far as the eye could see. And Larry was there to capture their movement and see the dynamics, a real life *Wild Kingdom*. He was allowed closer access to the animals, and these photos of lions, leopards, cheetahs, giraffes, elephants, and more show the abundance and cycles of life on the grasslands. Larry was able to share this unique life experience with his wife Martha and granddaughter Elke.

The WNC Fallon Gallery welcomes Larry Neel and his exhibit. Please visit and enjoy the photographs. The show will be displayed January through February, 2021.



## Family Reading Program Lauches at The Library



By Rachel Dahl

The Family Reading Program is back with an innovation born of the COVID pandemic. Sponsored by the Churchill Library Association, the reading program is intended to

give families the opportunity to work with early literacy with their children. CLA is the non-profit fundraising arm of the Churchill County Library.

Families can pick up a package once a month at the library, by appointment, which includes a copy of the book, a craft and activity, along with informational sheet to help parents with what they can do to help their children become readers. Once a month, parents pick up the package and then they can watch the recorded story time which will be available virtually on social media; Facebook and Instagram, and the website.

"The thing is, anyone can go back and watch the story time, and especially if their child loves the story, they can watch it again," said Carol Lloyd, Library Director. "What some parents are doing, which is pretty cool, is doing the craft and then taking a picture of it, and then we post it on Facebook."

Lloyd said since the library can't do story

time like they used to, "we're just searching for ways to try to reach families and children because we can't do story time like we used to."

The schedule for the Family Reading Program is:

**January 21-**My Truck by is Stuck! by Kevin Lewis and Daniel Kirk  
**February 18-** Not a Box by Antoinette Portis  
**March 18-** Owen by Kevin Henkes  
**April 15-**Seven Blind Mine by Ed Young  
**May 20-** It Looked Like Spilt Milk by Charles G. Shaw

The regular story time and the activity packet will still be available on Monday of every week. The library is located at 553 South Maine Street in Fallon and [www.churchillcountylibrary.org](http://www.churchillcountylibrary.org). Appointments can be made to pick up the packets at 775-423-7581.

## The Swan Song – Maiya Goes to Spain



Maiya Swan playing lacrosse for the team at Oasis Academy.

By Rachel Dahl

Introducing Maiya Swan, the next future ambassador of the Student Athlete World USA, Lacrosse Cup 2021.

Local Oasis Academy student Maiya Swan has been playing Lacrosse for seven years, since she was in fifth grade watching her brother Maximus play on the first Oasis Lacrosse team. A few months ago, Swan received an email from Student Athlete World informing her that a college coach had forwarded her game film to them, and nominated her as a good fit for the U.S.A Lacrosse Team. Before long, she was knee-deep in the application process and being interviewed. Two days later, she received a call saying, “welcome to the team.”

The new US team is made up of lacrosse players from across the country, including New York and Georgia, and includes players in grades ranging from high school juniors to college soph-

omores. The team will travel to Spain and Portugal for the 2021 World Lacrosse Cup at the end of June. There, they will practice together before the games begin. “I’m actually really excited,” said Swan, “hopefully this advances my Lacrosse career.”

This opportunity is a perfect fit for Swan, who loves to travel and wants to explore the world when she’s older. Two years ago, she had an opportunity to travel to Costa Rica on a student council trip and said she definitely wants to do a study abroad program in college.

As for the Lacrosse opportunity, Swan’s mother and the Oasis Academy Assistant Athletic Director and Lacrosse coach, Lisa Swan, stated “There are high hopes.” Two years ago, the U.S.A. Lacrosse team was undefeated and won the championship.

Swan will meet her team in Boston before flying to Spain, according to her mother. “Once they get to Spain, they will begin practicing and then may play up to four games a day. Last year, the team even practiced on the beach prior to games.

The United World Games will begin in Spain and conclude in Portugal. In the best-case scenario, 7,000 participants will be hosted with a grand opening ceremony and tournament games being held in the stadium. Due to COVID-19 related restrictions, players must also be prepared for a much more restrictive event in which the teams will play a series of matches within each travel group without the ceremony.

Although Swan is being recruited by Division II and III schools, her dream is to play Division I Lacrosse. However, she says she has always wanted to attend the University of Arizona, which does not have a Lacrosse team. Swan says he is open to whatever comes her way and will play club ball if it comes to that.

As a student at Oasis Academy, which partners with Western Nevada College, Swan will also graduate high school this spring with her associate degree in hand. Her mom has always coached her in Lacrosse, but she has also gotten to play volleyball for Shayna Byrd. She is looking forward to this experience and is open to where it may take her.

## Another Victim of 2020 – College Football

Contributed by a disappointed college football fan

Although it is a great accomplishment during this time of COVID to even have a college football season, this new phenomenon of players “opting out” of their final games or in some cases entire senior seasons, not playing for fear of injury, makes it hard to determine who is the biggest loser; players, fans, teams, coaches, or in fact, college football itself.

This new and increasing action of players opting out goes against the precious ideas of being loyal to teammates and the university that provide them with a college scholarship that others pay thousands of dollars for. When a player opts out it may be for COVID concerns or NFL draft possibilities, but it still goes against the fundamentals of integrity and loyalty, leaving a slew of questions about winning and losing.

Why is Alabama going to the College Football Playoff National Championship? The answer is this; three key senior players are coming back for their last year, players who have earned many awards including the Heisman Trophy. Their integrity has

made them winners before the game is even played.

It is difficult to determine who is the biggest loser when players opt out of the final games of the season – the Bowl Games, which many people sadly consider to be simply “exhibition games.” Is it the Players? It takes the joy of winning from players who hear that they won because the opposing was not at full capacity – forcing a loss.

What about the teams that lose the game because their key players left? The remaining players have to fill in and aren’t ready to perform at the level their missing teammates played all season, costing them awards as well as the game. Take, for instance, Kyle Trask, the Florida quarterback nominated for the Heisman Trophy who suffered the opt-out of his three key receivers and lost the Cotton Bowl last week against Oklahoma.

Then there are the fans. Family members of players, alumni, and community fans who root for their teams all year – and have for years, just to see key players opt out of games. This spoils interest in the bowl games knowing it will not be the same team they have watched and cheered for all season long. Opting out of bowl games creates a disinterest

and reduces fan interest that also decreases TV airtime and interest.

College football, like it or not, is a business and losing can cost coaches their jobs. Although there is a risk for players with NFL futures and high draft possibilities, that risk is there all season. The players for Alabama have proved that coming back for their final year, not opting out of the bowl game, can actually improve their draft status. Alabama had three players in the top five votes of the Heisman contest, with DeVonta Smith winning.

Although individuals may claim the right to opt-out, making valid personal claims, healthy players who opt out of the last bowl game or their final season is a concept alien to those who have trained, worked hard, played hard, are loyal to their universities, and maintained team spirit.

The past year, 2020, has been a crazy season of firsts; shorted schedules, canceled games, no fans in the stands, and ultimate sacrifices by players, families, coaches, and staff. Opting out of bowl games and seasons has added yet another disappointment that should not even be a consideration. It would be disappointing if opting out is here to stay.

# Vipers and Free Bird Yoga – Coach Orduna & Macy Myers Team Up



Macy Myers doing a yoga pose (left) and the players of the SNFC Fallon Vipers (right)

By Viviane Ugalde

The Fallon Vipers soccer team, made up of local girls ages 12 and under, is now collaborating with Fallon local Macy Myers, owner of Free Bird Yoga studio, and the new sponsor of the girls' team.

Macy Myers was a varsity soccer player during her time at Churchill County High School, and played at the collegiate level. She now owns Free Bird Yoga studio on Maine Street.

Myers will help train the girls by sharing her stretching and fitness techniques with the players on the Fallon Vipers. Yoga has increased in popularity both throughout the community and around the world. There are benefits to yoga for mental health, overall fitness, and injury prevention for athletes.

The Viper's coach, Miguel Orduna, began the all-girl youth soccer organization to teach girls about life, giving them tools for success through the fundamentals of soccer. His partnership with Myers and her yoga studio is another step into the direction of Orduna's successful coaching philosophy.

"There are not enough words of excitement for me to express

how thrilled I am to have her as a coach and to sponsor our club," Coach Orduna said.

Orduna also said that Myers will be helping him continue to teach the girls the importance of learning a healthy lifestyle within her sponsorship of the team.

"I'm very excited to partner with Coach Miguel and the Vipers," Myers said.

Myers was a former player of Orduna's and said that soccer has had a big place in her heart her entire life. "When Coach Orduna reached out to me with the opportunity to mentor and support his girls on and off the field through a healthy lifestyle, healthy mentality, confidence, and physical well-being, I couldn't agree fast enough," Myers said.

Both Myers and Orduna look forward to seeing how yoga can benefit the team overall, as well as individual players. While many sports are still lightly staffed (or not played at all due to COVID precautions) Coach Orduna, Macy Myers, and the girls on The Fallon Vipers are working together to stay in shape and play as much soccer as they can.

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## WNC's Welding Program Finds Success, Looks to the Future



Hank Wohle has taught welding at WNC Fallon Campus for five years. He is a retired Lt. Colonel from the Army. He came out of retirement for Operation Iraqi Freedom. Hank is also the Commander of the local Sea Cadet Division, the largest in the State. Enroll now in one of his welding classes [www.wnc.edu](http://www.wnc.edu).



By Kathryn Whitaker

In the past five years, welding instructor Hank Wohle and his team have developed a successful welding program at Western Nevada College's Fallon campus. Last semester, seven of his students' efforts yielded eight American Welding Society (AWS) certifications.

AWS certifications are considered the blue-ribbon certifications in the United States and can help those who qualify find quality welding jobs across the country. According to Wohle, any big projects that use structural steel – for instance, the Nevada Department of Transportation – use certified welders. Two of the top industries that need welders are mining and energy.

Regarding people with welding certifications, Wohle said, "It's to their advantage if they want to work at the mines."

WNC's welding program uses a curriculum based on state standards that helps students prepare for the AWS certification tests. These tests are administered by Randy Naylor, a certified welding inspector, at the WNC Carson campus, the only AWS certification testing site in Nevada.

Typically, a student tests for one certification at a time. However, one WNC student, Dario Cerasola, tested for two certifications at once. Wohle said it is rare for someone to test for two certifications, especially the more advanced ones, overhead and vertical, at the same time.

"It was a pure gut move and he succeeded," Wohle said.

Cerasola explained why he went into welding.

"I went with welding because I do a lot at my farm and wanted to learn the basics and save costs," he said. "I also did it in case I want to go farther in my welding career. It gives me more options."

He said he could not have done it without the help of his instructors: Wohle, Don Keele and Jorgen Jeppesen. They accommodated Cerasola, letting him come in extra days to practice. Cerasola plans to continue with the program and work on his pipe certification. He is also taking business management classes at WNC to develop even more skills.

With the welding program's success, Wohle began work on developing a machinist course on the campus. Two years ago, he invited Troy Taylor, a local machinist, to teach classes. Taylor teaches basic machine shop skills – lathe and mill work.

He would like to introduce more advanced classes, but currently the equipment in WNC's shop is not sufficient for more advanced work. Taylor already donates much of his own equipment to give students the practice they need.

"Whatever we can do to make it happen, we'll make it happen," he said.

Taylor also said that welding and machining go "hand in hand" because creating new parts usually requires some welding.

The program's success and growth could not come at a better time. AWS reports that the average age of a welder in the country is 55. Fewer than 20 percent are younger than 35. Predictions indicate a shortage of 375,000 welders by 2023. The sobering shortages are similar for machinists as well.

Wohle is encouraged by the progress and hopes for continued growth.

"I envision that the program is going to grow," Wohle said. "As we get more modern equipment and more students, I expect to see positive results. I know the kids who finish the program can weld."

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## The Feral Housewife Horoscopes

### Capricorn (December 21st to January 19th)

Thanks to mercury in retrograde you will find yourself with many answers to past questions – with any luck, you will find those Ray Ban sunglasses you lost in the yard. You will be the shining star of this first round in 2021, it is your year to burn bright. Brighter than the insanity surrounding you in this modern age. That small business idea you have been sitting on or the promotion you have been hoping for is yours for the taking. You have the backing of creativity and zest for whatever it is your heart desires. With the skills you already possess you will be able to bring all of your dreams to fruition. While others are busy judging, make sure that you give them something to really talk about – it's much more fun that way. Regarding matters of the home, teamwork and appreciation will help to resolve the conflict.

### Aquarius (January 19th to February 18th)

During this phase it would be very risky to express yourself (very risky from a law enforcement perspective), as you will find that you will be misunderstood and have no way to explain what you are hoping to communicate (especially to law enforcement). In 2021 motivation is the name of the game. You have everything you need at your fingertips – you are motivated to make this year different from the dumpster fire that was last year. Go out and make the best of this, but don't forget to stop and smell the roses along the way. You don't want to get so driven you forget to have fun. Take a step back during the beginning of the month; changes have you on edge but know that these changes are positive. You will find yourself in a state of worry that seems to have no end in sight and you will have to take responsibility for your finances which is uncomfortable for you to do but you will flourish once this change is made.

### Pisces (February 18th to March 20th)

You need to be alone with your thoughts but during this time of mercury in retrograde, you should not turn inward as you navigate the future. During 2021 you will be on a mission to let things go – including the dream of Kanya West for President, the election fiasco, and the devil named COVID. On a serious note, the old baggage that you have been carrying around is finally something you are able to lay to rest and begin healing. Once you are able to start the process and release the negativity you will swim in love that you didn't think you would ever feel again. Life is like a river – you never touch the same water twice. You will embrace this idea and flourish. You will have big plans for an extravagant outing that you need to reconsider; it is not in your best interest at this time. And it's probably been cancelled anyway. Make the hard choices to put yourself first in your personal and professional life and you will gain great insight.

### Libra (September 22nd to October 23rd)

With mercury in retrograde the desire to change the way you communicate with loved ones is strong, but this should be avoided during this time. Please do not switch from texting to carrier pigeons or skywriting messages. 2021 is your year for love and meaningful relationships, don't bother wasting precious resources. Take the year on with a clear idea of what you want and go out and get it. You will have exceptional amounts of drama headed your way (what? No way!), but hopefully you have learned that this is the time for self-love and nurturing. You will be able to navigate the drama well if you can stay true to yourself and stick to clear communication.

### Taurus (April 19th to May 20th)

Communication will be difficult during the Mercury retrograde at the end of the month, and the inability to express ideas freely will create conflicts in personal relationships and within the office. No, you cannot punch your boss or put frosting covered Brussel sprouts in your kids' lunch box to annoy them. You will find that financial gains come easily during this time but be cautious not to overdo it. Get yourself into beast mode and brand yourself accordingly (brand as in promotion – not the other kind involving hot steel). You will want to take 2021 by the horns and bring the change you want to see into the world, starting with yourself. When you find yourself challenged don't be surprised, you are learning how to adapt and grow. You are not always right and there is often more than one way to the solution, don't get bull headed and forget to bend when new ideas are presented to you.

### Gemini (May 29th to June 21th)

With Mercury in retrograde it is advisable to watch what you say and avoid stressful situations that require you make any decisions. Actually, it is always advisable to watch what you say. You will be struggling to achieve social growth and development during this time – and so is the free world, apparently. Don't be tempted to do what they are doing and devolve. During 2021 you will find that nonsense has no place in your life, those who bring untruths and idle talk will not be welcome with you as you strive to secure your own ideas. Money and financial security are on the forefront of your mind, those close to you will be able to offer ideas that will bring you peace. Lock down your goals for 2021 and keep an open mind, especially when dealing with finances.

### Cancer (June 21st to July 22nd)

As much as you would like to take the leap into big decisions, it is advisable that you do not. Your stubborn side has a boost as Mercury is in retrograde giving you a false illusion in your interactions. False illusions are absolutely – the worst. You will not gracefully be able to make these negotiations. 2021 will be the year of taking back your power. Do not be fooled into giving anything that does not empower you – including too much Facebook news and chocolate martinis and. Good fences make good neighbors. You will see growth in relation to employment and finances but you will see friction with your partner. But only if you fence them with your neighbor's spouse. With some friendly communication you will be able to show your partner what you plan to do and reduce the friction. With hard lessons there is growth.

### Scorpio (October 23rd to November 22nd)

You will benefit from the desire to redesign your living or working space, as mercury is in retrograde you have luckily missed the tumultuous communication breakdowns that seem to be causing literal breakdowns. You will find inspiration – perhaps in mediation, in others, or in Japanese swordsmanship, circus arts, bagpiping, or even puppetry. 2021 will be the year of growth for you, and not in the ways you imagine. And hopefully not in your waistline. You will find yourself frustrated and confused by everyone turning to you for care. Take care of family first and the support you are giving will be returned to you 10-fold when you need it. You will be watering the gardens around you and helping to cultivate greatness; it won't be in vain as you get showered in return. Your hard work will be recognized and shall pay off for you, do not be tricked into jumping into a new opportunity without weighing the risks and benefits. The only way to get what you want is to work hard for (it or to pay someone else a lot of money to get it for you.)

### Leo (July 22nd to August 22nd)

Dear Leo, take a moment to just let go of the small stuff. With mercury in retrograde you will be wandering lost unable to navigate all that is before you. Yes, some that wander are lost. Just take a deep breath and leave the worries for another day, no matter what you do no solutions will come to you. For the start of 2021 you will need to put others first. Leo's can be exceptionally self-serving and for this year to be one for the books, you will have to put the emotions of others before yourself even if this means giving up the spotlight. Spread your love around like glitter; make sure it can be found years later no matter how much you clean. Very much like the sparkly tulle from beautifully wrapped Christmas presents which leaves glitter embedded in your carpet for ages. Your wanderlust will strike, but you will have to remember that personal responsibilities always come first to pave the way for your fanciful dreams. Watch what you say as misunderstandings are prevalent, a little negotiating will help clear this up for you.

### Virgo (August 22nd to September 22nd)

As mercury is in retrograde you will find yourself feeling very misunderstood no matter what you do. This is especially troublesome for you in the office, of all places, leaving you with tense professional relationships and a black cloud in the work atmosphere. A good way to assuage these feelings is to watch *Office Space*. And if you are compelled to slack in order to get promoted, this is the year to do it. But do be aware that someone might steal your stapler. Starting 2021 with a solid routine will help guide you through the lingering turmoil of 2020. This year you will find a foundation that supports you living your best life, even if that means turning down invitations that you would normally accept. Keep in mind, there is a good chance they will be cancelled anyway. Keep yourself from the familiar burnout with healthy task management. As you grow you will find financial gains that you were not expecting, don't pass the opportunity to learn.

### Aries (March 20th to April 19th)

With Mercury in retrograde from January 30th to February 19th, (I know, it seems like it's been in retrograde for almost a year now), beware of restlessness and moodiness during this time which could land you in the pokie if it causes you to stress-drink a bit too much. You will no longer be interested in maintaining relationships that do not hold the same ideology as you – so “just say no”. Surround yourself with like-minded thinkers. This is the year to step it up Aries, frustration and obstacles are headed your way if this year is anything like the last. But if you keep yourself centered and your mind open you will find that those around you can help guide you to your destinations.

### Sagittarius (November 22nd to December 21st)

Oh dear Sagittarius, you will be exceptionally moody and hard to handle, (that is so weird for a Sagittarius) thanks to mercury in retrograde. Expect that communication will breakdown and you will find yourself in a heightened state of agitation because of it. As if you are not normally in a heightened state of agitation. Brusqueness is what you are known for, the truth is told regardless of how it may hurt. In 2021 watch what you say. Yes Sagittarius, you CAN do it. You will learn to handle these discussions diplomatically with kindness and grace. You will be doing a lot of financial juggling; your desire for grand adventure will not match your financial ability but you will be able to pull it off. There will be news surrounding a loved one that will test the flexibility of your wallet. You will be doing a lot of adjusting, but the possibilities are endless.

By Alicia Parsons

## The Bachelor



I have never seen an episode of *The Bachelor*, *Bachelorette*, *Bachelor in Paradise*, *Bachelor Live*, *Bachelor Presents*, or any other part of the franchise. This week was my first dip into the pool that thousands of people around the country already love.

This season, 32 women compete for the affection of a random man named Matt James. James has never appeared in any other version of *The Bachelor*, as have several past contestants. The 33 people are experiencing the entire universe of reality television love for the first time. The most important thing is this entire group is meeting one another during quaran-

time. These people spent nine months single and alone, and now are fighting to the death for the affection of one person.

I will add, if this show is for you, that is great. Everyone has their own escape.

At the same time, I do not understand this show. I do not see an outcome for this season where the situation doesn't turn into *Gladiator*. That being said, I am forcing myself to watch each week of this series until the end to see if the many people who've persuaded me to watch it have any possible credibility in their arguments.

I do not recommend this show as entertainment, or fun, rather as a social experiment. See how you react to the idea of 32 women in their early to mid-twenties fighting for one man in his late twenties, for an engagement that will likely not last.

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## Good Day



Apollo LTD released an EP, or mini album, on New Year's Eve that is as optimistic, as we all are, for the future of 2021.

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who want a happy workday.

This EP has a central theme dedicated to what Apollo mentions in one of his tracks, "It's gotta get better."

The saddest part of this album is the beginning of the track "Patient," and even that track becomes optimistic by the time the chorus hits. This album is just an overall sense of power, optimism, and happiness to kick off the soon-to-be-never-ending days of 2021.

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## Superintelligence




Melissa McCarthy saves the world with compassion in this new film. *Superintelligence* follows Carol Peters as she tries to make the world a better place. McCarthy's character volunteers at many non-profit organizations, cares for her friends and others, but keeps to herself overall.

One morning changes her life, as a super artificial intelligence contacts her through her toaster oven and asks to observe her interacting with the human race. If the intelligence likes what he sees, he will help humanity save itself. If it does not, the world will be destroyed.

But on the bright side, the artificial intelligence uses the voice of James Corden to keep everyone calm.

This film was interesting, and hilarious. The film makes the audience feel like doing good and supporting their fellow human. And it is all because of how compassionate McCarthy comes across in her character. This film raises a lot of questions about fast fashion, vehicle sustainability, humans' self-absorption, and really, just kindness in general. In times of division, this movie makes you feel all warm and fuzzy inside, while also providing a McCarthyesque giggle.



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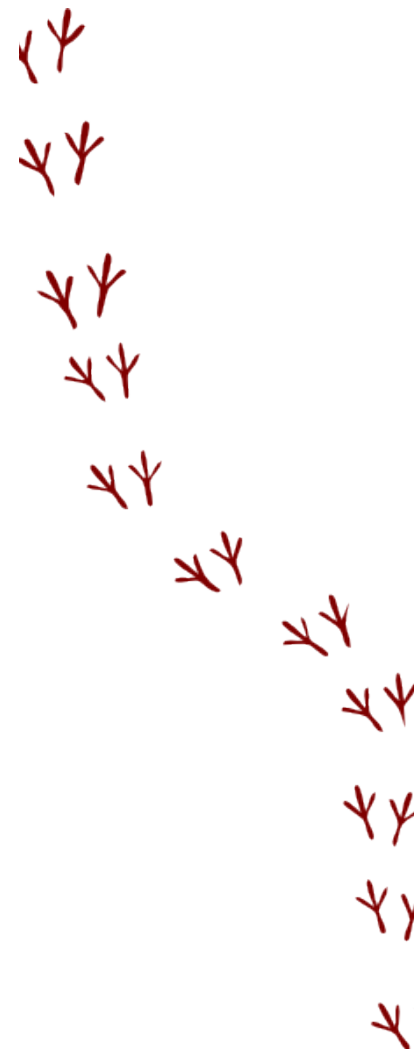
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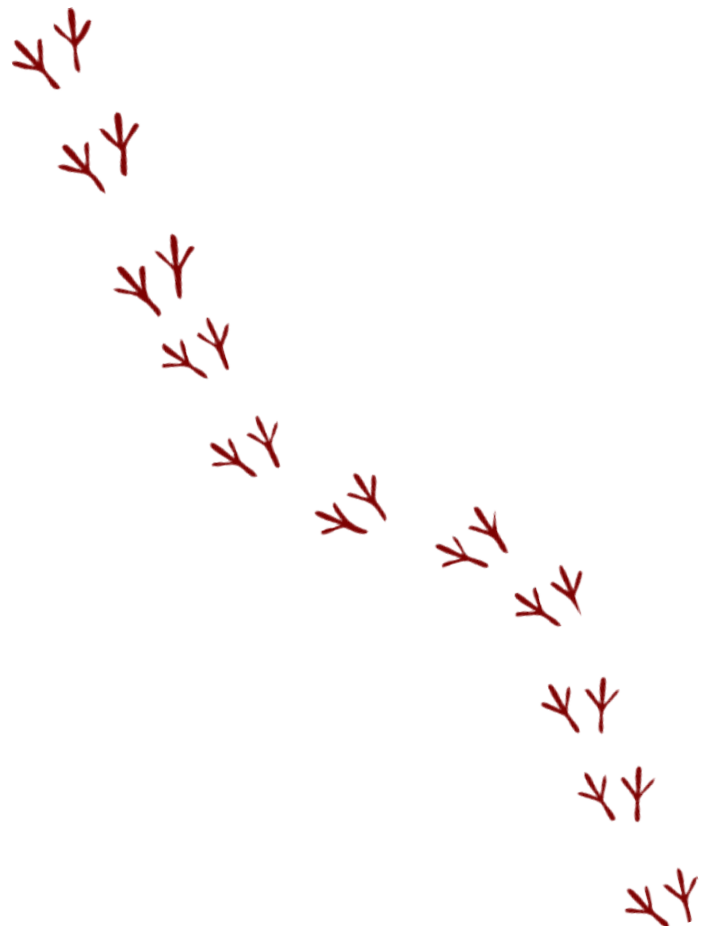
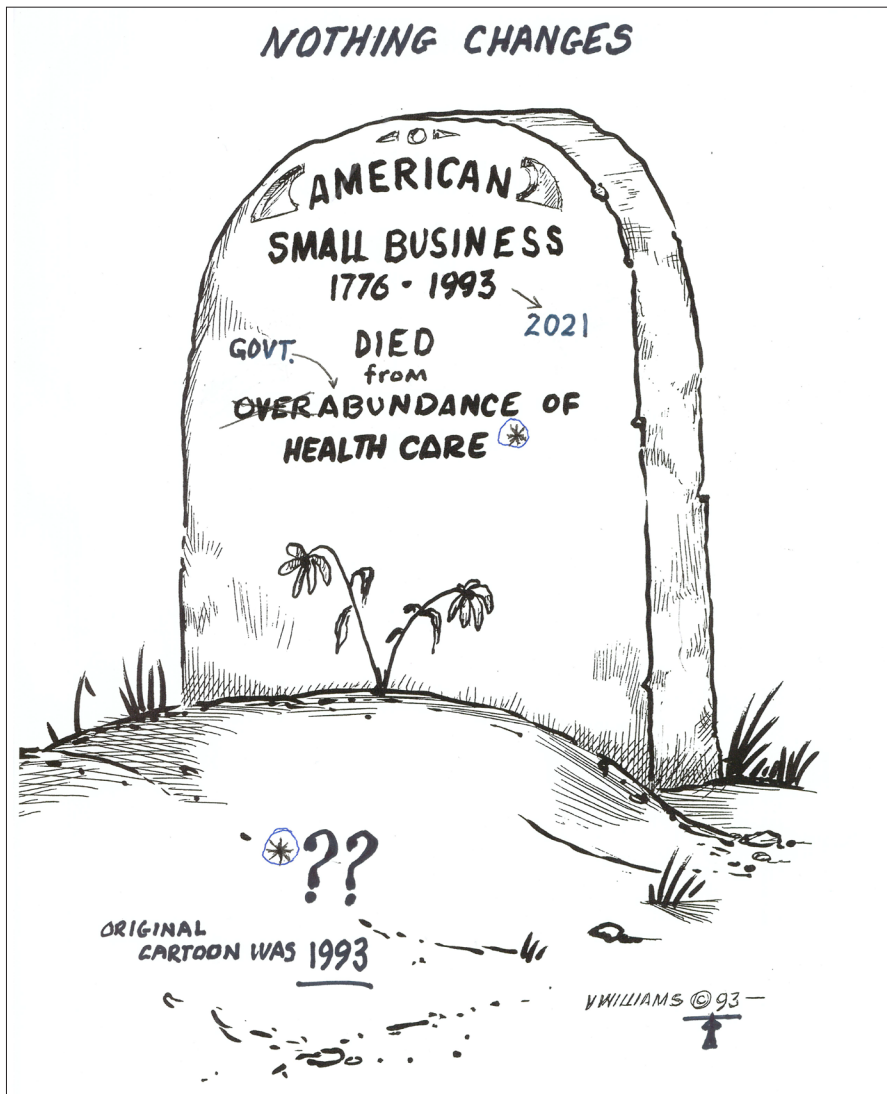
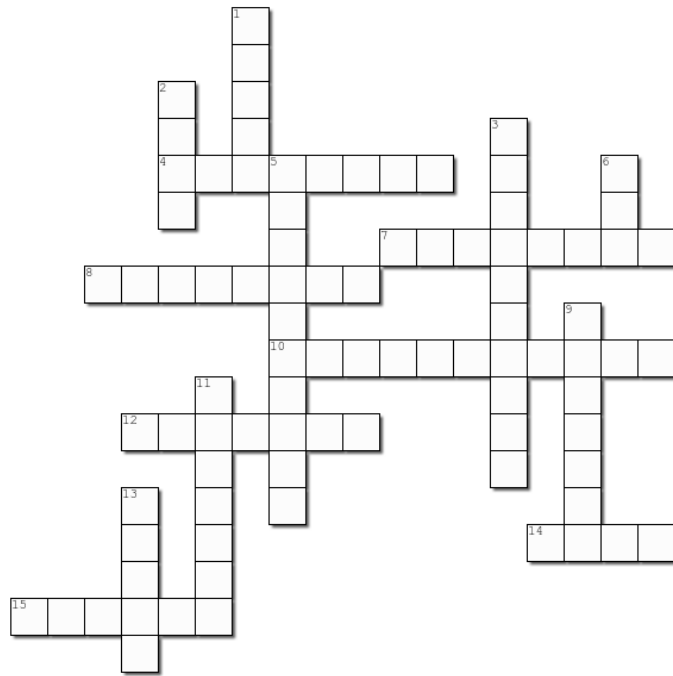
# Entertainment

## Across

- 4. A commercial operation; another word for company
- 7. A North American team game with an oval ball
- 8. A publication for one specific interest
- 10. The date on which an event took place in a previous year
- 12. A small, round, and flat sweet that has a crisp or chewy texture
- 14. Noteworthy information about current events
- 15. A game designed to test knowledge

## Down

- 1. A spot in a desert where water is found
- 2. A very young child
- 3. A picture made using a camera
- 5. The supply of water to land or crops to help growth
- 6. A nocturnal bird of prey
- 9. A substance used to provide immunity against a disease
- 11. An higher educational institution
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