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New Improved Vaccine POD Opens at Fairgrounds



Mayor Ken Tedford (center left) and County Commission Chairman Pete Olsen (center right) cut the ribbon surrounded by the many staff members who worked to make the POD possible.

Story and photos by Rachel Dahl

The second county vaccine Point of Delivery (POD), located at the south end of the Fairgrounds property and accessible from of Miners Road, provides more space and gives county staff the ability to vaccinate 300 people every hour.

Jim Barbee, County Manager said the City of Fallon and the county staff worked together to get all the gravel laid and brought in a temporary construction building, "so that staff can work in there as we move forward over the next several months of trying to work to get folks vaccinated here locally." A local contractor, Hoof Beats Gates and Corrals built the cover structure in 24 hours, said Barbee.

The preliminary location, a four-acre site located just south of Sheckler Road, was really limited in the ability to accommodate the amount of traffic that would back up onto the main roads, causing traffic issues.

"Realizing we had this property, we turned focus to it, graveling and putting in covers for the health staff to administer the vaccines. We've been working on this solid for about a month," said Barbee.

This new location is critical as it allows the ability to vaccinate a large number of people in a day as long as there are vaccines, without backing up traffic onto the state

highways that border the facility.

Barbee says the ability to vaccinate is critical. "As the age groups have been opened up, and now we are as open as you can get, ages 16 and above, we've had people coming from all surrounding counties. So we've serviced a lot of people from outside the community as well, but it has been largely the people from this community." To date he said the county has vaccinated 6,500 people, with about 500 of those from outside the community.

Response from people taking part in the PODs has been positive. The average wait time is 35 - 40 minutes with no appointment needed.

Barbee said several other communities have come to see what Churchill County has done. "It really has become a model for other communities."

He recognized the work done by the county staff from several different departments along with the City of Fallon staff who have all been responsive and willing to do whatever is necessary to serve the community. "It is all the staff, Shannon Ernst, the Roads Department, Jorge Guerrero with the Facilities and Grounds, it's been an all hands-on-deck deal and it's really paid off. The city too they've been right here with us the whole time."

Shannon Ernst is the director of the

Social Service Department and has been instrumental in the development and funding of the POD. "Having a site that we've been able to respond to the need in the community for testing and vaccinations has been amazing," she said. "This is very exciting; it is amazing to have a coordinated location where everyone can come. Our full health staff works here now so we are able to have more access, days and times for everyone."

In a community of 25,000 the 6,500 vaccinated represents only 26% of the population. With a large part of the community still not vaccinated, Ernst says, "It is a personal choice, you need to do your research but also really look at what are the impacts to the community around you and your loved ones. If you are being vaccinated, you're reducing that spread," she said. "Everyone keeps saying they want the mask restrictions to go away - so, do your part, get vaccinated."

She said it is the hope of county leadership that the more people who are vaccinated the sooner the community can open up. The goal of the POD staff is to vaccinate 1,200 people this week.

There will be a full day of vaccinations at the POD this Saturday, April 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 P.M.

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From the Publisher

Captain's Log - Swabbing the Decks...

So many things are going on...where to start today?? I've just been jotting down little tidbits all week in the notes on my phone when something funny or profound runs across the vista, but my brain is still back on the county commission meeting and the stories we need to get working on for next week.

It struck me this week how many times in the past year we've all written "due to COVID" in a story. Leanna says if she ever writes "according to ..." again, I should just end it all for her. I also notice "allegedly" quite often spilling out of my keyboard. The words that become a part of life.

Which leads me to "plank owner."

We had a Naval Veteran, sworn in at the base in Fallon by Captain Muncie, write us an "atta girl" the other day. He said he is a plank owner who has been with us since the beginning. I had never heard that term, so he explained: When a ship gets commissioned for the first time, all of those personnel who were assigned to the ship at commissioning are plank owners in perpetuity.

I feel like all of you who have been with us since the beginning back in January of 2019, contributing, reading, correcting our proofreading or lack thereof are the official "plank owners" of The Fallon Post. What we've all done together – and I say that because this little crew could not have made it without your support, is amazing to say the least. Our very own community paper.

A guy taught me another word this week, "enfeeblement" as in, "the enfeeblement of local papers is bad." We agree and we appreciate how much you all help us grow every week.

Please keep spreading the word. Make sure all your friends and family know about us. Buy a subscription for a friend for their birthday (thank you, Nancy, what a great idea), and we will be here...

...keeping you posted,
Rachel

Picture of the Week



*Mr. Manfred von Richthofen - AKA Red Barron
Submitted Travis John.*

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New Reno-Vegas Bus Route Will Stop in Fallon



File photo

By Leanna Lehman

Good news is in store for Nevadans that rely on bus transportation. Bus service to and from Reno has not been available in some years, but that has recently changed. To catch

a Greyhound bus anywhere - even to Las Vegas, required a drive to the Reno Amtrak station beforehand.

The Nevada State Department of Transportation (NDOT), in conjunction with private transit operator, Salt Lake Express, announced on March 12 they will provide bus services connecting Reno to Las Vegas. They will offer a daily round-trip route from Reno to Las Vegas, making several stops along the way.

According to NDOT, they aim to connect rural and urban areas in Nevada. They will be stopping in Fernley, Fallon, Hawthorne, Tonopah, Beatty, and Pahrump. The bus will pick up passengers from the Reno-Tahoe International Airport, the downtown Reno Amtrak station, and the Centennial Plaza bus terminal in Sparks. It will run to the McCarran International Airport and the Greyhound bus station in Las Vegas. In a recent press release, the Department stated, "With the goal of expanding regional intercity transit and increasing mobility, the routes were identified in part by public feedback provided during the development of NDOT's Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan. Nearly 70% of Nevadans polled cited

such intercity transit connecting Nevada's rural areas to services in larger urban and metropolitan cities as a top transit priority."

NDOT also reported that in addition to the benefits of added critical transportation, "Public transit use eliminates an estimated 450 million gallons of gasoline annually in the U.S., reducing related environmental pollution. For every \$10 million in transit investment, business sales increase an average of \$30 million."

Funding for the expanded bus service comes in part from nearly \$10 million received by NDOT from the Federal Transit Administration Funds. The funds support rural public transit to keep Nevada residents connected to everything from employment and recreation to medical services.

NDOT and Salt Lake Express will also offer additional routes between Elko and Salt Lake City, Utah, and Twin Falls, Idaho. NDOT anticipates as many as 18,250 trips in the first year. Salt Lake Express currently operates routes through Utah, Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming, and Montana while also connecting with carriers across the United States. Ticket pricing and reservations are available at SaltLakeExpress.com or by calling 800-356-9796

A Record Number of Blazes Strike Churchill County



Fire crews respond to Fisher Place on Saturday.

Story and photo by Leanna Lehman

Fallon-Churchill Fire Department (FCFD) and NAS Fallon (NASF) Fed Fire crews responded to a record number of fires this month. According to Fire Chief Jared Dooley, crews worked 25 fires in the Lahontan Valley between March 31 and April 7.

Over the last eight days, Fallon's firefighters put in 600 man-hours. Dooley reported the fires caused over \$95,000 in property damage to structures, cars, and trailers. No pets or livestock injuries were reported.

However, one life was tragically lost during a controlled burn that blazed out of control. Aptly stated in a Facebook message to the community, "Some losses cannot be measured."

According to Dooley, "Nearly all of the fire calls were the result of out-of-control 'control burns.'" Control burns are prescribed fires set intentionally for various purposes, including weed elimination around homes, ditches, fields, and fences. They also include burning piles of leaves, limbs, wood, and detritus and "burning stubble," which refers to burning the remaining vegetation stubble from a previous crop season before planting a new crop.

Nevada, notorious for its wind and quickly changing weather patterns, is often a factor when fires get out of control. "Check the weather before and after burning," Dooley said. He recommends rethinking your burn plans if the wind is blowing over ten mph. "If you walk outside and have to ask yourself if it is too windy - it is." Fires can go into hibernation and continue to burn long after a fire appears to be out. "It can smolder for days," he stated.

The Department suggests anyone burning to exercise extreme caution and follow some simple fire safety rules.

- Report your burn to Sheriff's office at 775-423-3611. All control burns must be called in prior to burning.
- Never leave your fire unattended - ever.

- Have a shovel handy
- Have an available water supply

Make sure your fire is extinguished fully - when putting out your fire, use far more water than you think is necessary. Treat it like a campfire and make sure it is cool to the touch before walking away.

Additionally, Dooley reminds residents that it is illegal to burn standing vegetation unless you are in an agricultural area. Weeds and other growth must be chopped and raked into a pile before being burned. Burning trash or other debris outside of a burn barrel is prohibited, and no open burning is allowed within the city limits.

Fortunately, Fallon is home to NASF Fed Fire, who routinely assists the Volunteer Fire Department with fires and other emergencies. "We are the only fire suppression within 500 square miles," Dooley said. "We have a long-standing mutual assistance agreement with Fed Fire, they are huge help to our department."

As spring comes upon us and the time for yard and clean-up approaches, fires are sure to follow. The Fire Department urges all residents to exercise caution, follow all burning guidelines, and remember that embers can burn long after a fire appears to be out. "We would like to ask all of our community to do your best to help keep the numbers of fires down," writes Dooley. "Most fires we are called out on could have been prevented if some steps were taken both prior to and during the fires."

Obituaries

Bruce K. Kent



On April 1, 2021 **Bruce K. Kent** unexpectedly passed away at his home in Stillwater, Nevada. He was born on May 26, 1945, and was raised and graduated in Fallon, Nevada. He attended one year of college at UNR and enlisted in the Army where he was stationed at Ft. Leonard.

On February 5, 1966 Bruce married the love of his life Jamie Bray. In their 55 years of marriage, they raised two daughters Staley and Tami on their family ranch. He was a cattle rancher and an avid hunter all his life. He especially loved chucker hunting with his many dogs.

Bruce is survived by his wife Jamie Kent, daughters Staley Kent and Tami Schultz (Damian); grandchildren, Tyler and Skyler Word and Eberle Schultz. He is preceded in death by his parents Nina and Hammy Kent and brother Gary Kent.

Services will be held at The Gardens Funeral Home, Saturday, April 10 at 11:00 A.M.

Interment to follow at Churchill County Cemetery. A Gathering for family and friends will be held back at The Gardens. (Parking in field next to Funeral Home).

Donations may be made in memory of Bruce to Churchill County 4-H, 111 Sheckler Road or the Churchill Volunteer Fire Dept, 20 N Carson St. Fallon, NV 89406.

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

Paige Palludan Fussell



Paige Palludan Fussell, went home to be with her Lord and Savior after a long fight with cancer on March 26, 2021.

Paige was born August 20, 1963 and was the oldest daughter of Chris and Glenna Palludan of Fallon, Nevada.

Paige worked at Speigels in Reno after graduating from Career College of Northern Nevada. After Speigels closed, she worked for Washoe County School District.

Paige was preceded in death by her dad, Chris Palludan and her brother, Kelly Palludan.

Paige leaves behind her husband, Ben Fussell of Reno; son, Fritz Fussell of Reno; son, John Hunt of Los Angeles; Her mother, Glenna Palludan of Fallon; and sister, Pam Anderson of Reno.

We will miss her dry sense of humor and her lovely face.

Due to covid, a public graveside service will be held at the Churchill County Cemetery in Fallon on Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 1:00 pm.

Arrangements are under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Home in Fallon, 775-423-2255.

Florence Geraldine (Jeri) Hooper-Boschi



Jeri Hooper-Boschi passed away at the age of 91, in Patterson CA. Born in San Francisco, CA to Joseph and Virginia Muratore, Jeri was "born to be a cowgirl" and spent most of her life riding and showing horses. Jeri's passion for horses turned into a career when she met and married Al Hooper. She and Al raised National Champion paint horses in Fallon, NV for 30 plus years, until Al's passing in 1996. Jeri loved all animals and had a special bond with her dogs.

She was blessed to find her beloved Julius and they married in 1997. They also shared a love of horses and they enjoyed watching team roping, brandings and spending time with both of their families.

She is preceded in death by her husband Julius Boschi whom she loved greatly and couldn't wait to hold his hand once again. Jeri is also preceded in death by her brother Charles and sister Walleen.

Jeri leaves behind her loving family including her son Don Thomas, daughter Suzy (Butch) Quillen, step children Jeanie (Lester) Nalls, Sandy Boschi, John (Judy) Boschi, Jim (Beatriz) Boschi, Sharon (Joe) Chipponeri, brothers David (Jeanie) Muratore and Walter Grondona, grandchildren Machele (David) Howard, Keith (Marji) Thomas, Marlea (Chris) McAllister, Jason (Mary) Thomas, and Jennifer (Woody) Worthington, Leslie Nalls, and Kenny Nalls, and 12 great grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

She will be very missed by her family and friends.

A celebration of life will be held at the Masonic Lodge on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 12 noon. 650 N. 6th Street, Patterson, CA.

Molly Fuhrman Smith



Molly Fuhrman Smith, a long time Fallon resident went to be with the Lord at her home surrounded by loved ones and loved friends on March 30, 2021. Molly was born in Lodi, California on July 2, 1927, to Samuel and Gladys Fuhrman. She, her husband and children moved to Fallon in 1965.

Molly worked as Assistant Manager at the Churchill County Assessors Office for 17 years. After her retirement, she and her husband Bob started a chapter of Full Gospel Businessmen. They traveled around the western states to attend other chapter meetings until Bob's passing in 2001. After that she became really involved in her church, the Christian Life Center. Molly had lots of friends from her Christian life and her many years in Fallon. She love meeting with her friends for lunches and playing cards.

Molly is preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Robert E. Smith, Sr., her parents, sister Beverly Berg, and brothers, Albert Fuhrman and Samuel Fuhrman, grandson Todd Smith and granddaughter Shasta Kelley.

Molly is survived by her sons Robert E. (Debbie) Smith Jr., Gerald (Sandy) Smith, daughter, Kelli Kelley, sister Dorothy Vlavianos, Stockton, California, sister-in-law, Evelyn Smith, Eureka, California, grandchildren, Merria (Kevin) Cahalan, Wes Smith, Marcia (Jeremy) Evans, Jessica (James) Walker, Miles Kelley, 8 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Molly's life will be held Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 1:00 PM at the Gardens Funeral Homes. Arrangements are under the direction of the Gardens Funeral Home at 2949 Austin Highway, Fallon, NV 90406. 775-423-8928. A potluck at the Gardens directly following the service.

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Blossoms on Maine Street. Leanna Lehman/The Fallon Post.

Task Force Seizes Over \$800K in Drugs Last Year in Churchill



File photo

By Leanna Lehman

The North Central Narcotic Task Force met recently regarding operations within Churchill County. The Task Force, a grant-funded joint law-enforcement operation, includes officers on loan from the Fallon Police Department, deputies from the Churchill County Sheriff's Office, and investigators from the Department of Public Service. The primary focus of the Task Force is narcotics enforcement and protecting local citizens against drug-related crime.

According to the program supervisor and former DEA agent, who cannot be named, drug activity lulled slightly during the onset of the COVID pandemic but spiked later in the year. "It didn't slow them down much," stated the Task Force supervisor, "although, we did see a spike in the amount of available product after the restrictions were lifted." The growth continues and appears to be three-fold; more substantial quantities of narcotics are moving into the community, more types of drugs are in play, and more people are now involved in the drug scene.

Since the 1980s, Fallon's number one drug of choice remains methamphetamines. However, meth manufacturing in the area remains nominal. Since the 2006 Food & Drug Administration restriction on bulk sales of ephedrine, the primary ingredient in meth, it has become costly and more difficult to obtain. As such, small-scale production has become too expensive and risky for most. Some "one-pot" operations still exist, in which a small batch of the drug is cooked primarily for personal use.

In addition to the ongoing battle against methamphetamines, the Task Force reports

more prescription drugs are on the street. These are usually sold for cash by individuals with valid prescriptions either don't need the extra medication or need the money the pills can bring. These typically include narcotic pain medications and anxiety benzodiazepines like Xanax and Valium. Despite the crackdown on doctors overprescribing, these drugs are still readily available on the street.

Also problematic is the arrival of Fentanyl into the county. Fentanyl is a concentrated opioid-based medication used for pain and anesthesia. Small amounts of Fentanyl have hit Fallon's streets, most often in the form of a patch. The narcotic offers a rapid release with effects that usually last under two hours. It can also be used as an injectable liquid, nasal spray, a pill, or absorbed through the cheek through a lozenge or tablet. In some areas, the drug is mixed with heroin or cocaine and can have devastating effects. Fortunately, according to the Task Force, it is too expensive of a narcotic for most local users. Many of those who cannot afford the costly Fentanyl high turn to black-market heroin – a much cheaper option that can be administered in various ways, including smoking, injecting (mainlining) or snorting.

Over the last year, there has been an uptick in younger users/dealers interacting with Task Force officers. As students begin to return to campus and restrictions lessen, more drug activity is taking place. In addition to marijuana use, younger people are using meth, cocaine, and prescription medications. One dangerous example is Pharming (a reference to pharming parties), which involves tossing random pills into a bowl for ingesting. These drugs are usually obtained through parents' and grandparents' medicine cabinets and could include anything from oxycontin to Grandma's blood pressure pills. The goal is intoxication, but this Russian Roulette-style party game has far more significant risks than party-goers realize and can have devastating results – including death.

A costly consequence of drug use is that it often leads to crime. "More selling equals more using," said the Task Force supervisor. "With it comes more ancillary crimes." The majority of property and theft crimes are connected in some way to illicit narcotics. Users are trying to find money to buy drugs, even if that means stealing. Violent crimes are often also a result of drug use. Domestic violence crimes, which appear to be increasing in number, are also usually connected to drugs or alcohol. The drug-crime connection is not always obvious. Many people are unaware that most felony offenses committed in the U.S. are related to drugs in some way (using, buying, selling, trafficking, manufacturing) even if drugs were not involved in the crime's actual commission.

Also, the Task Force has assisted other jurisdictions in apprehending both drugs and drug dealers. Last year, during a stolen property case, the Task Force assisted Dayton law enforcement in seizing a pound of methamphetamines and several firearms from Jessie Gilbert, who has several connections in Churchill County. According to the Task Force, that was a small amount for the suspect to have on hand. He is currently awaiting sentencing. In another case, they assisted in the apprehension of an escaped jail inmate in Mineral County. They also took part in arresting Lucas Brady, an ex-felon in possession of a firearm with an "obliterated" serial number on the weapon that he was illegally possessing.

There appears to be nominal meth manufacturing within the county. Approximately 99% of drugs coming into the Lahontan Valley are trafficked from Reno (primarily) and Las Vegas. Fortunately, Reno is not considered a hub for illegal narcotics like Las Vegas.

Over the last year, the Task Force has made 119 arrests, with 95 of those narcotics-related. They seized \$2,200 in cash, three firearms (handguns and rifles), seven other weapons like tasers/ electronic stun gun devices, and brass knuckles. They also recovered three stolen vehicles and seized \$800,000 (street value) worth of controlled substances. With the ability to work from every direction and utilize federal partners for investigations, the Task Force is bearing down on both the higher-level dealers and average users by virtue of their presence.

"We are surprised we are seeing more gun activity – and it is making its way out here," said the Task Force supervisor, "Because we have made such an impact on the drug community, no one trusts anyone else. That means more guns."

The Task Force is continuing work in the community and remains Fallon's number one weapon against drug crimes – of any size. "We are out here," states the Task Force Supervisor. "And we appreciate the community buy-in the need for narcotics enforcement."

Fallon officials, including New River Township Justice Court Judge Benjamin Trotter, who also served as Churchill County Sheriff for eight years, supports the Task Force and efforts to keep drugs off the streets. "I have noted that the members of the current narcotics Task Force are as active as I have ever seen in my 26 years of interacting with the Task Force," said Judge Trotter. "One of the best changes I am noting is that they are focusing their work in our community. Our neighborhoods and streets will benefit from their efforts."

There is no doubt that the Task Force is proving itself a veritable force to be dealt with.

City Council Updates Building and Fire Codes

By Viviane Ugalde

This week city council met on April 5. Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee was present instead of Chief of Staff Robert Erquiaga during his absence.

On the agenda, the council held public hearings for Bills 787 and 788.

Bill No. 787 is an ordinance amending Title 17, Buildings and Construction Codes Chapter 17.04, Adopted Building and Construction Codes of the City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2018 edition of the International Building Code, Residential Code, Fuel Gas Code, Mechanical Code, International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, International Energy Conservation Code, National Electric Code, and the 2018 Northern Nevada Amendments published by the Northern Nevada Chapter of the International Code Council.

City Engineer Derek Zimney gave the background of the bill, and mentioned it was introduced by the council in the previous meeting.

Councilwoman Kent asked if the county and Fernley use the same code as the city.

Zimney said yes.

Councilwoman Frost asked how often the codes change and update.

Zimney said he anticipated the codes would update again in a couple of years, but it depends on the hold up in legislation, building department, and other areas that choose the codes.

Councilwoman Kent asked if this updated code went into effect immediately.

Zimney said most contractors and workers are already using the updated codes because of the county regulations, but if they were not, all workers would have a 30-day grace period to move to the new code.

Councilwoman Frost asked if the updated code would help the ISO rating.

Zimney said the ISO rating is not used for building codes, but to maintain the code rating they have for building codes, the city should update their rating frequently.

Councilwoman Frost mentioned a better rating also kept insurance rates down for citizens.

Councilman Richardson asked if these updates help with energy efficiency.

Zimney said yes.

Councilwoman Kent moved to approve the bill, Councilwoman Frost seconded the motion, and the bill passed unanimously.

Bill No. 788 is an ordinance amending Title 16, Fire Prevention and Protection, Chapter 16.04, Fire Codes, Section 16.04.020, Adopted Fire Codes, of the City of Fallon Municipal Code, and adopting the 2018 edition of the International Fire Code.

City Engineer Zimney gave background of the bill, and mentioned it was introduced by the council in the previous meeting also.

Councilman Richardson moved to approve the bill, Councilwoman Frost seconded the motion, and the bill passed unanimously.

There was no other staff or council reports and no executive session 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, April 19, 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.

Commissioners Hear Master Plan Update

By Rachel Dahl

Churchill County Commissioners heard a presentation last week from Associate Planner Dean Patterson on the results of the Planning Department's work over the past year-and-a-half to revise the County Master Plan. They also set a public hearing on the proposed Master Plan update for April 21, at 1:15 p.m.

Patterson said the oldest Master Plan at the county was done in 1990 and is continually updated every five years or so. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, the Planning Department is required to hold several opportunities for public input into the plan update. Planning Commissioners held a variety of public workshops beginning in late 2019, inviting impacted stakeholders who could address specific issues by chapter.

Although there were several delays due to COVID, the Planning Commission approved the updated plan in March and forwarded it on to the County Commission for a public hearing and their approval. Changes were made to several sections, said Patterson, including the addition of an Introduction, a change in the way appendices are listed, updated language and content in several sections.

Chapter one addressed population and housing with the shortages projected as Fallon Naval Air Station continues to add 1,000 personnel by 2024. Patterson said the vacancy rate is one of the indicators of interest, being right at 8% before the recession and is now less than 4%.

Chapter two addressed education, showing a general decline in student enrollment, with private school enrollment over the past five years increasing. The data also showed a serious need to

address childcare needs.

Conservation and Natural Resources are addressed in Chapter three, with sections on renewable energy, agriculture, mineral exploration, and water. It is this chapter that re-introduces the consistent use of the "Oasis of Nevada" and the special features to promote the community, weaving that theme throughout the document. He also said there are over 60 square miles of irrigated acres of agriculture in the valley, and Chapter six of the Master Plan focuses specifically on protecting agriculture, the Navy and economic development.

According to Patterson, the focus on protecting agriculture and the NAS Fallon installation is paramount. During the past year, through COVID as well as during the recession, agriculture continued to be recession resistant, providing a steady economic base for the community.

Other chapters include a focus on hazards and mitigation, historic preservation, recreation, transportation, and public services and facilities. Addressing the 2019 utilities plan, law enforcement, and the sewer and water systems, Patterson said this section was important because the goals and policies around infrastructure drive much of the rest of the plan along with land development decisions.

Wrapping up with open space, land use, and a policy plan for public lands – important because of federal law that requires Federal Land planning decisions be consistent with local plans - Patterson said Jeremy Drew with Resource Concepts Inc. will now work to update the 2010 Public Lands Plan.

Commissioners set the public hearing for

April 21 which will give community members the opportunity to make comment and submit possible changes to the proposed update before the final approval by commissioners.

In other business, commissioners approved the priorities and funding requests for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program this year. Shannon Ernst, director of Social Services presented information on two projects, one that would provide for a direct allocation of \$91,898 from the CDBG program to be used with a match for a generator for the Rafter 3C Civic Center building. The second request falls under Round three of the CDBG program this year and would be a \$672,335 request to pay for the HVAC system for the Civic Center. "Our goal is to have a place that can be used for sheltering in case of another public health emergency," said Ernst. This request will go to the public hearing on April 21, during which time a two-week public comment period will begin. If commissioners approve the request at the public hearing, the request will be forward to the governor's office for possible funding.

County Manager Jim Barbee reported that he and several county managers are working on language to address the potential legislation regarding innovation zones that would allow technology companies to create their own communities. He is also working on testimony to address potential legislation that would do away with certain tax abatements for geothermal companies, allowing for geothermal taxes to go to the local counties where the facility is located. Currently geothermal companies can apply for tax abatements that cost local communities and school districts millions of dollars in revenue.

Legislature Update – Emergence and Electrification



File photo

By Jo Petteruti

On March 12, 2020, Governor Sisolak issued a Declaration of Emergency due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus identified by the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) and the DHHS (Department of Health and Human Services). The Governor has broad emergency powers during a state of emergency as provided by Chapter 414 of the NRS (Nevada Revised Statutes). Republican Assemblywoman Annie Black is sponsoring ACR 2 (Assembly Concurrent Resolution) that seeks to terminate that declaration in an effort to have Nevada emerge from emergency status.

An emergency is defined as an occurrence, threatened or actual, that requires the assistance of state and federal agencies to save lives, protect property and protect the health and safety of all persons in the state. The emergency, whether originally declared by the Governor or Legislature, can only be terminated by proclamation from the Governor or by a resolution adopted by the Legislature, which has decided that it's time for emergence.

In other Legislative news, Democratic Assemblywoman Lesley Cohen is sponsoring AB380 (Assembly Bill) to modify NRS Chapter 704, the regulations governing Public Utilities and their general practice. As many are aware, there is a huge push toward renewable energy, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reductions, not just here but nationwide as well. For Nevada, the current energy efficiency targets are to achieve reductions in greenhouse gas emissions by 28 percent by the year 2025 and 45 percent by the year 2030. To this end, the proposals in AB380 seek to reduce uses of “combustible fuels” which is being defined as coal, methane, natural gas, oil, kerosene, propane, hydrogen, wood or any other fossil fuel. This one section could eventually eliminate gas as source for certain appliances (gas-fired

stoves, water heaters, clothes dryers, fireplaces, etc.) to meet current energy efficiency regulations.

AB380 will also repeal provisions currently authorizing a public natural gas utility to expand its infrastructure under certain conditions. Existing law requires a natural gas utility file an annual report with the PUC (Public Utilities Commission) of Nevada describing their anticipated demand for natural gas, the estimated cost and sources of acquisition, as well as operational and capital requirements to supply natural gas to justify said expansion plans. This bill updates that requirement such that natural gas utilities will have to submit an ISAP (Infrastructure, Supply and Alternatives Plan) instead, the first version being due not later than May 1, 2023 and revisions every 3 years thereafter. It will also require that all expenses incurred by the utility company developing these plans be recovered through an increase in the rates charged to its customers – that will be a hit to the consumer's pocket. Multiple alternative ISAPs can be submitted, including one that employs a no-action strategy where proposed investments and activities are not made or conducted, and a secondary plan that does implement an energy efficiency strategy. A cost-basis analysis will be required for any strategy put forth – even for the no-action version. Pay if you do, and pay if you don't...

How to Contact Legislators and Testify During a Closed Legislature

How to Contact Legislators and Testify During a Closed Legislature

By Rachel Dahl

Janine Hansen, director of the Nevada Families for Freedom recently spoke at the monthly meeting of the Churchill Republican Women. She spoke on several issues pending or expected to be introduced during the 81st Nevada Legislative session.

Hansen has been involved in Nevada politics for most of her life and is a registered lobbyist. She encourages citizens to become involved in the legislative process and says officially voicing opinion by writing letters, calling representatives, and testifying during committee meetings is the most effective way to affect change.

That process is complicated this year, due to COVID the legislature building is closed to the public and committee hearings are being held virtually. Hansen provided detailed instructions that people can use to voice their concerns and participate in the legislative process.

The State of Nevada Legislature website is located at www.leg.state.nv.us and Hansen says the first step is to know the bill number of the legislation and use that to find the committee and the meeting time. At the home

page, click on “Scheduled Meetings” on the right-hand side of the top blue bar and scroll down to the specific committee and click on that.

There will be a box on the right “participate” that will bring up a box with another “participate” button. That will take the user to the registration screen which will then go to the option to offer comment on a specific “agenda item” or “public comment.” All testimony is being limited strictly to two minutes, so Hansen recommends preparing remarks carefully. After selecting the rest of the choices, click on the “I’m not a robot” and follow the instructions before clicking “Submit.”

An email will then be sent confirming participation and give a number to call and the meeting ID which will be required to enter. When the meeting starts there will most likely be several items on the agenda and Hansen recommends being on the call at the beginning of the meeting because the order of the items is often changed. Listen for instructions and when your turn comes, press *6 to unmute, give your name and spell it and then speak for the two-minute testimony time.

The help line is 775-684-1300 or email helpdesk@lcb.state.nv.us

TCID Adjusts Allocation in Light of Forecasts

By Rachel Dahl

The Truckee-Carson Board of Directors met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 6 to discuss the current water allocation for the year and other regular business.

Currently the board is projecting an 85% year on the Carson Division and a 93% year in the Truckee Division. This means that water users will only be delivered 85 or 93 percent, respectively, of their current water rights.

General Manager Rusty Jardine said that the Carson Lake Pasture is now officially property of the State of Nevada, "after all these years." The transfer was authorized by Public Law 101-618 in 1990 but the details and actual transfer has taken the past 30 years to be implemented. The district will continue to manage grazing on the pasture for the benefit of the Newlands Project water right holders.

TCID meets the first Tuesday following the first Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. at the district headquarters, 2666 Harrigan Road.

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**Newlands Project
Water Levels**
Measurements taken April 8 at 1:00 p.m.

**Lahontan Reservoir
129,800 af**

**Truckee Canal at Hazen
360 cfs**

**Truckee Canal at Wadsworth
364 cfs**

**Carson River Below Lahontan
492 cfs**

**Carson River at Ft. Churchill
116 cfs**

April 8 Water Storage
2021 : 129, 930 acre feet
2020 : 196, 626 acre feet
2019 : 208, 121 acre feet

cfs - Cubic Feet per Second
af - Acre Feet

Pinwheels for Prevention Raise Awareness of Child Abuse

By Jo Petteruti

On Friday, April 2, Mayor Ken Tedford, Commission Chairman Pete Olsen and other dedicated community leaders and members gathered at Millennium Park for the joint proclamation between the County of Churchill and the City of Fallon, declaring this month as Child Abuse Awareness month for Fallon. The proclamation was presented to Brooke Shyne, project director for Fallon's Pinwheel program and a member of Churchill County's Social Services department.

Sheriff Richard Hickox addressed the gathering to share his thoughts on this topic and stress the importance of speaking up, as that one action could start an investigation that saves a child. He told the group, "It is my distinct honor to lead the men and women of the Churchill County Sheriff's Office as we stand shoulder to shoulder with so many other agencies working to bring awareness to a devastating crime but more importantly to a person. That person is the victim, the child that has had their world broken and trust destroyed." The battle against child

abuse is and must be an entire community effort. The effort starts with the person who has the courage to speak up when they see or suspect something is wrong. Be that person who notices the bruises or the scared look in the child's eyes and has the courage to call in. "Then it is up to our law enforcement officials, prosecutors, Department of Child and Family Services (DCFS) and other agencies to put every effort into investigating to get the child the help they need, and to get their abuser to answer for their abusive actions."

The Churchill County Sheriff's Office works with the local DCFS, District Attorneys and other area agencies as well as with the Washoe County Crimes against Children Center and Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) whose sole purpose is to identify abusers and help children out of abusive situations.

Shannon Ernst, director of Social Services, said the focus of the annual Pinwheels program is to build awareness of child abuse and prevention and thanked the community for their support. "During 2020, there were 332 reported child abuse cases in Churchill

County. That is down from just under 500 in 2019," said Ernst. "However, going into 2021 we are seeing even more cases"

Sue Sevon, Court administrator for the Tenth Judicial District Court provided statistics from the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program. She told the group that, at present, 11 child abuse cases are assigned to the program. CASA is comprised of nine Special Advocate volunteers currently serving 19 children. Sevon said, "Within the past year, CASA volunteers have assisted stakeholders in achieving permanency outcomes for 20 children. Of those, 13 children were reunified with their parent(s), 2 children were adopted, 2 children were placed under a guardianship with family members, and 3 children who turned 18, two of which elected to undergo Court Jurisdiction." She also told the group that in 2017, CASA began using a case management system called Optima and since then it has handled 55 cases serving 88 children. The need is obvious, and these groups have the services and abilities to help. So, reach out and be brave on behalf of an abused or neglected child.

Identify, Understand, Respond: Mental Health First Aid Course Offered



File photo

By Leanna Lehman

With Mental Health Month rapidly approaching in May, it's an excellent time to look at mental health and how it impacts our lives, our friends, our families and others.

You might be surprised to learn that an average of 123 suicides are committed every day in America and are on the rise. Suicide is now the 10th leading cause of death in the U.S.; there were 47,511 suicide deaths in 2019, and there were an estimated 1.38 million attempts during the same year. It is estimated that 10.3 million Americans harbored serious suicidal thoughts last year – a 450,000 increase over the previous year. And these numbers only reflect reported data.

Over 191 individuals will also die from a drug overdose in a single day, according to the National Institute of Drug Abuse. Suicides and substance abuse are serious outcomes from mental illness, and they should not be ignored. An estimated one in five people (approximately 45 million Americans) now live with mental illness.

Despite these alarming statistics, there are resources for those living with mental illness and for those who may need to help someone with mental health issues.

One such course is Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training. With over a million people already trained, the course offers information on assessing the risk for suicide or harm, learning the common signs and symptoms of mental illness and substance abuse, how to interact and connect with a person in crisis, how to administer naloxone in the event of an opioid overdose, and much more. This training helps employers, first responders, faith leaders, teachers and anyone who may come in contact with someone struggling with mental illness.

"Most of us would know how to help if we saw someone having a heart attack—we'd start CPR, or at the very least, call 9-1-1," writes MHFA, "But too few of us would know how to respond if we saw someone having a panic attack or if we were concerned that a friend or co-worker might be showing signs of alcoholism."

The Mental Health First Aid course makes it easier to start conversations about mental health and substance abuse through improving understanding and providing action steps. MHFA teaches people to "safely and responsibly identify and address a potential mental illness or substance abuse disorder (SAD)."

Churchill County	As of Mar. 25th	As of Apr. 1st	As of Apr. 8th
Active Positive Cases	*15	9	15
Tests Administered Since March	22,775	22,792	23,245
Currently Hospitalized	1	1	2
Total Deaths	49	49	49
Total Positive Cases Since March	1,953	1,954	1,981
Asymptomatic Positives Since March	*129	*132	132
Vaccines Administered (1st and 2nd doses)	1,119	9,606	10,338
Positivity Rate	3.0%	2.5%	4.4%

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All three vaccines are available, with Pfizer for the 16- and 17-year-olds, and Moderna and Johnson & Johnson available for everyone else. Ernst says the Pfizer vaccine will expire Sunday morning, so if it is still available in the afternoon, that will be given to the general population.



The Churchill County POD can handle 300 people per hour. Rachel Dahl/The Fallon Post

Mayor Ken Tedford and Chairman Pete Olsen attended the event, cutting the ribbon. Olsen said, "I got to cut the ribbon, but we have the best staff, they live here, they care about our community and they do an amazing job."

Mayor Tedford gave the credit to the county, saying, "Shannon and Jim and their staff deserve all the credit. They've done a massive job, and we helped, we are glad to pitch in, but really this is an awesome set up and the best of any rural community you can find." He said this vaccine saves lives and will help get us back to normal. "I respect the people who don't want to have the vaccine. We respect different views on a lot of things in life, but I'm certainly happy when people get the vaccines so we can get back to normal, the sooner the better."

Meet Teff – The Firecracker Grain



Kristy Hoffman, Bob Moore (Red Mill owner) and John and Myles Getto at the Oregon facility.

Story and photos by Jo Petteruti

Teff, an ancient super-fine grain that has origins in Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa, is a tiny but powerful firecracker. Each grain is only about the size of a poppy seed but explodes with nutrition and goodness. Gluten-free, cholesterol-free, high in fiber and protein, this super-duper grain is also kosher friendly and tasty – and farmed locally by Desert Oasis Teff and Grain.

John Getto and partner Dave Eckert developed specialized processes to harvest the tiny grains in 2009. They bought machinery originally built for corn and wheat, then had to customize it all for the fine teff seeds. Getto said, “You can buy a combine to separate the seeds from the straw, but then you have to change everything inside it for teff because the seeds are as tiny as grains of sand - it's the smallest grain in the world.”

Getto's son Myles Getto is also heavily involved in the business, doing most of the planning and all of the harvesting. As a rotation crop, teff does very well. John said it performs “better than anything else in the valley and can rotate with hay year over year.” Teff needs less fertilizer and only five irrigations per season compared to corn that requires eight. Less water and fertilizer reduces the growing costs, making it a more profitable crop. Only one teff crop per year is grown – it's planted in June and harvested in September – reducing field equipment use to one harvest and allowing for a subsequent rotation into hay. Myles went on to explain that by comparison, alfalfa has to rotate out every five years, requires more water and multiple harvests. He said, “The science behind the 5-year rotation is that alfalfa keeps producing nitrogen as it grows. After five years, there is too much nitrogen in the soil so the alfalfa has to be rotated out to bring the soil back to normal levels. Teff reduces excess nitrogen in the soil, bringing it back in balance.” Grow-

ing teff also requires a different mindset for farmers. First it has to be watered and raised, then stressed out (no water) to produce the seed, then it needs more water to fill the seed out. It's a completely different aspect of growing and harvesting. It's also a very slow process to separate the grains from the debris as the screens used are extremely fine. “Everything with teff is very slow,” John said

The biggest issue for teff now is the lack of available ground; its biggest competitors are corn (forage) and housing. In 2016, Desert Oasis had 200 acres in teff and one customer, Bob's Red Mill in Oregon, currently their largest customer. This season they need 1,500 to 1,600 acres for a customer base that has grown to 10, including a new German company. The shortage of ground is also the

result of a housing boom eating into available farmland, forcing the company to look at farm locations in Yerington and Lovelock (neither of which have suitable water allocations for 2021), Gerlach, Fish Lake Valley and Eureka. Desert Oasis does all of the planting, harvesting, swathing, trucking, processing and storing of grains grown at the other farm locations. Jay Davison, a retired UNR Crop Specialist who brought teff to the valley in 2004, will be their field inspector this year. He will ensure that farms are using water and fertilizing correctly, consult with the farmers and inspect the farms weekly.

Numerous federal regulations govern the sale of a public consumption product, making Desert Oasis subject to federal standards and third-party food safety audits. Anyone entering the facility must sign in, the doors are always locked, activity logs are kept for everything, operating procedures are standardized and fully documented, all to meet the federal food safety requirements.

John said, “We were just farmers before, now there's a ton of paperwork.” And, they are selling grains by the ton instead of selling tonnage, which requires assigning lot numbers to every grain shipment. “All grain coming in is logged, all grain going out is logged, all purchases, repairs, equipment cleanings after each load, metal detectors and magnets used, everything get logged,” John said, then joked, “and we can't have outhouses in the fields anymore.”

Kristy Hoffman, the company secretary, keeps track of everything and both John and Myles emphasized how important she is to their operation. “Couldn't do it without her,” they both said. Two other workers are also employed by Desert Oasis, one who works at the facility and one who helps in the fields.



Desert Oasis Teff and Grain processing equipment.

Organizations

Local Jiffy Lube Scholarship Deadline Approaching

Submitted by Jiffy Lube

The Jiffy Lube “What Drives You?” Scholarship Program Offers 3 Scholarships to Teen Drivers in the Northern Nevada area

The “What Drives You?” Scholarship program, funded by Reno, Sparks, Carson City, Fallon and Minden area Jiffy Lube franchise group Griffin Fast Lube, LLC, is still accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year. Jiffy Lube has extended the scholarship deadline to Monday, April 12th to give students more time to apply, at a time when FAFSA and other scholarship deadlines have already passed and are being awarded. The deadline is fast approaching, so interested students

should apply as soon as possible.

The “What Drives You?” Scholarship program is open to all high school students in the Northern Nevada area.

Jiffy Lube’s local owners understand how important it is for communities to come together during this unique time in education and have added an additional \$1,500 scholarship award as an added incentive and support for students.

Students are asked to submit a 500-word essay detailing what drives them now, as an opportunity to express their inner drive and ambitions. Three finalists will be selected based on their essay submission. Each finalist will be guaranteed a \$1,500 award and then

will create and submit a unique 1-2-minute video that expands on their essay in their own candid words, visuals, etc. The overall \$3,500 scholarship winner will be chosen from these videos.

The scholarships are open to all students currently enrolled in high school regardless of test scores or grades.

Scholarship money will go directly towards secondary education, in the form of college or other qualified technical or professional program chosen by each winning student.

For more information and to apply directly online, visit www.yourturn2apply.com. Applications are due by Monday, April 12th.

Pioneer Crossing Brings an Imagination Library to Churchill County



By Ashley Cabrera

United Way of Northern Nevada and the Sierra (UWNNS) received a donation from Pioneer Crossing Casinos that will provide one hundred spots for children from birth to four years of age, living in Carson City, Douglas County, Lyon County, and Churchill

County, to receive free books mailed monthly. The monthly books are part of a program that is a partnership between UWNNS and Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library. Bringing this program to strategic areas in northern Nevada will help serve under-served zip code areas and counties. A waiting list will be formed as capacity is reached due to funding availability. As children reach the age of five and graduate from the program, additional enrollment spots will become available to other children under the age of four. “Access to books is critical in our early literacy initiatives, especially for households that don’t have easy access or the financial means to build their child’s home library,” said Michael Brazier, CEO and President of UWNNS. “It is through the generous support of key donors like Pioneer Crossing Casinos that we are able to bring this program to these communities.” Parents or guardians can complete a

registration form online at www.uwnns.org/DPIL. “Pioneer Crossing Casinos are proud to be able to sponsor the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program for young children without access to the books they deserve, in Carson City, Douglas County, Lyon County and Churchill County, said Ferenc Szony, CEO of Truckee Gaming, which owns and operates Pioneer Crossing Casinos. “One hundred children under the age of five will receive a new book monthly in the mail thanks to this program offered by United Way of Northern Nevada and the Sierra. We are very committed to the communities we serve, including their youngest citizens.”- Pioneer Crossing Casinos has properties in Dayton, Yerington and Fernley, as well as Verdi and Henderson. Questions from families and individuals can be emailed directly to the UWNNS Community Impact team at communityimpact@uwnns.org.

Plan Your Summer, Fall Schedules Now at WNC

Submitted by Western Nevada College

It’s not too early to start thinking about planning for summer and fall classes at Western Nevada College. A schedule of classes is available online at wnc.edu/class-schedule/ that will help you plan for your next semester at WNC.

Registration for summer and fall classes opened Monday, April 5 for continuing and returning students, while new students can register for summer and fall classes starting Monday, April 12.

Continuing students can register through their myWNC accounts. Individuals planning to attend WNC for the first time can apply for admission at www.wnc.edu/starthere/.

Summer session begins Monday, June 14 and ends Saturday, Aug. 7. Fall semester starts Monday, Aug. 30.

For more information, phone 775-445-3267.



A Community Icon: American Legion Post 16



By Alicia Parsons

Everyone has heard of the American Legion. Or nearly everyone. But what is this organization that sponsor local scholarships and has Friday Night Fish Fries?

You might not know that Congress chartered the American Legion in 1919; the group was established to focus on supporting veterans, service members, and communities. The American Legion proved to be instrumental in forming what we now know as the Veterans Administration. To this day, they continue to lobby for funding to provide medical, disability, and other desperately needed services for veterans worldwide.

During a Legion conference in 1920, the Flag Code, was drafted and later adopted by Congress. Then, in 1943 the GI Bill of Rights was drafted, which is said to be the most outstanding achievement of the American Legion. Demanding a full accounting of all POWs and MIAs, the GI Bill of Rights is one of the loudest fights the Legion still battles over. This non-profit organization's members continue to demand better for all veterans, service members, and their families.

The members of the American Legion Post 16, located in Fallon, Nevada, are indeed an institution, serving the community and their brothers and sisters in arms for 100 years this September. If you are currently serving or are the family member of someone who has served, take a moment to join Post 16, where you will find dozens of resources and a sense of camaraderie that is unmatched. Located at 90 N Ada Street is a historic building brought to Fallon from Hawthorne and is the home of Post 16. With a meeting hall, and a small watering hole that is open to the public, many great stories are passed from one generation to the next.

Like most non-profit organizations, the American Legion Post 16 relies on community fundraiser events to continue their mission and lobby for continued changes

that veterans and service members alike rely on to integrate back into life outside the various service branches. If you visit American Legion Post 16 on Facebook, you can see the weekly events hosted in the meeting hall.

Upcoming Events:

April 24, 2021, the Legion ladies will be hosting their Texas Hold 'em Tournament scheduled for 5 pm with signups at 4, a \$25 buy-in with \$10 additional buy-ins within the first hour! If you are looking for an excellent time that serves a significant cause, make sure to stop in and say hello.

The Sons of the American Legion are hosting a camping raffle, with 250 tickets for sale for a chance to win various camping gear. Tickets are \$10 apiece.

Fish Fry is the 1st Friday each month, April thru October, from 6-8 pm or until sold out. A mere \$7 gets you Icelandic Cod, French fries, macaroni salad, and dessert.

Bubba's Burgers Night is the 2nd Friday each month, April thru October, from 6-8 pm or until sold out. \$7 gets you one of Bubba's Burgers and your choice of fries or onions rings.

Chicken Wing Dinner is the 3rd Friday each month, April thru October, from 6-8 pm or until sold out. \$10 gets you a plate of

chicken wings in BBQ or buffalo with a side of fries and carrot and celery sticks with your choice of ranch or bleu cheese.

April 23 is Teriyaki Chicken Dinner from 6-8 pm or until sold out. \$7 gets you a plate of chicken teriyaki, fried rice, and cream cheese wontons.

May 21 Friday Night Tacos from 6-8 pm or until sold out. \$7 get you chicken or ground beef tacos, rice, beans, chips & salsa.

The American Legion Post 16 does incredible things for not only the active military and veterans in Fallon, but for the community as a whole. It is also worth your time and money to stop in on Friday night and grab a plate. You find a friend – or ten that want to share their story and friendship with you, and it is worth your weight in gold.

Please keep your eyes out for the 100th Birthday Celebration in September for Post 16. It will be a grand affair. The American Legion also rents their meeting hall for a reasonable fee. If you are interested in making raffle donations for any of the events, they are tax-exempt.

If you do get a chance to stop by, let 'em know Lance's Friend sent ya!
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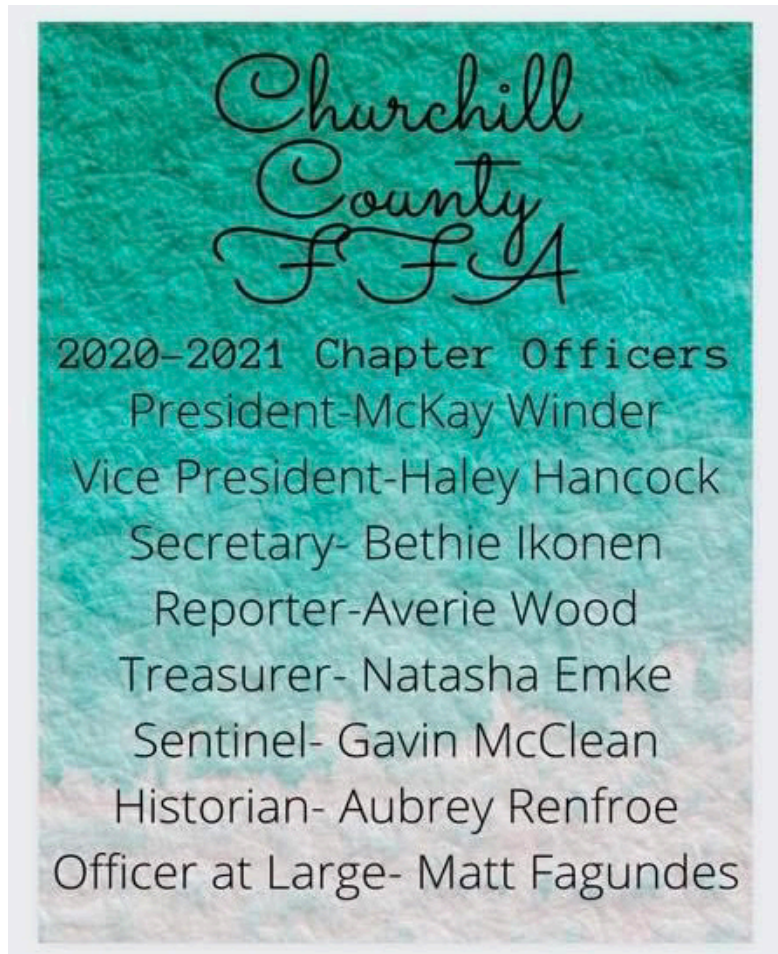
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FFA Continues to Win at National Convention

By Ashen Mindnich

Future Farmers of America (FFA) is a career and technical organization which teaches students the ins and outs of agricultural education to prepare them for their future careers ranging from farmers to veterinarians, to teachers. Their motto is "Learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live, and living to serve." FFA fosters a competitive conference every year, with many different areas in which to compete. Students start off with tests at a local level to see if they have the knowledge to compete at a state level, where schools from all over the state meet at a locale and compete in both hands on and written events. FFA provides scholarships and grants for students. The scholarships require one application with the potential of receiving multiple scholarships, which could total up to two million dollars. The announcement for the winners and non-winners will be sent out on May 3 and the acceptance deadline is July 15.

Churchill County High School's chapter had 75 students in FFA, 16 of which competed in the state convention. Lead by their advisor Tamra Hirshback, they competed in Business Management, which placed second in state, Floriculture, Vet Science and Employment Skills. The chapter as a whole competed in the National Chapter Award, in which they placed first. They will also compete for the Superior Chapter Award at Nationals. Both the national and the state competition were held over zoom this year. "(FFA) has taught me how to be a better leader. FFA has also taught me a more variety of agriculture then I had known, it shows you how to care for your community in a different way than you are used to, it prepares you for life, it gives you a different understanding of life in the agriculture community," said CCHS FFA Historian, Aubrey Renfroe. Good luck to the students of the CCHS chapter.



High School: The Night of the Seniors

By Ashen Mindnich

This past week was very important for the fall sports, as the teams celebrated their senior nights. While the seasons have been shortened and some sports will not get a state competition, the different schools still managed to make their seniors feel special. As per tradition, each senior posed with their parents for photos and were talked about individually, with their teammates and coaches watching and cheering them on.

On Friday, April 2 Oasis Academy Bighorns volleyball team played against Pyramid Lake Lakers for their senior night. Oasis has three seniors: # 2, Sequoya Casey, # 7 Sadie O'Flaherty, and # 17 Taryn Barrenchea. The three girls have been with the volleyball program for four years. Sequoya's position is opposite hitter (OPP), Sadie is the team captain, and her position is outside hitter (OH), Taryn position is middle blocker (MB). As a nice perk to their special night, Oasis beat Pyramid in a three straight. The first set ended with 25-12, the second set was 25-3, and the third set ended as 25-15. A good night for these seniors, for sure. The Oasis Academy Varsity squad has qualified for playoffs this year, which will start on April 10 and as of right now, the match-up will be held in Tonopah. Go Bighorns!!

CCHS Boys Varsity soccer team also played on Friday. They played against Fernley for their senior night. Greenwave has six seniors on the squad for this season. # 5 Cole Hamlin, # 6 Matthew Fagundes, # 7 Kyle Keenaley, #14 Dionisio Lopez, # 20 Christopher Ehlers and # 21 Benjamin Polish. The boys tied against the Vaqueros 2-2. Cole scored with an assist from # 13 Bryan Mendoza, who also had a goal.

CCHS Girls Varsity soccer team also played against Fernley for their senior night. The girls' team is saying goodbye to a lot of girls, seven girls that will graduate this year. # 2 Vera Vaz, # 3 Hailey Guerrero, # 6 Makayle Mathisen, # 10 Aubrey Jaquez, # 21 Bianca Lopez, # 42 Kendra Pacheo, and # 43 Larissa Sanchez. Each girl on the team has gone above and beyond in both their athletic and academic careers. At least half the girls have played another varsity sport including but not limited to, basketball and swim team, and some of the girls have competed in the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) events. The Lady Greenwave beat the Lady Vaqueros in 7-0 shutout. Rachel Mori, # 40 scored her first goal of her career, and it was a left-footed shot. Makayle scored, Bianca scored twice, Hailey scored, # 12 Sidney Gusewelle scored and one for Greenwave was an "own goal" by the Vaqueros. At the end of the match the ladies ran around the field so the parents could congratulate the team on a well-played game with high fives with the coaches following.



The only outlier of this group was the CCHS Girls Varsity volleyball team. These girls had their senior night on March 26. The Lady Wave volleyball team only had three seniors: # 2 Lacey Wallace, # 4 Aisha Sharron and # 10 Addison Sandberg. All three girls are definitely ones to watch on the court. All three play every game like it is their last and

do a great job of hyping up their fellow teammates when the game is not in their favor. Wallace plays Libero, she wears a different jersey because of her position. Sharron plays OH and Sandberg plays as both OH and Setter. When all three are on the court together they make a huge difference. Unfortunately, the girls lost against the Dayton Dust Devils 0-3 in a shutout.

Greenwave Senior Night



Kodus Wehe and his mom, Shyanna on senior night. Viviane Ugalde/ The Fallon Post (top left). CCHS Volleyball's Senior night. Photos provided by CCHS Athletics Twitter (top right). Senior Night for Oasis Academy. Photos provided by Oasis Academy Facebook Page (bottom left). Girls Varsity Soccer Team Victory Lap Around the Field. Ashen Mindnich/ The Fallon Post (bottom right).

Box Scores

April 1

Oasis Academy Varsity Volleyball vs Excel Christian Academy

Bighorns 3 – 0 Warriors

Set 1: 25 – 19

Set 2: 25 – 17

Set 3: 25 – 21

April 2

CCHS Boys Varsity Soccer vs Fernley

Greenwave 2 – 2 Vaqueros

Goal- # 5 Cole Hamlin, ass. #13 Bryan Mendoza

Goal- #13 Bryan Mendoza

CCHS Girls Varsity Soccer vs Fernley

Greenwave 7 – 0 Vaqueros

Goal- # 40 Rachel Mori

Goal- # 6 Makayle Mathisen

Goal- # 21 Bianca Lopez (x2)

Goal- # 3 Hailey Guerrero

Goal- #12 Sidney Gusewelle

Goal- Lowry own goal

Oasis Academy Varsity Volleyball vs Pyramid Lake

Bighorns 3 – 0 Lakers

Set 1: 25 – 12

Set 2: 25 – 3

Set 3: 25 – 15

CCHS Girls Varsity Volleyball vs Fernley

Greenwave 0 – 3 Vaqueros

Sets not reported

CCHS Girls JV Volleyball vs Fernley

Greenwave 2 – 0 Vaqueros

Sets not reported

April 3

CCHS Girls Varsity Volleyball vs Lowry

Greenwave 3 – 1 Buckaroos

Sets not reported

CCHS JV Volleyball vs Lowry

Greenwave 2 – 0 Buckaroos

Sets not reported: 1 game away from having undefeated season

CCHS Girls Varsity Soccer vs Lowry

Greenwave 2 – 2 Buckaroos

Goals not reported

CCHS Girls JV Soccer vs Lowry

Score not reported

CCHS Boys Varsity Soccer vs Lowry

Greenwave 1 – 4 Buckaroos

Goal- #17 Cesar Gonzalez

CCHS Varsity Football vs Lowry

Greenwave 49 – 13 Buckaroos

Q1 07:04 # 6 Levi Andrews 90 yd. run, P.A.T. no good

Q1 01:01 # 8 Avery Strasdin throw complete to # 15 Kenji Armbruster; 2pt. conversion # 8 Avery to # 5 Matthew Davis is good

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Fallon Youngster Corbin Seay Earns Box Stock Championship



Corbin Seay racing. Photo provided by Christina Meeds.

By Elijah Jones

10 year old racer, Corbin Seay captured the biggest triumph of his young career during the Winter Months while racing with the Red Bluff Outlaws outlaw kart series. Corbin put together a phenomenal season and earned himself his first Championship at the famous indoor facility. Corbin is the first Nevada born driver to earn a Championship with the Red Bluff Outlaws in their 30+ year history.

The season was full of highlights for Corbin as he was one of just a few drivers to qualify for every Main Event he attempted.

Not only did he qualify for each of those Main Events, but he finished in the Top 10 in all but one start, and in the Top 5 in all but two starts. Corbin picked up 4 Main Event Wins during the 12 race Championship Season including wins in two of the most prestigious races of the season, the Gary Jacob Memorial & The Vern Wheeler Sr. Memorial.

Corbin and his parents; Troy & Shelbe along with his little sister, would make the trek over the mountains each and every race weekend. Often, they would encounter bad weather but never let it deter them. The family race team fought hard through the season to earn the Championship. Late in the season the Championship battle heated up between Corbin and a young driver from Bakersfield, CA named Kinser Bell. The two drivers would have some great races on the track as they tried to determine who was going to be the Champion. On Championship Night, Corbin needed just to finish 15th or better in the Main Event to wrap up the Championship. He would do much better than just that as he brought home a 4th place finish to secure his first Red Bluff Outlaws Championship.

The season finished up this past weekend with the 17th Annual West Coast Nationals, a three-day event that drew more entries than any race has ever had for the Red Bluff Outlaws. A record setting 264 total entries showed up to compete in various different classes throughout the weekend. In Corbin's class there were 39 entries. Corbin was 10th fastest in the Timed Tiebreaker to start the Weekend. He would pick up the victory

in his first Heat Race of the weekend and finished 3rd in his second round of Heat Races. That was enough to secure him a spot in one of the Qualifiers where he would earn a second-place finish which locked him into the A-Main Event that would take place on Sunday Afternoon. The Main Event did not go exactly how Corbin had envisioned, but he was able to end the season with a 9th place effort, nonetheless.

As the team moves forward, Corbin will be making some significant changes for the Spring/Summer Series. The Box Stock kart has been sold, and Corbin will be moving on to the bigger and faster 250 Intermediate Class. It will be a vast change of pace for he and the team, but they are looking forward to the challenge and are excited to be moving up through the ranks.

The success that the team attained during the Winter months was thanks in large part to the core group of sponsors that have helped out in many different ways. These sponsors include; Carson City Motorsports, Sheldon's Pest Control, Fallon Glass & Signs, Alan from Matco Tools, Silver State Tile & Stone, PSI Motorsports, Old Iron Powder Coating, Fixed Automotive, Hollyhock LLC, Grandpa Terry & Grandma Sheri, Casey McClain Racing, Brandit Designs, Kelly & Neil Kelly, Michelle & Randy Scott, The Reynolds Family, Jimmy Elledge & Factory QRC, Artistic Fence, Morgan Construction & Concrete, and last but certainly not least, the guys at Track Side Engines for providing excellent engine support on and off of the racetrack all season long.

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Q2 12:00 # 8 Avery throws to # 15 Kenji for 71yd. touchdown, P.A.T. by # 81 Sam Robertson is good
 Q2 07:00 Buckaroos' touchdown, P.A.T. is good
 Q2 03:29 # 18 Tyler Austin 50 yd. kickoff return touchdown, P.A.T. by # 81 Sam is good
 Q3 11:54 # 8 Avery pass to # 15 Kenji for touchdown, P.A.T. by # 81 Sam is good
 Q3 09:32 # 6 Levi runs 60 yd. for touchdown, P.A.T. by #58 Jose Mercado is good

**CCHS JV Football vs Lowry
 Greenwave 40 – 0 Buckaroos**

**April 5
 Oasis Academy Varsity Volleyball vs Hug
 Bighorns 3 – 2 Hawks**

Set 1: 26 – 24
 Set 2: 23 – 25
 Set 3: 19 – 25
 Set 4: 25 – 16
 Set 5: 15 – 9

CCHS Girls Golf Tournament at Elko
 Team: 1st Lowry (395), 2nd Elko (440), 3rd Spring Creek (428)
 Medalists: 1st Gabby Bement (Elko- 87), 2nd Bailey Hayes (Lowry- 90), 3rd Angelina Martinez

(Lowry- 92)
 CCHS Girls: Lainee Reed (101) 16 strokes better than last year Elko Tournament, Gabby Loop (107) personal best, Hannah Benjamin (114) personal best

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CCHS Boys Varsity Soccer Home v. Dayton Fri, Apr. 9	CCHS Girls JV Soccer v. Spring Creek Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Men's Tennis v. Utah State Sun, Apr. 11
CCHS JV Volleyball Home v. Lowry Fri, Apr. 9	CCHS Girls Varsity Soccer v. Spring Creek Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Women's Soccer v. San Diego State Sun, Apr. 11
CCHS Varsity Volleyball Home v. Lowry Fri, Apr. 9	CCHS Cross Country v. Reed Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Women's Golf Tues, Apr. 13
UNR Men's Tennis v. Boise State Fri, Apr. 9	Oasis Varsity Volleyball Playoffs v. Tonopah Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Baseball v. University of Texas Tues, Apr. 13
UNR Women's Soccer v. UNLV Fri, Apr. 9	UNR Men's Golf Sat, Apr. 10 - Mon, Apr. 12	UNR Baseball v. University of Texas Wed, Apr. 14
UNR Women's Track & Field v. UCLA Fri, Apr. 9	UNR Baseball v. San Diego State Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Men's Tennis v. UNLV Fri, Apr. 16
CCHS JV Football Home v. Spring Creek Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Softball v. New Mexico State Sat, Apr. 10	
CCHS Varsity Football Home v. Spring Creek Sat, Apr. 10	UNR Women's Tennis v. Colorado State Sun, Apr. 11	

For game times and COVID regulations please visit churchilcsd.com and oasisacademyfallon.us

Adults to ADULTS



By Ashen Mindnich

I am a college student at the University of Nevada, Reno, currently studying my two passions at the same time: medicine and English. I am having an internal battle with myself over which I love more, I will be stuck doing one for the rest of my life. I have done several internships at hospitals, so it is time for me to test drive my writing skills. I work AND live with my best friend so there is never a time I am not by her side. Family has always been very important to me, whether it be the one I was born into or the one I have made so far in my life. Family is who we go to when we have

nowhere else to turn. They help us grow and cheer us on as we figure out who we are and what we were put here to do. It is my belief that family is the very core of who we are.

Growing up has been an interesting experience to say the least. My family heritage is Irish and German, so basically the whitest you could possibly get. I tan well though, so I feel like I have been cheated out of the true Irish experience. I can hold my liquor as well, so I guess it is not all that bad. My mom is actually the epitome of an Irish woman; red hair, fair-skin, anger issues, truly the whole package. She is actually a real fantastic lady; I honestly have no clue how she put up with me for so long.

She was 18 years old when I came into the world, my father was not much older than her, a mere 22 years on this planet before I popped out. They were fairly young, and only 18 months later my younger sister was born. To say they were not prepared is an understatement. They were babies themselves and now they had to raise two more. While they were young, they did a hell of a job raising my sister and I, we are some pretty good kids (not to toot my own horn).

The other day my dad called me up and asked me to come over because there was something, they needed to discuss with me. Now do not get me wrong, I love going over to see my parents but there are two things that happen when I am asked to come over: I get yelled at for something stupid I forgot I did, or it is something super serious that has me leaving in a weird head space.

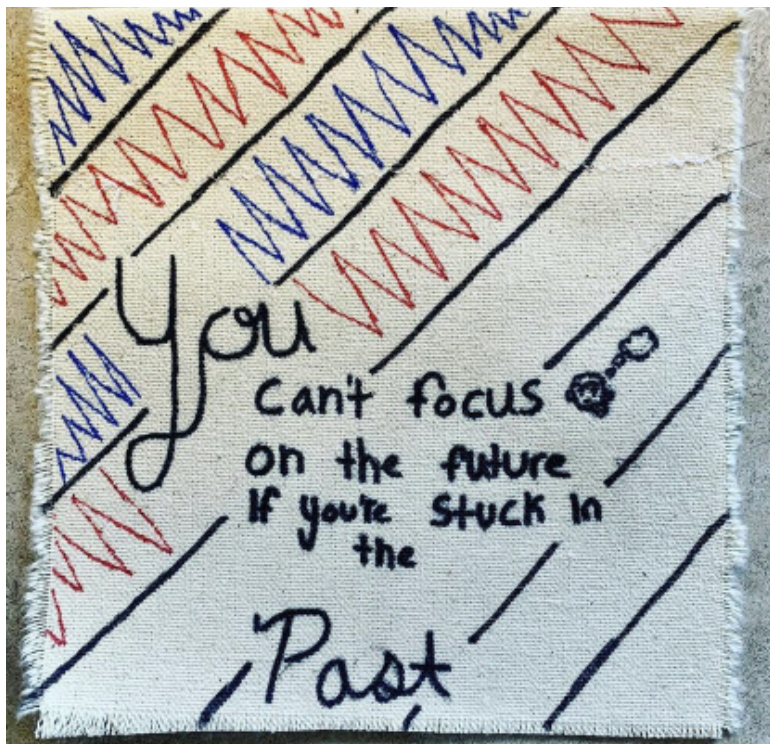
So, I get to my parents' house and when

I walk in there's pink and blue balloons and colorful confetti everywhere and hanging above the dining room table there is a giant banner that reads, "NOT PREGNANT!" The dining room was set up like a gender reveal party but instead of finding out the gender of the kid I found out that my mother was indeed not pregnant. I was not even aware it was an issue still. Most kids my age parents worry about grandkids.

There are some benefits to having younger parents, now that I have matured, they are slowly becoming friends as well as parents. We are a very tight knit family; we tell each other secrets that kids with older parents would never dream of spilling. My father is like a high school buddy of mine, and we have met up at the lockers to talk before class. It is obvious my mom lays down the law and he is there to encourage my sister and I to break it to watch us get in trouble with our mother.

I will never forget when I told my parents I went to my first college party, my mom automatically went into protective parent mode, asking me if I was safe and how I got home that night. As soon as she was satisfied that I had been safe she walked away and my dad walked up to me, and in a very hushed tone asked if I had drunk while there, and when I told him yes, he went really quiet but got this grin and said, "dude nice," and he gave me a crisp high-five and walked away.

At the end of the day, my parents have left me prepared for the world, I know they will always be there for me. I can also say with pride that my parents have graduated from "adults" to adults. I can only hope to be as an amazing parent as they were.



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The Feral Housewife's Weekly Horoscopes

Capricorn- December 22 - January 19

Make the lingering decisions but use the tools at your fingertips to research them, don't just go on your gut alone. An emotional wreck, per usual, keep on course. Enjoy the praise these decisions bring you. Just do it humbly.

Taurus- April 21 - May 20

You don't feel like yourself; wait for it to pass. For the love of everything, holy DO NOT get sucked into any money-making schemes! This to shall pass, maybe like a kidney stone, but it will pass.

Virgo- August 23 - September 22

Curiosity might kill the cat, but it will launch you to new heights. Follow that curiosity to the mountain tops. You will have time for family towards the weekend.

Aquarius- January 20 - February 19

Emotional exposure leaves you feeling naked in front of a crowd, don't worry, we can't see what is happening inside your head. Enjoy some social time with the ones you love.

Gemini- May 21 - June 20

Like Marie Curie says, "have no fear of perfection; you'll never reach it." Chemistry is working all around you as you navigate this week, good and bad. Be ready for anything.

Libra- September 23 - October 22

Money is on the mind all week long. Looking to the future, balancing the books in your mind will drive you crazy, find a balance between stinginess and generosity fast.

Pisces- February 20 - March 20

Draw a line in the sand and stay the course. Your friends will understand. When you feel guilty about the lines, wait for it to pass before you go undoing all that necessary work. Answer the calling and do something to help others with your life.

Cancer- June 21 - July 22

Every decision you attempt to make turns into a breakdown. Riddled with uncertainty and indecisiveness, you are a hot mess all week long. Find the remote and get comfy. Good heavens, don't make any meaningful choices.

Scorpio- October 23 - November 22

Confidence can be a killer, and you feel like you can take on the world, which is great until you jump in with the crowd and find yourself all-in on a bad idea. Take control before you are in too deep.

Aries- March 21 - April 10

Reach for the sun; the light will be on you. The week starts with uncertainty. You feel pretty out of sorts and unsure of yourself. All you can do is follow the light and grow upward.

Leo- July 22 - August 22

Detective Leo is reporting for duty. Just ask the dang hard questions when you find the information, consider every angle, and charge forth. Don't let your ego get in the way.

Sagittarius- November 23 - December 21

Life is like a movie, but what is the plot? Who is the hero? Who is the villain? Why is there a car chase? It might be a good plan to sit that one out for a minute! It is about time for you to figure out a goal or two anyways!

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

What's Cookin' in Kelli's Kitchen



By now, fair reader, you will have likely come to an understanding that I love food. But, in my humble opinion, not all food is equal. Not only do I believe that food made from scratch (with real ingredients) is better than food from a box—I also believe that the closer the ingredient is to how it appears naturally in the world the better. And where the ingredient appears naturally in the world matters.

Case in point: Asparagus. I love asparagus. But when I say “I love asparagus” what I mean is that I love asparagus that is grown by Rick and B-Ann Lattin; asparagus that is foraged from ditch banks; asparagus that travels only a few miles from the ground to my kitchen. I don't eat asparagus in November, I don't eat asparagus that has been frozen, I don't eat asparagus that is shelf-stable, I don't eat asparagus from Peru. My bottom line is that things taste better when you eat them during their season, especially when they are locally produced.

I promise that I am not going to use this column as my soapbox regularly broadcasting about supporting local farmers and building resiliency in our regional food system—that's what visits to town are for. But, since spring is here and local asparagus is back, I do plan on using this space to share my cooking experiences with ingredients that are raised by our Fallon farmers. Now, back to asparagus!

The temptation to buy a bundle of asparagus overwhelmed me during a recent trip to Safeway. Right when I walked in the door, I was drawn to a display of fat asparagus spears that were coming from California. In my personal purchasing priority ranking, California's central valley ranks in the third

tier after Fallon and west central Nevada—it's within the 400 miles that is designated as “local” by the USDA. While I do NOT consider California grown produce to be “local,” I considered this asparagus to be local-adjacent and promptly put a bunch into my cart.

After checking out, I checked in with the Lattins—if California is harvesting asparagus, Nevada is not too far behind! Dear readers, I am thrilled to tell you that the Lattin's have started picking asparagus! Rick cautions that their harvest is directly impacted by the weather—on warm days the asparagus grows like gang-busters but a cool day slows growth. We all know spring is fickle in these parts and nothing impacts asparagus availability more than a cool day. That being said, the Lattins are bringing in between 10 and 40 pounds of asparagus daily, so head over to the farm and get yourself a bunch or two—you won't regret it!

Before I tell you about how I prepared my bunch of god's grass, I want to share my asparagus preferences with you.

- Fat asparagus > Skinny asparagus
- Asparagus should be cooked to “crisp-tender,” NO SOGGY ASPARAGUS for me!
- When served as whole spears, asparagus should be eaten with your fingers
- Asparagus is besties with mushrooms and tarragon!
- Also BACON—bacon wrapped asparagus from the smoker or the grill is delish!

It's okay if you don't agree with these statements—you can eat all of the soggy, skinny asparagus that you want and I am here for it. Just don't bring your pencil-thin spears into my kitchen!

Kelli's Spring Salad with Asparagus and Big Beans

INGREDIENTS

- 1 bunch of fat asparagus—ideally from Lattin Farms
- 1 bulb of fennel - thinly sliced on a bias
- ½ red onion - cut into thin slices
- 1 lemon
- 1 small (2-ish ounce) can of anchovies - finely minced
- 2 cups cooked large white beans (I used Rancho Gordo Royal Corona beans—you can substitute canned cannellini beans if you must)
- 1 bunch tarragon - cleaned and coarsely chopped
- 1 T mustard (Dijon, brown, or whole grain depending on your preference—just not yellow)
- Extra virgin olive oil
- Salt, pepper, and sugar to taste
- Shaved Parmesan Cheese

DIRECTIONS

1. Bring a pot of salted water to a boil. Snap off the woody ends of the asparagus. Blanch asparagus in boiling water until it has turned bright green and the stalks have a little wiggle but are still crisp. Cool asparagus by submerging in a bowl of ice water. Then cut the asparagus into ½” - 1” chunks on a bias and put them in a large bowl.

2. Add sliced fennel, red onion, minced anchovies, and beans to the bowl with the asparagus. Zest the lemon directly on top of your veggies.

3. Make the salad dressing - juice the lemon into a blender. Add mustard and tarragon and blend. While the blender is running, drizzle in olive oil until you have a light greens, slightly thickened dressing. Season to taste with salt, pepper, and sugar.

4. Toss the bean and asparagus salad with the lemon-tarragon dressing and serve in bowls topped with shaved parmesan.

** Please note - I also added bacon to satisfy my husband's request for “some sort of meat” in the salad

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



“You know, son, this is the dawning of the Age of Asparagus, Age of Asparaguuuuus, Asparaguuuuuuus, Aspa...ra...guuuuus.”

Joe Swanberg



I have found my new favorite creator. Joe Swanberg is a writer/director of multiple independent movies within the mumblecore sub-genre. Mumblecore films have natural acting, a low-budget production, and large focus on dialogue that is very commonly improvised. Swanberg is the best creator in this area.

Joe Swanberg has many films and shows that are all different and great in their own ways, you could start anywhere. My current favorite film I highly recommend is *Win it at All*. The film follows Eddie Garrett, played by Jake Johnson (*New*

Girl, Let's Be Cops). The movie follows a classic three-act structure that makes the plot extra interesting and more fun to play with. This movie brings back everything great about movie making and movie watching. Join into the Joe Swanberg fan group.

The Fallon Post Spotify



We have made another thing for our readers! During our times in the office, we all listen to a lot of different genres and eras of music. Also, I do not know if anyone noticed, but I review a lot of music too. We here at *The Fallon Post* have created Spotify playlists of our favorite music to listen to for working, and all the music and bands we have reviewed over time.

Take a peek at the playlists, tell us your favorite song choices, request more from us! These playlists are collaborative and great for a commute to work, a barbecue in the backyard, or to listen to in your own writing times.

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Upcoming Dinners

April 16	BBQ Pork	
5:30	Ribs \$15	
May 7	Mothers	
5:30	Day Ham	
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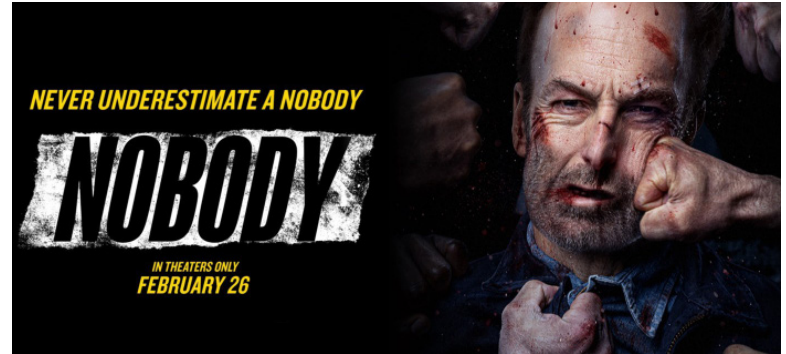


The sports editor and I spend a lot of time together, both as coworkers and roommates. We love having game nights with friends, or on our own. As the weather becomes increasingly nicer and temperatures rise, our game night become more interactive. Our last game night, we played a good old-fashioned round of catchphrase, some trivia, and sometimes we play a three-person sandlot on our best days.

I recommend game nights for people of all ages and skill levels because it heightens the creativity of everyone. Many times, we invent our own games from games we buy. As it becomes safer to gather and the nights become longer, grab some friends, and have a good time playing whatever games you buy or make yourself.

Viviane Ugalde is a recent University of Nevada grad who is from Fallon. She is a staff writer, and our entertainment correspondent. She is teaching our FallonPost team design and layout, is willing to do any little thing that needs to be tackled, and is also a stand-up comic.

Nobody



A new Bob Odenkirk (*Better Call Saul*, *Incredibles 2*) theatre release, *Nobody*, follows Hutch Mansell. Mansell is a family man who had a past working for intelligence agencies. Similar to movies like *Red*, this movie is ripe with comedy of an out of the ordinary experience. It is not every day a hitman comes out of retirement for a kitty-cat bracelet.

I had high expectations for this movie because of Odenkirk's involvement, and this movie exceeded my expectations. That is awfully hard to achieve. I recommend this being the first movie that takes you back to the movie theaters after a year of being safe.





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 Thur, 4/29 6:30	 Sat, 5/1 6:00/6:30		

ALL MOVIES ARE FREE!

Marriages

The following marriage licenses were issued by the Churchill County Clerk during March 2021.

3/3

Alex Stephen Reel, age 32 to Rachelle Lindsey Johnson, age 31 of Camp Pendleton CA and Fallon.

3/5

Jose Luis Moran-Romero, age 43 to Guillermina Calvill-Huerta, age 36 both of Fallon.

3/5

David Wesley Johnson, age 31 to Amber Dawn Palsgrove, age 28 both of Fallon.

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Larry Edwin Tucker, age 52 to Nora Ann Ebeling, age 52 both of Fallon.

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Kyle Terrill MCKinney, age 28, to Randolyn Leeann Barney, age 28 both of Snohomish WA.

3/2

Matthew Todd Sprague, age 42 to Chastie Marie Larsen, age 32, both of Gabbs.

3/3

Robert Joseph Crane, age 39 to Rebekah Nadene Sommer, age 40 both of Fallon.

3/3

Jess Aaron Shobert, age 32 to Amber Rose Weber, age 31 both of Fallon.

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Chandler Mariezcurrena, age 22 to Briget Janelle Small, age 35 both of Fallon.

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Jacob Nathaniel Cutler, age 22 to Destinee Kristine Short, age 24 of Salt Lake City and Clinton UT.

3/9

Kevin Eric Decaccia, age 37 to Amber Suzan Martinez, age 43 both of Fallon.

3/22

Jessica Spring Miller, age 35 to Aislynn Whittney Stowe, age 28 of Adelanto CA and Fallon.

3/17

William Scott Karr, age 25 to Sandy Nichole Zella, age 35 both of Fallon.

3/25

Charles Rosenberger, age 25 to Sandy Nichole Zella, age 35 both of Fallon.

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Justin Emery Speed, age 32 to Brittany Rene Borbon, age 35 both of Fallon.

3/22

William Micha Hanrahan Jr., age 43 to Carrie Renee Nielsen, age 38 both of Fallon.

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Asa Esteban-Emanu Estrella, age 21 to Breana Folson, age 21 both of Modesto.

Divorces

The following divorces were granted in the 10th Judicial District Court March 2021.

Apostolov, Mirche v. Hackmann, Audrey Decree of Divorce Default 3/29

Arneson, Christina Lynne v. Nielsen, Jason Ray Decree of Divorce 3/5

Barnard, Russel v. Barnard, Anessa Breanne Decree of Divorce 3/11

Behrednt, Amber v. Weatherford, Lindsay Decree of Divorce 3/11

Bellacera, Cindy Leigh v. Bellacera, Robert Lawrence Decree of Divorce 3/31

Biggs, Dustin Michael v. Biggs, Melissa Lee Decree of Divorce 3/15

Bogan, Joanna M v. Francisco, Miles L Decree of Divorce 3/26

Booth, Laurie A v. Booth, Curtis R Decree of Divorce Default 3/17

Brasil, Tyler Matthew v. Deboma, Tawni Lyn Decree of Divorce 3/1

Clark, Jazmin v. Cotton, Chandler I. Jr. Decree of Annulment 3/1

Coday, Christopher Kyle v. Coday, Yekiyeyah Magdiel v. Decree of Divorce 3/17

Davis, Mckenna Rene v. Cossman, Jacob Cory Decree of Divorce 3/15

De Dios, Nelly v. De Dios, Benjamin Jr. Decree Divorce 3/29

DeSelms, Erin Audrey v. Connelly, Evan Michael Decree of Divorce 3/24

Dworzan, Cory v. Dworzan, Chere Decree of Divorce 3/24

Fowler, Edward Owen II v. Fowler, Tracey Ellen Decree of Divorce 3/11

Gisca, Calin v. Bernadette, Gisca Kiahna Decree of Annulment 3/31

Jeffers, Rose v. Jeffers, Joseph Decree of Divorce 3/11

Jones, Azucena v. Jones, Devin Dvante Decree of Divorce 3/11

Kahele, Paul K.A. v. Matutis, Grace Quillosa Decree of Divorce 3/17

Kalb, George Jeffrey v. Hadland, Leslie Decree of Annulment 3/2

Kalu, Christopher Keller v. Pate, Victoria Maree Decree of Divorce 3/31

Kinney, Christopher v. Myers-Jackson, Ivy Decree of Divorce 3/31

Kontny, Shawna Lee v. Kontny, John Charles Decree of Divorce 3/1

Kuhn, Maria v. Armenta, Bryan Ralph Decree of Divorce 3/1

Lamoreau, Edwin Paul v. Starr, Hallie Jean Decree of Annulment Default 3/29

Lyons, Scott T. v. Pagel-Lyons, Cassidy Decree of Divorce 3/18

Meftah, Zakaria v. Brooks, Zoe Alexandra Decree of Divorce 3/31

Mello, Wendy Jean v. Mello, Scott Allen Decree of Divorce 3/2

Mendoza, Maurizio Alessandro Zaghen v. Tippetts, Alyssa Rayn Decree of Annulment 3/24

Moeller, Dorris v. Reeves, Thomas L. Decree of Divorce 3/22

Otten, Russell J. v. Otten, Deirse C. Decree of Divorce 3/3

Perretta, Stephen Michael v. Alcaraz Pais, Maria Isabel Decree of Divorce 3/3

Piekarski, Amber Rose v. Piekarski, Zachary Kenneth Decree of Divorce 3/11

Reals, Alyssa Diane v. Reals, David Charles Decree of Divorce 3/8

Reid, Tommy Laverne v. Reid, Lorna Breicio Decree of Divorce 3/11

Rios Jordan v. Torregroza, Greimy Decree of Annulment 3/3

Shidler, Ken Allen v. Shidler, Teresa Louise Decree of Divorce 3/26

Sifuentez, Fernando v. Velasquez, Maria Guadalupe Decree of Annulment 3/17

Slim, Marie Cris v. Archie, Jeffrey Dariell Decree of Divorce 3/17

Smith, Adwin Orlando v. Smith Jilliam Marie Decree of Divorce 3/15

Snyder, William G. v. Snyder, Heather Decree of Divorce 3/11

Spicer, Steven Jr. v. Spicer, hannah Decree of Divorce 3/1

Sponaugle, Karen Irene v. Sponaugle, Harlen jay Decree of Divorce 3/26

Spruill, Shiela Ciralsky v. Spruill, Chauncey <Michael Decree of Divorce Default 3/29

St. Christopher, David John v. St. Christopher, Lodie Supreston Maria Boyd Decree of Annulment 3/22

Stabile, Olivia Mercedes v. Combs, Kylar Charles Decree of Annulment 3/11

Stuardo, Nicole Marie v. Jouini, Abdelhedi Decree of Divorce Default 3/5

Tyree, Benjamin Noel v. Tyree, Jordan Leigh Decree of Divorce 3/3

Wideman, Richard Walton v. Wideman Sherry Lynn Decree of Divorce 3/29

Wilson, Angle Cicy v. Wilson, Andre Chevill Decree of Divorce 3/24

Wilson, Rusty Alan v. Young, Ashley Lynne Decree of Annulment 3/11

Business Licenses

The following business licenses were issued by the City of Fallon and/or Churchill County.

All Around Property Maintenance, Travis Baker & Mitt Meeko, Yard, 2100 Soda Lake Road.

A-1 Steel Inc., Justin Ivory, Construction Reinforcing and Structure, Sparks.

AJ Construction LLC, Joshua Carradine, Mobile Home Install and Setup, Silver Springs.

Black Eagle Consulting Inc., Remo Osmetti, Geotechnical Engineering, Reno.

Cooney Enterprises LLC., Robert Cooney, Construction General, Lovelock.

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Fallon Horsemen's Association, Theresa Norcutt, Non Profit Equestrian Group, 2812 Stark Lane.

For Goodness Sake Food, Katie Salinas, Mobile Food Truck.

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Roundhouse Galleries, Bohabe Windriver, Native American Arts and Crafts, 7133 Stillwater Rd.

Sir Don Drywall, Roy McClanahan, Drywall, Sparks.

Tracy Shoopman Coaching LLC., Tracy Shoopman, Coaching, 3230 York Lane.

Births

Babies born at Banner Churchill Community Hospital during March 2021.

Chad Joseph Fayerweather To Andrea Lumpkin and Chad Fayerweather on March 5, 2021 at 5:49 PM
Weighing 8 lb. 13.5 oz., measuring 20.5 inches.

Micah Anthony Rae Lara To Isis Kaylene Beguy on March 8, 2021 at 5:42 PM
Weighing 7 lb. 13 oz., measuring 20 inches.

Nova Lynn Stevens To Heather and Jeremiah Stevens on March 12, 2021 at 1:24 PM
Weighing 3 lb. 6 oz., measuring 17 inches.

Julian Joseph Ray Keesee To Melissa Keesee on March 26, 2021 at 12:04 PM
Weighing 7 lb. 13 oz., measuring 19 inches.

County Offers Vaccine Options

If you or someone you know are unable to utilize CART to access the vaccine locations, please call 775-423-6695, option 2 to speak with the Churchill County Health staff about homebound options.

FOOD PROGRAMS (FOOD BANKS & MEALS)

New Frontier Food Pantry
775-423-1412

Midday drive up service - call for details

Out of Egypt Food Bank
775-428-2744
Thursday 9:30 AM
(come early)

The Food Pantry
775-423-4714
Monday 10:00-1:00

Fallon Daily Bread Meals
775-423-4714
Monday & Thursday
5:30-6:30

SEE COMPLETE LIST FOR LOCAL
RESOURCES AND PROGRAMS

<http://falloncommunityresources.com>

STABILIZATION & HOMELESS SERVICES

Social Services:
775-423-6695
Housing, Utility, Medical &
RX Assistance

Bulletin

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Community Meetings

April 9th- April 16th

**Churchill CSD
Spring Break
4/5 - 4/9**

**CEDA Breakfast
Stockman's Casino
4/14 - 6:30 AM**

**Chamber of Commerce
Mixer
Maine St. Cafe
4/14 - 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

**Churchill CSD
Board of Trustees
4/14 - 5:30 PM**

**Churchill County
Planning Commission
4/14 - 7:00 PM**

**Chamber of Commerce
Luncheon
Stockman's
4/15 - 11:45 AM**

DEPUTY COURT CLERK TRAINEE JOB POSTING

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POSITION IS OPEN UNTIL FILLED

All parties interested in applying shall submit an Application and Resume to Myra Paredes at mparedes@11thjudicialdistrictcourt.net.



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March 12-April 23

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