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Court Upholds TCID Authority in Contested Canal Repayment Contract

By Leanna Lehman and Robert Perea

Senior Judge Robert Estes in the Tenth Judicial District Court in Fallon, NV, heard arguments last Friday from Truckee Carson Irrigation District attorney and General Manager Ben Shawcroft, City of Fernley attorney David Rigdon, Esq., and several Fernley residents regarding TCID’s authority to enter a \$35 million repayment contract with the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) for repairs to the Truckee Canal in Fernley.

The highly controversial Truckee Canal project, undertaken by the BOR, includes 31 miles of major repairs, including installing 12.7 miles of concrete lining. The largely earthen canal, which delivers water to more than 50,000 acres of farmland, wildlife, and several area residents, breached in January 2008, causing flooding to 600 homes and millions of dollars in property damage.

Through the BOR, the federal government provided construction funds upfront for phase one of the project, 3.1 miles of concrete lining completed last October. The BOR entered into a repayment contract with TCID to be paid back over the next 50 years, and according to Rigdon, this will result in an annual principal and interest payment of approximately \$1 million. In 2020, the total cost of the entire project was estimated to be around \$140-160 million for the irrigation district.

According to Rigdon, studies indicate that the canal contributes between 12,000 and 18,000 acre-feet (af) of recharge to the aquifer through its bottom. The city owns approximately 9,000 acre-feet of groundwater rights, with total committed underground water rights in the basin amounting to about 12,000 acre-feet.

Fernley residents objected to the project as presented, favoring other alternative repair options. They expressed concerns about the concrete lining potentially limiting groundwater seepage, causing water table drops, and failing to recharge the aquifer.

Once the TCID Board of Directors approved the contract, TCID held a special election in 2022 to affirm the contract, with the repayment contract approved by voters. The funds to repay the contract will come from resident taxes and increased Operations & Maintenance (O&M) fees and assessments for surface water right



Truckee Canal shortly after construction completed on 3.1 mile stretch of concrete lining, December 5, 2023. Photo by John Clodius.

holders within TCID.

Rigdon introduced several arguments during the Aug. 2 District Court hearing, hoping to nullify the legal authority of TCID to enter into the contract. According to Rigdon, the ballot vote in 2022 was unconstitutional based on the premise that many residents affected by the project – non-TCID water users who possess no surface water rights – will be taxed. “Taxation without representation,” said Rigdon.

The foremost concern for Fernley residents is the rapidly dropping water table. Over the last year, several property owners reported to TCID that many wells have gone dry, leaving several homes, farms, and ranches without water. Much of this was attributed to the one-year shut-off of the canal that halted the usual groundwater recharge from the canal. Many homeowners had to drill new wells or deepen existing ones, which reportedly cost thousands, with some upwards of \$25,000.

However, releasing water to the canal during the irrigation season has done little to quell concerns regarding the concrete lining. Rigdon previously noted a 2002 seepage analysis that showed the canal doesn’t recharge equally over its entire length.

“Where they’re lining the canal just happens to coincide with some of the highest recharge areas of the canal,” Rigdon said. “This project actually hurts the city, and it didn’t have to be that way.”

Many Fernley residents addressed the court on Friday, asserting these and other concerns. TCID water users and non-water-righted residents objected to the repayment, citing their belief that the project provides no direct benefit. Further, as most residents do not hold surface water rights, they were not eligible to vote in the TCID election.

For those who did get to vote, according to Rigdon, thousands of residents were disenfranchised from the election process. “You know who didn’t get to vote in this election?” asked Rigdon. “The City of Fernley. The City of Fernley owns the vast majority of surface water rights in the Carson District. Even though we own those water rights – even though we have to pay O&M fees – the city doesn’t get to vote.” He explained that residents overwhelmingly voted in favor

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log

Live from New York, it's Saturday Ni.... Wait. No. Apologies, wrong guest appearance. Hello, Fallon! Oh, how I've missed you.



By Finnley Parsons

I've been coming home a bit more often lately. One, I missed my mom and my sister. Two, life has been busy in the city. I've been all over the world chasing several dreams: playing rugby, becoming a chiropractor, experiencing the city life, meeting extraordinary people, including the love of my life. And while it's been wonderful in so many ways, I've recently been feeling an urge to slow down. Take a load off. Reconnect with loved ones.

What better way to do that than come drink coffee with the sunrise on my mom's porch and listen to the chickens and birds chirp the day away?

I had the opportunity to catch up with a couple of my mentors and dear friends yesterday and was reminded of how amazing Fallon is. Growing up, it was all I knew, and it was magical. Leaving was tough, but something I felt called to do and couldn't ignore. I've seen a lot more of the world now, and my eyes have been opened to different landscapes, different ways of life, and different opinions about how the world should work.

Meeting these differing ways of living head-on was not an easy thing to do. It forced me to challenge many of the beliefs, morals, and values I learned while growing up in a small desert cow town. My mind, heart, and soul became a battleground for opposing views to duke it out to the death. The tricky part was, once I had mulled over and whittled ideals down to their bare bones, there always seemed to be a nugget of wisdom and truth, dare I say goodness, inherent in these diverse ways of thinking. Talk about confusing.

My mom has long accused me of being a philosopher, and I laugh it off because she also taught me to be modest. Also, if I didn't laugh, I'd cry. Sitting and thinking and spinning ideas around in your head to look at them from every possible angle is exhausting. Challenging yourself and your beliefs is hard

and downright scary.

Change from a survival perspective brings the unknown, and our survival genes do not appreciate that. To the innate intelligence within each of us that is concerned with immediate survival of self, change equals death. However, from a long-term evolutionary perspective, change equals possibility and progress. Not just the ability to survive but the ability to thrive.

The experiences of living in different places with different people have changed me, and I am grateful for that. Mostly because they have tested me to find what is truly important. Being kind, respecting one another's differences, doing good, helping my neighbors. These are all things I learned growing up in our community and the very ideals that stood the philosopher's battleground no matter where I traveled.

I have also learned that these things are no good in a life of solitude, that just as important is our ability and willingness to share our experiences with those around us. To commune, to interact, to see life not only through our own lens, but through the experiences of others as well.

I will admit, it was a bit scary thinking of coming home after living in big cities for almost ten years, knowing that I have changed quite a bit. However, my friends reminded me that the people of Fallon are great in that they're just out here living. They offer respect and love readily to others who are living and doing good in our community. That's not something to take lightly; in fact, it's pretty damn special.

So, in ending today's log, I want to say thank you. Thank you to Fallon for being an amazing place to grow up. Thanks for making me tough and kind. Thank you for raising me right.

It's good to come from a small desert cow town.

Happy Birthday, Mom!

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of the contract in the Carson District, where most voters reside, including those in Churchill County. In contrast, water users within the Truckee Division, the most impacted by the project, voted 49 in favor and 129 opposed.

TCID General Manager Ben Shawcroft reminded Rigdon and Fernley residents that they receive a benefit for Fernley, not flooding. He also addressed some residents' assertion that entering the contract constitutes fraud, telling Judge Estes this issue was already litigated and dismissed.

"These folks within the City of Fernley are asking the court to not confirm a contract that was approved by 1,886 votes to 168 votes, to now find there were errors and that was not the will of the voters. TCID would be in a terrible position to simply ignore the will of the voters – these are the voters that are going to pay for the project," said Shawcroft. "They went into it with eyes wide open and understanding what the cost was going to be."

Regarding the property tax assessment to residents within the district, those amounts are set according to the index established by the Nevada legislature, explained Shawcroft.

"The will of the voters is very clear in this matter... Nothing calls into question the validity of the authority of entering into that contract."

While understanding and sympathizing with the City of Fernley and its residents, Judge Estes said, "Court has very little discretion as to what it can do. The BOR owns and runs the canal, and TCID is BOR's handyman for running it. Statute tells TCID what they may do." Additionally, he explained that the statute also governs how the election and votes are handled, which TCID managed as required.

Before rendering his decision, he told the court, "This makes me proud to be an American because of the people in this room... This is what should be done as American citizens, no rancor, no finger-pointing."

Judge Estes found that TCID followed the statutory requirements for entering the contract. Estes also stated, "This does not preclude arguments that may go to the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals."

"For the limited purpose of this hearing, the authority is approved," said Estes upon adjournment.

CANTALOUPE FESTIVAL

Festival Showcases New Event

Junior Roughstock Challenge

By Leanna Lehman

This year, festivalgoers and rodeo fans can expect an exciting addition to the annual lineup. Instead of the traditional amateur rodeo, the 2024 Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair will host its inaugural Junior Roughstock Challenge in the Churchill County Fairground's outdoor arena at the Rafter C3 Events Complex in Fallon.

Festival organizers aimed for a more youth-focused event this year. Festival Executive Director Andrienne Snow and Vice Chairman Todd Moretto collaborated with Darcie Spero, the presenter of Battle Born Broncs, to create a spinoff event tailored to riders aged 10 to 18. Known for her dedication to helping young riders hone their roughstock skills, Spero eagerly took on the challenge. Thus, the first Junior Roughstock Challenge was born.

The Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair Junior Roughstock Challenge will be the only event in the state to qualify youth roughstock riders for the Yeti Junior World Finals in Las Vegas, held during the National Finals Rodeo (NFR), Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) finals. "This is a direct qualifier," explained Spero. "If they place in the top two in each age group, they will qualify for Las Vegas."

In the world of junior rodeo, these qualifying events are akin to traveling sports clubs,

separate from official junior and high school sports events. According to Spero, the competition will be divided by age groups:

- Ages 10-11: Junior Mini Bull Riding, Rookie Bareback, and Saddle Bronc Riding
 - Ages 12-13: Senior Mini Bull Riding, Junior Bareback, and Saddle Bronc Riding
 - Ages 14-15: Junior Bull Riding, Senior Bareback, and Saddle Bronc Riding
 - Ages 16-18: Senior Bull Riding, Novice Bareback, and Saddle Bronc Riding
- Fallon's own Rostin Snow, a 2023 Junior World Finals qualifier, will compete alongside Bradlee Miller, the 2021 Junior World Champion bareback rider and the 2022 Battle Born Broncs bareback champion. According to Spero, the top two riders and the top four in the bronc events will advance to the world finals.



Fallon junior bull rider Rostin Snow. Photo by Colton Frye.

Presented by Battle Born Events, with generous support from Battle Born Boots, the City of Fallon, and CC Communications, the event

is expected to draw riders from around the region. Alongside the many visitors attending the Cantaloupe Festival, the event will provide an additional boost to the local economy. Spero estimates that 50 families will participate, enjoy local dining and lodging, purchase fuel, and visit local retailers.

Stock contractors Lacie and Joe de Mers of 406 Rodeo will provide the broncs and bulls for the event. The de Mers supply



Junior World Finals Qualifier, courtesy of Josh Cado, 52 Photography Inc.

roughstock for several National Junior Bull Riders Association events and the Junior Roughstock Association, ensuring animals suited to the competitors' age brackets.

Additional sponsors include Tedford Tire, Hoof Beats Gates and Corrals, Les Schwab Tire Center, and In Stitches. If all goes well, Spero hopes future years may include mounted rodeo events like team roping, barrel racing, and more. Festival organizers invite everyone to come check out the show. With admission to the Junior Roughstock Challenge included with a Cantaloupe Festival ticket, why not join the fun?

Festival Organizers in Search of FFA Jackets to Display



Ruby Hiskett in her FFA Jacket, April 2024. Photo courtesy Oasis Academy.

Staff Report

The finishing touches are being put on this year's Fallon Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair, showcasing an exciting celebration of local agricultural heritage.

One of the featured attractions this year is the Agriculture Experience, an interactive exhibit designed to educate and inspire attendees about the importance of agriculture and the many opportunities it presents. This exhibit will also showcase the rich history of the National FFA Organization, formerly Future Farmers of America, in the community.

To enhance the experience, the search for owners of older National FFA Organization jackets that can be displayed at the festival is in full swing. These jackets would serve as a nostalgic reminder of the organization's legacy and a tangible connection to the agricultural roots that have

shaped our community. Each coat will be carefully handled and respectfully displayed during the festival, with an acknowledgment to the owners expressing gratitude for the loan.

If you have an older FFA jacket you would like to have displayed at the Fallon Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair Agriculture Experience Attraction, contact Aspen Johnson at johnsona@churchillcsd.com.

Share your jackets with the community to help celebrate the spirit of the National FFA Organization and inspire the next generation of agricultural leaders!

Festival Sponsor Shoutout!

New Millennium Building Systems

By Leanna Lehman

New Millennium is increasingly becoming synonymous with community support in Fallon—for good reason. This week's sponsor spotlight shines on New Millennium, a company that has contributed to local events and organizations for years and continuously serves Fallon in various ways.

For those unfamiliar with the company, New Millennium is a local Steel Dynamics Company that engineers and manufactures a com-



prehensive range of steel joist and deck products for commercial construction projects. Founded in 1999 in Butler, IN, the company has earned a respected name. It has become one of the largest sources of cost-efficient, high-performance structural steel joists, joist girders, and deck solutions.

In addition to supporting the Cantaloupe Festival, New Millennium has given extensively to organizations such as the Churchill County Domestic Violence Intervention, Out of Egypt Food Pantry, Churchill Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, the Eddy House, Northern Nevada Children's Cancer Foundation, American Legion Post 16, Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS), Calvary Chapel Fernley Food Bank, and the CCSD Middle School Music Program – just to name a few. Their generosity touches many community needs, providing valuable resources and support to those in need.

New Millennium's financial support for the Cantaloupe Festival and Country Fair has been instrumental in helping the event grow to what we enjoy today. Behind the scenes of Nevada's premier agricultural festival, resources flow out faster than they come in. Every bit of support, financial and otherwise, is essential for a successful event. Thanks to Diamond Sponsor, New Millennium, for their incredible and continued support of the Cantaloupe Festival.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10th Annual Community Wide Reunion August 16-17, 2024 Oats Park

All years, all classes, students, teachers, family and friends. Don't miss the opportunity to connect with friends from the past!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16
7:00 p.m.



FREE concert at the Fallon Theatre featuring River Rogue

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Free breakfast at the Oats Park Arts Center - Lariat Patio
Free Show-n-Shine Car Show and Antique Tractors display
Tour the Oats Park School and Art Center

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tours: Old High School Cottage Schools Douglass House
Fallon Police Department
The Old Post Office Tour City Hall with Mayor Tedford
Fallon/Churchill Fire Department

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tour Churchill County Museum

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Free swim at the city pool and the new splash pad area

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Historic Theatre Tours 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Community Karaoke 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Frey Ranch Distillery Tours

4:00 p.m.
Gather at Oats Park

Bring your own chairs, some classes will have tents set up. We will honoring the Class of 1964.
Purchase food, ice cream, coffee, beer and wine, or pack a picnic. Enjoy the photo booth, face painting, balloon art, reuniting with friends, and other fun-filled activities.

7:30 p.m.
Free concert

Rob Ickes and Trey Hensley
Extra parking at E.C. Best

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PET OF THE WEEK

City of Fallon Happy Families



The City of Fallon Animal Shelter's July adoption numbers are in and amazing. Twenty-five cats and thirty dogs found new homes, making over a dozen families happy pet owners.

The shelter thanks all the adopters who rescued one of our furry animals and, of course, all the rescue groups that stepped up to help get a huge thank you for all the assistance, including Churchill Animal Protection Society, Fallon Animal Welfare Group, SPCA of Northern Nevada and the Pet Network Humane Society.

Fallon Animal Shelter (775)423-2282

Labor Day Parade

Fallon Lions Club's annual Labor Day Parade is around the corner. This year's theme is "Service, Not Self," and celebrates the American Legion Auxiliary. Individuals, businesses, groups, and organizations are encouraged to enter the September 2 parade. Cash awards will be given in three categories: President's Choice, Best Use of Theme, and Most Creative. Other awards will be presented in multiple categories.

Entries can be faxed to 775-255-4813 or emailed to fallonlions@gmail.com. Applications are accepted through Friday, August 30. For questions, call Barbara Hertz at 775-666-3068.



FALLON LIONS CLUB ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE

SEPTEMBER 2, 2024
PARADE THEME:

'SERVICE, NOT SELF'

Celebrating The American Legion Auxiliary

The Fallon Lions Club Annual Labor Day Parade will be held on Monday, September 2, 2024. We cordially invite entries from individuals, business, groups, and organizations.

CASH awards will be given to:
PRESIDENT'S CHOICE * BEST USE OF THEME * MOST CREATIVE

Awards will be given to:
BEST YOUTH GROUP * BEST CIVIC/NON-PROFIT GROUP * BEST BUSINESS ENTRY * BEST AUTOMOBILE ENTRY
BEST MOUNTED INDIVIDUAL * BEST MOUNTED GROUP * BEST AGRICULTURE/FARM IMPLEMENT

The parade will begin at 10:00 a.m. from the corner of Taylor Street and Virginia Street (behind Churchill County Junior High School). Parade numbers and instructions must be picked-up prior to 9:00 a.m. at the Parade Booth located at the corner of Taylor Street and Virginia Street.

Please pick a category for your entry and fill out the form below or enter online by using the link on our Facebook. Please indicate the type of representation we may expect and a description of your entry for the announcer. Mail your entry to: The Fallon Lions Club, P. O. Box 651, Fallon, NV 89407. You may fax your entry to (775) 255-4813 or e-mail it to fallonlions@gmail.com. Please include a phone number or email where we may reach you on Sunday, September 1, 2024. We will no longer accept applications after the Friday before the event. For questions, you may call Barbara Hertz at (775) 666-3068.

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FALLON LIONS CLUB 2024 LABOR DAY PARADE ENTRY

NAME OF ENTRY _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
CONTACT PERSON _____ PHONE NUMBER _____
E-MAIL _____

CATEGORY: Youth Group ___ Civic/Non-Profit Group ___ Business ___ Automobile ___ Mounted Individual ___
Mounted Group ___ Agriculture/Farm Implement ___ Other (Please Describe) _____
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OBITUARIES

MARILYN ANN "BABE" CANEPA BOWLSBY
January 1933 - July 22, 2024

Babe Bowlsby, or Marilyn Ann Bowlsby, passed away peacefully, surrounded by love and family, on July 22, 2024, at the age of 91, in her home in Reno, of natural causes.

Marilyn, better known as "Babe," was born in Stockton, CA, in January 1933 to Lawrence and Zelda Canepa. Marilyn was raised in Manteca, CA, with her brother Larry Canepa and graduated from Manteca High School. Babe spent many summers with her grandparents in Nicasio, CA, working in their Italian restaurant.

Manteca was the place where she met the love of her life, Albert, known as "Red," at the soda fountain that his parents owned on Yosemite Ave. in Manteca, CA.

Red and Babe were married in December 1953 in Reno, NV, against her parents' wishes. Red was a Marine, and shortly after their marriage, they moved to Vallejo, where Red was stationed. In 1955, Babe gave birth to their first child, Colleen, in Oakland, CA. In 1959, their second child, Mark, was born, also in Stockton, CA.

By 1963, following Red's honorable discharge from the service, Red, Babe, and the kids decided to move to Fallon, NV, for a job opportunity. Red loved the romance of cowboy stories and was highly intrigued by horses, ranch work, and leather goods. Red and Babe worked many jobs: bartend-

ing, food service, ranch work, you name it, they did it.

Babe was a Churchill County phone operator and co-owner of Sun Down Saddlery in Fallon, NV. This is what Red and Babe were known for. Red loved building saddles, making leather goods, and restoring heirloom saddles for families. They were staples in the Fallon community for over 50 years.

Babe is preceded in death by her loving husband, Red or Albert L Bowlsby, Her daughter Colleen Thompson, and her son, Mark Bowlsby.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Jerry Gunsch of Reno, NV, Marilyn Whitney of Reno, NV, and Jennifer Gunsch of Fernley, NV, and her great-grandchildren Preston Haynes, Isabell Bartles, James Bartles, Resse Whitney, and Hudson Whitney.

Grandma Babe will forever be missed. Babe loved to cook, shop, drink Fireball, play slot machines, and have a good time. She especially loved going to the 395 here in the North Valleys. She was so full of energy and life, even right up to the last minute of life. Nothing will ever be the same without her.

A celebration of life will be planned. The date has yet to be determined. If you would like to be a part of her celebration, please email, and more information will be provided.

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ELEANOR JEANNE LEMAIRE ANSOTEGUI
November 25, 1931 - July 4, 2024

Eleanor Jeanne Lemaire was born November 25, 1931, in Battle Mountain, Nevada, to Louis E. and Eleanor Mollart Lemaire.

Jeanne loved the outdoors. She had many happy times with her family, summer camping on the Humboldt River, fishing and hunting.

She loved music, played the piano, organ, and clarinet, and sang with several choral groups.

Jeanne married her high school sweetheart, Sam Broyles. Together, they raised three children in Battle Mountain before moving to Fallon in 1963.

After their divorce, Jeanne worked for CCCommunications as a night telephone operator. Ten years later, she retired as an Executive Assistant.

She met Robert Ansotegui at his business, Builders Supply. They married and spent much of their 42 years together traveling, fishing, camping, and visiting family. Sometimes, these activities happened all at the same time.

Jeanne's greatest joy was family. Two blended families of children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews all received her love and kindness. They filled her world.

Jeanne is survived by her brother Louis M. (Salle) Lemaire, their children, and their families. Also surviving are her children Suzette Hughes, Sam (Catherine) Broyles, Lynn Broyles, Lynn's children, Tyler and Trever (Natalie) Detomasi, and great-granddaughter and namesake Eleanor Avery Detomasi, along with Tyler and Trever's half-brother Aaron (Tricia) Detomasi and their children. She is survived by Bob's children Sandra (Bob) Nelson, Steve (Mary) Ansotegui, and Mike Ansotegui, as well as grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and extended families.

Jeanne's last days were spent surrounded by family. She died on July 4th, 2024.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, August 17, 2024, at 11 a.m. at The Gardens Funeral Home, 2949 Austin Highway in Fallon, Nevada.



SENIOR CENTER MENU

WILLIAM N. PENNINGTON LIFE CENTER 952 S. MAINE STREET, FALLON, NV | 775-423-7096

Lunch Served Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Lunch is \$6 for those under 60 and a suggested donation of \$3 for those 60 and older.

Monday, August 12

Italian Beef Bake
Peas and Carrots
Spinach Salad
Strawberry Yogurt

Tuesday, August 13

Spanish Omelet
Onion Roasted Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Oat Bran Muffin
Apple Crisp

Wednesday, August 14

Baked Herbed Chicken
Onion Sage Stuffing
Cream Sauce
Green Bean Combo
Sliced Peaches
WW Roll

Thursday, August 15

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Buttered Brussel Sprouts
Spiced Applesauce
WW Roll

Friday, August 16

Grilled Onions
WW Bread
German Cole Slaw
Baked Beans
Baked Potato Chips
Spiced Pears

FALLON DAILY BREAD

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Meals are served Mondays and Thursdays from 5 - 6 p.m.

Monday, August 12

French Bread Pizza
Salad
Dessert

Thursday, August 15

Cheese Stuffed Hot Dogs
Tots
Ice Cream

Monday, August 19

Breakfast for Dinner
Eggs
Potatoes & Fruit

Thursday, August 22

Tahitian Chicken
Rice
Vegetable

All are Welcome!

WATER LEVELS

Measurements Taken August 6, 2024, at 5:30 a.m.

Lahontan Reservoir	218000 af
Carson River Below Lahontan	857 cfs
Truckee Canal at Wadsworth	62.5 cfs
Truckee Canal at Hazen	15.3 cfs
Carson River at Ft. Churchill	9.72 cfs

August 5, 2024	August 5, 2023	August 5, 2022
219,704 acre feet	284,780 acre feet	78,219 acre feet

*Cfs - Cubic Feet per Second
Af - Acre Feet
TCID.org & Water Data.USGS.gov*

MEETINGS

August 12-16, 2024

Wed., August 14, 12 p.m.
Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Admin Complex Room 102
155 N. Taylor St.

Wed., August 14, 7 p.m.
Planning Commission
Commission Chambers
155 N. Taylor St.

Thurs., August 15, 3 p.m.
Debt Management Commission
Commission Chambers
155 N. Taylor St.

COMMUNITY



NAS Fallon servicemen and women joined in the NNO fun last week. Photo by NASF.

Back TO School

Don't Miss It!

CCHS Back to School Night, Bigger and Better than Last Year

When: August 8 at 6 - 7:30 p.m.
 Where: Rafter C3 Events Complex
 What:

- ✓ Momma's Meats Hotdogs and Hamburgers
- ✓ Ice Cream from Country Creamery
- ✓ 63 Booths of Trade Schools, Post High School Training Programs, Colleges, and Employers
- ✓ 38 Local Businesses
- ✓ Guest Motivational Speaker
- ✓ Presented by CCHS with help from major sponsors like M-D Tree Surgery, New Millennium, Model Dairy, and more.

Local First Responders Engage Families at National Night Out

Staff Report

Fallon's National Night Out, an annual August event, once again drew a lively crowd at Fox Peak Cinema. Organized by Fallon Paiute Shoshone Victim Services, the event featured several first-responder agencies, creating an opportunity for local children and families to engage with these community heroes and learn about their vital roles in fostering safety and unity.



Churchill County Sheriff's Office Corporal Fenner and Deputy Ugalde getting the gear ready for Bears demonstration at NNO last week. Photo courtesy of CCSO.

National Night Out (NNO) is a nationwide community-building campaign aimed at strengthening the relationship between neighbors, law enforcement, and various community agencies. By promoting positive interactions, the event seeks to revitalize the community spirit. NNO is celebrated worldwide across the United States, territories, and military bases.

This block party-style celebration varies from community to community. It often features festivals, parades, cookouts, and various activities, all aimed at fostering a safer and more connected community.

Fallon Paiute Shoshone Victim Services would like to acknowledge and thank the following people and agencies who made this event possible: Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe (FPST) Emergency Director Jackie Conway, FPST Housing Specialist Krystal Williams, the FPST Fire Department, Melanie McFalls and David Collier with the Fallon Tribal Development Corporation, Fox Peak Station Manager Rebecca Grada, Fox Peak Cinema Manager Maria Rosales-George, FPST Chief of Police David Blackeye, Law Enforcement Secretary Teresa McDonald, Fallon Police Department Captain John Riley, Fallon Police Department Officer Austin Wood, Banner Emergency Medical Services Chief Steve Towne, Churchill County Sheriff Captain Matt Timmons, Churchill County Search and Rescue, NAS Fallon Security Specialist Doug Brooks, the NAS Fallon K9 Team, Police Officer Instructor Erin Harp, NAS Fallon Commissary, NAS Federal Fire Assistant Chief Tyrone Oden, and Andrea Clustka and Melissa Mowry from the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada.



Please forgive our misprint. The article, "Fallon Ford Donates \$2,000 to CCHS Back to School Night Student Raffle," first published on July 20, was incorrect and referenced Kurt Henning, instead of Chris Henning, as the owner of Fallon Ford. Our sincere apologies to the Henning family and Fallon Ford. Photo by Dr. Sue Segura.

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BUSINESS

Rolling Horse Ranch

By Nancy Chapman
Photos courtesy of Andrew and Karla Craig

What do you get when you take horses that need to be fed and add airplanes? The Rolling Horse Ranch. The ranch is a hay, horse, and cow operation providing hay, beef, and chicken eggs.

Andrew and Karla Craig would rotate through Fallon as Andrew was a fighter jet pilot and a TOPGUN Instructor. The US Navy brought the Craig family to Fallon in 2009. After their tour, they headed to their next station, and the family decided they wanted the kids to stay in one place and have some roots. Fallon drew them back as NAS Fallon is one of four bases with a Navy Reserve squadron, so Andrew could retire from active military duty and maintain his flying skills. Andrew is now the Reserve Component Commander for the Naval Aviation Warfare Development Center. Karla is a nurse, which allowed her to use her skills as they were stationed in new areas. She is an ER nurse with Banner Hospital, though as their ranch has grown, she has cut down her hours at the hospital, now working as needed.

Their livestock brand also explains their life, the quarter circle RHR quarter circle. The quarter circle on top and the bottom adds in fighter jet maneuvers, the rolling scissors. Karla had a horse that she rode English jumping style in high school in Chicago and would later give riding lessons on. When she and her husband started their life together, she could not take the horse with them. The horse has now also made the move to Fallon. With Andrew and Karla having an agriculture background, it was only a matter of time before watching the horses rolling in their riding arena and enjoying the pasture would lead to the name Rolling Horse Ranch. Since TOPGUN brought them to Fallon in the first place, it is only fitting that all those elements should be represented in their branding iron.

They purchased an irrigated property and started raising hay to feed Karla's horse and the two cows they had bought when they



chose Fallon as their new home. Initially, they relied on custom hay companies to cut, bale, and stack their crops. As all things change, so did this. Grass hay can be tricky to put up correctly. Too wet, it molds. To dry, it is like trying to feed powdered sugar. They decided to purchase their own haying and farming equipment. The business has become a family operation, and their children are very active on the ranch. The Craigs advertise their hay as planted and cut at specific times, giving it optimal freshness and nutrients. The ranch grows fescue, teff grasses, and an alfalfa and grass mix, mostly with horse hay in mind.

Being in the haying business, there are always bales that don't fit in a stack, bales that did not tie correctly in the baler, or bales that broke when picked up. This allowed them to take one more step in their operation and produce beef ready to butcher from their cow and calf operation. The addition has worked so well that they have a one-year waiting list for their born and raised on the ranch grass-fed beef.

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Monster Mac's Escape Rooms

Story and photo by Robert Perea



Mac McCune poses with Big Jed, an 11-foot tall zombie that will be one of the features of upcoming Zombie Bunker escape room at Monster Mac's Escape Rooms.

Mac McCune describes himself as a skinny little kid with a big mouth who didn't have many friends growing up in Las Vegas. To entertain himself, he watched horror movies hosted by a male Elvira-like character called the Vegas Vampire.

What started as a childhood hobby eventually became a livelihood when McCune, then living in Klamath Falls, Ore., began hosting haunted houses and eventually expanded to year-round escape room haunts.

Now, McCune's latest move has brought the concept to Fernley, where he has opened Monster Mac's Escape Rooms at 15 E. Main St.

Monster Mac's currently offers two escape rooms, with a third under development. With fall approaching, McCune is already deep into the planning process for a haunted house that he plans to open the last week of Sep-

tember and run through the whole month of October.

After serving in the Coast Guard, McCune got into art and graphic design. As a paranormal investigator doing a podcast, McCune found out that Jim Parker, who played the Vegas Vampire, was still alive. McCune interviewed Parker as a guest on his podcast, and eventually, the two became close enough that Parker later ended up living with McCune and his wife, Kristi.

"We would go to haunts, and eventually, we said, why don't we do our own?" McCune said.

He attended the TransWorld Halloween & Attractions Show in St. Louis, brought home \$20,000 in equipment, and has only continued to add.

"I wanted stuff that you don't see in regular haunted houses," McCune said. "It's not your Walmart or JCPenney's plastic spiders and skulls. I buy from high-end designers and prop makers, and I want it to be just a little bit better than anyone else."

Customers interested in visiting Monster Mac's Escape Rooms can currently choose between the Captain's Curse, a 30-minute pirate-themed challenge, and Escape the Murphy Mansion, a 1-hour challenge for \$25. First responders and veterans are offered discounts for both rooms.

A third scare room, Zombie Bunker, is still being developed.

The escape rooms are interactive environments in which customers must find clues and solve a series of puzzles to escape before time runs out.

"Our haunt is not for the faint of heart," McCune said. "I design things to scare me, and I'm a rock. It takes a lot."

More information and videos of the escape rooms are available on Facebook at Monster Macs Escape Rooms, and appointments can be booked online at monstermacsescape.com or during walk-in hours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.



**Notice of Availability of a
Draft Environmental Assessment
for Construction and Operation of
Public Private Venture Housing at
Naval Air Station Fallon, located
in Churchill County, Nevada**



The Department of the Navy (Navy) proposes to amend existing agreements with San Diego Family Housing, Limited Liability Company (SDFH), to include the leasing of additional Government land from the Navy into the SDFH leasehold, as well as construction, operation, and maintenance of 172 new Public Private Venture (PPV) privatized military family housing units at Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon, located in Churchill County, Nevada. The Proposed Action would address the lack of housing for active-duty military members assigned to NAS Fallon and their families by providing new housing units. The Navy is seeking the public's input concerning its draft environmental impacts analysis.

The proposed PPV housing development would be located on undeveloped NAS Fallon property north of existing PPV housing and along Pasture Road. The site location is adjacent to the NAS Fallon Child Development Center, approximately 600 feet west from the NAS Fallon main gate on Churchill Avenue.

The Draft EA has been made available for public review at the local library (Churchill County Library, 553 S Maine St, Fallon, NV 89406) and on the Navy Region Southwest website at:

<https://cnrsw.cnrc.navy.mil/Operations-and-Management/Environmental-Support/Public-Information-Access-to-Navy-Projects/NASF-Environmental-Assessment-PPV-Housing/>.

Federal, state, and local agencies and members of the public are encouraged to review and comment on the Draft EA during the 30-day public review period, which runs from August 9, 2024 to September 8, 2024. All comments received by **September 8, 2024** will be considered in the preparation of the Final EA. Public comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

School District Rolls Out Restorative Justice Plan

By Rachel Dahl

The Churchill County School District Board of Trustees has approved the first version of the Churchill County School District Behavior Matrix/Progressive Discipline Plan to meet the legislative requirements of Assembly Bills 285 and 330, which revise the Statewide Restorative Justice Framework requirements for school districts under Nevada Revised Statute 388.133.

State law defines restorative justice as non-punitive support and intervention that schools provide students to improve their behavior and repair any harm they may have caused. This can include behavioral interventions, referrals to community services, conferences with the school principal, holding students accountable, and repairing harm done. The idea is to create an alternative to exclusionary disciplinary practices which remove students from the academic environment.

The district administrative team, including Superintendent Derild Parsons and Assistant Superintendent Stacey Cooper, began working on the plan in July 2023, when the law went into effect, with a review of the current status of behavior reporting in the district. The Matrix Plan begins implementing the legislative changes to discipline processes in the district by providing a plan to the state for how ChurchillCSD will implement a progressive discipline plan for students based on restorative justice principles.

Last month, Parsons presented the Matrix and Discipline Plan to the board of trustees, which will now be sent to the state Department of Education to meet the law's requirements. By August 1, a sample collection of district plans from across the state must be shared with the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education and the Department of Education. Parsons said the plan will be reviewed annually and brought back to the board for their review as changes are made each year.

The Matrix characterizes “Minor” and “Major” Behaviors. Attendance, tardiness and truancy are minor behaviors, with habitual truancy being a major behavior event. Bullying and cyberbullying are listed, with the fourth incident of the same minor behavior type or the severity of the behavior resulting in a major behavior event.

Other behaviors include discrimination based on race, substance abuse, sexual assault and misconduct, threat behaviors, violent behaviors, weapons, and violations of school rules. Specific violations of school rules include bus transportation, arson, cheating, damage to property, dress code, language, technology, trespassing, gang-related behavior, and disruption of school activities. Each behavior in the matrix is identified and linked to an existing state law and/or district policy for ease of reporting.

During their review of behaviors last summer, Cooper found that there had been widespread miscategorization of behaviors within Infinite Campus, the tool used to document grades and behavior. This resulted in problems with extracting accurate data for analysis and reporting. There were also major behavior incident entries left open, in progress, or unresolved, and discipline review procedures were inconsistent and sometimes unknown between school sites.

The review found 239 major behavior events at the high school, with 160 students and 32 staff involved, and 631 minor events. The middle school had 816 major events, with 339 students and 50 staff involved. The reporting captured 3,127 minor events.

Parsons said that in August, teachers and administrators will be trained on the processes for implementing the Matrix Plan.

Trustee Joe McFadden said he is concerned with consistently identifying and documenting behaviors.

Trustee Matt Hyde expressed frustration with the discipline process. “We keep kicking this can down the road. It seems like we will

never have real data if we keep changing how we collect the data. It’s becoming quite frustrating. Some of this stuff is so convoluted and so hard to work with the kids just end up back in the classroom, and that’s frustrating teachers, and I don’t blame them. This is state driven, they put these mandates on us.”

Parsons replied that filling the two Special Assignment positions would be key to implementing the plan. “In order to change behaviors, we have to be able to implement consequences,” he said.

McFadden said that accurate reporting will be key. “One thing that ties all this together is accurate reporting in Infinite Campus, getting this to work so teachers trust it so they will spend the time it takes to document and report.”

Parsons clarified that teachers will make the referrals and begin the documentation process that will go to administrators to categorize using the established definitions. “Admin will determine the behaviors and ensure an accurate reflection of behavior according to the definitions in the document.” This will lead to more consistency in recording and using the data. “Teachers will choose the general category, admin will clarify and approve what happened.”

Trustee Julie Guerrero-Goetsch said, “A lot of trust needs to be rebuilt. I’m hearing that so many teachers have quit reporting because they never see outcomes and they are frustrated by the process. It needs to be reiterated in the training so teachers understand their part, and administrators need to be held accountable for timely intervention and proper coding of the referrals so teachers see action and follow through. Teachers won’t be engaged in the process if they don’t feel supported.”

The seven-member Churchill County School Board of Trustees meets regularly on the third Wednesday of each month at the District Offices at 690 S. Maine St.



Churchill County Library.

Public Invited to Submit Questions for Library Director Interviews

Staff Report

Interviews for the new Churchill County Library Director will begin soon. Public engagement in the interview process ensures that the incoming director fits the needs of our community.

If you have questions that you would like the Library Board of Trustees to consider asking of potential candidates, please email them to County Human Resources Director Chris Spross at chris.spross@churchillcountynv.gov by August 15, 2024.

Interview time is limited, so not all questions will be asked. Thank you.

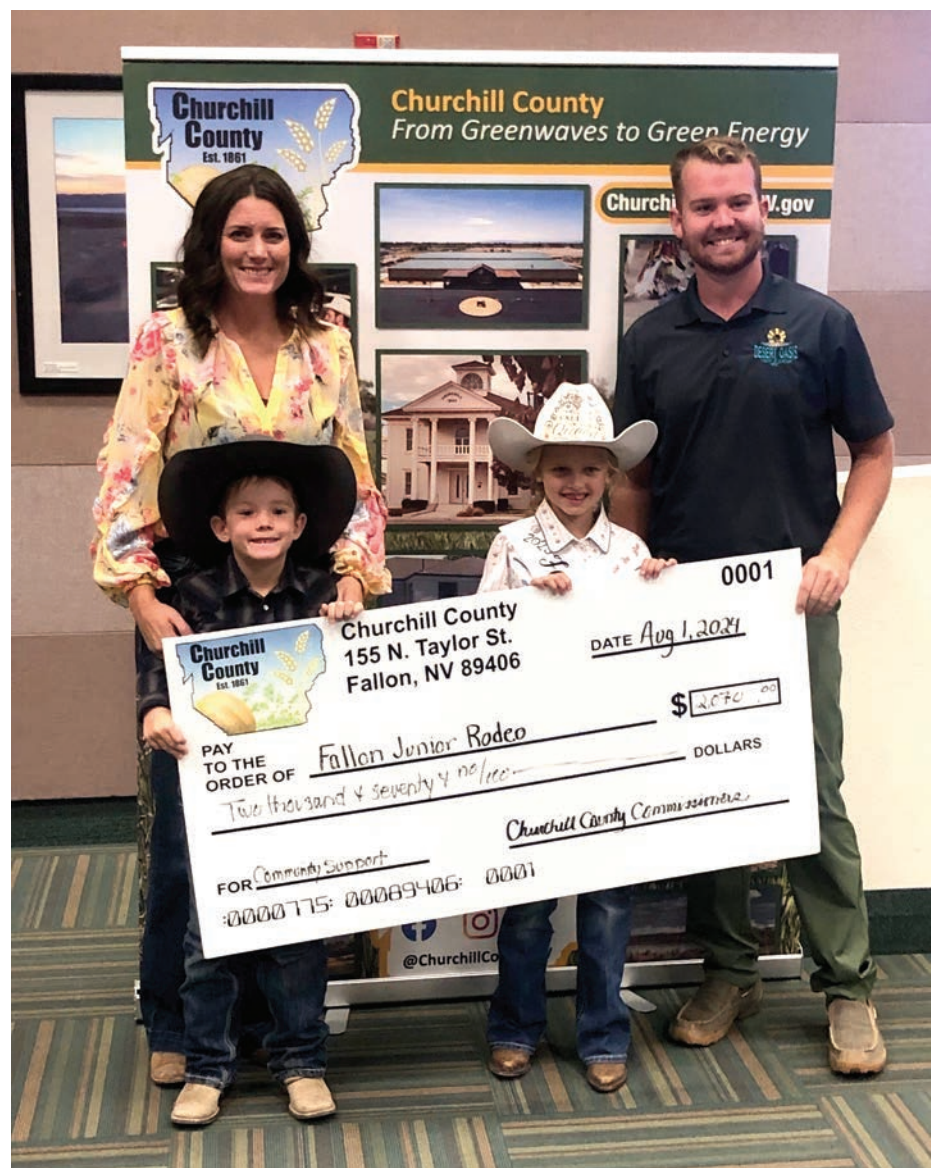


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Commissioners donated \$2,070 in community support funding to the Fallon Junior Rodeo, represented by Jennifur Peek, Quentin Peek, and 2023 Rodeo Queen Evva Brown, alongside Commissioner Getto.

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EDUCATION

Oasis Bighorn Bulletin

By Angela Viera, with photos courtesy of Oasis Academy.

FUTURE FEST DONORS ENSURE PLAYGROUND UPGRADES COMING SOON

The sold-out annual Oasis Academy Future Fest Fundraiser held in April had one specific goal: to raise funds for the much-dated kindergarten through eighth-grade playground. Thanks to the generosity of donors and additional funds from the school, that goal is one step closer to reality.

With project estimates coming in at over \$100,000, the remodel will need to be opened for bidders. The Oasis Academy administration hopes to begin that process in the next few weeks. The administration is excited about the renovation but asks for patience as it navigates the process.

“Transforming our playground is a journey that requires time and careful planning,” said Amanda Barbosa, elementary and middle school principal. “We know our Bighorn Community is excited to see changes, and we want to make sure we do it correctly and focus on the critical needs in updating the playground.”

The school’s top priorities are worn-out turf and at least one additional piece of playground equipment.

Students could add their wishes for playground improvements by creating their dream playground placemats, which were placed at every table during the Future Fest Event. Monkey bars were the students’ top priority.

“The placemats from Future Fest gave us a great starting point to know what the students want to see in the remodel,” she said. “We know that playgrounds are vital spaces where imagination takes flight, friendships blossom, and the joy of movement ignites a lifelong love for play.”

Oasis Academy is very grateful for the sponsors and donors from the dinner. They included Sean Davison, City of Fallon, CC



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Back to School Dates and Information



- August 5** School supply lists posted on the Oasis Academy website (oanv.org)
- August 10** Community Day at Rafter 3C Arena 8:30-11:30 a.m.
- August 12** Homeroom teacher info email sent to parents
- August 12** 7th-12th grade student schedules available in Infinite Campus
- August 12** Pizza Passes available for purchase online
- August 14** Back to School Night - All Grades 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- August 14** Picture Day 9th-12th grade. Drop in at High School 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
- August 15** Kindergarten Practice Day 8-11 a.m.
- August 15** Friends of Oasis (FOA) Parent information day 10 a.m.-noon in the Gordman’s space
- August 19** First day of school K-10 8 a.m.
- August 29** Oasis Offerings Food Pantry open 4:15-6 p.m.
- August 30** First home game - high school girls volleyball 4 p.m.

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 Purchase logo wear online at <https://shop.game-one.com/nevada/fallon/oasis-academy-high-school>.

Register your student for clubs and athletics at <https://aktivite.com>

CCHS Intern Spotlight

Staff Report

The Village Nursery and Garden Center has kept three CCHS student interns busy this summer. “Every time I stopped by, they were watering, digging, or fixing something,” said CCHS School-to-Careers Program Director Dr. Sue Segura. Allie Fait is a junior and plans to graduate early and begin her college career, Garrett Hellton will be a sophomore, and Brody Pirkle will be a senior and plans to be a line-man. Following the example of Village owner Tammy Edgmon, these three interns have been impressively hard-working and focused. Great work, interns.

Photos by Sue Segura.



Allie Fait, junior.



Garrett Hellton, sophomore.



Brody Pirkle, senior.

SPORTS

National Cowboy Clinic at Rafter 3C

By Nancy Chapman

The National Reined Cow Horse Association Priefert Cowboy Clinic was held at the Rafter 3C Complex on August 2-4, 2024. This is the first time NRCHA has had a clinic of this type on the West Coast, as these clinics have always been held in Florida or Texas.

The NRCHA Cowboy Class is helping to preserve the cowboy lifestyle using the four components on a ranch when working cattle: reining, cutting, fence work, and now adding roping. This is the fastest-growing class in the National Reined Cow Horse Association and requires the horse to be in superb athletic shape. This will replace the Four-event held by club shows, which NRCHA did not recognize for national points. This class will most likely be available in 2025 at the Reno Snaffle Bit Futurity and Derby. The main eligibility requirement is that the contestant must own or show proof of working on a ranch, thus protecting the cowboy and ranching way of life.

The eight clinicians were Flint Lee, Darrel Norcutt, winning the 2015 NRCHA Open Hackamore, Jake Telford, Shane Steffan, Brady Weaver,

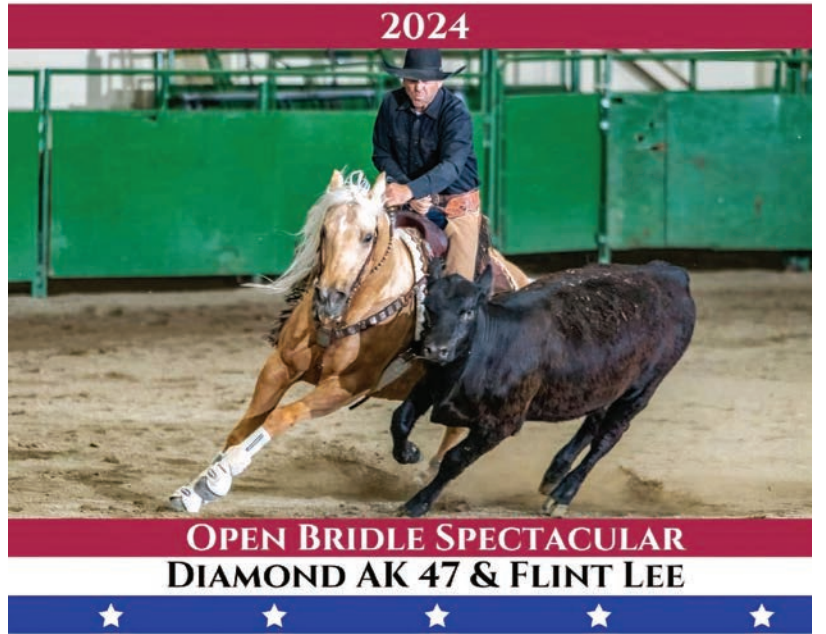


Cowboy Clinic at Rafter 3C on Saturday, August 3, 2024. The group is watching and discussing the scoring the judges will be looking for in the roping portion of a competition. Photo by Cari Norcutt.

Trevor Carter, Matt Fredrick, Jimmy VanBelle, and Bobby Ingersol; these cowboys are all stars of the NRCHA. The legendary Bobby Ingersol is a 3-time NRCHA champion, winning the Triple Crown in 1975 by winning all three divisions: the Limited Cowhorse, Intermediate Cowhorse, and the Open Cowhorse NRCHA championships.

Fallon's own Flint Lee, a local rancher and 2022 NRCHA Limited Futurity Open Champion, and his wife, Bea, have spearheaded this clinic coming to Fallon and being held at the Rafter 3C, with Priefert donating the use

of the Rafter 3C facility for this clinic. There were 60 attendees from Nevada, Oregon, California, Utah, Idaho, and New Mexico, and eight clinicians worked in six different arenas throughout the weekend at the complex. The decision was made to cap the entries at 60, and the clinic was full within two days of being open. Many of the local businesses donated merchandise, lunches, or dinners for all the attendees. Thank you to all the people



Flint Lee competing at the Dave Grashuis Memorial Cow Horse Show in Idaho in June. Photo demonstrates one of the maneuvers required in competition, courtesy of Flint Lee.

and businesses that helped support the clinic. Berney Realty provided breakfast and lunch for the attendees on Saturday. Patty Julian provided breakfast, and Snyder Pinenut Livestock provided lunch on Sunday. The Local 4-H and FFA provided an all-you-can-eat spaghetti feed for everyone Friday night, and Fallon Livestock LLC stocked the bar at the spaghetti feed. Fallon Livestock Processing LLC donated 50 lbs. of ground beef for the spaghetti, and American Ag Credit donated water and ice to the attendees throughout the weekend.

Fallon Barracudas at the Olympics

Staff Report

The Fallon Barracuda's Swim Team passed the torch. Although it may not have been Paris, France, they sure tried, according to Barracuda coaches. The team recently competed in the Great Olympic Championships Swim Meet, and Fallon swimmers made their best times and competed in the finals every night. Great work Barracudas!



Photo courtesy of Fallon Barracuda Swim Team.



Photo courtesy of the Fallon Allstars.

12U Allstars Coach Thanks Sponsors

By Nancy Chapman

Head Coach Justin Judd of the 12U Allstars team would like to express his gratitude to Fallon and the many businesses and people who helped make the Allstars' travel to Hawaii for the Pacific Southwest Regional Cal Ripkin 12U Tournament possible.

For these kids, this tournament was indeed a once-in-a-lifetime chance to play at this age and at this location. Each eligible state will bid to the Pacific Southwest Regional Committee Utah, Nevada, California, Arizona, Hawaii, and Guam to hold the tournament in their state each year. In fairness, each state will have the opportunity to host the games. Of course, in July 2024, Hawaii was the host state. The kids fortunate enough to play in this tournament and Hawaii will most likely be in their 20s when the 12U tournament returns to Hawaii.

Coach Judd would like to take this opportunity to thank the City of Fallon, Fallon Ford Toyota, The Grid Restaurant and Brewery, Oasis Heating and Air Conditioning, Tedford Tire Company, Just in Time Heating and Air Conditioning, Rolling Horse Ranch, Nevada Automotive Test Center, Horney Toad Meats, Skip Reeves, Claudia Wells, Charley and Summer Shuey and Nancy and Mike Chapman.



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COLUMNS

Allison’s Book Report

“A Pho Love Story”

by Loan Le

I have talked at great length, week after week, about how much book lovers seem to love a book about other book lovers. I don’t know what it is, but romance readers, in particular, love reading about other readers, writers, bookshops, libraries, and publishing houses – if it has to do with books, we’re all over it. The only thing that even comes close to touching the popularity of the “book lovers” trope is books about food. Chefs, restaurants, waitresses, bakers, or just plain ol’ foodies – there is no shortage of food-related romance out there for us hungry readers. This week, I have a cute young adult romance for you that falls into that category perfectly - “A Pho Love Story” by Loan Le is guaranteed to make you smile, and will probably make you want to order take-out for dinner, too.

Bao Nguyen is like a rock, steady and strong, but not particularly interesting. Everything about him, from his grades to his social status, is average. He works at his parents’ pho restaurant, and even there, he is his parents’ fifth favorite employee. Linh Mai is like a firecracker, stable when unlit, but full of potential for joy and fire. She loves dreams of pursuing an art career, but her parents rely on her in ways they’re unwilling to admit, including working practically full-time at her family’s pho restaurant. The Mais and the Nguyens have owned competing, neighboring pho restaurants for years. Bao and Linh have avoided each other for most of their lives, but both suspect the feud stems from feelings much deeper than friendly competition. When a chance encounter brings Linh and Bao together, sparks fly, leading them both to wonder what took so long for them to connect. But then, of course, they immediately remember. Can Linh and Bao find love in the midst of feuding families and complicated histories? “A Pho Love Story” is adorable. It was



an easy read with few truly spicy scenes, making it a great book to grab for an afternoon at the pool and definitely a fun book for me to share with my teenage daughter. There are some fun Romeo and Juliet-style family feud vibes, as well as tons of descriptions of food from the two families’ Vietnamese restaurants that are sure to make your mouth water.

Now that I have you hungry for this cute and romantic story order the takeout I mentioned earlier, pick up this book, and treat yourself to an evening at home. Then pop over to my Instagram @allison.the.reader, and let’s talk about everything we are reading (and eating) this week.

Allison Diegel is the Executive Chaos Coordinator at the Diegel Home for Wayward Girls. She has been reading since before she could talk, and now she likes doing lots of both.

Movies & More

By Kelli Perez

This weekend, August 9 and 10, a huge Disney favorite will be shown on the big screen and the second installment of Harry Potter’s adventures.

Playing at 6 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday, sponsored by the generosity of the Central Nevada Health District, we have the 2010 animated romantic adventure “Tangled,” featuring the voice talent of Mandy Moore. Bring the littles to the theatre to enjoy all of Rapunzel’s big adventures. “Tangled” is rated PG with a runtime of 1 hour and 40 minutes.

“Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets” will be shown at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Join the excitement for the second year of adventures with Harry, Ron, and Hermione as they navigate the mysteries of Hogwarts. This film is rated PG and has a runtime of 2 hours and 41 minutes.

Looking ahead to the following weekend, several fun events are planned to celebrate the 10th Annual Community Reunion. On Friday, August 16, at 7 p.m., River Rogue will perform a free concert live on stage. Then, on Saturday, August 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the theatre will be open for hosted tours, followed by Community Karaoke from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Also, save the date for The Cantaloupe Canter, the Fallon Theatre’s annual summer



Movie Tangled playing at 6 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday, sponsored by the generosity of the Central Nevada Health District.

fundraising 5K fun run/walk on August 24. Early registration and sponsorship forms are available on our website, fallonthatre.com, and more information is always available on our Facebook page.

COLUMNS

What's Cooking in Kelli's Kitchen

By Kelli Kelly

My Facebook memories reminded me that this week, for the last five years or so, I have shared a post about the abundance of zucchini being harvested. I've shared jokes about locking your car doors to prevent your neighbors from filling them up with squash. I've posted memes referring to the Squash-pocalypse and Squash-amageddon. In this article, I have shared a bevy of recipes to help you take full advantage of the abundance. Since necessity is the mother of invention, and we all need ideas for what to do with all of this squash, here are some squash-centric recipes.



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



Photo by Julia Gartland for The New York Times.

Olive Oil Squash Bread *Adopted from Melissa Clark*

Ingredients:

- Butter, for the pan
- 1 1/2 cups Grated zucchini or other summer squash
- 2/3 cup Light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup Olive oil
- 1/2 cup Greek yogurt
- 2 Eggs
- 1 tsp. Vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 cup Flour
- 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 1/2 tsp. Baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. Baking powder
- 1 1/2 tsp. Cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. Nutmeg
- 1 tsp. Lemon zest
- 1/2 cup Chopped walnuts



DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Butter an 8 inch loaf pan.
2. In a large bowl, mix squash, sugar, olive oil, yogurt, eggs, and vanilla.
3. Whisk together flour, salt, baking soda and powder, lemon zest, and spices in a separate bowl. Fold the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients. Fold in walnuts.
4. Pour the batter into the prepared loaf pan and bake for 40-55 minutes, rotating halfway through baking. The bread is done when a toothpick inserted into the middle comes out clean.
5. Cool for 10 minutes, then remove the bread from the pan. Cool completely before serving.

Zucchini Salad with Basil, Mint, and Feta *Adopted from David Tanis*

Ingredients:

- 4 Zucchini or other summer squash
- 1 sp. Lime zest
- 2 tbs. Lime juice (1 lime)
- 2 tbs. Extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt and black pepper
- 1/4 cup Torn mint leaves
- 1/4 cup Torn basil leaves
- Squash blossoms, torn into strips (optional)
- Sumac, optional
- 2 oz. Feta, crumbled



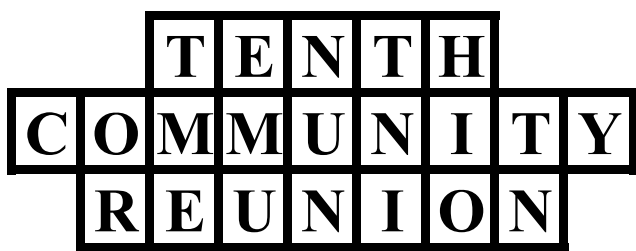
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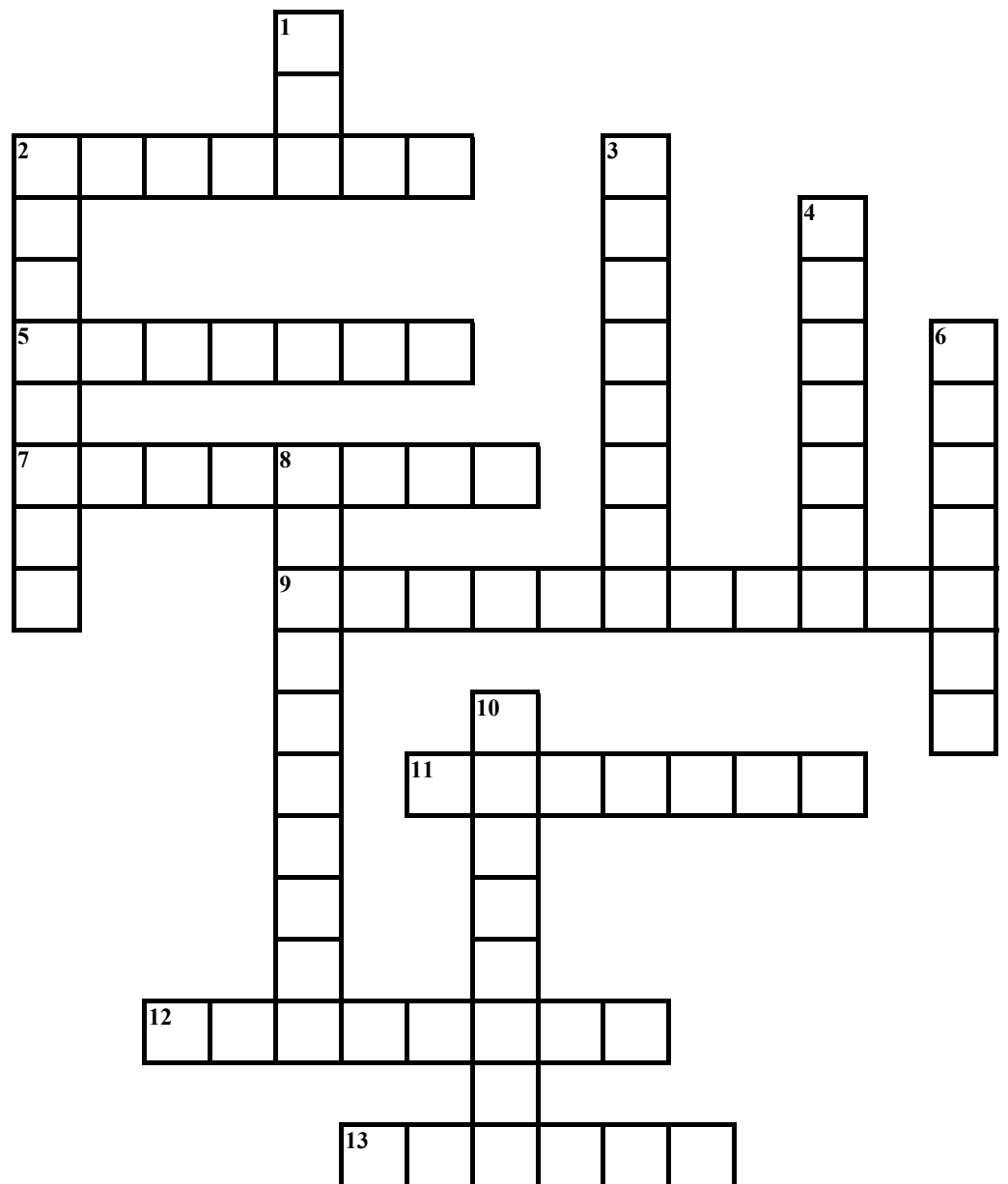
1. Wash and trim zucchini. With a sharp knife or mandoline, cut crosswise into very thin rounds. Wrap slices in a damp towel until ready to use.
2. In a small bowl, stir together lime zest, juice, and olive oil. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
3. Place squash in a salad bowl and season lightly with salt and pepper. Add dressing and gently toss with your fingers until coated. Add mint and basil, and the squash blossoms if you choose. Toss everything together.
4. Sprinkle with a pinch of sumac and top with crumbled feta.

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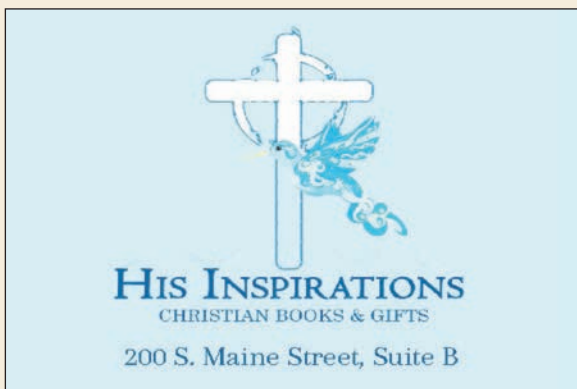
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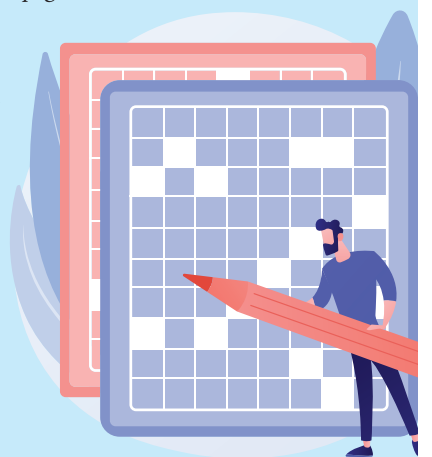
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