

San Miguel Basin Forum

REAL ESTATE

West End market still flourishes

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

For the last several years, the housing market in the West End has been hot. That trend is “absolutely continuing” said Nora Davis of Nucla, a local real estate broker. And, that’s despite rising interest rates.

“People are finding us and wanting to come here,” said Davis. “Especially the mountain biking community and the outdoor recreation community. That is definitely continuing and will continue.”

Davis said she’s been very busy with her work, and even if a property sits for a little bit it does end up selling. She said the Basin Store is set to close this week after a local rancher had it under contract.

Additionally, the two acres on Main Street in Nucla also sold. The property is next to the old Nucla school. Davis said she’s not sure what the new buyer will do with the space yet.

Yes, there has been activity at the old school, too. Davis said it’s a historic building and cannot be torn down. It must be renovated. She said she’s wondered about it being repurposed for condominiums or something similar. She said some foundation work and other repairs must be done. She added it could work for senior housing, not necessarily a medical facility, but a co-housing space for older people who are mobile and would like to be in the center of town.

West End Family Link has eyed the building because it has ample space for offices and the gym there that could be used for inventory. Davis said the property could be costly to fix up, and she’s not sure Family Link has the resources currently to make a big move.

Also in Nucla, Redd’s Mercantile is for sale. Open since the 1940s, Davis said someone will definitely buy the old grocery store, but it will take the right person. A few investors have looked at the space.

Most every commercial space in Naturita has sold. That includes the old Motherlode building, which is set to close this week. Davis added it looks like some new food and drink option will be available there, which is exciting for the community.

Davis said qualified homebuyers are struggling a bit in the West End. She has one client right now who’s looking in Cortez or Cahone because there’s not much available in the West End. Residential inventory is low.

Naturita has a few lots left, but Nucla has none. There is not much land either, even dry land. Something sold in Paradox last week with no water.

But aren’t things projected to
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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Mustangs win district tournament



The Mustangs defeat Sierra Grande and Dove Creek to win districts. (Photo by Amanda Pierce)

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

On Friday night the Mustangs, made up of Nucla and Norwood players, won the district high school baseball tournament and will now advance to regionals as one of 16 teams competing for the chance to play at the state level. The young team who has been infamous for errors, and who coaches have said needs way more playing time on the field, proved it in a dou-

ble-header at Ignacio May 5.

Then, the Mustangs beat Sierra Grand in the first game to secure themselves a chance to play for the district title. They faced Dove Creek, a team who’d beaten Nucla three times in regular season play. Dove Creek had already beaten Centennial in the first district game — and by a lot.

Starting pitchers this season have been Steele Arnold, of Nucla, and P.J. Hulst, of Norwood. Hulst pitched the first game until he got a lead and was relieved by Jake

Hulst. In the second game, Steele Arnold pitched six and a third innings, with three strikeouts in 10 pitches.

“He was on a roll,” said assistant coach Ben Kirk. “That’s something that doesn’t happen every day. It was strike, strike, ball, strike, strike.”

Next Hulst was put back in the game to pitch and close it out. There was one out, and a tying run on second base and third base.

“It was a big moment for sure,”
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YOUTH

Drone class for West End students is June 24-27

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

The Pinhead Institute, a Smithsonian affiliate based in Telluride, will teach another STEM — science, technology, engineering and math — class in Norwood, thanks to a partnership with the Colorado School of Mines, which is located in Golden, Colorado. On July 24-27, students in grades sixth through 10th are invited to Lone Cone Library to learn about drones and how to code them to fly. They’ll be programming the drones to fly inside the library space and working 9 a.m. to noon each day of the class.

“It’s a rare opportunity,” said Jessica Tenebaum, of the Pinhead Institute.

The program is made possible by a National Science Foundation grant.

Dr. Emily Freed, of the School of Mines, will travel to Norwood with Dr. Eric Toberer for the four-day class. Likely two graduate students studying under Toberer will also be on site. The group is finalizing their schedules, but it will be combination of the team teaching in Norwood.

Basically, the kids will be using “block” coding, as well as JavaScript, to fly the drones.

“We will start with basic commands and finish with a coding challenge, where students will have to program their drones to complete a specific and more complicated task,” Freed said in an interview. “We will also be doing other activities, not with the drones, to help kids learn coding concepts.”

Students from Norwood as well as Naturita and Nucla are invited, and no previous computer experience or coding knowledge is required. Anyone who’s participated in the Legos robotics programs in the past might be interested.

Tuition is \$50 per student, but some scholarships are available for the class, if families need support. Not having the funds will not prevent a student from participating.

No breakfast or lunch will be provided, but some light snacks will be served during the sessions.

While in Norwood, the teachers will also have the opportunity to tell youth about the School of Mines, too.

“Yes, we will talk about what college and graduate school is like at Colorado School of Mines specifically,” said Freed. “We will also talk a little bit about some of the research done by professors at Mines.”

Anyone who’d like more information on the program or who has questions should

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RECREATION

WETA adds O’Hern to board, preps during winter

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

Tim Tait announced last week that the West End Trails Alliance (WETA) has added Jamie O’Hern to the board of directors. Tait said she’ll be an excellent asset to the nonprofit.

O’Hern is a mountain biking instructor who moved to the area in the last few years.

Tait said he appreciates that O’Hern is community-focused, and while she’s interested in the growth of mountain biking and trail use in the West End area, she wants it to benefit the community. Tait said she also wants to involve youth.

“Others might be wanting growth for tourism,” he said. “She also wants that here, but also for the youth and adults who live here to see and feel the benefits. It’s really important right now. We need to have people thinking this

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Jamie O’Hern joins the WETA board. (Courtesy image)

HEALTHIER TOGETHER

Inflammation leads to health problems

By SAGE CARVER

For many years I suffered from chronic inflammation in my body. Even though I was only in my early 30s, I began to experience symptoms of chronic fatigue, pain in my joints and back, anxiety and depression, and had little to no energy. I was down, but not out ... and I refused to live this way.

This was when I started connecting the dots between what I was eating, the lifestyle choices I was making, and their relation to my symptoms. Learning how to live a healthier lifestyle didn't come easy to me. I was addicted to the foods, alcohol and convenience of the crap I was consuming. I probably wasn't ready for the emotional onslaught that came with no longer having certain foods and alcohol as a buffer for suppressed feelings and emotions.

But sometimes our lives have to be completely shaken up and changed to get us to the place we're meant to be. Over the last few years, I took it upon myself to study nutrition, and not just what's on my plate. I've learned that nutrition is everything we feed ourselves physically, mentally and spiritually. I've upgraded my life (and my immune system) to end the story of being a prisoner inside of my own body and mind. I'm not perfect, this is a journey, and I will continue to work towards health my entire life.

Perhaps you are curious about making changes in your own lifestyle? First, let's take a look at what inflammation really is, and how our bodies respond to the two different types: acute and chronic.

Inflammation is the body's natural response to protect itself against harm. It is a complex process that involves various cells, tissues and molecular signals. While inflammation is necessary for our body to heal and fight off infections, chronic inflammation can lead to various health problems.

Our bodies naturally inflame when the body is injured or ill. This is called acute inflammation.

This may manifest as swelling, redness, heat, as well as pain and discomfort. Like when you get a splinter, that immediate pain you

feel is the body working in action to help fix whatever just happened. It is a normal and effective response that facilitates healing.

Unfortunately, chronic inflammation is a different story. Chronic inflammation is largely caused by poor diet, stress, lack of exercise, smoking, pollution and lack of sleep. Over time, it can cause serious conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, strokes, cancer and more. Signs of inflammation to watch out for include digestive issues, feeling tired, high blood sugars, allergies, skin conditions, excess belly fat, high blood pressure and swollen, bleeding gums.

If I were to round up the top three causes of inflammation, and how to reduce it, I would start with diet, stress and toxin exposure. I could go into deep detail here, but it would take up the entire newspaper. If you are interested in knowing more, I would love to talk to you.

This month I'm doing a 21-day Spring Detox program that's focused on lowering inflammation and supporting the liver. My program includes simple and easy detox recipes, a complete 21-day meal plan laid out for you, weekly grocery shopping lists, comprehensive information on how to prepare for a cleanse, what to do during the cleanse, how to ease out of the cleanse and lifestyle changes to support a healthy liver.

You can find me on Facebook or email sagecarver1111@gmail.com.

The bottom line is that chronic inflammation increases your risk of dis-ease. And while many individuals choose to opt for anti-inflammatory pain meds to conceal their pain issues, this is only covering up a much larger issue at hand. You could start today to take necessary steps to get to the root cause through modifying your diet, stress levels and exposure to toxins. Learning how to naturally reduce chronic inflammation is the perfect prescription for a more vibrant, healthier lifestyle. Making these changes might take some getting used to, but in the end, you'll feel more empowered and in charge of your health.

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West End market

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slow down? Davis said she's not seeing that right now. She said people with money are investing in real estate. She said the West End is one of the last frontiers, and since it's situated between Moab and Telluride, and on the Colorado Scenic Byway, "it can't get much better than that."

And with the culture of people

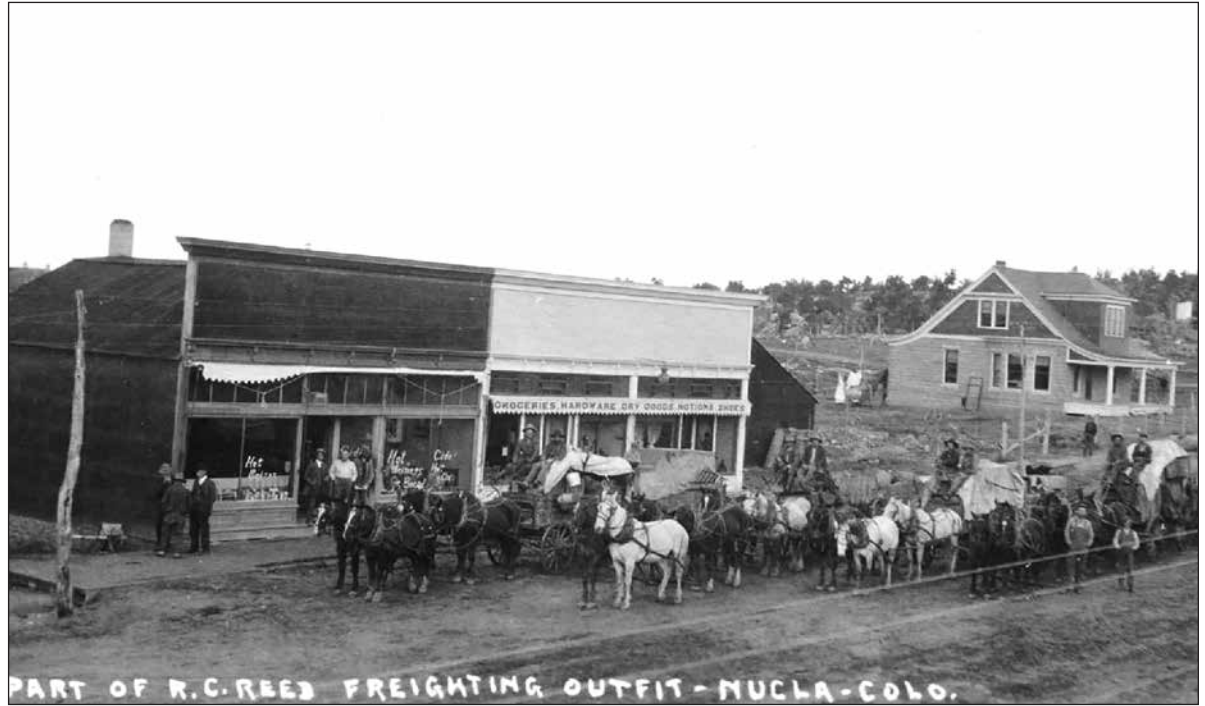
working remotely, they can choose a place like the West End to call home even if they're not employed locally.

"COVID helped with that," she said.

Recently she sold a property in Paradox that was off-the-grid on 40 acres. Even without utilities someone from the city who works remotely established internet and is calling that cabin home.

History: Rimrocker Historical Society The Vestal House, Part 6

By JANE THOMPSON, *Rimrocker Historical Society*



This photo shows the newly built C.O. Cooper house. (Photo courtesy of Rimrocker Historical Society)

The Cooper family lost everything in the fire that was most likely deliberately set. What a loss to Cornelius and his family, and what a loss for Nucla. Mr. Cooper seemed to have hit the ground running after this disaster struck in August of 1911.

In September work began on rebuilding a damaged trestle and "C.O. Cooper was contracted to saw the lumber." Cooper also announced that he "would build an office and a shed for lumber on the site of his recent fire."

Cooper continued to saw and haul lumber into Nucla throughout the winter. In February of 1912, there was a short article in the newspapers that said, "C.O. Cooper's big stock of lumber will soon fade away like the stars of the morning, owing to the boom in building which begins in a few days in our town and vicinity."

By February, a new Cooper, Arps and Co. business purchased the general merchandise store of Gunnar Naumann. In May, the new company had to build an addition to their building. The sawmill at Bucktail was ready to start sawing lumber. Mr. Cooper's business prospects were looking up, and a new home was on the way.

In June, "The Endsley Bros. cement contractors arrived to begin the erection of a cement block dwelling for C.O. Cooper. The house is to be modern and will add very much to the appearance of our town." By July, "The cement contractors, Endsley Bros., have about completed the molding of blocks and will soon begin to lay up the walls of the C.O. Cooper dwelling

on Center Avenue."

It is also interesting to note here that "Philander Maitland is soon to build a cement dwelling on his ranch south of town to replace the frame structure which recently burned. The Endsley Bros. have been hired."

Maitland's cement house is now, in 2023, the home of Paul Cooper.

From the Montrose Enterprise of Aug. 1, 1912, "C.O. Cooper is putting up a five-room cement house on Main Street. Mr. Cooper is doing some experimenting in the construction of this house. The country abounds in a certain form of gypsum, which has been used more or less for building purposes. It has been found that it did not stand the weather where exposed, although it was all right when it was not exposed to the elements. Mr. Cooper's plan is to make the walls of the house out of the gypsum and give it an outer coating of cement. If this proves a success, many other houses will be built on the same plan, as the material is much cheaper than either stone, wood or cement."

So, there we are. Mr. Cooper built the Vestal House after his home and business burned, so it really is not the Vestal House. It is the C.O. Cooper house. Those cement blocks made of local gypsum lasted for close to 100 years, until the south side of the house, after many days of rain,

dissolved and collapsed, just a short six months after the Rimrocker Historical Society had purchased it for a new museum. So why is it that nobody had any recollection of this being the Cooper house?

Many things happened in the Cooper lives in 1913. In June, Mrs. C.O. Cooper left for the East and planned to be gone for two months.

In August, Mr. Cooper considered taking a job in one of the Arps large hardware stores in either Ouray or Denver. But in September, Mr. Cooper resigned from the Cooper-Arps firm. In October, an informal dinner was given at the home of C.E. Williams in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, who were planning to leave for Washington. An article from Nov. 3, 1913, says, "A

card from C.O. Cooper at Tacoma, Washington, informs us that they are having a nice time and like it there very much."

That was the last mention in any of the newspapers of Cornelius 'Con' (C.O.) Cooper and his family. They never came back to Nucla to live. Who knows what things may have contributed to their exit from Colorado. They certainly had a tough couple of years and probably welcomed the opportunity to start over somewhere new.

What made everyone over the years refer to the Cooper house as the Vestal house?

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POLITICS

Reps Catlin, Soper get wolf bills passed

SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

Representatives Marc Catlin (R-Montrose) and Matt Soper (R-Delta) had two critically important bills pass through the House of Representatives that will help Colorado brace for the impact of the reintroduction of gray wolves.

SB23-255 "Wolf Depredation Compensation Fund" creates the fund in the Department of Natural Resources to compensate landowners and agricultural producers for losses from wolf depredation.

"I am happy that the state legislature stood up and kept their word to the voters on animal agriculture in Western Colorado," Rep. Catlin said in response to

the bill's passing. "We agreed that we would pay for depredation, and we have proven that by passing SB-255. It passed with a great margin that recognized that the state of Colorado needs to be prepared to replace the animals that are lost to wolf attacks at full market rate."

Also, SB23-256 "Management of Gray Wolves Reintroduction" codifies the Department of Natural Resources's current process for restoring gray wolves to Colorado. Rep. Soper responded to SB23-256 being passed in the House of Representatives by saying, "Everyone has said they want to see this legislation in place before wolves are reintroduced, whether it's the Ute Mountain

Utes, the Southern Utes, those of us on the Western Slope, or people here on the front range. We've also heard from Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the Division of Natural Resources. This bill is the insurance policy that everyone has told us they wanted in place before reintroducing these wolves."

The representatives said the bills are crucial to Colorado's rural communities who will be burdened by the reintroduction of gray wolves in the state. SB23-255 and SB23-256 will help mitigate the harm from wolf reintroduction in Colorado's rural areas by making the state accountable when damages are accrued as a result of wolf depredation.

FORESTS

GMUG announces spring prescribed fire projects

SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

Fire Management officials from the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests have announced plans to conduct multiple prescribed fire projects this spring. The vegetation treatments could occur May through July, depending upon weather and appropriate ground and vegetation conditions.

The objectives are to reduce vegetation and other fuels to help reduce the risk of larger wildfires for wildlife habitat improvement and ecosystem health. Prescribed fire in these areas will burn with less intensity under moderated conditions, which will improve the resiliency of the landscape against wildfire. Prescribed burning is a versatile forest management tool that is designed to mimic historic fire behavior ranges, reduce hazardous fuels buildup, and improve habitat for a variety of wildlife.

Smoke from the prescribed fires will be managed to have minimal impact on neighboring communities. These prescribed fires will aid in the decrease of longer duration and unpredictable and hazardous volumes of smoke from wildfires.

In general, prescribed fire project areas will vary in size consisting of anywhere from a couple of acres to a few hundred acres at a

time. Cumulative acres planned to be treated this spring will total approximately 41,660 acres across 13 operations.

Dispersed recreation in the prescribed fire project areas may be impacted. Staff will be making personal contact with recreationists regarding any temporary closures. Signs will be placed on adjacent roads notifying the public of the project areas, as necessary.

Prescribed fire is only implemented under specific environmental conditions: wind speed, relative humidity, smoke dispersion. Prescribed fires are conducted by trained fire managers with a strong understanding of fire behavior and years of on-the-ground experience. These prescribed fire projects will only be implemented when pre-identified firefighting resources are available to support safe operations. Fire managers will monitor and staff the fire until it is deemed secure and patrol the prescribed fire until it is declared out.

The safety of firefighters and the public are the most important factors considered when planning prescribed fires. Prescribed fire projects will only occur when all conditions of the state-issued smoke permit are met. Learn how smoke from wildfires, prescribed burns and pile burns may affect public health by visiting the Colo-

rado Department of Public Health website, colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health.

Some of the prescribed fire units in the local area are Glencoe Pine, Sanborn Park, Thunder Road, Horsefly, Dave Wood, 25 Mesa and Ed Joe.

"Prescribed fire remains an important way to minimize the risk of large, severe wildfires to a variety of values and resources by reducing fuel loadings in strategic locations. It is also an important ecological disturbance and nutrient provider, which is vital to wildlife habitat improvement and overall ecosystem function. The primary objectives for these prescribed fires remain focused on firefighter and public safety. We remain committed to doing this work safely and effectively," said Sean Stafford, GMUG Fire Management Officer.

The public is reminded not to call 911 or emergency services if smoke is visible in specific burn areas. Prescribed burn areas and potential dates will be posted on the GMUG Fire Info Facebook page.

For information and updates on current fire restrictions, conditions and recreation opportunities on the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests visit the forest website. The public may also visit the GMUG on Facebook or Twitter.

WETA

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way on the board."

WETA worked throughout the winter to make the most of their time not spent out on trails. Tait said the group has been asking each other about ways to make the information about recreating in the West End more accessible and easier to understand. Over the winter, WETA worked on updating trail signage maps at the Nucla Range and at Camp V.

Now, board members are in the process of installing some of those signs, which have gone through the processes of design and print.

Another milestone for WETA was putting the local trails system on an app called TrailForks. A popular mapping app, the tool helps hikers, bikers and other recreationists by providing information by phone.

Tait said the biggest advantage is the offline capability. Anyone can download the region, the West End region, on TrailForks for offline use. They can use the app to check to see if they're on the trail or not. He said it's a big step for having information at the tip of one's fingers, especially with not having cell service. Still, users have to be sure and activate the app before they leave service. Tait said it's come in

handy for him several times.

Now WETA is working on growing its social media community. Approximately 100 people have joined the Facebook page in the last six months. There, people can access condition reports, have conversations about trails and also learn about upcoming events or rides.

Tait said he encouraged anyone interested in WETA to join the group.

Now WETA will work on getting ready for the Sawtooth project, which is gaining momentum. There's been much internal planning, and Tait now expects the project to be taken on by the BLM to go forward. That means environmental studies and community meetings coming up in the future.

Tait said it would be a lengthy process because of the public comment periods.

The Sawtooth project is north of Naturita on Highway 141 on the way to Uravan. It's the BLM land on the left side of the road. Tait said it has the name that it does because of the landscape and what are actually interesting canyons that look like teeth.

"It's a pretty special place," he said. "We are excited to have the opportunity to build trails there in the coming years."

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Mustangs win tournament

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 Kirk said. "The game could have gone either way."

Next, Hulst got a strike out, making a "crazy diving catch off the mound."

Hulst "caught the ball and then casually threw it to first base for the last out," Kirk said. "P.J. shut them down."

It was a celebration for the Mustangs indeed, and most all of the guys lost their voices from the yelling afterward.

Head coach for the Mustangs Randy Gabriel said last week he was hoping for two wins. On Monday he told the Forum he was very proud.

"For this group of kids, it was just amazing," he said. "For everything we've been through, the distractions ... For this small group of kids to stay together, to believe and to persevere ... it was amazing."

Gabriel added it was very gratifying to beat a team that had beat the Mustangs three times this year.

"To know how much better you got by the end of the year, that's what it's all about," he said.

Many families and Mustang fans traveled to Ignacio for the district tournament, something coaches and players are grateful for.

The Mustangs compete in regionals this Saturday. Nuclea-Norwood is the No. 5 seed and faces No. 12 McClave. The winner will play the victor of No. 4 Flatirons and No. 13 Evangelical Christian Academy.

Gabriel said he's excited, but the guys have to play just one game at a time.

"You don't look ahead," he said, though he'd love to see his guys move on.

He said records don't matter at this point.

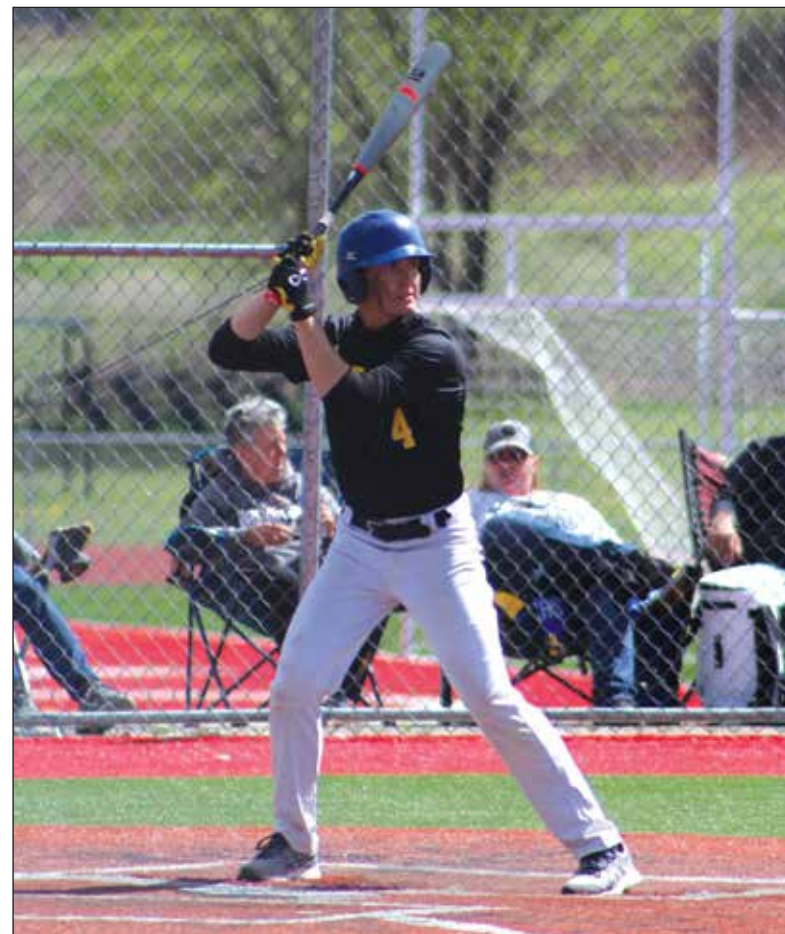
"You can beat anyone on a given day," he said.

In fact, the Mustangs in 2018 had the same record in districts and upset Dove Creek then. They went on to beat the No. 1 Cornerstone, now Flatirons.

Gabriel said the Mustangs need to go in and throw well, not make errors and hit the ball.



Steele Arnold pitched three strikeouts in 10 pitches.



P.J. Hulst, the only senior and also a starting pitcher, shut down Dove Creek for the win.



Assistant coach Ben Kirk, left, was named CHSAA coach of April. Here, he and assistant Kelly Arnold and head coach Randy Gabriel relax after the district win. (Photos by Amanda Pierce)

Drone class

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contact representatives of the Pinhead Institute by emailing info@pinheadinsitutue.org.

Tenenbaum said the partnership for the class was special. She's grateful to the School of Mines for the collaboration. She said the synergy is a good thing. She's also happy to continue offering STEM programs in West End communities.

Carrie Andrew, director of

Lone Cone Library, is also excited about hosting more STEM in Norwood, and for all kids in West End communities.

"We are definitely pleased to partner with Pinhead in bringing the School of Mines and the drone camp to Norwood," she said. "Scholarships are available for students who can't afford the fee, and we hope that kids will take advantage of this opportunity."



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Astronomical property tax increase

Dear Editor,

Where are all those billions of new dollars of new revenue going? Does it stay in Montrose County? Does it go to Colorado? Are the people of Montrose County benefitting? Are the people in Colorado benefitting, or are only the corrupt politicians in Denver benefitting? Will all the bureaucratic entities double in size, so those already there only have to work half as hard? Will the ranks of all the deadbeats continue to swell with Colorado's increasing socialist programs?

If all the people coming from California, or the larger blue cities,

West End Montrose County Sheriff's Office Blotter

4/23/2023

1236 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Sixth Avenue in Naturita for an abandoned vehicle.

1405 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Tenth Avenue in Nucla for an alarm.

1838 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of County Road 43ZN and JJ Ranch Trail near Norwood for a fire.

1848 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 35800 block of Highway 141 near Naturita for a medical assist.

1917 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.

2304 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of Adams Street in Naturita for a noise complaint.

2 VIN inspections

4/24/2023

1014 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of East Main Street in Naturita for an information report.

1611 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 145 mm 110 near Redvale for an animal problem.

2053 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of 2900 Road and 25 Mesa Road near Nucla for a traffic hazard.

2144 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 141 for a report of an accident.

2248 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of Adams Street in Naturita for a welfare check.

1 school zone in Naturita

4/25/2023

1438 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 28800 block of 2700 Road for a report of an accident.

1858 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Main Street in Naturita for an information report.

1 directed patrol in Nucla
1 directed patrol in Naturita

4/26/2023

0357 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for an alarm.

0632 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Grape

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wanting to get away from all the corruption and crime, are driving up the value of the land, then why aren't they the ones to pay for the problems they are creating?

If a ranch has been in family for 100 years, and they want to hang onto it, how does the increase in the value of their land benefit them? Their only recourse is to sell it. They can't afford the taxes, because their operation does not generate enough revenue. And if they do sell it, where do they go? There are only so many bridges in Colorado they can live under.

The only equitable way to tax the property is by "grandfathering." The people that have been on the land for 100 years have a lower rate. Rates then increase for those having owned property for 75, 50, 25, 10 and so forth. These are the rates of the property taxes they incurred when they bought the land, adjusted for inflation.

Those moving in and causing the problems pay the highest rate of all. They pay for the actual value of the land they are buying and developing. Leave the rest of us alone.

On a side note, if the landowners sell their land, who else is going to benefit? Certainly not the land owners. The county, the state and the federal government will. The county and state will because they get more property tax revenue, and the federal government gets to tax their capital gains. Win-win-win for the government and to hell with the people.

Has there ever been corruption in Colorado? This outrageous intrusion of property rights smacks of corruption that you can see a mile away. Colorado corrupt politicians do not even attempt to hide their tyranny any longer.

Again follow the money. Who else benefits from driving the people off the land? The developers do. Are we as naive as to believe that they are above bribing our legislators to pass laws to benefit themselves?

The past is the key to the present. Those that do not study history are destined to repeat it. This is going to end badly.

Don Hemme
REDVALE

DELTA SALES YARD MARKET REPORT
APRIL 27, 2023

300-400# STEERS	2.35-2.70	300-400# HEIFERS	2.40-2.70
400-500# STEERS	2.25-2.60	400-500# HEIFERS	2.20-2.38
500-600# STEERS	2.10-2.45	500-600# HEIFERS	2.05-2.15
600-700# STEERS	1.85-2.15	600-700# HEIFERS	1.85-1.93
700-800# STEERS	1.80-2.02	700-800# HEIFERS	1.65-1.75
800-900# STEERS	1.75-1.90	800-900# HEIFERS	1.55-1.68 top 1.83
Top bulls	High of 1.23	Medium bulls	1.10-1.14
Young Cows	1.00-1.31	Top cows	.99-1.04
Medium cows	.90-.98	Low-yielding cows	.88 down

NEXT WEEK: Thursday May 11th. Special Pair Sale. 30 - 1st calf heifers, Red Angus cows 1100-1150# calves over 200#, (1 iron brand), 10 - Blk/BBF 1st calf heifers with Jan. calves, 15-3-5 yr old Red/ RBF cows with big calves, 10- running age cows with small calves, 5 running age pairs with small calves, 17 butcher cows, 6 butcher bulls. Along with our usual dock run of 200-300.

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- *The Brown Family (Pat, Penni, Paula and family)*

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ORDINANCE NO. 2023-04

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS WITHIN TOWN LIMITS. THIS ORDINANCE SUPERSEDES ORDINANCES 2022-02 IN ENTIRETY AND ANY OTHER LAWS OR ORDINANCES CURRENTLY IN EFFECT THAT WOULD CONTRADICT THE REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN THIS ORDINANCE

Published in the San Miguel Basin Forum May 3 & 10, 2023

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TOWN OF NUCLA, STATE OF COLORADO
ORDINANCE 2023-05

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Street in Nucla for a utility problem.
0824 Hours - Deputy conducted court security in the 300 block of Main Street in Nucla.
0934 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of Highway 97 and Main Street in Naturita for a welfare check.
1013 Hours - Nicholas Wiegand, 38, was arrested in the 300 block of Main Street in Nucla for failure to comply.
1014 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Main Street in Nucla for a traffic complaint.
1217 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of River Avenue in Naturita for a disturbance.
1237 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 1100 block of Stoker Lane near Naturita for an animal problem.
1337 Hours - Stephen Squires, 32, was arrested in the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla on an outstanding warrant.
1403 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 300

block of Payson Street in Naturita.
1632 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.
1856 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 145 mm 115 near Redvale for a utility problem.
1901 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Main Street in Naturita for an information report.
4/27/2023
0716 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.
0910 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 700 block of Grape Street in Nucla for a criminal mischief report.
1318 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for an accident.
1348 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 200 block of West Fourth Avenue in Nucla.
1608 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Park Drive in Naturita for a

911.
1653 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Park Drive in Naturita for a 911.
2202 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for suspicious activity.
4/28/2023
1258 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Main Street in Naturita for found property.
1601 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Elm Street in Naturita for a medical assist.
1616 Hours - Jason Harrison, 56, was contacted in the 100 block of East Main Street in Naturita and issued a warning for speeding.
1805 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 31400 block of Highway 141 near Naturita for an unwanted person. Jason Olszynski, 38, was arrested on an outstanding warrant and for violating a protection order.
1 directed patrol in Nucla
1 civil process attempted/served

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THEME: AT THE AIRPORT

- ACROSS**
- Foundation
 - Dashboard acronym
 - Bonny one
 - Pleasant smell
 - Metal-bearing mineral
 - Salk's nemesis
 - Kidney-related
 - Christopher Lloyd's _____ Brown
 - Investigative report
 - *Something to claim
 - *Declaration station
 - Argonaut's propeller
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 - Scot's woolen cap
 - Sushi restaurant soup
 - *Exclusive accommodation
 - Was in the hole
 - Highest volcano in Europe
 - Angry growl
 - Dry riverbed

- "____ go!"
- Adored one
- *Jong of "Fear of Flying" fame
- Lowly laborer
- Cone-shaped quarters
- Time between classes
- Dirty air
- Hi-_____
- Skiers' ride
- Scheduled to arrive
- *"____ for takeoff"
- *Frost removal
- Luxurious sheet fabric
- It would
- Synagogue scroll
- Barely sufficient
- General _____ Services Administration
- Movie "Home _____"
- Reason to cram
- Negative vote
- Washer setting



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- Equal to pi times r squared
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- Insect in adult stage
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- Traveled on a horse
- Not amateur
- Hajj destination
- Like kittens' mittens
- "The Sun _____ Rises" by Hemingway
- Thailand, once
- Tofu bean, pl.
- Walkways
- "Peer Gynt" composer Edvard _____
- Dot-com address
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