# THE FALLON POST



### 2021 Annual 4th of July Day Parade to be Held on July 3rd

-by Jo Petteruti

This year's Annual 4th of July Parade will get underway on Saturday, July 3 at 10:00 a.m. The

Fallon Merchants Association (FMA), in conjunction with the City of Fallon and Churchill County are this year's parade sponsors, with the theme being "Baseball, Apple Pie & 4th of July". The parade starts by traveling north from the corner of South Taylor Street and Virginia Street, crossing Williams, turning right (east) on West A in front of the Chamber of Commerce office, then rolling back downtown on South Maine Street, ending near the Old High School

Questions have been raised as to why the parade is running on Saturday, so



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### Fallon's Centennial Farms Recognized



-by Rachel Dahl

The Lattin and Weishaupt families were recognized last week during the County Commission meeting, as part of the Nevada Centennial Ranch and Farm Awards Program through the state Department of Agriculture. The program was begun in 2004 and is designed to recognize the

agricultural families who have owned and operated the same land for 100 years or more. Fifty-eight families have now been inducted into the program. County Manager Jim Barbee explained the program, and introduced Rick and B. Ann Lattin, as he talked about the importance of the family heritage of farming in Fallon. Karl Weishaupt recently passed away, and the family was not in attendance at the meeting.

According to Barbee and the award website, George Lattin moved to Fallon in 1908 from South Dakota where he practiced law and served as a county judge. In 1918 he purchased and 80-acre parcel of farmland



Top photo: Ralph Lattin and his wife with their sons Bill and Dick, Center photo: Albert and Addie with their son Karl Weishaupt – photos courtesy of the Nevada Department of Agriculture

west of Fallon. He sold the farm to his son Ralph, who grew alfalfa, corn, and cattle. When Ralph's two sons, Bill and Dick returned from World War II in 1946, they purchased a neighboring farm as the Lattin Brothers. Over the years, Dick focused on cattle and Bill on farming. Five generations later, Bill's son Rick continues to farm the now 400-acre farm.

Rick and B. Ann added agritourism to share the authentic farm life and the Lattin family heritage with the public, and now 26-acres of the farm is open to the public for the Grower's Market and the Lattin Kitchen where they sell homemade jams and bread. The Lattin family also holds an annual corn-maze and ever-popular pumpkin patch during the holiday season. The Lattin family prides themselves on growing famous Fallon cantaloupes. Several members of the family still reside on the farm with their families.

In 1918, Albert and Addie Weishaupt bought 80 acres in Stillwater and built the Weishaupt Ho-

### **CCHS** Graduation



### From the Publisher

### Captain's Log - Wading in Where Fools Fear to Tread

There is team singing happening right now. Thursday nights are a hoot around this place while we're getting your paper ready. We've all about gone around the bend, and there are off-key refrains of "Sweet Caroline" being belted through 152 Industrial Way. My only regret in life is my dreadful lack of ability to carry a tune. I have only one note, and it is not pretty. The team harmony is always a little off... "touching me, touching you — Ba ba ba."

I was working on a story earlier about the Commissioners doing the tax assessment on water users because of the Department of Water Resources – it's an important story, but complicated because explaining taxes is intimidating to me. But it got sidelined and will probably go online tomorrow morning. We needed the space for the Senior Center story.

When I was a kid I remember people always getting mad cause "that damn paper didn't get our story in." I'm telling you, that concept is finally coming clear. The paper has been so full lately and we're in a constant "roll" putting things off for next week. By the time Thursday morning rolls around we're nearly full for the following week's paper. What a gas. Oh! We got name suggestions for Jerry's brother... you people really get

into this. We got these:

Postie McNewsBox – another vague reference to seafaring that we love so

Zippy – Quick to get your paper and our local zip code nick name Remember, this next box goes at the Post Office and then we promised

one to Ana's Restaurant. Keep the name suggestions coming, this is fun.

Speaking of which, "Fun Fact" has also become a catchphrase at the office.

We were talking about this cute student I used to have who would come into class and invariably begin the day with this lead in: "Fun Fact about me, Ms.

Fun Fact: I just got threatened with paybacks from Zip, who's still bitter that I hoodwinked him into the Cantaloupe Festival committee. That was so long ago, I think he should be over it by now, but here he is the Chairman and they're doing the King and Queen contest Friday night at the Fallon Theatre. He said if I show up to cover it, he's making me the Cantaloupe Festival Queen. Needless to say, we won't be covering that particular event.

We will, however, be here...

...keeping you posted. Rach

### Picture of the Week



Captain's second mate - who shall

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Wende Hook, FMA Parade Organizer, explained it this way, "July 3 was chosen because because the July 4 is a Sunday, and even though the July 5 is the federal holiday, the consensus was that a lot of people will still be at work."



Parade entries are invited from individuals, business, groups, and organizations. Awards will be given for Best Use of Theme, Best Youth Group Best Civic/Non Profit Group, Best Business Entry, Best Mounted Individual, Best Mounted Group, Best Farm Equipment, Best Agricultural, Best Automobile, Best Military, Most Patriotic, FMA Choice, and People's Choice.

The 4th of July parade is an annual family-friendly event where the streets along the parade route are closed and children run about catching wrapped candy being tossed to them by the parade entrants that include all forms of decorated floats, farm and military equipment, classic cars, and horseback riders. There are numerous

parade marchers, with some of them even being known to walk the route with super-soaker water guns, giving the kids a little splash with their goodies, Announcers are positioned at strategic locations along the route, describing each entry for the crowd as it passes by. Attendees line the parade route with their chairs, coolers and snacks, watching comfortably as the parade passes by. Seasoned attendees also know to get their "spot" on the route early, as the the good spots get scooped up quick that morning.

The Green Goddess Farmers Market, held at the Arts Center, will open at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, July 3 and will remain open until 9:00 p.m. Lucy Carnahan, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, will be announcing the Parade Winners at the start of the market, and presenting them with the the awards. The Arts Center and Lariat Bar will be open during that time, and live music is scheduled to entertain the crowd. Carnahan said, "I am just happy and thrilled to be part of this 4th of July Committee and our

great community."

Rattlesnake Raceway has races scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Saturday, July 3 and at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, July 4. Fireworks will blaze the sky on both nights too, starting at the fall of darkness. There's something special about watching fireworks exploding against a dark sky filled with stars – and this year, it can be enjoyed two nights in a row. How special is that?

Photos by Rachel Dahl from the 2019 4th of July Parade

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meAward. Their son Dana continues to farm the original homestead. ditches, planted fields and put up fencing. As their family grew, Albert and Addie built a larger home using salvaged lumber and windows from the old courthouse in Stillwater. They raised five children and farmed alfalfa, dairy cows, sheep, hogs, and turkeys.

In 1946, their youngest son, Karl returned from serving in World War II and married Bettie Atwater. They raised three children, and in 1977 bought the home from his parents, continuing to raise alfalfa and cattle. Bettie passed away in 2013, and shortly before he passed away, just recently, Karl was honored to receive the Centennial



Photo left: Commissioners Greg Koenig (far left) and Justin Heath (far right) present the Centennial Farm award to Rick and B. Ann Lattin, and Jill and Jeff Christiansen. Photo by Anne McMillin Photo right: Karl Weishaupt at his Homestead in Stillwater, courtesy of the Weishaupt family



## Features

## Former Commissioner Calls Senior Center Restructure Plan

a "Coup"

-by Rachel Dahl

In a special meeting on Thursday, Churchill County Commissioners agreed unanimously to a restructuring plan for the services offered to senior citizens in Churchill County making the county the overseeing agency for senior services and the William Pennington Life Content facility.

ton Life Center facility.

Historically, the Coalition for Seniors, a non-profit organization established in 1991 has functioned as the public governing board for the Life Center. Appointed by the County Commissioners, the Coalition is made up of Chair Jill Manha, Vice-Chair Robbie Lind, Secretary/Treasurer Jamie Hyde, City of Fallon Councilwoman Karla Kent, Julie Richards, Carol Seitzinger, and Commissioner Justin Heath.

The Life Center operations and programs are funded through the ad valorem tax at the rate of \$0.06 which is apportioned to county residents at 2.10% and city residents at 1.64%. Additionally, the Life Center is financially supported through grants from the Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division, Nevada Extension/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education, and contributions from local citizens, businesses, community organizations, and proceeds from ongoing fundraising projects. Currently the Coalition leases the WNP Life Center building from the county.

County Manager Jim Barbee and Social Services Director Shannon Ernst presented an overview of the plan and proposed a structure that would move the Coalition to an advisory capacity, working closely to ensure needs of local seniors are met. He said the restructure will make use of funds available through the federal government that have come to the state due to COVID. The county has tapped Bus Scharmann, former Commissioner as the Interim Manager who will begin Monday, June 14 to work with current Life Center staff members on a transition plan that includes providing an application process for them to apply for county employment. All current Life Center employees will have to re-apply through the county employment process for the new positions. On Monday, the position of Senior Center Manager will be posted, and the remaining positions will be posted on June 20.

Under the existing contract between the Coalition and the county, the lease is severable with a 60-day notice. During the meeting Barbee said part of the restructure plan is to request an early termination of the lease, effective July 1. If the Coalition does not agree to the early request, the lease is scheduled to expire in mid-August.

On July 1, current employees at the Life Center will transition to Manpower to allow for time to complete the application and hiring process. Nevada State Aging and Disability Services will provide support to the county to transition existing grant funding.

Barbee said the reason for the transition is to provide expanded services to community seniors. "What we're trying to do is expand the opportunities and resources we have for our seniors in our community. This past year has been really difficult

and challenging but left us with some unique opportunities in the county in the resources that have been put forward for the health and human services which give us an opportunity to do things we otherwise wouldn't have been able to." Barbee said the change in the fiscal year July 1 is driving the expedience of the decision.

Ernst said that increased services would include Resource Liaisons services for hands on service coordination and services to the homebound population, guardianship to coordinate with Adult Protective Services, Community Health Nurse services including vaccines, health monitoring, and education for in-house visits and homebound clients. A medical center was built into the Life Center which would support the nurse in the facility five days a week. Also increased would be telehealth services, senior activities, and a strengthened partnership with Social Services for housing, food security, and other independent living needs.

During the January 2021 meeting of the Coalition, the board discussed and established goals for Executive Director Lisa Erquiaga to work towards during 2021. During that process the goals of the Life Center were discussed as well, in an effort to align the two.

The board and Erquiaga prioritized five of her twelve goals that were presented for the year as: the March for Meals fundraiser; update the WNP Life Center personnel policies and job descriptions; search for grants, develop new programs, and add new employees; provide training opportunities to the board at mini workshops; provide program highlights to the board during future meetings.

Many of the Life Center staff were in attendance and spoke during public comment, supporting the current operations, and expressing fear over the possibility of losing their jobs. Former County Commissioner and husband to Director Lisa Erquiaga, Carl Erquiaga, began saying, "The most appro-



Life Center staff lined the two back rows of the commission chambers Thursday, including Director Lisa Erquiaga (mask) and her husband, former Commissioner Carl (on her left) and Program Services Director Buster Pierce to Carl's left.

Photo by Rachel Dahl

priate thing I can think to say now is 'et tu brute,' you've taken the knife and put it in Bus Scharmann's hands. Welcome to the coup, everyone, that's what's going on here."

Buster Pierce, program services director said the decision feels rushed and punitive, driven by political motivation. He said that when COVID hit and the Life Center was closed on March 12, 2020, and the next day staff was prepared to deliver meals, take and make calls to seniors, help provide vaccines, serve 80,000 meals in 14 months, and provide tons of food boxes to the needy in the community.

"We have an amazing staff, from the director on down, always going the extra mile for the seniors," he said. "I want you to realize what an upheaval this has caused. I have a lot of worried freaked out staff on my hands at the moment."

Phyllys Dowd, who has a contract with the Coalition to provide consulting services said she sees the operational benefits to this decision, but her heartburn comes with the speed this process had taken. "I don't understand the rush." She expressed her concern that the financial study has not been done. "If you haven't done your analysis, how can you move forward to make this decision today."

Karla Kent, City of Fallon Councilwoman and a member of the Coalition, attended the meeting on behalf of Mayor Ken Tedford who was unable to attend. Kent said, "He wanted me to convey to you today that he is in support of this action."

Commissioners approved unanimously the plan which included transferring all operations of the WNP Life Center to the Churchill County Social Services Department, terminating the lease with the Coalition for Senior Citizens, transferring all accompanying budgets, funding, and grants to the county, and authorizing the appointment of an interim manager.

# Marsh Graduates as Top Sailor from Naval Recruit Training Command enthusiasm, and teamwork.

-by Karl Marsh

Great Lakes (RTC) – Seaman (SN) Tyler Marsh of Division 257 recently graduated from Naval Recruit Training Command as their top sailor. He received the Navy Club of the United States Military Excellence Award on June 3rd, 2021.

SN Marsh joined the Navy this spring to become a nuclear specialist and serve aboard the submariner fleet. His love for God and country led him to this decision.

SN Marsh graduated from Churchill County High School in 2018 and served an honorable mission to the Japan Kobe Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He plans to continue his schooling after training and apply for the STA (Seaman to Admiral) program latter this summer.

SN Marsh has been assigned the rating of Electronics Technician Nuclear (ETN) and will go to South Carolina to continue his

nuclear training.

The Navy Club of the United States Military Excellence Award (MEA) is the top award presented to the number 1 recruit of their graduating group. The MEA is awarded to the recruit that best exemplifies the qualities of devotion to duty, military bearing, enthusiasm, and teamwork. SN Marsh will receive a Flag Letter of Commendation and this will place him at the top of today's newest Sailors.

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SN Marsh stated, "I didn't expect this at all. I went in, did what I needed to, helped whenever I could, and tried to be an example to those around me. Seriously, I just wanted to make it through boot-camp and move on in my career with the Navy."

"The hardest part was taking the punishments for others' mistakes. I learned that working together as a team was most important and that helping and serving others made the time in boot-camp go by easier. I also

credit my faith in God and His providence for helping me through this with patience, strength, and resilience," said SN Marsh of his experiences. He continued, "I tried to keep my head down and just do what was expected of me, but I found several ways to help other sailors around me and we helped build each other up. Our division, of the eight in this rotation, was the worst accord-

ing to our division commander. Yet, after the eight weeks, during the final test called "Battle Stations", our division rose to the top to be the best division of the those taking this final test that day. We were able to do it together and I did my best to let others shine in their abilities and help where we needed it the most. It was a great experience for me, but I'm glad it's over and we're



(SN) Tyler Marsh receives honors from the Navy Club of the United States Military Excellence . Photo courtesy of Karl Marsh

moving on!"

Navy boot-camp in Great Lakes, IL is the only training command where recruits go through an eight-week process to transform civilians into sailors. This is done through physical fitness, academics, seamanship, firefighting, firearms and shipboard damage control trainings. Naval heritage, core values, teamwork and discipline are instilled in these trainees throughout this process. Annually 40,000 recruits are trained at RTC which is the beginning of their naval careers.

https://www.bootcamp.navy.mil/assets/pdfs/ Grad%20Program%2004%20JUN%2021.pdf







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### **County Hosts Retirement Gathering** for Former Commissioner **Bus Scharmann**

-by Anne McMillin

Churchill County is hosting a retirement/farewell gathering for former County Commissioner Bus Scharmann on Wednesday, June 16 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Lariat Courtyard on the south end of the Oats Park Art Center, 151 East Park Street.

All who wish to offer words of congratulations and thanks to Bus for his eight years of community service as a commissioner are welcome to attend. RSVPs are requested to Julie at (775)423-5136 or via email at manager-jg@

churchillcounty.org by June 11.

In his role on the Board of Commissioners, Scharmann has served on several local and regional committees and boards including CC Communications, Churchill Area Regional Transportation, Central Nevada Regional Water Authority, Highway Commission, Hospital Board, Liquor Board, Parks & Recreation Commission, Regional Transportation Commission, Senior Citizens Coalition and the Western Nevada Development District.

Some of the accomplishments the Board of Commissioners made during his time serving include the county's response to COVID-19, the Big Dig of 2017 (saving the community from flooding) and the openings of the William N. Pennington Life Center and the County Law Enforcement

This event was originally planned for early 2021 but was delayed until COVID restrictions were eased.

Photo-Former Commissioner Bus Scharmann.



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## Obituaries



### Mitsue O Messick

We lost our little Momma early Saturday morning on June 5, 2021.

Mitsue Ó Messick was born on August 27, 1933, in Shizuoka Ken, Japan. She married our dad K.E. Messick in Tokyo, Japan on June 11, 1965, and they transferred to NAS Fallon shortly afterward.

She is survived by her daughter Judy, son-in-law Gaylan, and daughter Melissa. Her grandson Kenny, granddaughter-in-law Gwen, grandsons Stephen, Nicky, Robert, and Matthew. Great Grandchildren, Roy, Sheila, Clint, Eddie, Michael, and Akira.

Our Momma was fiercely loyal to her family and the hardest working woman we have ever known. She was always the first one to help, to give you that helping hand, the knock upside your head when you were

being just plain dumb, and she never gave up. Never. Not on herself, not on her kids, her grandsons, family or life. Whatever rocks or obstacles life threw at her she'd just find a way to go around it, through it, or she'd blow it up.

My daddy used to say, "If at first you don't succeed...get a bigger hammer." Well, our momma was the hammer. A finely tuned, short, and feisty hammer. We will miss her every day. She was the rock, the foundation, and the glue in this family.

Momma will be laid to rest at a private family graveside service with our dad in the Churchill County Cemetery.



## Organizations

### Beach Party Cruise at Lake Lahontan

-by Jo Petteruti

Michael Pettenger just likes old cars, so much so that he is organizing an all-day Beach Party Cruise on Saturday, June 26 at Lake Lahontan's Day Use Picnic Area on the Silver Springs side of the lake, starting at 9:00 a.m. There won't be an admission fee for the event, however there will be a five dollar State Park entrance fee per car.

Because Lake Lahontan is part of the Nevada Parks System, Pettenger couldn't call this year's event a "car show" - but it could be called a "beach party". He is unsure of the number cars expected for the Beach Party Cruise, but said cars are cruising in from Lovelock, Yerington, Fallon and Fernley, including a 1936 Rolls Royce, a few old Cadillacs, a splash of 1957 Chevys, sprinkles of Thunderbirds, an Edsel, and even some old Station Wagons.

If traveling from Fallon, follow Reno Highway west to Leeteville Junction, turning left to continue on Highway 50 toward Carson. Circle the Silver Springs roundabout to travel south toward Yerington on Highway 95A, Turn left on Fir Avenue where the event will be accessed using the second entrance to the Day Picnic Area. That entrance road starts out paved, turns to gravel for a patch, then turns back into pavement. Public restrooms are available there, food vendors will be on-site selling goodies, and DJ Davey Munoz will be spinning platters to rock the crowd.

Pettenger said, "I'm not doing this to make money, and won't ask anyone for it. I just like to bring people together, to make friends, to have a good time, and enjoy some cars." Pettenger got started hosting car shows last year. He said, "I have a habit of listening to people, and heard these people saying 'There's nothing to do.' So I said to them, 'Let's do a car show." He said he knows a number of car people and went about organizing last year's car show. He has no cell phone, and no computer – only one old rotary and one old touch tone phone. Yet, he was able to bring 200 cars together for that show, held at the Reno-Fernley Raceway on Highway 95A in Fernley called "Remembering the Classics of the Past".

Pettenger has always been around cars, especially the classics, but is saddened by the fact that some many of them are disappear-ing so he's making an effort to save a few himself. He has a 1959 Imperial, a car he never thought he'd own. She was a barn find, and is all original. He named the car Rose and is planning to bring her to the party. His 1958 Dodge Taxi will be trailered out to the party as it's still a work in progress. This car is named Arthur, after Arthur Fonzarelli (The Fonz), but he calls it Artie for short. He also has a 1960 Dodge Pioneer named Rhonda and she's party-ready

too. Additionally, Pettenger has a 1970 Lincoln Continental that he found in a field, bought it for \$300, and is still acquiring parts for it. The last car in his collection is a 1977 T-Bird that needs a little work, and he calls that one Toby, named after his riding buddy.

Pettenger is looking forward to the Beach Party Cruise, and hopes that everyone else too. "No per-registration is needed," he said, "just come on out and have a fun car day." The event is planned to run until 5:00 p.m.



## Organizations

### Community Collaboration to Develop a Skilled Workforce

-by Rachel Dahl

There is an effort underway to build a work-based learning program that would serve community youth and provide them the opportunity to gain hands-on learning opportunities with local businesses.

Mark Feest introduced the idea of the program this week at the Churchill Economic Development Authority Business Council breakfast. "With the introduction of Churchill Fallon Economic Development (CFED), both CEDA and the CEDA Business Council re-evaluated their purpose," he said. "As CFED focuses on attracting new businesses to Churchill County, CEDA has pivoted to solely focus on supporting existing businesses with startup and expansion services. The CEDA Business Council, which is made up of local businesses, has shifted its primary focus to workforce development through partnering with CCSD, WNC, Oasis Academy, and various state and federal programs."

Summer Stephens, Churchill County School District Superintendent spoke about the Work-based Learning program, saying she and Sara Beebe, CEDA's Operations Director, have been working with Rochelle Tisdale at Oasis Academy, and Holly O'Toole at Western Nevada College to develop the details. "The state goal is for students to receive credit for the work-based programs beginning in the 2022-23 school year." This school year, students will receive credit for their experiences, but the following year the program will allow them to be "completers" of the Career Pathways.

Organizers are working through the liability issues and working with local area businesses to identify work-based opportunities. There is a website called the Nevada Career Explorer Hub where students as

young as 4th grade are introduced to a personal inventory tool, a career builder portal, and a list of local training and job opportunities: nv.headed2.

The school staff involved will work to place students from the various career pathway programs into paid and unpaid internships or apprenticeships with local companies. The students will be prepared with workplace readiness skills as well as

specific skills from the available local school programs; ag mechanics, animal science, automotive technology, computer science, construction technology, furniture and cabinetry, culinary arts, cybersecurity, diesel technology, drafting and design, emergency medical technician, medical assisting, nursing assisting, teaching and training, video production, multi-media communication, welding, and military science.

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CEDA will work with local businesses, connecting them to the NV Career Explorer Hub website as well, provide connection between business and the schools, and present the orientation and learning opportunities for businesses to work with youth.

Local businesses and companies willing to participate in the work-based learning program should be ready to complete the intake information with CEDA where they can identify how they would like to participate from committees to grow the program or mentor students, host tours and field trips, provide the on-site training opportunities, and remote training opportunities. "We are looking for the local business community to engage student employees and other



Students prepare for workforce lifeskills - photo by Rachel Dalh

students with the goal of growing our own for their business and the community as a whole," said Beebe.

Feest said one frustration in attracting business to the community has been the shortages of an available workforce. "We hear from our constituents that expansion opportunities are missed due to a lack of qualified employees," he said. "The Business Council will be the main repository and source of help that will allow businesses to take advantage of various programs ranging from job shadowing to paid internships. We will coordinate the funding opportunities, business participation, dual credit for students, and generally make the connection between the schools, programs, and businesses."

Businesses interested in becoming involved in the work-based learning program, and that may be willing to provide internship and apprenticeship programs should contact Sara Beebe at CEDA, 423-8587.

# Masons Lodge No. 26 Donates to Fallon Theater Marquee Project



Mike Berney FCT Board Member, Mike Fuhlendorf F.&A.M. Trustee, Stu Richardson FCT Chairman, Paul Ortiz F.&A.M. Trustee. - Photo courtesy of Michelle Berney

-Staff Report

Fallon Community Theatre (FTC) received a donation from the Free & Accepted Masons, Churchill Lodge No. 26 for the Marquee Restoration Project.



## Law & Order

### **Justice Court News**

-Staff Report

New River Township Justice Court Convened on June 9, with Judge

Ben Trotter presiding.

Amber Lyna Gonzalez, (in custody) was arraigned on the charges of Driving while Driver's License is Revoked, and license plate light not illuminated. She pled guilty to both charges, saying that her son had called her and asked if she could pick him up. She was stopped for no license plate light and found to have a revoked license. Assistant District Attorney Jeff Weed said Gonzalez has several driving while suspended charges. Her driver's license was revoked in 2016 and she continues to drive; was convicted for driving revoked in December of 2020 in the New River Justice Court. She was fined \$500 and sentenced to 10 days in the Churchill County jail, suspended for one year.

*Šarah Ellen Lignowski* (in custody) was arraigned on charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance, a 2nd or 3rd offense and a Category E felony. According to the criminal complaint, Lignowski was allegedly in possession of a Schedule I controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, on June 4. She was also charged with misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, specifically a blackframed mirror with residue. Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer was appointed to represent Lignowski. Lignowski asked Judge Trotter to release her on her own recognizance (OR) because she has dogs at home. Assistant District Attorney (ADA) Jeff Weed argued against her release stating that Lignowski had been removed from the drug diversion program in January after being charged with Injury to Property along with her alleged use of methamphetamine. Judge Trotter granted Lignowski the OR under Court Services supervision.

Teresa Ānn Briggs-McCoy (in custody) was arraigned on charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance, namely methamphetamine, a category E felony; and possession or use of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor. Briggs-McCoy allegedly was in possession of a black framed mirror with residue, a razorblade with residue, and pieces of paper rolled up into straws. Judge Trotter appointed her a public defender. Briggs-McCoy asked if she were eligible for an OR, to which ADA Weed opposed an OR release; there is a risk that she will not appear based on past Failure to Appear. ADA Weed stated that she is a danger to the community based on her current probation

status, and her continued alleged violations. Trotter said there was clear and convincing reason to require bail, as well as a parole hold and denied the OR request

Brayden Walker Castillo (in custody) was arraigned on the charges of battery by a prisoner, a category C felony; an unlawful act related to bodily fluids, a gross misdemeanor; Driving Under the Influence, a misdemeanor; failure to drive within lanes marked for traffic, a misdemeanor; resisting, delaying or obstructing a public officer, a misdemeanor; and possession of an open container of an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle, a misdemeanor. Castillo allegedly drove off



Brayden Castillo, photo courtesy of Churchill County Sheriff's

the highway and struck the median, kicked a deputy Sheriff and spit on his partner during the arrest, resisted and struck the deputies, and had an open bottle of Patron tequila in the driver's seat while operating the vehicle, along with an open bottle of Tito's vodka in the back seat. Judge Trotter appointed Castillo a Public Defender. Castillo requested an OR release, which was opposed by ADA Pricilla Baker who said that on Oct 6, 2020, Castillo was convicted of grand larceny of a firearm and sentenced to 12 months of probation. In February he was found in violation of his probation and his probation was revoked for 30 days. "He continues to use alcohol, which is a violation of his probation. He is not adhering to the conditions of his probation," said Baker. Trotter denied the request.

Matthew Allen Acree was arraigned for failure to register as a sex offender for Lewdness in the Presence of a Child, a category D felony. Allegedly, Acree did not notify local law enforcement within 48 hours of a change of address. Trotter appointed the Churchill County Public Defender to defend Acree on this case. He requested an OR release, to which Weed expressed concern. However, Trotter did grant the OR subject to court services, and that Acree register

immediately with City of Fallon.

### **District Court News**

-by Leanna Lehman

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, June 8, with

Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

Muheb Laheeb Akbar pled not guilty on a charge of Battery with a Deadly Weapon Causing Substantial Bodily Harm, a Category B Felony that carries a potential penalty of 2-15 years in prison. Akbar, who is represented by Churchill County Public Defender Jacob Sommer, waived his right to a speedy trial. A criminal settlement conference will be ordered in which the matter may be settled by a senior or district court judge from another jurisdiction. If there is no resolution, the case is returned to the court and a jury trial will follow on February 23-25, 2022.

Rikki Jo Nuesmeyer failed to appear for sentencing after posting \$17,650 in bail last week. Nuesmeyer was arrested in February by the Task Force for Offer, Attempt, or Commission of an Unauthorized Act Relating to Manufacture or Compounding of Certain Controlled Substances, a Category C Felony which carries 1-5 years in prison. The criminal complaint alleges that that Nuesmeyer sold methamphetamine to a cooperating source. Judge Stockard issued a bench warrant with bail set at \$500,000 cash only.

Frank Lloyd Perry appeared for sentencing on a single count of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, a Category B Felony with a potential penalty of 1-6 years in prison. According to Churchill County Public Defender (CCPD), Wright Noel, Perry found the victim at his home upon returning from work. The victim was extremely drunk and had

been kicked out of his own house for drug use. The victim became intolerable, after which Perry "chased him off with a knife." Perry admitted he had also been drinking at the time. He received probation on a suspended sentence to 19-52 months in prison.

Tiffany Ann Scott was sentenced on multiple criminal charges, including (1) Principal to Burglary of a Business, a Category C Felony. She received a suspended sentence of 24-60 months in prison. (2) Destroying or Concealing Evidence, a Gross Misdemeanor, for which Scott received a suspended sentence of 364 days in the county jail. (3) Offer, Attempt or Commission of Unauthorized Act Relating to Manufacture or Compounding of Certain Controlled Substances, a first offense, and a Category C Felony for which she received a suspended sentence of 24-60 months in prison. Scott is to serve 60 days in jail before being placed on probation and all terms are to run consecutively. She was also ordered to pay \$10,672.88 in restitution. Should Scott violate the terms of her probation, she will serve an aggregated sentence of a minimum of 729 days in prison up to a maximum of 60 months.

Ronald Dean Smith appeared on charges that include: Offer, Attempt or Commission of Unauthorized Act Relating to Manufacture or Compounding of Certain Controlled Substances, a Category D Felony that can carry 1-4 years in prison and high-level possession for possessing/transporting 48.9 grams of a schedule I or II controlled substance (penalties vary). According to the criminal complaint read during Smith's appearance in Justice Court on April 21, he was allegedly in possession of Gamma-Hydroxybutyrate (GHB) and Flunitrazepam (Rohypnol). A status hearing was set for July 23.

# Historic Justice Court Jury Trial Held – Jury Delivers Not Guilty Verdict



*Justice Court Judge Benjamin Trotter - Photo by Rachel Dahl* 

By Ginny Bragg & Leanna Lehman

In a historic Justice Court jury trial, Fallon's New River Township Justice Court held the first Justice Court jury trial in Churchill County's history.

According to Judge Benjamin Trotter, The Nevada Supreme Court decided unanimously on September 12, 2019, in Andersen

v Eighth Judicial District Court, that the loss of a Constitutional right, namely the 2nd Amendment, makes misdemeanor Domestic Battery a "serious" offense which is the requirement in Nevada law for requiring a jury trial if demanded. "This was a significant change whereby the defendant can demand a jury trial for this offense," said Judge Trotter, "and it becomes required of the Court to accommodate"

Judge Trotter explained, "A jury trial is significantly different than a bench trial from a complexity perspective and a time management perspective. In a bench trial, the judge can, to a degree, control the pace and time consumption of a trial. In a jury trial, the judge should intervene only when absolutely necessary so the jury is not perceivably prejudiced for or against the defendant due to the judge's actions." The Justice Court staff worked hard to set up this trial, and Judge Trotter expressed thanks to Sue Sevon, the Chief Clerk of the 10th Judicial District Court, for training being an excellent resource for Justice Court as they prepared for this historic event.

Washoe and Clark Counties have had such jury trials since the decision, explained Judge Trotter. "We had several scheduled before the pandemic but many of these were resolved during that time."

Overall, Judge Trotter felt the trial was handled well from the Court's perspective. "We learned and will be even more prepared for the next one - currently scheduled for the end of July."

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The defendant in the case, William Apodaca (54), was charged with misdemeanor battery constituting domestic violence related to an incident that occurred on August 16, 2020.

Apodaca pled not guilty to the charge last year and appeared in court before a jury of six and Justice Court Judge Benjamin Trotter on May 25.

The alleged incident occurred at 4425 Marcy Lane in Fallon last August and involved Apadaca's ex-wife, Elizabeth. According to statements read in court, the couple was divorced in July 2019 and continued to have an amicable relationship until the time of the incident. There was no history of violence in the marriage or any physical altercations.

Lee Hotchkin, Esq., of Reno served as retained defense counsel and described to the court the events leading up to Apadaca's arrest. According to Hotchkin, on August 15, 2020, Apodaca went to his home on Marcy Lane to pick up some belongings still on the property. Apodaca is the legal owner of the house. However, Elizabeth remains in residence per the terms of their divorce decree, and Apodaca resides elsewhere.

Upon his arrival, between 10:00-11:00 p.m., Apodaca entered the house with Elizabeth's permission, after which they retired separately for the night. The following evening, Apodaca and Elizabeth went for a walk on the property and returned to the house for dinner. Both parties consumed alcohol that evening. Apodaca testified that he fell asleep in the recliner in the living room while Elizabeth stayed up drinking and dancing.

At approximately 9:00 p.m., Apadoca was startled awake by Elizabeth yelling and her accusal that he had a girlfriend. He stated that he had previously informed Elizabeth that he did have a girlfriend and had no plans to get back together with her. Apodaca then got out of the chair and told his ex-wife that "I am not going to take this anymore." He then moved her out his way with his arm and started walking toward the back door. In his anger, Apodaca admitted that he punched the TV and broke it as he went to leave.

Following his exit from the home, Apodaca went to his truck parked on the edge of the property. Approximately 15 minutes later, Elizabeth phoned him to inform him that law enforcement was on the way. He then awaited their arrival.

Sheriff's deputies Lofthouse and Burton stated in court that they were dispatched on a REDDI report (Report Every Drunk Driver Immediately). This occurs when law enforcement has notified that someone is driving under the influence of alcohol or another controlled substance; however, Apodaca was not in his vehicle when the deputies arrived.

Sgt. Lofthouse spoke to Elizabeth and later reported that he saw no visible signs of a physical altercation or abuse or marks on her neck, although he noted a large scratch on her leg

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Upon re-entering the house, Sgt. Burton asked Elizabeth what had occurred. She reported that Apodaca grabbed her by the neck and threw her against the wall next to the TV. Apodaca was arrested and charged with misdemeanor Battery Constituting Domestic Violence. Hotchkin argued that Elizabeth's motivation was the reporting that she had been assaulted for financial gain, which was fueled by the fact that she had consumed half of a bottle of whiskey over the course of the evening.

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Assistant District Attorney (ADA) Jeff Weed and ADA co-counsel Lisa Newman represented the state and argued that Apodaca was intoxicated and started the fight. On numerous occasions during the trial, Weed stated that Apodaca had put his hands around the victim's neck to grab her, threw her over the coffee table, and into the wall where she hit the TV. Elizabeth also testified that William Apodaca was intoxicated at the time of the incident and that she became so afraid that she hid in the closet until she no longer heard him in the house, after which she called 911.

After closing were statements made by the state and defense counsels, the jury deliberated for less than an hour, upon which the jurors returned with a not-guilty verdict. At that time, Judge Trotter thanked the jury for serving and doing their civic duties.



### Business

### Nowhere Nevada Photography-Nowhere I'd Rather Be

-by Alicia Parsons

While browsing Instagram, I stumbled across an account that this unknown being had filled with the ranchy buckaroo crowd that once filled my camera; Nowhere Nevada Photography showed a ground-eye-view I attempted a lifetime ago. The only difference was that these photos were good, like really good. An odd emotion filled me while I browsed these photographs, a sentiment that felt almost foreign for a moment. It pulled at my heart and awakened a deep longing that had been lying dormant in my soul. Somehow, these photos nurtured that long-lost place inside me.

I had to find the person behind these photographs. There on my screen were pictures of people I had once known myself - the same people I had captured with an oldschool camera and film roll at brandings and

rodeos across Northern Nevada.

At first, I was unable to track down the identity of this talented artist. I finally learned that the eye behind the lens was Calli Armstrong, a mother of two littles, wife to a Nevada buckaroo and self-taught capturer of moments in time.

Calli spent summers in Fallon on the family ranch with her grandmother Margie Shepard, where she learned to love and appreciate "nowhere Nevada." Calli was married in 2015 and later found herself in Smith Valley, Nevada, where she discovered that organic spur-of-the-moment photographs captured cowboying in a different way. She learned that she had a gift of unveiling the raw emotion of a moment and perfectly embracing the working cowboy life of Nevada's own. With a bit of help from Rachel Gonzalez Photography, who taught her about equipment and the techniques that would help her improve with every shot taken, Nowhere Nevada Photography presents photographs filled with a unique style you cannot



find everywhere. "I have been fortunate enough to capture photos by being in the right place at the right time," said Calli, "And with the people that allow me to be in the setting of their everyday life."

When Calli started Nowhere Nevada Photography, she had bigger dreams than a one-off newbie photographer crying over her work. She wanted to take a closer look at the hardworking men and women of our ranching communities and garner them the appreciation they deserve

Nowhere Nevada Photography has found its niche in western and agricultural-based photographs, which perfectly suits Calli's love of traveling to ranches, exploring different parts of Nevada, engaging in history, and capturing candid lifestyle photos in the outdoors.

Calli is currently working on a special series near and dear to her heart called "Life Behind the Photo," taking pictures of local agriculturists in their natural element. "The twist is that I am showcasing their side jobs, too, because heaven knows what you see in one lifestyle picture isn't even the half of what we do for a living!" explained Calli. "This is a fun way for me to partner with the community and hopefully help their business grow in return.

The "Life Behind the Photo" was born out of Callis intrigue of what people do; she has an insatiable curiosity for all things, especially all things western. The love and appreciation Calli has for the western way of life reminded me of my old romantic ideas of buckaroo life. But for Calli, her love also puts food on the table. And not only her table - but the table of those around her, and frankly your table and mine.

To support the hardworking cowboys and cowboy-girls who make up the tight-knit crews of working ranches across Nevada, Calli strives to shine a light on their stories and their incredible way of life. In doing so, her efforts support local small businesses, like her own. "I am in awe of hardworking, genuine companies and individuals, which brings me back to our mission behind the 'Life Behind the Photo' series - I want these people to be seen and known. I want to share their passion, drive, and work ethic with everyone. People see a picture, I see the story, and I want others to know that story," Calli stated, "I really want to help spread the word and help get their stories out. Supporting local small businesses is what we all need to do, especially these days! I love supporting local





business - I would much rather purchase something from a person that appreciates me as much as I appreciate their product." According to Calli, the "Life Behind the

According to Calli, the "Life Behind the Photo" project is incredibly important to her, especially since she is working with her friend, Bri Geney, to bring the people of our state to life and showcase all of their talents. "We have high hopes that we will be able to help out a lot of local business by sharing their stories," said Calli.

Each story from the project will be featured on Instagram and Facebook @ nowherenevadaphotography Facebook and her website. "We will ultimately be compiling all of these lifestyle photos and personal narratives into a coffee table book," Calli said. "There is something so magical about seeing these photos in print. The internet is a beautiful thing, but you won't catch my father online! I want to be able to reach all of our "Sunday Paper" type folks, too, so the coffee table book is our end goal."

Visit any of Calli's social media pages

Visit any of Calli's social media pages or her website to take a look at works of art that will move you in the most resounding, romantic, and nostalgic way and let her astounding work ignite a slow burn like whiskey in your soul

whiskey in your soul.

Anyone interested in a lifestyle shoot or a feature in the "Life Behind the Photo" series, check out info@nowherenevadaphotography. com." - Photos by Calli Armstrong, Nowhere Nevada Photography.

## Adventure

# Grand Canyon Rim2Rim2Rim in 24 Hours



-Story and photos by Leslie Paul

We are home safe after our last and final Grand Canyon Adventure. My girlfriend Shauna Gibson and I undertook this Rim2Rim2Rim hike on June 4 strictly as a physical challenge which it certainly was.

We left Fallon at 7:00 p.m. Thursday night with Shauna's husband, Guy, as our driver. Ten hours later, at 5:00 a.m. Friday morning we arrived at the North Rim of the Canyon and set out on our adventure in high spirits. All was going well until we reached the bottom of the Canyon where temperatures had soared to 130+degrees. We took a short break and continued on to the South Rimdefinitely a mistake, we should have waited it out until the heat had subsided. About 2 miles from Phantom Ranch, we hit the part of the trail called Devil's Corkscrew which is a 3-mile stretch of steep switchbacks with no shade whatsoever. According to one Park Ranger we spoke to, we encountered temperatures along this part of the trail that had reached over 138 degrees.

Fortunately for us, Shauna had the foresight to put ice in her drinking water bladder at Phantom Ranch. The water in my bladder was so hot you could hardly drink it, but I was able to share hers which undoubtedly enabled me to continue. We continued on to the next rest stop at Indian Gardens where we were able to rehydrate and take a much needed break in the shade under the trees along the creek. By then, Shauna was feeling the effects of heat stroke, had badly twisted her knee, and was having breathing and sinus troubles. Nonetheless, she forged on through the last four and a half miles, being the tough character that she is. Her husband had driven the three and

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s. Her husband had driven the three and a half hours to the South Rim to meet us where he made us the most incredible burritos, and where we were able to rest for a bit before heading back to the North Rim.

Unfortunately, Shauna was not in any shape to continue on the last 24 miles of our adventure. This was the hardest part of the trip for me, seeing the disappointment on her face, knowing she couldn't join me for the rest of the trip. She had trained

so hard for this - you can only imagine. At this point, I called my husband to apprise him of the situation and asked him what he thought of my continuing the trip by myself in the dark. He reluctantly encouraged me to continue and felt better knowing I had a SPOT tracking device and a means to signal for help if needed. At 9:00 p.m., with headlamp on I descended back into the Canyon by myself.

I encountered quite a few people on the trail coming up from Indian Gardens, having waited out the heat. After about six miles in, I didn't see another soul, not until 5:00 a.m. Hiking in the Canyon at night was surreal with bright stars filling the sky and all the sounds of nature all around me. By this time I had several hot spots on my feet that needed attention. I stopped to take care of them and then realized I had given all but one to Shauna for her blisters earlier in the day. My feet continued to get worse but I kept thinking about what Shauna had said, "Hiking into the Canyon was optional, hiking out was mandatory". I had no choice to continue on, with the last seven miles taking its toll on me physically and emotionally. Guy and Shauna were waiting for me at the trailhead on the North Rim, crying and encouraging me to finish the last bit. At 9:30 a.m. I crossed their makeshift finish line exhausted but with a sense of accomplishment that made it all worthwhile.

The Grand Canyon is an amazing and spectacular place unlike any I have ever seen. Shauna feels the same about the Canyon, even though she was personally disappointed in herself for not being able to finish with me. She said it was the first time in her life that she did

not finish something she started. We've been friends for over 20 years and know each other very well. The Canyon certainly provided me with the physical challenge I had sought. However, some others were not as fortunate, as five hikers were medically transported out of the Canyon Trails that day. I would never have made it without the support and encouragement from Guy and Shauna, my husband, and oh - lots and lots of Advil. Fortunately, our bodies are resilient and will recover from the abuse we put them through in due time. Last night I posted a brief summary of our trip



on Facebook's group, the Grand Canyon Rim2Rim, and this morning I was amazed at the comments from fellow hikers, many of whom Shauna and I encountered along the trail. They were so thankful for our encouraging support that helped them to complete their hike. The people we met on the trail were amazing too and added so much to our experience. I can't wait for the next adventure, but one thing is for sure, I will be doing it with my wonderful friend Shauna - just not anytime soon. Shauna and I hope we can inspire someone else to reach out and chase their dreams too. This was a dream of mine on my bucket list, and it's now checked off.



## Community Events

## Churchill County COVID JUNE 2021 Vaccine and Testing

no appointment necessary

Moderna, Janssen and Pfizer 18 and older - Pfizer 12 - 17 year older



County Public Health Drive Through Site on Miner's Road off Scheckler Road or Hwy 95.

June 1, 2021-June 4, 2021

Tuesday June 1, 2021: 12:00pm-4:00pm Vaccine and Testing (Rapid testing 3:00-4:00) Wednesday June 2, 2021: 1:00-4:00 Vaccine and Testing (Rapid testing 3:00-4:00) Thursday June 3, 2021: 1:00-6:00 Vaccine NO TESTING Friday June 4, 2021 By APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 423-6695 option 2- NO TESTING

June 7, 2021-June 11, 2021

Monday June 7, 2021: APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 423-6695 option 2 Tuesday June 8, 2021: NO VACCINE Testing and rapids 3:00-4:00 Wednesday June 9, 2021: NO VACCINE Testing and rapids 3:00-4:00 Thursday June 10, 2021: 1:00-6:00 Vaccine NO TESTING

Friday June 11, 2021 By APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 423-6695 option 2- NO TESTING

June 14, 2021-June 18, 2021

Monday June 14, 2021: 10:00-6:00 Vaccine and Testing (NO RAPID TESTING) Tuesday June 15, 2021: NO VACCINE Testing and rapids 3:00-4:00 Wednesday June 16, 2021: NO VACCINE Testing and rapids 3:00-4:00

Wednesday June 16, 2021: NO VACCINE Testing and rapids 3:00-4:00 Thursday June 17 2021: NO VACCINE OR TESTING

Friday June 18, 2021: NO VACCINE TESTING OR TESTING

June 21, 2021-June 25, 2021

Monday June 21, 2021:APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 423-6695 option 2 Tuesday June 22, 2021: 1:00pm-5:30pm Vaccine and Testing (Rapid testing 3:00-4:00) Wednesday June 23, 2021: 1:00-5:30 Vaccine and Testing (Rapid testing 3:00-4:00)

Thursday June 24, 2021: 1:00-6:00 Vaccine NO TESTING

Friday June 25, 2021 By APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 423-6695 option 2- NO TESTING

June 28, 2021-June 30, 2021

Monday June 28, 2021:APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 423-6695 option 2 Tuesday June 29, 2021: 1:00pm-5:30pm Vaccine and Testing (Rapid testing 3:00-4:00) Wednesday June 30, 2021: 1:00-5:30 Vaccine and Testing (Rapid testing 3:00-4:00)

If you are unable to access the site during these times or are homebound please call 775-426-6695, option 2



www.churchillcountynv.gov





Golf Tournament

June 19, 2021
9:00 am Shot Gun Start

\$80 Non-Members, \$40 Members

Lunch included with tournament fees and served following the tournament.

LIMITED TO THE FIRST 36 TEAMS!

Details:

★ 2 person team; format will be:

- o Holes 1-9 Best Ball (individual stroke play, best score recorded for each hole)
- o Holes 10-18 Scramble
- ★ Wolfie Package, \$20 (or \$10 for individual helpers):
  - o 2 Mulligans
  - Roll the die for your tee box (Hole 4)
  - 12" of string to aid you in being closer to any hole without a stroke (limit 1 piece of string per team; cannot be used for closest to the pin or longest drive)
- ★ Prizes for the Longest Drive and for Closest to the Pin (Men and Women) and Winning Team
- ★ Silent Auction!!!

Send this form and your fees to Keith or Brenda Boone by June 14

boonebrenda87@gmail.com, or 550 Hunter Park Way for questions call 775-426-8375

Fees will also be collected on the day of the event.

Please note the golf course will not be collecting money!

Team Member #1:

Team Member #2:

ALL proceeds are applied to our Elmo & Donna Derico Memorial Scholarship fund

## Happening this Weekend

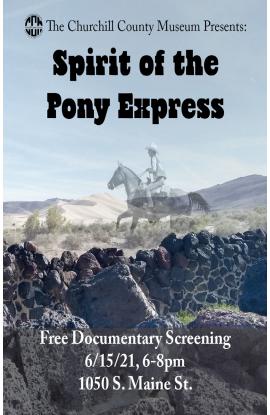


FOR A FULL LIST OF SUMMER EVENTS, CHECK OUT PAGE 22



## Community Events





AFTER WORK FAMILY TIME @ THE LIBRARY

Tuesdays 5:00 - 5:45 pm

Stop in for an activity to do with your children





Churchill County Library 553 South Maine Street Fallon, NV 89406 775-423-7581 www.churchillcountylibrary.org



-Staff Report

Maddie's Pet Project of Nevada is excited to announce that registration is now open for the Spring Maddie's Pet Adoption Days being held Friday, June 11 & Saturday, June 12, 2021. Thanks to funding provided by the Dave & Cheryl Duffield Foundation, all adoption fees are being waived for dogs and cats at participating animal welfare organizations across Nevada during this two-day event. In Churchill County, Fallon Animal Welfare Group (FAWG) and Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS) will both be participating. CAPS will be open for extended hours from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., as well as FAWG, operating from Cherie's Farm and Feed Store located at 5353 Reno Highway, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. both days.

Maddie's Pet Adoption Days is traditionally held twice a year. The September 2020 adoption event resulted in 1,851 animals (1,068 cats and 783 dogs) being adopted from 44 participating Nevada animal welfare organizations, including large and small animal shelters and private rescues. More than 7,600 animals have found their forever homes during the Maddie's Pet Adoption Days event in the past three years.

For more info, visit FAWG, CAPS, and www. maddiespetprojectnevada.org Community
Meetings / Events

June 14 - June 20

Flag Day Tribute City Hall Courtyard Mon. June 14 – 9;00 a.m.

Churchill County Insurance Advisory Cmte. Meeting Tues. June 15 - 1:30 p.m.

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Meeting Wed. June 16 - 9:30 a.m.

Churchill Coalition Luncheon Fallon Golf Course Wed. June 16 - Noon

County Commissioners Meeting Wed. June 16 - 1:15 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce Luncheon Fallon Golf Course Thurs. June 17 – Noon

> Free Concert at Oats Park Sat. June 19 – 7:30 p.m.

> > Father's Day Sun. June 20



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CALL IN: +1-669-900-683

MEETING ID: 995-0637-4699

PASSCODE: 820-530

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YOUR REQUEST FOR APPLICATION TO

ISSISTANT@CHURCHILLCOALITION.COM

## Education

## CCHS 2021 Photo Essay











## Education

### **CCHS 2021 Photo Essay**













CCHS Graduating Seniors, Staff, School Board Trustees, Guest Speakers, along with family and friends honor the graduating class of 2021.

## Sports

### 2021 Fallon Grads Qualify for Nevada State High School Rodeo Finals and Silver State International Rodeo



Bethie Ikonen from CCHS won the State Championship Goat Tying event and will be going to Lincoln, Nebraska to participate in the National High School Rodeo Finals. She also qualified for the Silver State International Rodeo (SSIR) in Team Roping with her partner Maggie Wines from Ely.

Jayden Jensen from CCHS and the WNC Jump Start program also qualified for Nationals after placing in 2nd place the Breakaway Roping. Jensen also qualified for the SSIR in Team Roping with her partner Jaylee McEwen.

Ali Norcutt from Oasis Academy won the State Championships in the Reined Cow Horse and Girls Cutting events and is won 3rd place in the in Breakaway Roping. She will go to Nationals to compete in all three events. Norcutt further qualified for SSIR in Goat Tying and Team Roping.

**Mason Schacht** is a Senior and qualified for the SSIR in Pole Bending.



### 2021 Fallon High School Boys & Girls Qualify for National Rodeo Finals and Silver State International Rodeo

### Boys:

Flint Schacht ranked 3rd for Nationals Bull Riding.

**Jarrett Peek** ranked 3rd for Nationals Team Roping with Amelia Lancaster from Battle Mtn., and 11th for SSIR Tie Down Roping..

### Girls:

**Tylie Norcutt** ranked 2nd for Nationals Reined Cow Horse, 6th for SSIR Breakaway, 11th for SSIR Cutting, 5th for SSIR Goat Tying, and 8th for SSIR Team Roping with Brock Feyden from Elko.

# 2021 Fallon Junior High Boys & Girls Qualify for National Rodeo Finals and Silver State International Rodeo

### Boys:

**Wyatt Peek** ranked 2nd for Nationals Breakaway, 4th for Nationals Ribbon Roping with Lundee Moser, 4th for Nationals Team Roping with Sydney Fullmer from Las Vegas, 6th for SSIR Goat Tying, and 15th for SSIR Chute Dogging.

**Gavin Jensen** ranked 9th for SSIR Boys Breakaway and 6th for SSIR Team Roping with Audrey Wright from Elko.

### Girls:

**Sabra Steen** ranked 9th for National Barrels, 3rd for Nationals Breakaway, 1st placefor Nationals Goat Tying and 7th for Nationals Pole Bending.

**Shyann Steen** ranked 13th for SSIR Barrels, and 11th for SSIR Pole Bending.

**Utahncia Cowan** ranked 16th for SSIR Barrels, 17th for SSIR Pole Bending and 17th for SSIR Rifle Shoot.

All rodeo results and photos courtesy of Julianne Ikonen

## Sports



Ali Norcutt, Breakaway roping



Jarrett Peek



Jayden Jensen, Breakaway roping



Mason Schacht, Pole bending



Mason Schacht, Bulls



Tylie Norcutt, Reining Cow Horse



Bethie Ikonen, Goat tying



Jarett Peek healing - Photo credit V Hanging Heart



Wyatt Peek heading - Photo credit V Hanging Heart Photography



8th grader Gaven Jensen, - Going to the SSIR in Boys Breakaway & Team Roping w/ Partner Audrey Wright

## Gardening

### High Desert Dirt - The Ravens' Rant

by Jaime Sammons

During breakfast the other day a good friend mentioned she had not seen many bees yet in her beautiful yard. Kevin and I got into beekeeping for many reasons but increasing the number of the busy, eusocial flyers on our farm was number one. We absolutely have seen increased production in our food gardens as a result of our hives. I should mention we're only in our third year - still considered new'bees!

Pollinator gardens are getting a lot of well-deserved coverage these days. A plot of blooming "food" like asters, sunflowers, salvias, mint, goldenrod, and bachelor's buttons for native bees, honeybees, and butterflies will add some beauty to your yard and can provide extra sources of pollen and nectar to the diets

of these insects the entire growing season. The truth is honeybees could use all the extra help they can get. You might have read about Colony Collapse Disorder in recent news. So far, science doesn't know the exact reason honeybee populations are in decline, but many are considering it to be a combination of compounding issues. Honeybees aren't native to the U.S. but definitely are a necessary part of our food chain. Their work gives us many of the fruits, nuts, and vegetables we

see on our supermarket shelves.
Planting a pollinator friendly yard is
worth your effort. However, if you really want to make an extra impact, plant trees for bees as well. Honeybee foragers actually prefer collecting from a single source at a time, like a well-established fruit tree covered in blossoms. Walking under a buzzing apple tree in bloom is almost guaranteed to put a smile on even the most hardened beekeeper.

I should say before we get into the list. We have all of these trees on our farm. I know they all have the potential to do well here in the high desert. Also, this list is not exclusive and there are a few trees included here that have the potential to give me my first, column hate mail. While we might label them invasive, nuisance or noxious, if they provide for bees, I'm going to mention them. Perhaps you might want to not plant them as new trees but if you have them in your yard already as existing trees it is good to know they have some

added value. Let's consider the trees on the list with an \* those that have the potential to spread. Also, from what I can find none of the trees on this list are technically on the Nevada Department of Ag noxious list (yet!).

Key componenťs in a beehive that are gathered from trees and other plants include nectar, pollen, and propolis. Nectar is sucked up by forager bees from flowers and is the basis of honey

and "bee bread", a combo of honey and pollen fed to baby bees. Pollen is, according to The Backyard Beekeeper by Kim Flottum, "the only source of protein, starch, fat, vitamins and minerals in a colony's diet. By weight pol-len has more protein than beef." Propolis, the third component comes from the Greek word meaning "to defend the city." A small percentage of bees in the colony are tasked with collecting propolis. It is sometimes called bee glue by beekeepers, and for good reason. It is harvested saps and resins that bees collect from trees. Resins help trees and some flowering plants protect themselves from pathogens and predators. In a way propolis does the same thing for bees. It is anti-fungal, antibacterial and also helps insulate and waterproof the hive. Bees can even use it to seal up and "mummify" an animal like a mouse that snuck in and died in the hive.

In our area, Poplars like Cottonwoods as well as conifers like Spruce and Pine are excellent sources for propolis. Birch and Willows are also high-quality sources for propolis. Side note, Willows were the original base for aspirin. Those bees know their stuff.

Early blooms for bees to harvest come



Photo: Super fragrant, Littleleaf Linden tree getting ready to bloom. These slow growing, long lived trees are sometimes called Basswood and have flowers that are used for teas, perfumes and for some herbal remedies. Please be sure to have a 100% ID before attempting to harvest and use

from Elms\*, Maples, and Willows. Next, Apricots tend to mark the start of the fruit tree bloom season. Don't forget that includes crabapples. Quince and medlars bloom much later which is nice for this area if you're looking for unusual fruit for your yard that does well here. Honey locust, Black locust\*, and Hawthorne bloom around the spring equinox, followed by Desert Willows, Russian Olives\*, Catalpa, and Golden Rain trees\*. Lindens bloom around the summer solstice and really tend to close the blooming tree season.

Around the farm this week, we're hunkered down from the wind. Next week's column will feature Korena Mewaldt, a local farmer and expert, writing an article on all things garlic.

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### What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen

Help... I have fallen down a salad dressing rabbit-hole. It all started innocently enough...

Neil and I were reminiscing about all of the weird salad dressings that we used to eat in the 80's and this conversation led me to the google-machine. Did you know that there is an "Association for Dressings and Sauces" that was originally formed in 1926 complete with a 15-member board of directors and eight separate working committees? I wonder what their agendas look like-

For discussion and possible action: consideration and official

declaration of salad dressing as a condiment"

Let the minutes reflect that discussion was heated--so heated in fact that the emulsified dressings broke. Board member Floyd Cardoz, Chef and Creator of The Bombay Bread Bar, NYC declared, "For me, a condiment is anything that is not necessary to the final dish but can still be eaten with a finished dish with no need for further cooking. A condiment enhances as well as gives the finished dish a whole new character. A dressing is necessary for a salad, so in my book, salad dressing is not a condiment."

Seriously though, salad dressing has been around for a really long time. There is anthropological evidence that oil and vinegar were used to dress greens by the Babylonians over 2000 years ago. And mayonnaise-based salad dressings made an appearance around

200 years ago on the tables of French nobles.

Åt its most basic, salad dressing consists of an oil, an acid, and spices for seasoning. This basic formula offers almost infinite varieties to dress greens, potatoes, veggies, eggs, and even animal proteins. Salad dressing is perhaps the most ubiquitous of sauces,

limited only by your imagination.

While there is a ridiculous amount of variety in commercially prepared salad dressings available at the store (both shelf-stable and refrigerated choices) I contend that a dressing you prepare yourself from scratch is far superior and worthy of the few minutes that it takes to concoct. In fact, salad dressing holds a proud place on "Kelli's List of 10 Things Every Adult Should Know How to Prepare for Themselves." If you don't know how to make a dressing, never fear... I am here for you.

In her most epic of culinary guidebooks "Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat" Chef Samin Nosrat has this to say about dressings: "The most important thing about any dressing is to strike a proper balance of Salt, Fat, and Acid. Get that right, and any salad will taste good." If you want your dressing to separate (like a traditional Italian Vinaigrette), you can stick with these three basic categories of ingredients. If you prefer a creamier dressing, you will want to add an emulsifier--emulsifiers are ingredients that make two liquids that normally don't like to mix together give up and stick together. For example, the emulsifier in mayonnaise that holds oil and water (plus often vinegar and lemon juice) together is the lecithin found in an egg yolk.

Here are some examples of ingredients that can be combined together into a delicious salad dressing (I've separated them into their

appropriate categories):

<u>Fats</u>	<u>Acids</u>	<u>Emulsifier</u>	Seasoning
Olive Oil	White Wine Vinegar	Egg yolk	Salt
Canola Oil	Red Wine Vinegar	Mustard	Pepper
Grapeseed Oil	Apple Cider Vinegar	Honey	Fresh Herbs
Mayonnaise	Balsamic Vinegar		Other Spices
Creme Fraiche	Lemon Juice		Shallots
Heavy Cream	Lime Juice		Garlic
Sour Cream	Orange Juice		Citrus Zest
Yogurt	Rice Vinegar		Tomatoes
Tahini			Anchiovies
Nut Butters			Parmesan
Sesame oil			Bleu Cheese
Tahini			Avocado
			Ginger

### **Basic Creamy Vinaigrette**

YIELD: 1 cup

### **INGREDIENTS:**

3 T white wine vinegar or lemon juice

1 T water

4 t dijon mustard

2 t honey

¾ c oil (you can use a mix of a neutral oil like grapeseed or canola, and a flavorful oil like olive or avocado)

Salt and pepper to taste

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

For a semi-emulsified dressing (one that separates easier): place all ingredients into a jar, seal, and shake.

For a more stable emulsion, combine together vinegar (or lemon juice) with water, mustard, and honey. Whisk until well combined. While constantly whisking, drizzle in oil. Season with salt and pepper.

For a super stable emulsion, follow the steps in #2 but use a

blender.

### **Scratch Caesar Salad Dressing**

YIELD: about ¾ cup

### **INGREDIENTS:**

1 egg yolk

1 T lemon juice

2 oil-packed anchovy fillets (or more to taste up to 6 anchovies)

1 t worcestershire sauce

2 garlic cloves, minced

½ oz grated parmesan cheese

⅓ c canola oil

¼ c olive oil

Salt and pepper to taste

### **DIRECTIONS:**

Combine together egg yolk, lemon juice, anchovies, worcestershire sauce, garlic, and parmesan cheese into a food processor or a container that can be accessed with an immersion blender. With blender or food processor running, slowly drizzle in canola oil until you have a creamy dressing.



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

### Entertainment

# TIMMER

### Fun Events

June 11 - 5:30 pm **Cantaloupe Festival Crowning Ceremony for King and Queen** June 11 - 6:00 pm **Octane Fest** Great 5K Aloha Run June 12 - 9:00 am June 12 - 4:00 pm **Octane Fest** June 14 - 10:00 am Flag Day Tribute Cars and Coffee June 12 - 9:30 am **Pony Express Screening** June 15 - 6:00 pm June 15 - 6:30 pm **Christian Motorcycle Club Meeting** Pick'n & Grin'n Farmers Market June 16 - 3 - 7 pm June 17-20 - 4 days **Rockabilly Riot Camp Out** Will Shamburger Band June 18 - 8:00 pm **UNR Fallon Alumni Golf Tourney** June 19 - 9 am Free Concert in the Park June 19 - 7:30 pm Cruise to the Lake Lahontan June 26 - 9-5 pm June 26 - 5:00 pm **DeGolyer Horse/Bull Bash** July 3 - 10:00 am 4th of July Parade

July 3 - 3-8 pm July 17 - 9:00 am

Aug. 7 - 3-8 pm Aug. 20-22 Aug. 21 - 7:30 pm Aug. 27-29 - 10 am Sept. 4 - 3-8 pm

**Green Goddess Farmers Market FYC Annual Kids Kup Tourney** 

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Rattlesnake Raceway Oats Park Rattlesnake Raceway City Hall Courtyard Telegraph Coffee & Tap Museum The Grid The Grid Rear Parking Lot **County Fairgrounds Fallon Theatre Fallon Golf Course** Oats Park Lahontan Day Area

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**County Fairgrounds** 

Arts Center/Oats Park Oats Park / other areas Oats Park **County Fairgrounds** Arts Center/Oats Park

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## Feral Housewives Weekly Horoscope - June 7

Aries-March 21 to April 19 Slow down, take time to get things accomplished, and read what you sign before signing it. Midweek it looks like something out of a circus sideshow, be ready to be run full speed ahead! You will have brief moments of downtime but not much as you launch your romantic life into fast forward this weekend.

Taurus-April 20 to May 20 You have built a beautiful village of friends. When you are stuck and don't know what to do, reach out. They will do whatever they can to take that weight off your shoulders! The weekend will be filled with connections to friends and someone special. Sunday someone will pay you a compliment you won't soon forget!

Gemini-May 21 to June 20 As you question your career and the next move, don't get stuck on the small details. Enjoy the moment using every ounce of creative genius you have. Everything somehow seems to work out in your favor. When you find yourself needing advice, don't be scared to ask those around you! When the opportunity to get up and dance presents itself, make sure to take it!

Cancer-June 21 to July 22 Let your mind wander, it may feel like a waste of time, but I promise you it isn't. This week will be shockingly productive for you. Midweek do your own thing. If you attend social gatherings, you need to think before opening your mouth. This weekend brings excellent news and big changes for your

Leo-July 23 to August 22 Follow your gut this week, it will not lead you astray. Between your keen listening skills and intuition, you will be able to navigate out of a sticky situation. Look to your friends when trying to make a big decision this week. They will be able to point out a circumstance you hadn't considered. Enjoy learning something new and possibly embarrassing about yourself! When you get flooded with attention over the weekend, enjoy every moment of it!

Virgo-August 23 to September 22 This week is going to prove to challenge you.
Before you jump to conclusions or disapprove of a friend, stop and consider, you don't know it all, and you surely don't know the whole story. You also find yourself drowning in frustration with a coworker by the end of the workweek. Over the weekend, take time to connect to someone special. A dinner Saturday proves to be incredible.

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Libra-September 23 to October 22 You never cease to find the beauty in the world around you and share it with friends, even when you are racing a million miles an hour! Thursday, the day will be either incredible or the worst day ever. Choose wisely. Because you are such a joy, you seem to have attracted an admirer, not necessarily romantic either. With energy turned up to 10, you will have a great weekend!

Scorpio-October 23 to November 21 All of your wishes come true at the start of the week. How lucky are you? You feel like you are living the dream romantically. Come midweek, life is going to hand you a heavy dose of reality. It isn't all rainbows and unicorn farts. Address the issues at hand and take a day to yourself to recoun hand and take a day to yourself to recoup from that crash back to earth.

Sagittarius-November 22 to December 21 You have come so far, don't stop now! You will conquer the battles in front of you with the out-of-this-world talents that lie within. You are juggling the demands in front of you gracefully, troubles that unexpectedly arise, and your love life, like a master. Keep that communication going, all will end well!

Capricorn- December 22 to January 19 Get creative with letting that special one know how you feel. The more creative, the know how you feel. The more creative, the better, in fact! They will feel a renewed connection with you through this, and it will give you something that is only for the pair of you. Midweek you will struggle to fix a family or work problem. Spend the weekend showering that special love with time and attention. Dare I suggest a hike or stroll? They will love you for it.

Aquarius-January 20 to February 18 You should probably stop and re-evaluate what is important to you. You are long overdue for that evaluation, especially since you are so impatient listening to others. You will spend the week doing some serious thinking about all of that and more, figure out where you stand and why. Spend the weekend with the family doing nothing, in particular, just spend the time.

Pisces- February 19 to March 20 The only way to figure out what you want is to try new things, see if you like them or not. So, treat yourself to the experience Monday! That new project you are working on could change your outlook on absolutely everything in your life! This weekend should be spent enjoying lazy days in bed with that person who gives you all the warm and fuzzy feelings!

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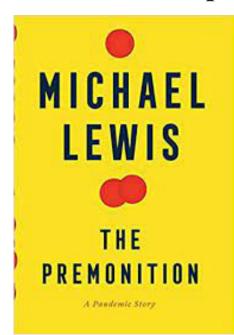
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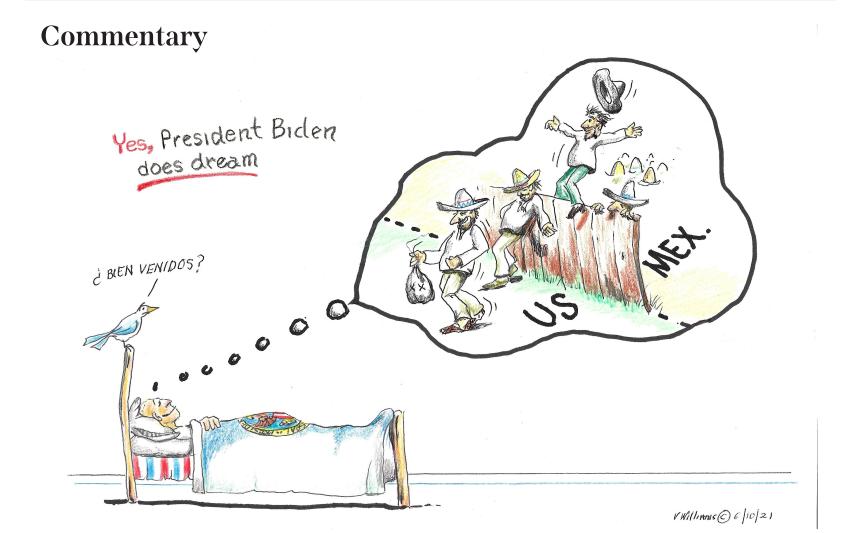
This small group of independent-minded scientists, doctors, and public health officials focused on things like pandemics and trying to figure out unusual diseases, took charge when Covid hit. They were laser focused on the worst-case scenario and developed ways to fight it to save lives.

The problem was they were bucking governmental, insurance, and medical systems that seemed to be more interested in deflecting the problem or maintaining the status quo, often for financial gain.

The book provides a back story to where we are today pandemic-wise. Lewis's books are page turners and highly readable. He is the bestselling author of Moneyball and The Fifth Risk. This title is available in print and downloadable ebook through Overdrive/Libby.



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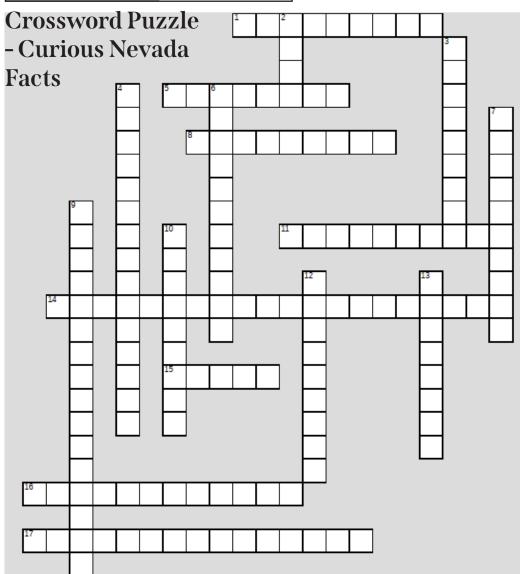


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**Truckee Canal at Wadsworth** 149 cfs

**Carson River Below Lahontan** 626 cfs

Carson River at Ft. Churchill 24.9 cfs

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cfs - Cubic Feet per Second

### Across

- 5 Nevada state song
- 8 Nevada is one of the top producers of
- 11 Drilling accident in 1916
- 12 US route 50
- 14 The richest known deposit of silver
- 15 Name of a crater from a nuclear test
- 16 Bradley timepiece named for
- 17 A town at the bottom of Lake Mead

#### Down

- 1 Nevada in "Old Spanish"
- 2 Company who went 277.9 mph on route 160
- 3 Burning man takes place
- 4 Polar bear in Elko
- 6 Body of water that loses 12billion gallons of water by evaporation
- 7 Carlin, Cortez and, Goldstrike are?
- 9 Mark Twain began his career here
- 10 Jacob Davis made this first in Reno
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