

FIRES

Fire danger remains real

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

There are Stage 1 fire restrictions in place for the West End of Montrose County, and even though the snowpack and spring precipitation helped the drought conditions, fire remains a real threat. That was made evident over the weekend as locals kept up with the Thunder Fire in Norwood and the Lowline Fire in Gunnison.

Both were caused by lightning strikes. As much as the summer rains are needed, lightning poses a risk to wildlife throughout the local region.

The Thunder Fire started at the end of last week, July 27, near the Thunder Road Trailhead outside of Norwood. Crews from various agencies were on the scene, and aircraft also was employed to extinguish the flames. A mix of local resources — Norwood Fire Department, San Miguel County and regional agencies — executed the mission.

That fire never expanded much and was completely contained, the U.S. Forest Service announced, on Sunday morning. Thankfully, it had burned only five acres, though much of it was on private land. No structures were at risk, and the fire burned through pinion, juniper and other trees and brush.

The Lowline Fire, though, is a more serious and larger fire, and it continues to burn. It started July 26, and when officials made the announcement it was burning 20 acres. It began on a ridge between Mill and Squirrel creeks, 14 miles northwest of Gunnison.

Gunnison has no fire restrictions in place at this time.

Representatives from the U.S. Forest Service kept the public informed throughout the end of last week and over the weekend. Multiple agencies joined forces to combat the fire that required various wildland fire suppression tactics.

On Saturday night, the Lowline Fire was just 7 percent contained and had grown to nearly 1,000 acres. More than 400 personnel were working on it over the weekend.

On Monday, it was estimated to encompass more than 1,300 acres and was 15 percent contained.

Though cloud cover and the chance of rain over the weekend provided some hope for the Lowline Fire, the precipitation did not come through. Monday's 85 percent chance of storms was projected to help the situation. But, the authorities were communicating to the public that the storms can bring more lightning.

Norwood's Fire Chief, John Bockrath, said Monday the Lowline Fire is problematic.

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COMMUNITY

Food bank aims to continue; Blunt is leaving though

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

The food bank in Norwood that oversees some distribution in the West End has been in trouble for a while. During the COVID pandemic, resources were abundant, and the food bank had received \$52,000 in grants and \$39,000 in private donations. Now things are more challenging for the food bank, especially since food costs are up 100 percent. Also, director Michele Blunt announced she is leaving the area with her husband, as they've taken a job on the other side of Denver.

Blunt has had her hands full the last few years. When she took

on running the food bank in Norwood, it fed 30 families. That number is now 150 and growing. She's also overseeing the senior food boxes in Nucla and Naturita, along with the old Angel Baskets food bank in Norwood, the Norwood Public School's snack program and others programs.

It's been hard work keeping it all straight with ordering, grant writing and more. There have been other issues with behavior and respect at Norwood's food bank. Blunt has voiced concerns that not all food bank visitors are taking only what they need. Some seem to be stockpiling, and some have taken food without permission.

In spite of the difficulties, Blunt has loved her work with the food

bank and believes it's important. At one point in her life, she too was homeless and knows what it's like to have to ask for help.

With the financial problems and her departure coming at the end of August, she called a meeting Monday that was attended by representatives from Angel Baskets, the Telluride food bank, the Telluride Foundation, San Miguel Resource Center, San Miguel County Commissioner Anne Brown and Norwood Mayor Candy Meehan.

Blunt told the group she's moving to manage a KOA in Strasburg, Colorado. It's a year-round position, but she's willing to do some remote work for the food bank. She wants to help the new

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NATURITA

A dicey week in Naturita leaves locals upset

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

Are drugs and crime a problem in Naturita? Some residents say they are. People have reported theft of gasoline from vehicles and also the burning of trash, which is not legal in town limits or at all during the Stage 1 fire restrictions that the west end of Montrose County is now under. Some have said there are people smelting metal wire, which might also be stolen, in order to make money.

Brock Benson, of Naturita, said the problems are ongoing and often related to drugs. On social media last week, he posted updates keeping neighbors informed about a chaotic situation that escalated in the middle of the night.

Apparently a domestic violence issue at the end of last week turned even more dangerous when a brief but serious car chase ensued. That chase involved the domestic violence victim fleeing a scene in Naturita but being chased by a small chopper motorcycle.

Benson said the incident was recorded on his security cameras that night, and it shows the small motorcycle crashing into the car before being run over. He said the driver of the small motorcycle also beat the windows out of the victim's car.

He has no doubt surrounding neighbors heard the commotion. The vehicles involved were later removed from the scene, which was actually on Benson's property. A car not properly registered now has the small chopper stowed in its back window in town.

Benson lives on Payson Street. He agreed it's the meth nexus of Naturita. He said the environment is upsetting, since respectable homeowners and tenants, along with business owners on Main Street, want to feel safe in their own community.

Benson said it's time to clean up Naturita. He said nobody wants to live in a neighborhood where it smells like chemicals or where it's questionable that meth labs might be close by. He said there are drug dens in the local neighborhood. He said he also knows of single moms and also elderly people that fear for their safety.

Benson said a town marshal could help Naturita. He said having one person dedicated to cleaning up the town and charging offenders could bring peace. Though, he remains appreciative of the sheriff's deputies that he frequently contacts to file reports with, and he hopes they aren't going anywhere.

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Summer's bounty

Presley Bachman picks squash in her grandmother Doylene Garvey's garden. (Courtesy image)

NUCLA

Town, locals, students discuss town upgrades

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

The community input session on July 27 in Nucla wasn't very well attended, but town trustee Paula Brown said there is still time for people to share their ideas on what they'd like to see in Nucla. She said after school starts and when families are more settled might be better for timing.

Basically, last week a group from the Front Range came over to Nucla for a brainstorming meeting. Then, students from the University Technical Assistance

program, from the University of Colorado-Denver, wanted to hear what Nucla people wanted to see in their community. The idea was to see what is working or not working in public spaces.

The group focused on the Nucla Town Park and also Rainbow Reservoir.

Regarding the park, Brown said the group discussed a few different things. Already there are trees and a pavilion. But, the group brought up potentially expanding the playground — which is not that old — to accommodate a wider range of age groups. And, they talked about

the possibility of adding covered or shaded areas closer to the splash pad. New restrooms at the Nucla Town Park were also at the top of the conversation.

Other ideas included things like lighting. She said one option mentioned was dark-sky-friendly path lighting for users when it starts to get dark, which increases safety. Additionally, there was some talk about an amphitheater in the park, a place for performances or live music.

As far as the reservoir goes, she said the group brought up ideas like

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Open Fair announces People's Choice awards

Dear Editor,

The Open Fair division has released the People's Choice awards. In Departments 100-700, for kids, Vivian Cooper was the People's Choice for the rainbow-weaving pot holder. In youth, Judah Baker was the recipient for the "Wild House Tree Pendant," a necklace made of stone and wire. In the teens, Braxton Brack won for the leather-stamped pistol holster. In the adults, Charlotte Tullous was the winner for the patriotic female horse doll. In the professional category, it was Arlen Davis for the oak hand-crafted rocking chair.

In Departments 800-900, for the kids, People's Choice was Meadow

Baker for the "Lucky Tree" painting. In the youth, we had a tie with Kaden Donnellon for the "Lost" creative writing story and Judah Baker for the Helicroprian painting. For teens, Kara Ingram won for "Spacy 3 Planet" painting. In adults, Shelley Donnellon was the recipient for the "Golden Years" photo. There was no professional in this category.

In Department 1000, Creative Expressions, People's Choice in kids was Waylon Donnellon for "Buddy" the solar robot. For adults, it was Alexis Busch for BD-1 Lego.

Becky Hannigan,
Open Fair Superintendent
NORWOOD

RECIPE

An easy apricot crumble I devoured

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

It's apricot season, and it seems like the fruit just keeps falling. Big heaping bowls of apricots I've given away, but I've also picked a lot for myself. I had big ideas for canning jam or making a chutney, but it's so hot I've not used the stove much.

This last week, I did make a quick apricot crumble.

I was inspired by a friend of mine who made a strawberry crumble a few weeks ago, and I figured I could repeat her dessert with apricots. I didn't like any of the recipes I found online, so I made up my own version.

Instead of oats, I used granola I already had in my cupboard.

The finished product was so delicious that I ate a third of it in one setting — which is kind of a good thing too. I used so much butter and my apricots were so ripe, my dessert didn't keep well. Thank goodness we'd eaten most of it before I had to scrap the last bit.

I should also say I let my apricots sit in a bowl on the counter for a few days. In this way, they ripened perfectly, making my crumble very sweet. I didn't want to use lemon juice either, because I wanted something sweet, not tart! Still, I didn't use any added white sugar.

Apricot crumble

Ingredients

(for an 8x8 pan; you could double this recipe though in a bigger pan.)

4 cups apricots — ripened, washed, halved and pitted
2-3 big cups of granola
(I actually used two different kinds, and it was fine!)

1/4 cup maple syrup
1 tsp. cinnamon
Tiny pinch of clove
Tiny pinch of nutmeg
1/2 stick of butter, softened
(I think I used too much.)

Directions

I put the granola I had in the

blender with spices and maple syrup. I blended gently, but left some chunky pieces too. I took half of that and pressed it into an 8x8 glass baking dish that I had already greased with butter. I plopped my apricots on top of that and spread them out. Then I used the rest of my granola. I put pats of butter on top. I baked it at 350 for about 30 minutes, but I checked it a lot toward the end using my oven light. Some people serve crumbles with ice cream or whipped cream. I didn't think it needed anything. The next morning, I ate it with coffee.

Locals upset

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"As bad as it is, we are lucky to have the law enforcement that we do," he said. "We need to support them, so that they stay in this community."

Benson said he wants to help create a culture in Naturita that attracts healthy people and families. He said the area is a place of beauty, but circumstances in the environment

don't always reflect that.

He thinks that locals need to organize and take their community back. He hopes for more prosecution to eliminate the meth problem.

"We as citizens have to start pushing back — and pushing back hard," he said.

He agreed education for younger populations was a big piece of solving the problem.

History: Rimrocker Historical Society Museum visitor a treat — and Louis Borchardt

By JANE THOMPSON, *Rimrocker Historical Society*

Sometimes the most unexpected comes through the door of the museum, and lately it seems there have been a few interesting things and people coming through. I always think to myself, "There's a story there!" (I know Marie is laughing at me somewhere...)

My sister, Sharon, had been talking to a gentleman about cemetery business, and she said he thought he might want to check out the museum. Well, the museum is still a work in progress, but we made a time to meet him.

We invited him in and he said, "I remember this building as the old pharmacy."

The conversation took off from there, and what a great visit we had. His name was Roger Borchardt, and he grew up in Nucla, graduating in 1959, and Louis and Martha were his parents. Being a Uravan girl, I knew nothing about the Borchardt family. I only knew of Martha, Mrs. Borchardt to me, as a substitute teacher when I was in Naturita Junior High. I always liked her very much. She was so pretty and kind, and I always loved it when she substituted. She was a very classy lady. I know that you Nucla people have way more memories of the Borchardts than I will ever know. Anyway, we had a wonderful visit with Roger and his son, Darren.

Roger showed me an article that he had on his phone from a Forum newspaper that his sister had sent him. The article was written

by Betty Zatterstrom for the San Miguel Basin Forum of Feb. 4, 1998, and it is worth a repeat and has sent me into all kinds of different directions for more stories:

THEN & NOW: LLEWELLYN (LOUIE) BORCHERDT

By BETTY ZATTERSTROM,
San Miguel Basin Forum

"Louie Borchardt will be remembered in this area as Dr. Keating's right-hand man in the Nucla Pharmacy for many years. Actually, he was mainly a rancher in partnership with his brother Martin, and earlier, with his dad, Raymond Borchardt."

The pictures show him as a small boy with a "Rocky Mountain Canary," then as a grown man on his beloved horse, Ginger (summer of 1938), and his Dodge Terraplane pick-up, same time. That pick-up was about as streamlined as modern pick-ups.

In addition to his ranching and drug store duties, he helped a lot around his parents' hotel business and movie theater. Yes, Nucla did have a movie theater from time to time. In earlier times it was in the old Town Hall, which was burned down. For the Borchardt-run theater, see the longish building with the metal "car barn" roof on Nucla's upper Main Street on the west side. Louie was married to the former Martha Mitchell."

I was able to copy the picture of Louie with his "Rocky Mountain

Canary," which is actually a burro, and Louie with his horse, Ginger. The Nucla Theater is where Paul Koski has his wood shop, right next to the Nucla Senior Center.

Louie's obituary from the San Miguel Basin Forum of Dec. 20, 1984, says that "Llewellyn G. 'Louie' died on Saturday, Dec. 15, 1984, at his home following a long illness. He was 74.

Mr. Borchardt was a retired rancher.

He was born on Aug. 20, 1910, in Denver. He spent his childhood in Nucla, and was graduated from high school. He later was graduated from a pharmaceutical course in Denver.

He married Martha Mitchell, Feb. 23, 1939, in Telluride. She survives.

Mr. Borchardt moved with his family to Nucla at the age of two. He worked at the Nucla Pharmacy for several years before going into ranching. He enjoyed his family, fishing, horses and the outdoors.

He was a member and a deacon of the Nucla Congregational Church, Moose Lodge 635 of Nucla, Nucla Farm Bureau and the West End Historical Society.

Other survivors include one daughter, Rebecca Miller of Westminster; one son, Dr. Roger D. Borchardt of Mountain View, Calif.; two brothers, Martin Borchardt of Grand Junction and John Borchardt of Nucla; and four grandchildren. One brother preceded him in death."

More about the Borchardt family to come ...

Food bank

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director transition, but she is making an exit.

Now, area stakeholders are trying to figure out how to separate the Norwood food bank from the Christ in FOCUS Church, since they're under the same nonprofit status. Blunt said it's possible the Norwood food bank could go under Angel Baskets. In Telluride, San Miguel County pays for the east end food bank's building

and utilities, something that could happen in Norwood, too. Blunt has been paying the church's utilities out of her own pocket for some time.

Blunt said the church doesn't want to sell the building necessarily, and the congregation is actively looking for a new pastor — he left to take a principal job and to move his children closer to medical care they needed — but she agreed the church building

could be sold if needed.

"It's not all figured out," Blunt said Monday afternoon. "But the goal is to sustain it and keep it operating."

As the different groups come together to make a plan for status and directorship of Norwood's food bank programs, Blunt said the day-to-day operations have not halted.

Food bank hours are still Wednesdays from 3 to 6 p.m. On Fridays, hours are 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and that day has fresh produce.

West End Events

- **WEST END PUBLIC SCHOOLS:** Board meetings are third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., Nucla Middle-High School, in the library
- **NUCLA-NATURITA FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Board meetings are second Monday of the month, 6 p.m., Nucla Fire Hall.
- **TOWN OF NUCLA:** Board meetings are second and fourth Wednesday, except in November and December, at 7 p.m. at Nucla Town Hall.
- **TOWN OF NATURITA:** Board meetings are second and fourth Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the Naturita Community Center.
- **BASIN CLINIC:** Board meetings are third Tuesday of the month.
- **MONTROSE WEST REC:** Board meetings are first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. in the office of West End Visitors Center, 230 W. Main St. in Naturita; limited hours. See montrosewest.com for programs.

- **FARMERS MARKET:** Thursdays, 4 to 7 p.m., in front of Wild Gal's, starting late June.
- **WEST END DARK SKY ALLIANCE:** No meeting schedule set. Email westenddarkskyalliance@gmail.com to join or volunteer.
- **RIMROCKER HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** Board meetings are third Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the museum building.
- **MONTROSE COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE:** Meets first Monday of the month, 6 p.m., at Nucla Airport.
- **VETERANS COFFEE AND DONUTS:** second Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., at Nucla Airport.
- **REDALE COMMUNITY BUILDING BOARD:** Meets first Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. in the Redvale Community Building.

HEALTH CARE

MRH recognized for work to improve breastfeeding

SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) awarded Montrose Regional Health with the Colorado Celebrate 6 Award of Breastfeeding Excellence. Montrose Regional Health was honored with the Celebrate 6 Award in 2020 and again this year. The Celebrate 6 Award of Breastfeeding Excellence honors hospitals for having implemented at least six of the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative's "Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding." These are evidence-based policies and practices known to increase breastfeeding success and improve maternal and infant health outcomes.

"We are working very hard to help our new moms have the best experience with breastfeeding," said Jonna

Hogue, LPN and Lactation Consultant at Montrose Regional Health. "We follow most of the guidelines for a Baby-Friendly Hospital, as well as offer formula and pacifiers for the mothers who choose to bottle feed. We encourage breastfeeding as the primary recommendation as this is evidence-based."

The hospital invests time and energy into the lactation program to ensure it meets the needs of mothers in local communities, Hogue added — including verifying staff knowledge and competencies and encouraging skin-to-skin contact to promote successful breastfeeding. The Lactation Follow Program at MRH is available for up to a year after childbirth to equip breastfeeding mothers with knowledge, counseling and more.

"We are here for our patients and to support their breastfeeding

needs," representatives said in a news release last week.

The CDPHE recognized 45 hospitals for their efforts to promote breastfeeding and offer healthier food and beverage options through the Colorado Healthy Hospital Compact and Colorado Baby-Friendly Hospital Collaborative. These initiatives are part of the state's work to promote healthy eating and active living to reduce the rates of death and disease from chronic illness among Coloradans.

In addition to Montrose Regional Health, CDPHE recognized 40 other Colorado hospitals with the Celebrate 6 Award. Roughly three-quarters of hospitals offering maternity services in Colorado received the award in both 2020 and this year. Seven hospitals received the award for the first time.

COLORADO

Changes to Move Over Law take effect Aug. 7

SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

Starting Monday, Aug. 7, Colorado is enhancing its Move Over Law to provide greater protection for people and their vehicles on the side of the road. This significant change goes beyond just safeguarding police and emergency responders; it now requires drivers to also move over when passing disabled vehicles on the side of the road.

Earlier this year, Gov. Jared Polis signed into law HB23-1123, requiring drivers to move over a lane whenever they encounter any stationary vehicle on a highway with its hazards flashing — and if they can't move over, they must slow down to at least 20 mph below the posted speed limit. The new protections come as 2022 marked the deadliest year on Colorado roads on record.

Gov. Polis has also proclaimed Monday, Aug. 7, as "Slow Down, Move Over Day" in the State of Colorado.

On July 31, the Colorado Department of Transportation, Colorado State Patrol, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

(NHTSA) and AAA held a press conference announcing the changes that take effect statewide that day.

"With the updated Move Over Law, we are taking a significant stride toward our goal of zero deaths on Colorado roads," said Matthew C. Packard, chief of the Colorado State Patrol. "Slowing down for disabled vehicles shows respect for every road user, and together, we can create a safer driving environment for everyone."

While all states have a Move Over Law to protect emergency responders, Colorado joins 19 other states that provide protections to all disabled vehicles. With this change, Colorado's Move Over Laws are now among the nation's strongest.

The penalty for failing to move over or slow down for a disabled vehicle includes a Class 2 misdemeanor traffic offense, with a possible fine of \$150 and a three-point license violation.

"People dealing with an issue on the side of the road are in a dangerous position, especially our first responders and others who regularly are near live traffic," said Shoshana Lew, executive director

of CDOT. "It is up to all of us, in every situation, to make the road as safe as possible when we see a vehicle pulled over on a shoulder. Move over and slow down for everyone, every time."

So far this year seven CDOT safety patrol trucks have been hit by passing motorists resulting in one serious injury. In addition, four CDOT attenuators trucks have been hit in Denver.

The roadside's inherent dangers are why, according to research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, motor vehicle towing is one of the country's deadliest lines of work — with a death rate 15 times more than that of every other private industry combined. In 2022, across the country, 51 emergency responders who were working at the roadway were struck and killed, including 17 law enforcement officers, 18 tow truck operators, four mobile mechanics, and 11 firefighters and EMS personnel.

Each year, nearly 350 people are struck and killed while outside a disabled vehicle, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Community input

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docks, a new beach area or adding more benches.

She said the students from the UTA program are helpful. She said it's economical to use them, and they've done a wonderful job for Nucla in the past. Already the UTA program students have helped with the Main Street design and also the community center design.

No, the town is not ready to start construction on anything, but working with the UTA program and having plans in place help shape and be ready for the future.

"It's about being ready for when funding becomes available," Brown said. "The designs help going after funding from the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), or other revenue sources."

She said the Denver students still want the community's feedback. A future meeting will be held in August or September, so that locals can say what they'd like to see, what might be missing in Nucla, or what's not functioning well.

At last week's meeting were four students from the UTA pro-

gram, along with three Nucla Town Trustees and three other community members. Brown said she'd like to see even more people come to the next meeting.

"We will be getting (the information) out there," Brown said. "We are waiting until it settles down."

Brown said it's a pleasure working with Chris Endreson, the director of the UTA program.

"We love Chris," she said. "He's fabulous. He brings students out here, and they get really engaged — and they get excited about our area."

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Fire danger remains

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“A little over 1,300 acres, as of (Monday), caused by lightning,” he said. “The problem with this fire is the proximity to both man-made and natural resources. Private homes and structures, critical power lines and public water resources are in danger. It’s currently only 15 percent

contained with more lightning expected.”

Bockrath said there are pieces of the wildfire issue that some might not understand.

“The issue all fire agencies are having is the wildland/urban interface,” he said. Especially since COVID, everyone wants to live in rural areas, and they are

building more and more homes and structures in wilderness areas. Most of these are without a defensible space. People want their trees close to their homes.”

The San Miguel Basin Forum will continue to update the public about the Lowline Fire and any other fires on the newspaper’s Facebook page.

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1433 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla.

1758 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of 2875 Road and Highway 141 for a report of theft.

1944 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of Fox Street in Nucla for an animal problem.

1949 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for a suspicious person.

7/11/2023

1634 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for an animal problem.

1947 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 7000 block of T5 Road near Paradox for a fire.

1 follow up report

7/12/2023

0417 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Juniper Street in Nucla for a 911.

0511 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for an unwanted person.

0526 Hours - Deputy took a theft report in the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita.

0943 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Fourth Avenue in Nucla for a 911.

1151 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Fifth Avenue in Nucla for a disturbance.

1219 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of West Main Street in Naturita for a medical assist.

1359 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a missing person.

1507 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 14200 block of Highway 90 near Bedrock for a theft report.

7/13/2023

1009 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Pine Street in Naturita for a welfare check.

1427 Hours - Sharon Norton, 71, was contacted on Highway 97 mm 1 near Naturita and issued a warning for speeding.

1624 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a burglary.

1800 Hours - Luke Thompson, 31, was contacted on Highway 141 mm 60 near Naturita and cited for exceeding safe speed for conditions.

1802 Hours - Deputy conducted a ride along in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.

2036 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita.

2121 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of Wilson Street in Naturita for a theft report.

2202 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Pine Street in Naturita for a disturbance.

2326 Hours - Deputy responded to the 100 block of West First Avenue in Naturita for an abandoned vehicle.

7/14/2023

0734 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 141 mm 60 near Naturita for a vehicle theft.

0820 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for a protection order violation.

Howard Chadd, 58, was arrested for violating a protection order.

0834 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of Crystal Drive in Naturita for a welfare check.

0850 Hours - Deputy took an information report on Highway 141 mm 69 near Naturita.

1038 Hours - Deputy conducted a ride along in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.

1241 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of West

Second Street in Naturita for a medical assist.

1428 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for an information report.

1608 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of San Bourne Park Road and Dead Horse Road near Norwood for an abandoned vehicle.

1643 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of Wilson Street in Naturita for a vehicle theft.

1939 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Cottonwood Trail near Nucla for a welfare check.

2103 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 22300 block of Highway 141 near Naturita for a juvenile problem.

2128 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Main Street in Naturita for a suspicious vehicle.

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LEGAL PUBLICATION

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR SCHOOL DIRECTORS
WEST END PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
MONTROSE COUNTY, COLORADO

The West End Public School District Re-2 in the County of Montrose, State of Colorado, calls for nomination of candidates for school directors to be placed on the ballot for the regular biennial school election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

At this election [2] directors will be elected for a term of office of four years. To be qualified, a candidate must have been a registered elector of the school district for at least 12 consecutive months before the election. A person is ineligible to run for school director if he or she has been convicted of committing a sexual offense against a child.

A person who desires to be a candidate for school director shall file a written notice of intention to be a candidate and a nomination petition signed by at least [25] eligible electors who are registered to vote in the regular biennial school election.

Nomination petitions may be obtained at West End Public Schools at 225 W. 4th Ave Nucla, CO. Office hours are 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

Completed petitions shall be submitted to Shari Nelson no later than 12:00p.m. on September 1, 2023.

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LEGAL PUBLICATION

BASIN CLINIC
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Basin Clinic, Inc. has filed a pre-application with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, for financial assistance to acquire and/or develop new medical equipment.

The area to be served by the proposed project is: Naturita, Nucla, Redvale, Paradox, and Bedrock.

A meeting regarding the proposed project will be held on August 15, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the following location: Hopkins Field Airport, 27896 DD Rd, Nucla, CO 81424.

The public is invited to attend this meeting and provide comments of the proposed project.

Christina Pierce
Name of Applicant Official

08/01/2024
Date

Executive Director
Title of Applicant Official

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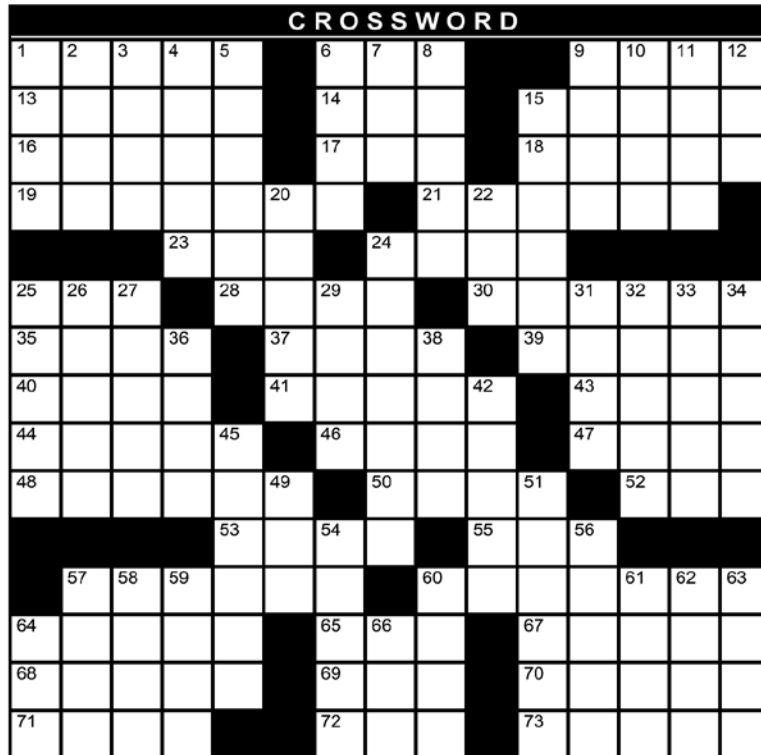
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18. Top scout
19. *'90s children's series "___ in Pyjamas"
21. *Alternative to stick
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24. Show worry
25. Knee-related acronym
28. Sushi restaurant's boozy offering
30. *Grilled cheese and ___ soup
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41. California and Nevada lake
43. Raja's daughter
44. Uncouth ones
46. Of two minds
47. RenÈ Descartes' "therefore"
48. Make wealthy
50. Use a surgical beam
52. Gingerbread creation
53. *When fruit is ready
55. Red-white-and-blue inits.
57. *"Hot" vegetable-shaped toy
60. *L in BLT
64. 3-D picture in a book
65. U.N. workers' grp.
67. Owned house or car, e.g.
68. Item on a cell phone bill
69. What's old is new again, prefix
70. Popular electric car
71. Hair styling products
72. Scottish cap
73. British peers



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1. Block of concrete, e.g.
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3. Baker's baker
4. Dickens's Heep
5. Serena's sport
6. Prefers
7. *Fairytale princess test
8. Virgo's brightest star
9. Letter opener
10. Ship to Colchis
11. Airhead
12. The loneliest number?
15. Concerning this
20. Nautical "Stop!"
22. College assessment test, acr.
24. Camera's tiny aperture
25. *Gwyneth Paltrow's daughter
26. Sing like Tony Bennett
27. Madagascar primate
29. Myanmar currency
31. BÈBÈ's mother
32. Rooster, in the olden days
33. Polynesian kingdom
34. *Layered bulb
36. Giant Himalayan?
38. Lady Grantham of "Downton Abbey"
42. Follow as a consequence
45. Claw mark
49. "Battleship" exclamation
51. Heir's concern
54. *At the end of a hot pepper or many a sweet potato
56. Cruising
57. Prepare to be shot
58. October birthstone
59. What Little Toot does
60. *Fruit of the ___
61. Brezhnev's domain
62. Jailbird's home
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64. Dog breed from China
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UMC COMMUNITY
Newsletter
Issue 1 - 07/07/2023

• **DIABETES CLINIC RODEO** **AUGUST 16TH, 2023**

UMC is offering a **FREE** Diabetes Clinic Rodeo for patients:

- **With Diabetes**
- **With Prediabetes**
- **Family History of Diabetes**
- **If you have ever been told your blood sugar is above normal.**

Patients will be able to get an A1c test, urine test, foot check, and discuss Diabetic Retinopathy Screening with one or more of our providers at one appointment.

**Participants will be entered into a drawing for a gift card.*

CALL 970-327-4233 TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.

USE KEYWORD: DIABETES RODEO

- UMC is proud to announce it is collaborating with Montrose Memorial Hospital for nutritional services. UMC patients may receive these services either via telehealth or onsite at MMH! Please speak with your UMC provider for more information if you are interested.



Diabetes Awareness

• *Medical - Creating a Care Plan*

A care plan for diabetes is a personalized guide to manage your blood sugar levels and prevent complications. It involves setting goals, monitoring your blood glucose, taking medications, following a healthy diet, and exercising regularly.

• *Dental - Oral Care Can Prevent Problems*

People with diabetes can be more prone to gum disease. If you are careful about keeping your teeth clean, you are less likely to have tooth decay, gum disease, and other oral infections.

• *Pharmacy - Integral to Diabetes Care*

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