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## Kids and Cowboys Win Big at Battle Born Broncs

By Darcie Spero and Leanna Lehman

On the evening of Wednesday, June 14, an impressive event took place at the Rafter 3C Arena in Fallon, NV. Skiver Bootmakers, the City of Fallon, and Promega Feed joined forces to present the highly anticipated second annual Battle Born Broncs. This extraordinary gathering featured thirty skilled saddle bronc and bareback riders, all vying for the grand prize of \$50,000 in this Xtreme Broncs competition, an officially sanctioned Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association event.

What made this event even more exceptional was the presence of some of top cowboys in the PRCA current world standings, including seven-time World Champion, Stetson Wright. These high-profile athletes arrived a day ahead of time to lend their expertise and mentorship at the Battle Born Broncs Rodeo Camp. This unique training camp allowed aspiring riders to immerse themselves in the fundamentals of Bareback and Saddle

Bronc riding. The more experienced students were granted access to this year's advanced session, where they had the opportunity of learning not only on teaching equipment but also directly on live animals.

The entire camp was provided to the students free of charge, thanks to the generous sponsorships from businesses and individuals who share a vision of fostering the continuous growth and development of the American sport of rodeo. R.C. Landingham, a distinguished four-time National Finals Rodeo (NFR) qualifier, \$1 million Working Ranch Cowboys Association winner, and Triple Crown of Rodeo champion, who helped with the event said, "The kids camp is great; this is what keeps the rodeo world going." Nevada native and NFR qualifier, expressed his enthusiasm, saying, Mitch Pollock, a Nevada native who also helped coach, stated, "To see we have future bronc riders here makes me really excited." This year, a total of eighty-five students participated, a



Bradlee Miller, Bareback. Photo by Chuck Miner.

notable increase of thirty-five attendees compared to the first camp held last year.

Apart from attracting top-notch

contestants in the bareback and saddle bronc riding to the area, Battle Born Broncs spared no expense in securing

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# From the Publisher

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## Captain's Log — *First World Problems...*

We have interns.

I'm reading Jonathan Swift.

I told my dad there would be a hilarious start to the Captain's Log this week for those who know the allusion.

It was Father's Day and I had gone to sit on the porch with him. He had a copy of "A Modest Proposal" sitting on his table as we chatted, and I casually picked it up. Of course, you grow up hearing about it, along with "The Count of Monte Cristo" which was also lying there, and "Don Quixote" which we talked about as next on his reading list. But as far as I ever got into Swift was "Gulliver's Travels."

The story begins, "A Modest Proposal for Preventing the Children of Poor People From Being a Burthen to Their Parents or Country, and For Making them Beneficial to the Publick."

This prompted a discussion of the summer program the high school is running this year with the force of nature that is Sue Segura. We put three of her interns to work at the newspaper, as did several other local businesses, and between our stories and hers, the "Beneficial to the Publick" hit home.

My dad laughed at me and said the obvious, "You haven't read it, have you?" Swift was a satirist, and in his essay, the modest proposal was that the impoverished Irish might ease their economic troubles by selling their children as food to the rich. He was mocking the heartless attitudes toward the poor.

That's one way to make interns useful, I suppose.

I'm teasing. We really are enjoying the experience, in spite of this being a whole new bag of rocks for us. There is a lot of guidance and time that goes into an intern program, and while we're rich in guidance, we are low on time. We also work remotely now – everyone involved in the paper floats with their laptop and from time to time we land at Telegraph to work together or Cranberry for a staff meeting, so interning has taken on a very modern "teleworking" nature. Which in this day and age is probably good for them to learn.

We also use all the Microsoft tools to communicate when we aren't face-to-face, and the interns are way better at that than we are. So, interning is, to some extent, going both ways.

We're working on a story for next week about the community-wide intern program and their Back to School night in August and the interns will debut their first stories as well.

So, while we work on coaching and get some coaching for ourselves, we'll be right here...

...Keeping you Posted.  
Rach

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## LiDAR Shows 100,000 Acre-Feet Less Water Than Anticipated

By Rachel Dahl

The updated forecast of the amount of water left in the mountains and the amount expected to melt and flow through the Carson River to the Lahontan Reservoir was cut significantly last week, down 100,000-acre feet, after the Bureau of Reclamation received results from the third LiDAR flyover done by the Airborne Snow Observatories on June 7.

Local officials meet at the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District board room every Thursday at 8:30 a.m. to hear the latest information that goes into decision-making regarding the flow of the Carson River into the reservoir and the management of the Newlands Project as a whole.

Representatives from the City of Fallon, Churchill County, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Fallon Tribe, and many other affected organizations heard a report from BOR that showed various “snow pillows” estimating nearly 257,000 a.f. of snow water equivalent still on the mountain. River forecasting models also show a lower efficiency, with only 50% of what is coming off the mountain hitting the Fort Churchill gauge, bringing even less water into the reservoir than previously predicted.

During March and April, forecasts predicted nearly 800,000 a.f. of snowpack in the mountains, enough to easily fill Lahontan Reservoir three times, prompting the City of Fallon and Churchill County to issue emergency declarations and the building of

the second weir at the V-Line Canal to help prevent flooding throughout the community.

On June 20 there was 267,100 a.f. of water in the reservoir that was built to hold 295,000 a.f. to meet the demands of Newlands Project water right holders. With flashboards installed, the dam can hold 312,000 a.f.

As farmers continue to call on their water rights throughout the growing season, there is only expected to be at most an additional 130,000 more a.f. feet flowing into Lahontan by the end of July.

Management of the Newlands Project by TCID is governed by the Operating Criteria and Procedures, first implemented by the BOR in 1987. According to the OCAP, the level of the reservoir at the end of the season determines the ability to divert, or not, from the Truckee Canal throughout the winter months, storing water for the next irrigation season.

Because TCID diverted so much water early this spring “into the desert,” to avoid flooding the community with the heavy river flows, should they end the season in a position of needing to divert from the Truckee Canal to meet water right demands next spring, there will be pressure from the Pyramid Lake Tribe regarding their use of the Truckee River.

The OCAP dictates maximizing the use of the Carson River by project farmers and minimizing the use of the Truckee River, although the system was designed to supplement Carson River water with water from the

Truckee River.

According to Ben Shawcroft, General Manager of TCID, in a press release issued last week, Lahontan is not designed or authorized for flood prevention. The district has over the years used the reservoir that way to help the community in high water years, but the primary use of the reservoir is as a storage facility.

The importance of surface water in Lahontan cannot be underestimated since the State Engineer closed the Lahontan Basin in 1981 to underground water right permitting for agriculture or commercial use, leaving agriculture in the community reliant solely on surface water.

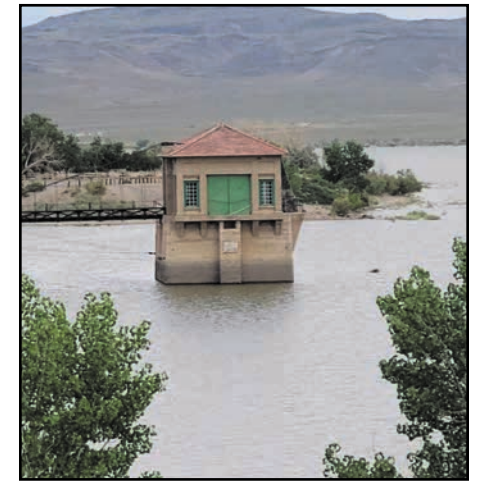
Over the years Churchill County has acquired the majority of those previously existing underground water rights to be used in their municipal supply.

During the last Churchill County Commission meeting, Bus Scharmann, Chairman of the commission said because of the second weir that was built this spring, “TCID can now control the outflows in a high-water year using that weir. Even though they aren’t using it now, it can be revisited as needed for active control.”

Commissioner Justin Heath asked, “Are they going to pay us back the \$5.5 million since they’re not using it.”

Joe Sanford, Civil Deputy District Attorney said there is some discussion regarding reimbursement but no exact numbers at this time.

Scharmann said he has spoken to Ernie Schank, former president of



Lake Lahontan June 2023. Photo by Victoria Crystal.

the TCID and he understands that the irrigation district has valid concerns. “They want to make sure the reservoir is full at the end of the season, that is their concern, and flooding is our concern. Our concern is the flooding of homes and theirs is farmers. I did listen and I understand where they’re coming from, and I believe this is why we’re able to come to an understanding between the district, the city, and the county.”

Additionally, TCID received notice last week from the Bureau of Reclamation that flood operations would be ceasing on June 16, 2023, and starting that day, no orders will be taken at TCID for the delivery of water to non-water-righted lands. All orders for water-righted lands will now be charged against the user’s allocation.

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# Features

## Fallon Stands Together – Arts Council Builds a New Permanent Collection

By Rachel Dahl

Members of the Churchill Arts Council have banded together after the surprising and unauthorized removal of the Permanent Collection from the Oats Park Art Center by former Executive Director, Michael Scott, to share pieces of their personal art collections with the community filling the Arts Center with a new Permanent Collection called, “Fallon Stands Together.”

“Our staff has gathered art and some remaining items to be in the bigger common area, we reached out to our community if they have art associated with the art center to see if they feel comfortable loaning for a time while we work to retrieve and or build a new collection,” said Theresa Guillen, Arts Council Board Chair.

On the morning of Tuesday, May 30, staff at the Oats Park Art Center in Fallon, NV arrived at the building and discovered that more than 100 pieces from the Permanent Art Collection had disappeared. The works, curated over 30-plus years, were a beloved community asset and the legacy of past Executive Director Valerie Serpa and her husband, Kirk Robertson on behalf of the Churchill Arts Council. The Churchill Arts Council Board of Directors believes that now-resigned Executive Director Michael Scott undertook an unauthorized, intentional effort to dismantle the collection.

“This is a complete betrayal of the memory and hard work done by Valerie to build this collection and was completely unauthorized by the board. We are exploring all of our legal options to remedy the situation,” said Guillen.

The board thought it would be important to have the empty walls left by Scott’s actions full of artwork as soon as possible, certainly before the community came to attend events. To that end, members of the Arts Council have spent the past couple of weeks gathering a multitude of art to ready the barren building for the last two events of the season – the poetry reading that was held June 3, and the Concert in the Park held this past weekend on June 17.



Each piece that now hangs in the Oats Park building is accompanied by a statement from the donor, either explaining the piece or reflecting on what the Art Center means to them and the community.

Amanda Hammond, a current board member, has donated several pieces to the effort. “The pieces from our collection that now hang in the Oats Park Art Center are fond reminders of all this institution has meant to so many. A true diamond in the desert, the...Art Center is strong, resilient, and shines bright in our community,” she said.

In a tip of the hat to Serpa, board member Jessica Rowe explained her contribution. “I’ve been a fan of Elaine Parks’ ceramics and style since I walked into the Oats Park Art Center 15 years ago... When I stumbled upon them after a show and saw that they were ceramic, I thought them a lovely winking, trompe l’oeil nod to Valerie Serpa’s signature event footwear... I enjoy watching people pick them up, realize they are ceramic rather than patent leather, then have the micro-Cinderella moment wondering if they’d fit. For me, they speak of the Arts Center and her empress, all black patent and red lipstick. They’re a touchstone of a time period and a world feel, and one in my hand, I travel time and space. They bring me back to here and to home.”

Rachel and Tedd McDonald have also donated several pieces of their collection and reflected on what the Arts Center has meant to them. “Fifteen years ago, we met and our first dates included performances at the Oats Park Art Center...we began collecting art with the goal to fill ‘our’ house with artwork that reflected our upcoming life together...The collecting was intentional and with meaning to begin and glue our lives together. We have art in every room...It is a constant reminder of the life we have shared with each other, with artists, and with our Churchill Arts Council family. Thank you for the glue.”

As the Arts Council continues pulling together to rebuild the Permanent Collection at Oats Park, hire a new Executive Director, and present the next season of artists to a grateful



Fallon community, they are embodying what it means to be a part of this community. When the chips are down there is no better place to recover.

*Left: The perfect setting for the annual Concert in the Park, Fallon showing off for the Paul Thorn Band.*

*Right: The totem: by Jay Schmidt, Arrowhead, painted wood. Ca. 2018.*

*Below: Unknown artist, tribute to the Empress, Valerie Serpa.*





## Day Trippin' – Stops and Hilltops

Story and Photos by Sheri Samson

Within 165 miles south of Fallon, you can enjoy quite a sightseeing experience or take a relaxing weekend excursion to visit three separate lakes, while viewing the scenic vistas of several mountain ranges. Along this journey, there are three museums and an authentic rock shop to successfully find a magnificent getaway.

Traveling 42 miles south on US 95-S, you'll find a most distinctive, specialty stop called Rock Chuck Gem and Minerals, open Mon. to Fri. 10 AM - 6 PM. Located in Schurz, just past the Alt 95 turn off, you'll meet owners, John and Chelsea Keady, two independent miners with a passionate dedication to unearth the local beauty of variscite stones, quartz pieces and other items of interest. They offer a vast selection of gemstones, locally mined speciality rocks, rock decor, original jewelry and unusual artistic pieces. An indoor, rock waterfall features a turtle and gold fish habitat and a corner tent contains rocks that naturally glow green under a black light. Learn how rocks are formulated or wander through their unique gifts as rock samples are available for purchase. Visit them on Facebook or call 760-978-4567 for further information.

Continuing 22 miles on US 95-S, you'll see many beaches along Walker Lake. At the north end of this terminus lake, the underdeveloped 22-mile Beach and Tamarack Beach, warns drivers to avoid taking vehicles into any sandy spots. Sportsman Beach, managed by The BLM (Bureau of

Land Management) offers a paved road. Driving toward the boat ramp, historic markers inform visitors of past lake levels by the recorded years. Enjoy the covered picnic tables and grills at no charge, while taking in the views. Overnight dry camping spots are available on a first come, first serve basis at \$6 per night at the pay station. Vault toilet facilities and trash cans are provided, but bring your own drinkable water.

A few miles south, across from the Big Horn Crossing store, is the former State Beach, now called Monument Beach. It offers a boat launch, a picnic area and is a popular location for paddle boats, kayaks and shoreline swimming. In the afternoon hours, it is not unusual to see the Big Horn Sheep quietly roaming near the water's edge. There are stunning views of Mount Grant, which is the highest peak along the Wassuk Mountain Range.

Driving 15 minutes south to Hawthorne, you'll find Veterans Park on the corner. It includes three colorful windmills, created from bombs once made at the local Ammunition base. Public bathrooms and a dog walking area is available, plus two museums within walking distance. The historic Mineral County Museum, is open Mon. to Sat. 11 AM - 4 PM and The Ordnance Museum, is open Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat., 10 AM - 4 PM, housing an impressive military collection both inside and outside.

Heading 71 miles west from Hawthorne, on State Route 359E (which becomes 167 on the California side), you'll see the views of Mono Lake to the left. Crossing over highway 395, continue straight up the mountain, to locate the secluded wilderness of Lundy Lake, at an elevation of 7858 feet. This dense, canyon foliage offers 36 rural camping spots, along the banks of Mill Creek, providing port-a-potties but no running water. Nature hikes, picnicking and fishing for Rainbow or Brown Trout, is a natural discovery within this Stanislaus forest paradise.

Returning to CA highway 395, turn right and travel south 15 miles to find the Mono Basin Museum and Visitor Center, open Fri. to Sun. 8:30



*Lundy Lake.*



*Monument Beach at Walker Lake, with the Big Horn Sheep.*



*Mono Cone in Lee Vining.*

AM - 5 PM, located in the quaint town of Lee Vining, along the Eastern Sierras. This museum offers interpretative walking trails that lead down to the actual "petrified springs" which created thin spirals of rocks. It is an ice age, geological wonder of Tufa Crystals, which are porous stones created by the unusual combinations within the lake's shoreline. Inside there is a 20-minute video presentation, plus a self-led exhibit that shares facts about Mono Lake, with many historic items on display. Rangers are on hand to explain events and their seasonal bird watching programs. The bookstore

and gift shop offers a variety of items, including a children's area.

Lee Vining offers some key places to visit, including the famous Mono Cone and a historic park one block down. There are several specialty shops along the highway, offering free parking and lastly there is the Tioga Gas Mart and the Whoa Nellie Deli and Gift Store, located at the bottom of the Tiago Pass, on the corner of CA highway 395 and highway 120.

Enjoy these Day Trippin' adventures, while exploring new places this summer.



# Obituaries

## Douglas Lee Fitzpatrick

July 17, 1949 - June 11, 2023

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of an incredible husband, father, grandfather, great and great grandfather.

Doug was born to James Fitzpatrick and Loretta Greenwald on July 17, 1949 in Lawrence, Nebraska. He met and married Karen Comer on August 22nd 1970.

Doug was preceded in death by his wife, 2 brothers and his parents. He leaves behind 3 sons Michael(Laura), Scott (Shannon) and Jason(Rebecca). 6 grandsons, Anthony, Kiefer, Ian, Evan, Justin, Joshua; 2 granddaughters, Alia, Arianna; 4 great grandsons, Atirus, Andrew, Quentin, Magnus and 2 great granddaughters, Arianna, Maleena. Grave side services were held at The Garden's Cemetery 2949 Austin Highway Fallon, NV on Thursday June 22, 2023 at noon. The family would like donations made to your favorite charity



in Doug's name. Arrangements are under the direction of The Gardens Funeral Home.

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## When There are Marines in the Desert, Fallon Feeds Them

Staff Report

This weekend both the Sons of the American Legion Post 16 on Saturday, and the Fallon Elks Lodge #2239, on Father's Day, made the haul out to Dixie Valley today and gathered for lunch with 90 U.S. Marines who have been there on location training for the past two weeks. When members heard there were no showers and the troops had been eating only MREs, in typical Fallon fashion, "We felt it was our duty to honor a request from USMC Headquarters, so we provided a Prime Rib lunch with all the fixin's. Second and third helpings, too," said one member of the Elks.



## Three Lives Tragically Lost in Early Morning Blaze

Staff Report

The Fallon/Churchill Volunteer Fire Department responded to a fire in a residential area near US-50, west of US-95, outside of Fallon, at approximately 2:19 a.m. on Thursday, June 15.

A report was made of a fire in a double-wide manufactured home at 24333 Reno Highway, Space 1, where four occupants were potentially trapped inside. Fallon/Churchill VFD was on the scene within three minutes of the fire page, according to Fire Chief Jared Dooley. When the firefighters arrived, the home was fully involved, with three people confirmed still inside. "The fire department made entry and removed the three victims from the rear of the home, where they were delivered to Banner EMTs," said Dooley.

The home was further searched for more occupants. Dooley explained, "Upon finding no other occupants, the fire department extinguished the blaze and overhauled the premises to completely extinguish the fire." According to NHP, the fire was suppressed at 2:49 a.m.

Sheriff Richard Hickox released information late on Thursday that the Churchill County Sheriff's Office received a call shortly after 2 a.m.



*Photo courtesy of State Fire Marshall.*

from an adult female who reported that her house was on fire and four people were trapped inside. Upon arrival, firefighters located three people inside the burnt residence. They were transported to Banner Churchill Community Hospital and later pronounced deceased (ages 42, 13, and 9). The fourth occupant made it outside, surviving the blaze.

The Nevada State Fire Marshal Investigation Team arrived on the scene at approximately 3:54 a.m. The department response for the structure fire included 23 firefighters manning two fire engines, one fire truck, a water tender, a rapid response Type 6, and two command vehicles.

According to Hickox, the Nevada State Fire Marshall's Office is investi-

gating the fire, and the Sheriff's Office is handling the death investigation. "Please keep the surviving family members and their friends in your thoughts and prayers," said Sheriff Hickox.

You can help the family by donating through <https://www.gofundme.com/f/bhqym-the-taylor-family>.



# Legislative Update

## Fallon Noon Whistle Escapes the Siren Bill During Legislative Session

By Rachel Dahl

SB 391, a bill sponsored by Senator Dallas Harris, Assemblyman Howard Watts, and Assemblywoman Shea Backus, prohibiting local governments from sounding sirens, bells, or alarms for certain purposes, did pass through the legislative session and would have prevented the Fallon noon whistle had it not been for an amendment brought about by the careful negotiating of freshman Assemblyman Greg Koenig, thorough researching by a determined team made up of the Churchill County Museum, staff with the City of Fallon, and the support of citizen lobbyist Kelli Kelly.

The bill passed out of the Senate on April 25, with 17 yes and 4 no votes, and was then amended in the Assembly Government Affairs committee before it passed out of the Assembly on a 41-1 vote with Ken Grey (R-AD39) opposed.

SB391 was in answer to a similar bill passed last session aimed at silencing the siren in Minden which has been linked to a Douglas County "sundown ordinance" repealed in

1974 that required Native Americans to leave town by 6:30 p.m. It prohibits a community that sounds or has ever sounded a siren, bell, or alarm in association with an ordinance that required persons of a certain race, ethnicity, ancestry, national origin, or color to leave the community by a specific time, from continuing to use their siren.

The amendment allowed for the language to restrict only communities whose siren was connected to a sundown ordinance. Because the Fallon siren was never associated with such an ordinance, as confirmed with extensive research, it is exempt and can continue to be sounded as it has for nearly a century. Eureka and Hawthorn also have daily whistles that are not associated with sundown ordinances and can also still be used.

The noon whistle at City Hall in Fallon was installed in the late 1800s to call the firemen for an emergency. Today it is used to alert the community to be on the watch for volunteer firemen who are traveling to the firehouse for emergencies with their flashers on personal vehicles. It became a tradi-

tion over the years to test the whistle at noon and became a community symbol of lunchtime.

"This bill for us was about maintaining public safety for our volunteer firefighters and our community," Mayor Ken Tedford said. "We are very pleased, that with great help from Assemblyman Greg Koenig, we were able to maintain that public safety for our citizens."

After the legislation was passed in 2021, Tribal leaders and the town of Minden announced an agreement to change the time of the daily siren from 6 p.m. to 5 p.m. Locals maintain the siren honors first responders.

Legislators came back this session with the SB391 version calling the Minden agreement an "end-run around the 2021 legislation."

AB391 also authorizes the Nevada Attorney General to bring a civil action to collect a monetary penalty from a county, city, or unincorporated town for each violation. This bill also prohibits a county, city, or unincorporated town from taking adverse employment action against the employee for reporting such a violation to the

attorney general.

"Initially the wording would have eliminated all sirens in the state," said Kelly. "After being asked by Assemblyman Koenig and the sponsor, Senator Dallas Harris to help to try to find a way to ensure that sirens in the state associated with sundown ordinances were no longer able to be sounded, and at the same time provide a pathway for communities that have whistles that are not associated with an ordinance that was discriminatory based on race, when I was asked to help find a middle road, I was happy to collaborate."

Kelly said that collaboration included research into Fallon's history alongside the museum and library staff, the City of Fallon, and partners at the Paiute Shoshone Tribe, which confirmed that the City of Fallon has never had a sundown ordinance. "Once we were able to find out that we didn't have that ordinance in our past, that opened the door to work with the sponsor to revise the language that whistles that are not associated with a history of racism are allowed to continue."

*Battle Born Broncs from page 1...*

top-notch stock contractors to provide an elite pen of bucking stock for the competitors. Bradlee Miller ranked first in the Bareback Riding, achieving an impressive score of 89 points on the formidable Sankey Pro Rodeo horse – Shoutin' Shoes. Miller's performance earned him a well-deserved cash prize of \$7,924. Lefty Holman claimed triumph in the Saddle Bronc Riding, earning a score of 90 points on a Power River Rodeo's bronc – Miss Valley. This garnered Holman a substantial prize of \$7,839.

In recognition of their outstanding achievements, both champions were bestowed with a Con Williams bronze, graciously donated by event sponsors A&K Earth Movers and Sizemore Construction. Additionally, they were presented with a pair of handmade cowboy boots courtesy of Skiver Bootmakers, further adding to the prestige of their victories.

It is worth noting that the prize money awarded at Fallon's Battle Born Broncs is significant as it is added to the world standings and will help determine the top 15 cowboys competing at the 2023 National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas in December.

### **Battle Born Broncs 2023 Results:**

#### **Bareback Riding:**

- Bradlee Miller, 89 on Shoutin' Shoes Sankey Pro Rodeo
- RC Landingham 87.5 on Heads Up Hank, Powder River Rodeo
- Mason Clements 87.5 on Two Buck Chuck, Powder River Rodeo
- Rocker Steiner 86 on Irish Eyes, Sankey Pro Rodeo

#### **Saddle Bronc Riding:**

- Lefty Holman, 90 on Miss Valley, Powder River Rodeo
- Ryder Wright, 87.5 on Bet the Ranch, Powder River Rodeo



*Mitch Pollock and Ryle Mapston. Photo by Jake Hodnett.*

- Tanner Butner, 87 on Oh Toodles, King Rodeo Company
- Cash Wilson, 87 on Lunatic From Hell, Burch Rodeo



## District Court

Teresa Moon

The Tenth Judicial District Court convened Tuesday, June 13, Judge Thomas Stockard presiding.

Stephen Joseph Tribon, in state custody, appeared for sentencing on the Category D Felony of Uttering a Forged Instrument. He received 19-48 months in Nevada State Prison to run concurrent to sentences he is currently serving. Tribon was also ordered to pay \$100 restitution, along with fines and assessments.

Corey Lamar Etchinek pleaded guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance, a Category E Felony which carries a potential penalty of 1-4 years in Nevada State Prison and a fine of up to \$5,000. Etchinek asked that he be allowed to pursue a rehab program on his own rather than enter Western Nevada Regional Drug Court. Sentencing was set for September 5. The defendant was advised that if he wants to do rehab on his own, he will need to be able to present a well-thought-out and structured plan which includes some sort of proof of random testing when he appears in September.

Cody Brandt Franklin, in custody, appeared for arraignment. His attorney, Steve Evenson, Esq., requested a continuance to allow him time to speak with Chief Deputy District Attorney Lane Mills. Deputy District Attorney Priscilla Baker told the court that if Mills and Evenson are not able to reach an agreement, the state plans to file an amended information and set trial. A continuance was granted to June 27.

Steven Richard Juhasz, in custody, pleaded guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance, a Category E Felony which carries a potential penalty of 1-4 years in Nevada Prison and a fine of up to \$5,000. Juhasz also admitted to a Non-technical Probation Violation involving Absconding from drug court. Deputy District Attorney Aaron Thomas cited Juhasz's history in asking for revocation of probation for the probation violation. Public Defender Noel Wright asked the court to give the defendant another chance on probation. The judge put disposition off to July 11 for Juhasz to come up with some treatment options, and told the defendant to be able to explain what the program is, why it will work for him, and what his plans are once he completes the program.

Julie Anne Holmes, in custody, pleaded guilty to the Category E Felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance, and to a Gross Misdemeanor of Battery on an Officer. After discussions between the defendant, Public Defender Jacob Sommer, and the judge, a question was raised as to Holmes' competency to stand trial. After a private consultation with his client, Sommer moved for a competency evaluation which was granted by the court.

Nicole Noel Brown, in custody, admitted to a non-technical probation violation of absconding, which occurred in January of 2022. Given the amount of time it has been and that the original period of probation has expired, there was some question regarding what the law says regarding



*Photo courtesy of Churchill County.*

reinstating probation. The case was continued until June 20, for all sides to research the law citations pertinent to the case.

Angelica Leticia Lopez-Rickards, in custody, appeared for a review hearing. Lopez-Rickards was ordered to get two competency evaluations a year ago. She has only completed one, even though ample time has passed. The defendant told the court she does not want to remain in custody due

to health concerns with her current pregnancy, and as there have been some "complications" between the jail and herself. DDA Baker said the state has concerns regarding Lopez-Rickards getting the evaluation if she is out of custody. Stockard ordered two new evaluations to be completed and due to the defendant's history, she will remain in custody until the evaluations are completed.



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# Local Government

## Churchill County School District Hires Assistant Superintendent

By Rachel Dahl

Last week the Churchill County School District Board of Trustees approved hiring the first Assistant Superintendent for the district, Stacy Griffin-Cooper at an annual salary of \$125,000 per year with a full benefit package provided by the district.

Griffin-Cooper comes to Fallon from Washoe County School District where she has been overseeing the district-sponsored charter school, overseeing grant work, and supervising several staff.

Derild Parsons, who will assume his duties as Superintendent for the district on July 1, said Griffin-Cooper has an extensive background and is the right fit. “We’ve spent a lot of time together over the past two days getting to know each other and the district and I’m confident in her knowledge. She has the skills we are looking for to help support me and go in the direction we need to go.” He

said before Nevada she came from a smaller community in Ohio and is looking to move to Fallon. “She will adapt quite well.”

Griffin-Cooper said she is thrilled to be coming to Churchill County. “My intent was to come to Churchill ever since I met your Superintendent (Dr. Summer Stephens) five years ago.” She explained that she had interviewed for the High School Principal position when Tim Spencer was hired, “I didn’t get it, but my family purchased land here with the intent to move here, so I’ve been watching and had the opportunity to engage with your superintendent at the state level and in legislative meetings. The last two days, sitting with your staff and engaging with Mr. Parsons, I told my husband, ‘This is it,’ I’m ecstatic to come here and serve this board.”

She said she served as an interim superintendent in Ohio and followed Heath Morrison to Washoe County as a transformative leader. “When



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Dr. Stephens was promoting student profile language in the state, I knew exactly what she was talking about. Ohio was wrapping their arms around the same concept as Wyoming was during that time.” Stephens came to

Fallon from Wyoming.

Griffin-Cooper said she is currently writing her dissertation on Student Driven Learning, and she is excited to be a part of this district and “continue the work you have started.”

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## Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera

### Oasis Welcomes Nathalie Antus

Starting her eighth year of teaching Nathalie Antus will join the Bighorn Team this fall teaching third and fourth-grade reading. She comes from Pershing County most recently, and before that taught in Northern California.

Antus has a love for teaching and the students.

“My favorite part of teaching is turning students who initially didn't think they could do something, into not only doing it but rocking it. I also love hugs, which is why I love teaching the littles,” she said.

She enjoys finding new ways to relate subjects to students to help them understand.

“My first year of teaching was first grade, and I had one student who did not want to participate or do anything in class. I found out that he loved baseball, and I do too (Go Red Sox!). Long story short, lessons were incorporated with baseball. Teaching the diamond shape was especially exciting. I also played baseball with my students during recess. Years later, his mom waited on my table at a local restaurant and gave me a hug thanking me for being his teacher. This is why I love doing what I do. I can't believe that student is in high school now,” explained Antus.

Not originally starting in education, her first job was with the Queen of Domestic Arts.

“My first job was with Martha Stewart. It's both a blessing and a curse, in that, the bar has always been high, and I still fold napkins at pot-lucks,” she added.

Antus has traveled extensively. She graduated from Singapore American School, one of the best private schools in the world.

“The Singapore American School had some really gifted and compassionate teachers. Their devotion to education and impact on students was not lost on me. Those lessons made me want to pay it forward and become a teacher as well. I wouldn't change a thing about working in other careers



Nathalie Antus and Ba Noi.

in the past and am so happy that I found my passion in teaching, where I can bring all my past experiences and travel to the table,” said Antus.

When she is not teaching, the Boston native loves watching movies through the end credits and has been known to sing karaoke with her family in public. She is married to her college sweetheart, and they have one daughter. The family currently has three dogs, three goats, six chickens, three ducks, and one turtle.

“I can't wait to meet my new students this school year. It's going to be an awesome 2023-2024,” she closed.

### Middle School Ag in a “Box” Projects

From flood irrigation to equipment to food production, the middle school FFA students presented their Ag in a “Box” projects to younger students before school finished in May.

Students were grouped and required to select an agricultural-related subject. The teams then researched their topic and created cardboard box dioramas. The projects were then presented to fellow K-8 students.

“FFA is one of, if not the, most successful programs at Oasis Academy. Adding it as an elective in middle school has been a step in the right direction. We want to thank Mrs. Page Hiskett for teaching it this year and welcome Mrs. Jenna Whitaker who will take it on next year,” said Oasis CEO, Melissa Mackedon.



Matthew Bird, Trevor Dunlap, Krista Smith, Jay Frederick, Chase Ackerman.



Nicole Pratt, Brooke Manskie, Madalyn Johnson-Turkle. Photos courtesy of Oasis Academy.

### Cross Country Start Preseason Training

The middle and high school cross-country preseason is set to begin on Wednesday, June 21 at 5:30 p.m. All athletes interested in participating in these workouts should meet at Ventu-

racci Park, near the entrance sign.

No experience is needed. Just bring a water bottle and good shoes and we will see you there. For any questions, please contact Coach Krista Smith at [ksmith@oanv.org](mailto:ksmith@oanv.org).



# Sports

## Barracudas Bring it Back from Bishop

Staff Report

Coaches Bree O'Neill, Ember Henning, and assistant Evelyn O'Neill announced that the Barracudas had eight High Point winners at the Bishop swim meet. Several swimmers earned ribbons and there were several personal best times set, in spite of the rain. "Despite the weather raining us out we had a great weekend with a team building BBQ. The Bishop swim meet starts us off with a full summer of swimming, hot days, hard workouts, and watermelon Wednesdays," said Bree.



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## NYSSA State Trap Shoot Results – Lahontan Valley Claybreakers Score Big

Staff Report

High Score Varsity Team: John Rowe, Chad Agaman, Broden Pirkle, Alexis Haggard, and Tanner Huckaby.

John Rowe 3rd Place Varsity, All State Team Varsity; Ryan Gomes 1st Team Intermediate.

Parents and shooters extend a warm thank you to Pat and Wayne Whitten for their years of coaching and support to make the Claybreakers a huge success.

**Shooters include:** Rookie, Lucas Yohey;

**Intermediate:** Leo Gomes, Logan Worth, Kasen Bullock, Keagan Craig, Rylan Lambert, Owen Whitaker;

**Intermediate Advanced:** Ryan Gomes, Tom Ames, John Zulz, Wyatt Ricks, Caleb Worth; Junior Varsity: Brody Urquhart, Hannah Benjamin, Chase Ackerman, Gabriel Figueroa, Keira Zrnich, Wyatt Penfold;

**Varsity:** Broden Pirkle, Tanner Huckaby, John Rowe, Chad Agaman, Alexis Haggard, Royce Mills, Evan Frossard, Sam Holt, Jon White, Camille Fossard, David Penn; Lady: Alexis Haggard, Hannah Benjamin, Camille Fossard, Keira Zrnich.



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# Local Columnists

## Heaven on Earth Horoscopes

June 23 - 29

This week centers around giving. Some of us have the opportunity to overcome pride and expectations and give to the people in our lives. While others of us will need to find the courage to give to ourselves: attention, emotional support, and honor.

### Aries

We create our own struggles when we become disconnected from each other. If you are feeling mistreated, this situation can teach you to find your own power.

### Taurus

Keeping the peace between partners may have you sacrificing your dream or goal. Accepting the truth of the situation now can help you avoid a sticky situation later.

### Gemini

Accept that you have the power to make progress if you can overcome your insecurities related to giving. Be the support you wish to receive; the willingness is already in you.

### Cancer

If you can transition past low feelings and accept your present circumstance, you will be able to find ways to fully enjoy life and allow yourself to have some fun.

### Leo

Practicing restraint will help you move towards a graceful exit from an unfulfilling situation. You're not losing an opportunity; you're gaining stability through insight and restraint.

### Virgo

Happiness is up to you. Try to loosen your grip on control and work through differences. Patience and time will help you through. Don't give up on your heart's desire.

### Libra

Lead the way, make a choice to apologize or reconcile. You may feel unsupported, but the decision comes down to you. Make it, and then fight for it.

### Scorpio

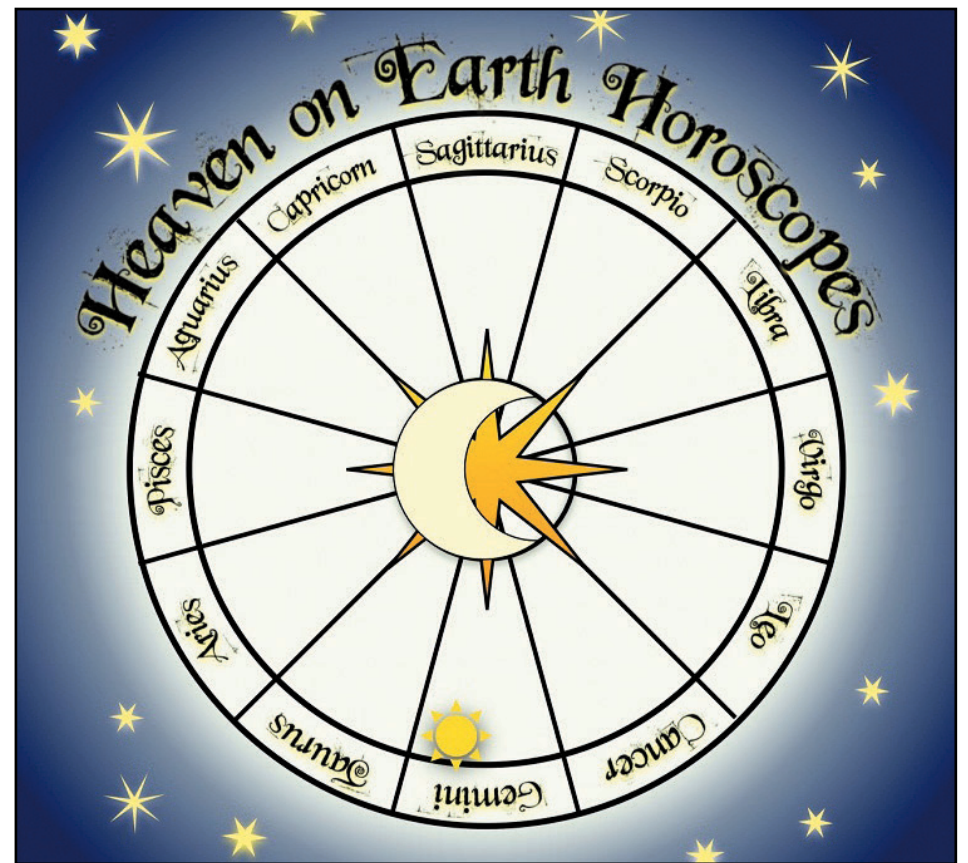
Accept that sometimes you don't or won't get the support you long for. This is teaching you to learn how to emotionally support yourself and reclaim your power.

### Sagittarius

Once you accept that you are settling for a less than desirable situation, you can take action to find a remedy and let go of worrying about your future security.

### Capricorn

Zoom in on your future horizon



through the lens of trust. Your current situation is not hopeless, accept your power of influence and focus your energy.

### Aquarius

You have an opportunity to give of yourself. Learn to accept that what you have to say matters, and using your unique gifts and skills is an act of being true to yourself.

### Pisces

If you've been in protection mode, it is safe to come out now. Overcome withholding and the tendency to withdraw through gratitude and giving.

*Rebekah Dahl interprets heavenly influences to help bring wisdom, love, and empowerment into our earthly experience.*

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## What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen – *Kelli's Dad's Nouveau Hobo Slumgullion*

Several years ago, my oldest daughter, Kelli Kelly, asked me to write an article about one of my favorite dishes. I deferred then, as I was busy writing my first novel, "Identity – Dream Maker." In the interim, Kelli has authored many pieces for The Fallon Post. When temperatures reached over 90 degrees for the second day here in Washington, I decided to dust off my Slumgullion recipe

### *Slumgullion: Then*

Slumgullion may not sound like the most appetizing name for a dish, but that's part of its charm. "Slumgullion" is believed to be derived from "slum," an old word for "slime," and "gullion," an English dialectical term for "mud" or "cesspool." Most of the earliest recorded usages of "slumgullion," such as in Mark Twain's *Roughing It* (1872).

Various cultures claim the name 'Slumgullion'; English, Irish, Pirates, Pioneers, and many more. Some folks have negative associations with it. 'Slumgullion' denoted fish offal of any kind. It also has meant "the watery refuse, mixed with blood and oil, which drains from blubber. A visiting friend from the United Kingdom (Paul W.) described an 'If It's Stew' that his mom makes. "Basically, if it's in the refrigerator, it goes into the mix," he said. By all accounts, it's an "everything-but-the-kitchen-sink" type of meal."

I had my first Slumgullion in the early 1960s. I was on my way home from a successful grouse hunting trip in an old, abandoned homestead's apple orchard about two miles from my home in the Cascade foothills of

northwestern Washington. Frequently there were unauthorized "passengers" on the freight trains nearby. These hobos would hop off the train, go to a small camp, and start a fire to cook a meal. They would also walk into our little 30-house town to see if they could scare up some food to put into the common kettle – cans of beans, corn, and whatever was on hand, plus what they could forage from gardens in town, including ours, where my mom would pull small amounts of garden vegetables for them.

I came upon the camp where the hobos invited me to share their meal while, at the same time, they were eyeing my grouse. I had been warned that "if you treat them nice, they will treat you nice," I agreed to share their food and gave them my birds to add to the dinner. That was my first exposure to what they called "Slumgullion."

### *Slumgullion: Now*

After I suffered a minor stroke, I had to drop Slumgullion from my regular meals. After switching to significantly more exercise and a healthier diet, I concocted a new "Keto-leaning" Slumgullion.

This recipe makes a large amount of Slumgullion that, when paired with a vegetable such as avocado slices or steamed (zucchini, asparagus, broccoli, or Brussel sprouts), will feed two people 2-3 meals with leftovers for breakfast. I occasionally like to add a bit of keto-unfriendly salsa or catsup. For breakfast, I enjoy leftover Slumgullion with smoked Gouda heated in a microwave for 1 minute, which melts the Gouda over the gullion nicely.

### *Slumgullion:*

- 1-Garlic head chopped to medium size or as fine as desired. The larger sized garlic chunks are a nice surprise. Garlic is good...more garlic is gooder! Kelli recently introduced me to Dorot Gardens Frozen Crushed Garlic cubes which, other than my garden garlic, is now my 100% go to for cooking.
- 1-large Onion (sweet or red), chopped to medium size
- Place garlic and onion into a large deep frying pan with Avocado oil (and a small amount of butter if desired). Start softening and browning over medium heat, stirring frequently.
- 2-8 ounce packages of sliced or whole Cremini, "baby Bella", or portabella mushrooms. Chop and add to the frying pan, stirring frequently.
- 2.25 lbs. of grass-fed ground Beefalo or beef. I have found the beefalo to be much more flavorful. Add the beefalo to the pan, chopping into small chunks. Continue stirring and chopping until browned, then drain.
- 1-10 ounce container of organic spinach, washed and drained. Place the drained beefalo/onion/garlic/shroom back into the frying pan and add the spinach, stirring often over medium heat. The spinach will shrivel and blend into the gullion.
- 5-extra-large pasture chicken eggs, preferably free of antibiotics and from grain-free chickens. Mix the eggs into the gullion, ensuring that the eggs are cooked through. Additional fat from the meat or liquid from the spinach will collect. I like to leave this in the pan and in the



glass refrigerator container rather than draining it, as this adds flavor when reheating for the next meal or breakfast.

I have recently added ground black pepper and redpepper flakes in the early stage with the garlic and onion. It all depends on your taste and whether you can tolerate the hotter varieties of Slumgullion.

I now firmly believe that this meal, served to my daughters quite often, was the impetus for Kelli to decide on attending the San Diego Culinary Institute in order to learn about alternatives to my cooking. In the end, I credit Slumgullion with Kelli's column in *The Fallon Post*.

Enjoy,  
Kelli's dad

*For the full article check out [bit.ly/43QeN5d](https://bit.ly/43QeN5d). "Identity – Dream Maker" is available from Amazon.com in both paperback and on Kindle.*

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# Entertainment

## Allison's Book Report – "Did You Hear About Kitty Carr" by Crystal Smith Paul

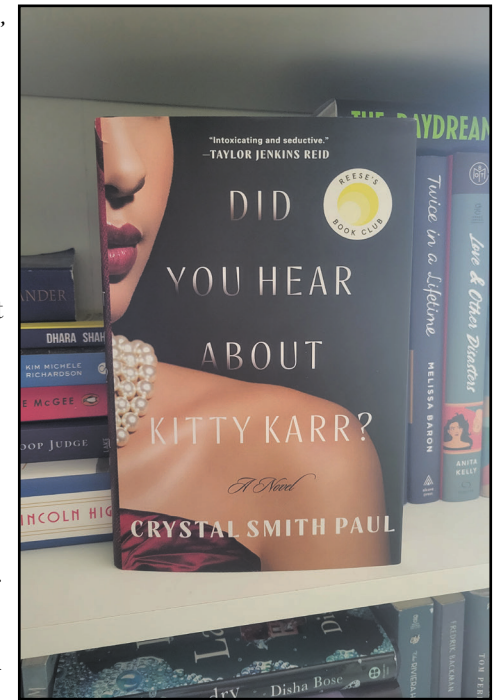
I am pleased to announce that my declaration of disdain for modern fantasy last week hasn't spurred any pitchfork-wielding, fairy-loving Sarah J Maas fans to chase me through town. I had to laugh a little bit when my husband. He loves to read but isn't necessarily "up" on the latest book-related trends, so when he read last week's column, scrunched up his face and said, "People really love those books, Allison. Maybe prepare for an angry mob of fairy fans to come knocking?" They never did, and for that I am grateful and maybe just a teensy bit disappointed that there wasn't at least a DM from the Fairy-love Fan Club or something. Sigh. At any rate, my pick this week deals with historical fiction rather than fantasy and I think that you will like it.

"Did You Hear About Kitty Carr?" by Crystal Smith Paul begins with the death of famous movie star, Kitty Carr. When she leaves her fortune to the St. John sisters – three young, wealthy, Black women who are all famous in their own right – everyone is wondering why. I'm not sure what it is, but the glamour and scandal of Old Hollywood always make a great story. There is such allure in stories where things look shiny and perfect on the outside, but underneath the surface, nothing is as it seems.

While sorting out Kitty's affairs and dealing with drama in her own very public life, mostly circling a cheating fiancé and a controversial social media post, Elise St. John comes across something in Kitty's journals that changes everything she ever thought she knew about Kitty and herself. As she digs deeper, Elise learns that Kitty's life was not as it seemed at all.

The book switches between two timelines and several characters, unfolding into a multi-generational saga that historical fiction lovers won't be able to put down. The mix of old Hollywood and modern showbiz is so interesting that after it was over, I was diving down a rabbit hole of research. Even though Kitty Carr is a fictional character, and "Did You Hear About Kitty Carr?" is a fictional story, the topics covered within are very real and weren't covered by our history classes growing up. You might be surprised to find out how common the themes of this book are throughout Hollywood history; I know I was. I don't want to spoil the story, so I am keeping it vague here, but I encourage you to pick up this book and find out more.

That's it for this week. Keep reading and let me know if you've picked up any of the books I have mentioned in my Book Report lately. As always, I am rambling and reading my way through Instagram @allison.the.reader just about every day and I want to hear your take on my picks.



It's been a weird, wet spring, but now it's officially over, and summer is here! We hope you can dive into the fun, like these folks at the Oats Park dedication in 1939. We know they've made some changes to the pool this year, so if you'd like to reminisce about how it was back in the day, make an appointment to view our photo collection from the park's opening, attended by John Oats himself!





## Movies & More

Your Community-Owned & Operated Fallon Theatre

Thanks to everyone that joined us last week at all our events & movie. Here is our movie lineup for this weekend and the 4th of July.

Playing Friday, June 30, and Saturday, July 1, at 6 p.m. is the 2019 animated adventure comedy “Abominable.” After discovering a Yeti on the roof of their apartment building, teenager Yi and her two friends embark on an epic quest to reunite the magical creature with his family. But to do so, they must stay one step ahead of a wealthy financier and a determined zoologist who want to capture the beast for their own gain. Chloe Bennet, Albert Tsai, and Sarah Paulson provide the voices.

Our second feature each evening, starting at 7 p.m. is the 2011 animated adventure comedy “Puss in Boots.” Long before meeting Shrek, Puss in Boots who was just named a hero for saving a woman from a charging bull is run out of town on suspicion of bank robbery, even though the real villain is Puss' friend, Humpty Dumpty. Though there is animosity between them, Puss and Humpty reunite to steal a goose that lays golden eggs. Joining them for the adventure of nine lifetimes is the notorious cat burglar, Kitty Softpaws. Voiced by Antonio Banderas, Salma Hayek, Zach Galifianakis, and Billy Bob Thornton.

After enjoying this year's 4th of July parade and all the other activities on Maine Street join us at 1 p.m. for “Independence Day” and at 1:30 p.m. for John Wayne on the big screen in “McLintock.”

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## It Happened in June — *by Peanut*

### Across

- 2 1539 - This Spaniard lands in Florida  
 4 1967 - Their Sgt. Pepper's album released  
 6 1999 - She wins 22nd Grand Slam tennistitle  
 10 1099 - First crusaders arrived here  
 11 1665 - Great Plague hits this city  
 12 1955 - First US President to appear on color TV  
 13 1965 - First US space walker

### Down

- 1 1973 - This cash dispenser patented  
 2 He pitched record 58th consecutive scoreless inning  
 3 He succeeded Johnny Carson  
 5 She was crowned in London  
 7 1924 - He disappeared at Mt. Everest  
 8 1770 - He discovered Great Barrier Reef  
 9 1976 - Their Bohemian Rhapsody goes gold



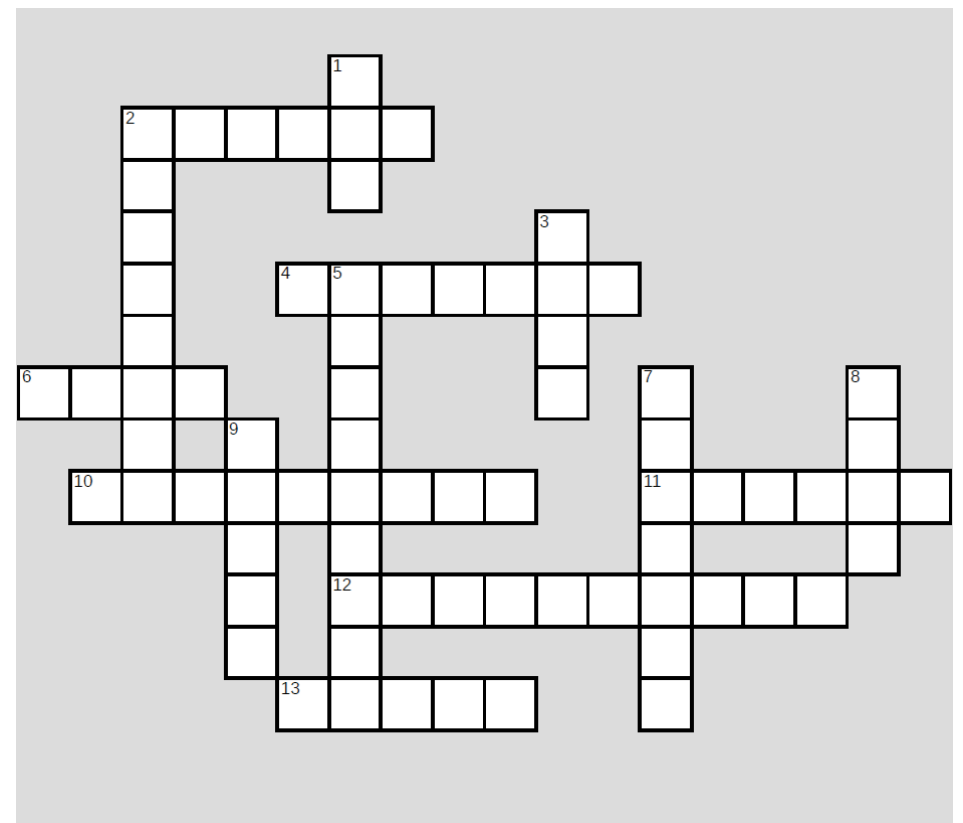
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<b>Friday 6/9</b> Curious George @ 6:00 Tales of Despereaux @ 7:00		<b>Saturday 6/10</b> Curious George @ 6:00 Tales of Despereaux @ 7:00
<b>Friday 6/16</b> Spirit Untamed @ 6:00 Great Muppet Caper @ 7:00		<b>Saturday 6/17</b> Spirit Untamed @ 6:00 Great Muppet Caper @ 7:00
<b>Wednesday 6/21</b> 8 Seconds @ 6:30 Sponsored by De Goyler Bucking Horse & Bull Bash		<b>Thursday 6/22</b> Live Music @ 7:00 Luke & Kaylee Tickets \$20 lukeandkayleemusic.com
<b>Friday 6/23</b> Trolls World Tour @ 6:00 Croods: A New Age @ 7:00		<b>Saturday 6/24</b> Trolls World Tour @ 6:00 Croods: A New Age @ 7:00
<b>Friday 6/30</b> Abominable @ 6:00 Puss in Boots @ 7:00		<b>Saturday 7/1</b> Abominable @ 6:00 Puss in Boots @ 7:00

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: SHERRI D. NICKERSON,  
DECEASED

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified by the above-entitled court on the 6th day of June, 2023, as Administrator of the Estate of SHERRI D. NICKERSON, deceased.

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/s/ Mark Merklein  
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All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard. Prior to the meeting, written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk's Office, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada and any comments so submitted will be considered by the City Council.

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**CITY OF FALLON**

**Publication of Annual Fiscal Report**

In accordance with NAC 354.561, the City of Fallon hewreby publishes notice of the Annual Fiscal Report for Fiscal Year 2023-2024:

**ANNUAL FISCAL REPORT Fiscal Year 2023-2024**

General Fund

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Available Revenues	\$ 17,484,374	\$ 24,191,732	\$ 15,488,047
Total Expenditures/Other Uses	\$ (13,255,753)	\$ (23,239,602)	\$ (14,332,347)

Electric Enterprise Fund

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 11,200,848	\$ 12,650,000	\$ 14,000,000
Total Operating Expenses	(11,620,419)	(13,816,379)	(13,258,779)
Total Non Operating Revenues	11,958	58,000	70,000
Total Non Operating Expenses	(870,660)	(992,000)	(616,000)

Water Enterprise Fund

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1,719,293	\$ 1,815,000	\$ 2,050,000
Total Operating Expenses	(1,997,860)	(2,305,573)	(2,366,694)
Total Non Operating Revenues	97,011	101,500	301,500
Total Non Operating Expenses	(25,528)	(22,429)	(18,000)



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**Sewer Enterprise Fund**

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 2,214,775	\$ 2,467,500	\$ 2,800,000
Total Operating Expenses	(2,207,724)	(2,646,232)	(2,412,983)
Total Non Operating Revenues	1,855	51,000	51,000
Total Non Operating Expenses	(229,443)	(232,139)	(201,000)

**Sanitation Enterprise Fund**

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 2,424,453	\$ 2,346,000	\$ 2,550,000
Total Operating Expenses	(1,945,438)	(2,493,969)	(2,443,918)
Total Non Operating Revenues	8	50	50
Total Non Operating Expenses	(5,808)	(4,100)	(2,900)

**Landfill Enterprise Fund**

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1,448,842	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 2,000,000
Total Operating Expenses	(1,232,903)	(1,649,959)	1,511,712
Total Non Operating Revenues	108	100	200
Total Non Operating Expenses	(676)	(594)	(525)

**Water Treatment Enterprise Fund**

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1,718,301	\$ 1,903,000	\$ 1,950,000
Total Operating Expenses	(2,083,562)	(2,286,798)	(2,468,465)
Total Non Operating Revenues	105	25,500	25,200
Total Non Operating Expenses	(773)	(679)	(7,000)

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Central Nevada Health District  
 June 29 at 1:30 p.m.  
 155 N Taylor Street, #145

Fallon City Council  
 Public Budget Hearing  
 June 29 at 9:00 a.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers  
 55 W. Williams Avenue



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## Water Treatment Replacement Enterprise Fund

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Operating Expenses	-	-	-
Total Non Operating Revenues	-	-	-
Total Non Operating Expenses	-	-	-

## Data Processing Internal Service Fund

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 247,000	\$ 315,000	\$ 285,000
Total Operating Expenses	(266,920)	(317,000)	(273,000)
Total Non Operating Revenues	-	10	10
Total Non Operating Expenses	-	-	-

## Public Works Internal Service Fund

	Actual Prior Year Ending 6/30/2022	Estimated Current Year Ending 6/30/2023	Final Approved Budget Year Ending 6/30/2024
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1,380,000	\$ 1,607,600	\$ 1,575,000
Total Operating Expenses	(1,178,945)	(1,575,189)	(1,575,012)
Total Non Operating Revenues	4	20	5
Total Non Operating Expenses	-	-	-

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City Clerk/Treasurer

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## Newlands Project Water Levels

Measurements taken  
June 20, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir  
268,200 af  
Truckee Canal at Hazen  
0.00 cfs  
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth  
0.76 cfs  
Carson River Below Lahontan  
742 cfs  
Carson River at Ft. Churchill  
3,990 cfs

June 12 Historical Storage  
2023: 237,201 af  
2022: 151,594 af  
2021: 100,227 af

cfs - Cubic Feet per Second  
af - Acre Feet  
Source: TCID.org &  
WaterData.USGS.gov

## June 2023 Menu

Lunch Served M-F 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • Age 60 and over: \$3.00 suggested donation • Under age 60: \$6.00

26	Monday	27	Tuesday	28	Wednesday	29	Thursday	30	Friday
	<b>Herb Baked Chicken</b> Scalloped Potatoes Garlic Green Beans Fruit Cocktail Roll	<b>Turkey Burrito</b> Corn Mixed Green Salad French Dressing Mixed Fruit Cup ADSD#21	<b>Spaghetti with Meatballs</b> Zucchini Colorful Salad FF Italian Dressing 9 Grain Bread Orange Mango Cup ADSD#39	<b>Crab Salad</b> WW Bun White Bean Salad Fresh Orange Slices LF Baked Potato Chips	<b>Chicken Tenders</b> Tater Tots Garden Veggies Cinnamon Pears Ranch Dressing				



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## Request for Proposals for Architectural Services for a 22-Unit Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Project

The Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe is requesting proposals from qualified individuals and firms for professional services for a proposed housing development to be located on tribal land in the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Colony located in Fallon, Nevada. The project will include the new construction of 22 multifamily units, a community building, and a playground.

### Scope of Work:

The applicant shall provide the following services:

- Full architectural services to include schematic design, design development and full construction documents and specifications
- Structural and MEP engineering
- Assistance with bidding and involvement during construction to respond to contractors inquiries
- Assistance in preparing construction budgets based on preliminary and completed designs
- Certification on documents required by the LIHTC program for the architect of record
- Construction monitoring – inspect the construction work-in-place once per month and provide a thorough written report that provides owner with documentation for deficiencies in construction work, schedule issues or other problems that could impede the successful completion of the project in a timely manner
- Note: Civil Engineer for site, utility and/or infrastructure design to be hired by Owner. Architect must provide building footprints(s) to Civil Engineer and may need to interface with site planning and site layout to ensure proper coordination of vertical construction and site work.

\*Please note: This project is utilizing Low Income Housing Tax Credits and the architect of record will need to provide services that satisfy all LIHTC program requirements. By responding to this RFP, applicant certifies that they understand the LIHTC requirements and are committed to providing appropriate services.

Please note: This project is utilizing Low Income Housing Tax Credits under 26 U.S.C. § 42 and the selected architectural firm must provide services that comply with all LIHTC program requirements under 26 U.S.C. § 42

**Proposals to assist with these services must be submitted to the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe by June 23, 2023 @ 4:00 pm**

**Submit Proposals to:** Sharon Pacheco, Acting Housing Director

Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribal Housing Department

2055 Agency Road

Fallon, NV 89406

Proposals received after the deadline will not be accepted. Please contact Sharon Pacheco at [adminassistant@fpst.org](mailto:adminassistant@fpst.org) with any questions you may have regarding this Request for Proposals or any of the requirements outlined in the scope of work to be completed.

### Proposal Requirements

1. Cover letter
2. Resumes and/or Bios: Please include resumes and/or bios of key principals and individuals who will be overseeing or involved with this project
3. Description of Experience related to design services:
  - a) Please describe your firms general architectural services experience, including number of years the firm has been in operation
  - b) Please describe the specific experience of the firm in providing services for single and multi-family residential projects, including LIHTC and NA-HASDA projects for Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHE's) Please describe your firm's specific experience in providing design services for LIHTC developments in the State of Nevada or other states. Please include any pertinent discussion of experience working with the Nevada Housing Division.
  - c) Description of experience in Indian Country: Please describe any relevant experience of the firm, involved principals and any assigned staff in design and specification writing services for projects located on Native American land
4. Associations: Please provide a description of any associations with other firms or any form of subcontracting that is planned for the project.



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5. Certification and Licenses: Please include a copy of any pertinent licenses or certifications that are required to perform LIHTC architectural services in compliance with the State of Nevada and Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe
6. Reference: Please include a minimum of three references that can be contacted by the Owner.
7. Disclosure of Claims: Please disclose any claims, lawsuits, or formal disputes for work or services previously or currently being performed. For past or current lawsuits, please provide at a minimum the case name, case number, and jurisdiction for which the jurisdiction is/was litigated.
8. Methodology: Please provide explanation of methodology for all services
9. Cost proposal: Please detail all costs required to assist with these services and required timelines for payments.
10. Indian Preference (Optional): Selection may be restricted to qualified Indians, Indian Organization or Indian-Owned economic enterprises if the Tribe receives the required minimum number of statements of intent. The Tribe shall solicit bids from non-Indians as well as Indian, Indian Organizations or Indian-Owned economic enterprises if the Tribe decides not to restrict the solicitation: or, an insufficient number of qualified Indians, Indian Organization or Indian-Owned economic enterprises submit responsive proposals in response to a solicitation: or, a single proposal is not accepted.

## **Tribal Taxes:**

As part of doing a project on Tribal Trust Lands, Contractors will comply with the Tribe's Tax laws. The Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe has a Tribal Tax Code which requires the Tribe to collect taxes on all materials used on a given project.

For further information or explanation, Bidders may contact the Tax Administrator. The Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe's Tax Administrator is:

Melanie McFalls, Tax & TERO Administrator  
565 Rio Vista Drive, Fallon, NV.  
775-423-6075, ext. 1017  
[taxdirector@fpst.org](mailto:taxdirector@fpst.org)

## **TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE (TERO)**

The successful bidder shall comply with the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe's TERO, which provides in pertinent part:

- (a) Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance in contracting will apply. All entities awarding contracts or subcontracts for supplies, services, labor, and materials in an amount of \$5,000 or more where the majority of the work on the contract or subcontract will occur within the exterior boundaries of the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Reservation shall give:
  - (1) First preference to qualified entities that are 51% or more owned and controlled by Tribal Members.
  - (2) Preference in contracting and subcontracting to qualified entities that are certified by the TERO Commission as 51% or more Indian owned and controlled, with a first preference to qualified entities that are 50% or more owned and controlled by local Indians.
- (b) These requirements shall apply to the award of contracts awarded directly by the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribal Council. They shall also apply to any contracts awarded by any commercial enterprises of the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, even if said contracts must be submitted to the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribal Council for approval. Tribal Programs or divisions other than commercial enterprises shall be required to comply with these requirements when submitting a contract to the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribal Council for approval, to indicate the steps taken to award the contract to a tribal member contractor. These requirements shall apply to all subcontracts awarded by a Tribal, federal, state, direct contractor or grantee, whether or not the prime contract was subject to those requirements. All covered entities shall comply with the rules, regulations, guidelines and orders of the Commission which sets for the specific obligations of such entities in regard to Indian Preference in contracting and subcontracting.
- (c) In addition to the requirements of the section entitled "Indian Preference in Contracting" the Contractor shall comply with the Tribal Ordinance concerning Tribal employment and training for work performed under this contract within the boundaries of the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Indian Reservation. Preference will be given to qualified Indian applicants in accordance with the provisions of Section 703(i) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964 and the TERO Ordinance. The Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

## **TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE (TERO) FEE**

- (a) In accordance with Section 12 of the TERO Ordinance every covered employer with a construction contract in the sum of \$10,000 or more shall pay a one-time fee of 2.5% of the total amount of the contract. Such fee shall be paid by the employer prior to commencing work on the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Reservation. However, where good cause is shown, the TERO Director may authorize a construction contractor to pay said fee in installments over the course of the contract; Or,
  - (b) Every covered employer other than construction contractors with ten (10) or more employees working on the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Reservation.



(c) To obtain copies of the TERO Ordinance or other information, contact:

Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe TERO Department  
Melanie McFalls, Tax & TERO Administrator  
565 Rio Vista Drive  
Fallon, Nevada 89406  
Tel: (775) 423-6075, ext. 1017  
taxdirector@fpst.org

**Project Award**

The rating factors and values to be used in award of this contract are as follows and out of a possible 100 points:

**CRITERIA**

Relevant Experience:	POINTS
Demonstrated experience with Architectural Services for projects of similar size/ scale	30
Demonstrated experience with Architectural Services for Tribal projects of similar size/scale	30
Demonstrated experience working with Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe	15
Indian Preference	10
Qualification	15

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**REQUEST FOR BID**

Public Works Project # PWP-CH-2023-423

**MEDIA POSTING – INVITATION TO BID**

Notice is hereby given that Oasis Academy Public Charter School (“the Owner”) is requesting bids for the construction of a new high school located in Fallon, Nevada. Bids must be sealed and received by 2pm on July 20, 2023, at the school office located at 920 W. Williams Ave, Ste. 100, Fallon, NV 89406. Please send bids attention Melissa Mackedon, CEO. Only original paper copies of bids will be accepted; no oral, digital/electronic, facsimile, or other format will be considered. General Contractors must submit a Statement of Qualifications along with the sealed bid. School leadership will open the sealed bids at 3:00pm on July 20, and will award or reject bids within approximately one week following the bid opening. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

The project scope will consist of the construction of one instructional building to house approximately 200 students and staff, including all necessary sitework, located on a vacant lot currently owned by the school within the city limits. All contractors must be licensed, bonded and insured in accordance with NRS338, and those requirements listed in the bid documents. Furthermore, contractors will need to comply with all State of Nevada Public Works regulations, including prevailing wage rates and reporting requirements, along with any other requirements by the State of Nevada, Churchill County and City of Fallon. Bid documents can be found online at the school’s website [www.oanv.org](http://www.oanv.org). A single hard copy will also be available for viewing only at the office of Frame Architecture in Reno, and the office of Frank Woodliff, architect, in Fallon, NV. An optional pre-bid walkthrough will be conducted on June 29th at 10am on site. Any further RFIs and inquiries are to be directed to Frame Architecture NO LATER than July 7th by 5pm. Feedback from the architect will be provided by July 14th at 5pm.

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# Class of 1983



Reunion  
August 18 - August 20

## Mark your calendars for the CCHS Class of 83's 40th Reunion!

**Friday, 8/18:** Social - Arrive around 6-7 p.m. for drinks, dinner, or both! We will meet at The Grid Restaurant (1120 Taylor Place). Each person will run their own tab.

**Saturday, 8/19:** Breakfast (sponsored by the City of Fallon) from 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. at the Oats Park Arts Center, 151 E Park St - Lariat area, followed by tours and activities throughout the day.

Class picture at the "Old" High School" front steps at 4 p.m. Gather with classmates at Oats Park at 6 p.m. to enjoy the Concert in the Park and visiting. If you are able, please bring a dish to share, your own beverages, and chairs. Look for the Class of 83's tent.

**Sunday, 8/20:** Breakfast at the Grid Restaurant from 9 to 11 a.m. Each person will run their own tab, so come for the visiting, come for food, or come for both! Please share this information with all members of the CCHS Class of 1983. Family and friends are welcome to join us. Also, for updates please join the "CCHS Class of 1983, Fallon, Nevada" Facebook Group.

If you have any questions, contact Kelly Smith Frost at 775-423-0120, Guy Gibson at 775-426-8761, Lori Tiede, Bill Sheffield at 307-251-0576, or Andra McCormick at 408-390-0911.



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