

# San Miguel Basin Forum

## THEATRE

### Mustangs perform last time on historic stage

By BROCK BENSON,  
Forum Contributor

The Mustang Theatre Company is back on stage this week to perform their semester finale for the general public. The students have been working hard all semester preparing four short one-act plays for Thursday, Nov. 30, and Friday, Dec. 1, both at 7 p.m. — and on the historic main stage at the Nucla High School gymnasium. It's the last time any theatre will be performed on the legendary stage built in 1956.

Students and faculty move into the new school in January, and while the moment is a bittersweet one, new opportunities in a new space will allow the group to do more concise and suitable productions, given the size of the student population.

Brock Benson, the instructor, wanted to direct a classic that would do justice to the history and legacy the stage represents in the West End, but the reality of participating students and exposure to resources is keeping the group a couple years out yet on that type of production. Still, students and resources are growing.

This semester, audiences will see two theatre classes in four very different shows. Junior high will perform two short scripts by playwright Nikki Harmon: "The Day the Cow Dreamer Ran Away," which tells the story of a small town that lost its cows and how the townspeople managed to wrangle their herd, and "How the Curious Sun was Saved," a short script based on the traditional English folktale "The Buried Moon."

The high school class will present two one-act plays, the first a comedy entitled "Desperate Housewives of Shakespeare" by Jane and Jim Jeffries, a fan fiction spin-off featuring some of the strongest female characters Shakespeare ever wrote in a murder mystery. The second is a sci-fi suspense thriller called "The Experiment" by Brent Holland.

The shows feature every student that signed up for theatre class, and all students took active roles in designing, constructing and painting sets. While the instructor feels incredible pride, trials and tribulations, have also allowed for growth and bonding. Students have learned skills that can't necessarily be taught in another setting.

And before it even began, there was serious planning for the size of the cast, along with subject matter that might be relevant to the community. Building sets and assessing

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## HOLIDAY

### Christmas Cantata gets twist; quilters make a give-away piece

By REGAN TUTTLE, Editor

The West End's Elfin Eve is happening on Dec. 7, and the parade and holiday shopping experiences are being planned by local businesses and organizations throughout the community. Anyone with questions about Elfin Eve and those who need ideas for activities to offer that night are welcome to contact the

Nucla-Naturita Chamber of Commerce. Parade entry forms are now available online, but also they may be printed at the West End Visitor Center in Naturita too. Parade registration is due by 5 p.m. on Dec. 5.

Also, this year's Christmas Cantata has a new style of presentation. The Community Choir, under the direction of Peggy Kohl, will be singing traditional Christmas carols, and the group will be joined by the congregations at each church

location they visit. The carols are in keeping with the reading of the Christmas story told in the Book of Luke.

"Come join us at any or all of the three performances," Chris Daniels told the Forum over the weekend.

"The first is Friday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m. in Norwood at Christ in FOCUS Church," she said. "The second is on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 3

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## NUCLA

### Main Street work ongoing; election happens this spring

By REGAN TUTTLE, Editor

The Town of Nucla announced last weekend the water would likely be shut off Nov. 27 as main street improvements continue. Melissa Lampshire, town clerk, told the Forum that the crew hit a valve on 10th Avenue. The water was turned off for some people, but not all residences. Still, some scheduling of water outages will be happening in the future.

On Nov. 29, an outage happens for the Shawn Lee neighborhood, as crews are going to install more valves in that location. Lampshire said as crews continue the service meter work, there might be other homes or businesses affected too.

And, the town is hoping to pave next week. Lampshire admitted it will be cold, but the crew is determined to get to work. They'll start at the top of 3rd Avenue and work block by block, so some street closures will happen in sections for that. The work is scheduled to begin Monday, Dec. 4, and will go throughout the week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The public will see the paving trucks in action. Lampshire agreed the street will look nice afterward.

Sewer work will begin after the pavement, and the road will have to be cold patched until spring. The crews will do sewer upgrades in the area of the Nucla Fire Hall to 5th Avenue. And, the work will run from 8th to 10th Avenue with more on the east side of the road.

Lampshire said she knows some locals are annoyed by the ongoing construction work. She added, though, with a \$2.5 million project in a small town, there will always be glitches.

"You've got to break eggs to bake a cake," she said Monday.

Additionally, she said the Town of Nucla has never really replaced anything; in the past, the town has only fixed things and covered it back up. Lampshire said, of course, the recent upgrade work could have gone better. There's always room for improvement.

"But did we know exactly where the line was? No," she said. "It was 60 years old. ... So, it's going good."

She also said the town and crews have tried to keep Main Street and its businesses open for people, and the crews have really tried to make way for those who need to get through.

The sidewalk work won't happen anytime soon, but the town is working with CDOT on plans for

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Natural beauty in the West End

This image shows deer feeding in a local field. (Photo by Sage Carver)

## HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

### Boys basketball season gets underway

By REGAN TUTTLE, Editor

There are 18 guys out for the basketball team this year, according to head coach Kelly Arnold. With approximately 22 years of coaching experience, he told the San Miguel Basin Forum he's again assisted by Mike Rummel, of Norwood. While last year, the duo coached both the boys and the girls, Zandon Bray has the girls this season.

Practices started Nov. 13 for the guys, though open gyms were happening the week before. No games have been played yet, but those are set for early December, and the sports schedules are on the West End Public Schools District website.

Arnold said the guys have a bit

more experience than they did last year. That's because there are five seniors on the court and the greater team isn't that young comparatively speaking.

"We are about middle of the road, as far as age goes," Arnold said over the weekend. "We have a few freshmen."

He said a lot of things are going well, especially since the guys are willing to be coached. He said players are listening, and that is likely because he and Rummel have been with the guys a long time. He's been coaching some of them since middle school or earlier for AAU — his own son included.

"They know our expectations and how things operate," he said.

The guys team had some success on the court last year, and Arnold

said the group is determined to continue that to see even better outcomes.

Seniors this year are Steele Arnold, Owen Dinsmore, Joseph Casillas, Hemmy O'Brien and Arthur Connelly. Also on the team are Slade Gillen, Caylon Joseph, Jackson Veal, Josh Platt, Brycen Rummel, Colton McCluer, Austin Garvey, Drake Long, Jose Zunich, Daniel Zunich, Cole Bray, Paxtin Caruso, Jacob Davis and Jason Kootz.

Five of the guys on the team, which is a combined team, are from Norwood; the rest are Nucla guys. What's more is that coach confirmed that five of them are also attempting to play basketball and also wrestle in the same season. He said there's

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## GET WILD

# We don't have to say 'Bah! Humbug!' to holiday lighting

By MARTIE SEMMER

Thanksgiving (is over), and there (was) much to be thankful for this special day and night with family and friends. Let's give thanks for the beauty, serenity and peace that a protected nightscape has to offer. Let's give thanks for the natural darkness that is essential for the well-being of humans, wildlife and vegetation. And let's give thanks for the inspiration and wonder that we get from experiencing a sky full of sparkling stars — a treasure that is becoming evermore precious and rare as the world is overcome by artificial light at night.

With Thanksgiving, the holiday season has arrived. Traditional celebrations associated with the natural night sky at this time of year include Christmas, Hanukkah, winter solstice and many more. There are numerous holiday traditions around the world that are connected with the night sky.

Is there a conflict between the natural night sky of the holiday season and contemporary artificial holiday lighting?

NASA reports that the Earth is up to 50 percent brighter in the U.S. during the holidays. When NASA tried to gather data during the holidays from places with snow-covered landscapes the "snowglow" combined with holiday lighting was too intense to collect reliable data.

Citizen-scientists with the scientific research program Globe at Night find excessive holiday lighting contributes to negative effects on the environment as well as humans. Impacts on the environment include "washing out the stars, wasting energy, and disrupting nocturnal life." And, impacts on human health include "difficulty sleeping, headaches, and increased anxiety."

Still, we don't have to say "Bah! Humbug!" to holiday lighting. Eleanor Stokes, a research scientist at the University of Maryland who has worked with NASA to gather satellite data on our lighting habits, remarks that putting your lights on a timer can have a "huge benefit." She adds, "I'm all about being festive, but you don't need to be festive at, like, 3 a.m." Instead, we can follow DarkSky Colorado-approved holiday lighting tips to help protect our human and wildlife neighbors. Residents

and visitors alike are invited to follow these holiday lighting tips:

- Use fewer lights overall.
- Avoid excessive use of lights that have a more blue appearance. Blue light is most harmful to wildlife and contributes more than other colors to sky glow. If you use white lighting, select warmer lights that are close in color to a candle flame.

- Control outdoor holiday lighting with timers and turn them off completely at bedtime.

- Keep holiday lighting in season.

- Amber, gold and red lights have lower light wavelengths.

Additional guidelines to consider include:

- Being vigilant that holiday lighting stays on your property with minimal sky glow.

- Using window coverings and/or dimmers.

- Keeping indoor lights indoors.

- Using LED or low-pressure sodium amber, gold, green and red lights, since they have a lower color temperature, cause less environmental harm, and are gentler on night vision.

- Avoiding blinking/flashing lights and rotating colors.

- Keeping holiday lights off during the day.

- Remembering that unshielded bistro or string lighting can hurt and impair eyesight for people and wildlife.

- Before putting lights on trees, researching the effects of light pollution on vegetation.

- Limiting holiday lighting to 60-75 days or less each year to preserve the specialness of the holiday season.

Enjoy the festive holiday lighting of our modern traditions. Likewise, take time to look up at the celestial lights of the starry heavens — the inspiration for many of our holidays.

*This column was first published last week in the Summit Daily News.*

*Get Wild publishes every Friday in the Summit Daily News. Martie Semmer is actively involved with DarkSky Colorado and recently remarked "the sky is the limit" as she continues learning about and advocating for the preservation of the night sky. Contact summitdarksky@gmail.com for dark sky information in Summit County.*

## History: Rimrocker Historical Society The word is 'thankful'

By SHARON JOHANNSEN, *Rimrocker Historical Society*

As you can see, my name is listed for this week's article. Jane Thompson asked me to do the article this week while she is in Alaska for some much-needed R&R. Funny, she didn't say what I had to write about, so I feel like there are no rules! As she has stated before in her articles, when you start researching topics, you really do get lost in the history! So, this week I chose to use this platform to share some things and people we should all be thankful for.

As we put another Thanksgiving holiday on the shelf, I began to reflect on the last few years with the Rimrockers. As a board, we have made some very big decisions for the historical society. We hope they will move us forward and preserve the history for future generations to enjoy.

The decision to move the museum to Nucla was made when the new school was approved and construction started in Nucla. It is important that we teach our youth the history of our area, and we hope to be a big part of that endeavor. The Town of Naturita has supported us for so many years. We will forever be thankful to them, not only for the use of the community building, but for supporting the present board and the original board members from the day the historical society was formed.

We have been so thankful for

the volunteers who have helped us get this move underway. When we reached out, they came and gave their time so generously. For those folks who just walked in off the street and helped us when we really needed someone, we are thankful for you. Thank you all so much for your help, encouragement and support. We are truly thankful.

We are so thankful to WEEDC, CDPHE and so many other people too numerous to mention, who helped us get grants to be used in the Uravan Ball park. With some of these funds and the hard work of Cody and Shayna with Thompson Builders, we have a brand-new double-vault toilet in the ball park. This was a dream of ours for such a long time. To see it finally happen was a dream come true.

Rick, Stephanie, Sean and Lane Sutherland with RD Construction stepped up with the second phase of work and built us two new launch ramps for rafters and river enthusiasts to enjoy. Because of their love of the ball park they did so much more on their own time for us. Brush was cleared, and a beautiful rock wall built on the west end of the park. If we hadn't had that wall this spring, our park would have been severely damaged due to the high water. We are so thankful to them for their hard work and support. And, to Paul and Shannon Clark, who are always

stepping up to help us improve the ball park. They have such a good vision for it and are willing to help us achieve our goals. We are thankful for you both!

We have been so lucky to have a good solid board and active members to manage the Rimrocker Historical Society. They are faithful to come to our meetings and help make these decisions on behalf of our organization. Your sense of duty and love of your community does not go unnoticed. The Rimrockers are truly thankful to have you.

And, last but not least, we should all be thankful for our original board and the members who had a vision to preserve the history of the West End. When this group was formed in 1966, they had such high hopes and goals to start the museum and begin preserving it. I can say from our experience in this move they did an amazing job. We have a fantastic collection, and we should all be thankful to them for their hard work and determination.

So as we close the book on Thanksgiving 2023, the theme for all of us is to be thankful. We are lucky to live here in the West End, and we should never take it for granted. We hope you will stop in to the new museum during Elfin Eve and see what we've done up to this point, say hello and enjoy a little Christmas spirit.

## MONTROSE COUNTY

## County celebrates centennial of historic courthouse

## SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

Montrose County representatives said they're thrilled to celebrate the 100th birthday of its historic courthouse, a cornerstone of the community since its dedication on Dec. 7, 1923. The courthouse, a symbol of Montrose County's rich history and enduring spirit, has stood as a testament to the craftsmanship and resilience of generations of county residents.

"The Montrose County Courthouse is not just a building; it's a symbol of our community's pride and determination," said Commissioner Roger Rash. "As we mark this centennial milestone, we are committed to preserving this landmark and ensuring that it continues to serve the people of Montrose County for another 100 years."

To commemorate the celebration, Montrose County provided a special gift during the City of Montrose's tree lighting event on Nov. 24 at 5:30 p.m. at the historic courthouse (320 S. 1st Street). The county staff was on hand to distribute blue Santa hats, symbolizing the courthouse's historic year.

In keeping with Montrose County's deep agricultural roots, the county partnered with Y Bar Hitch to offer festive horse-drawn wagon rides around the block and to Santa's cabin. The rides provided a unique opportunity to experience the beauty and charm of the courthouse and the surrounding area.

"The Montrose County Courthouse is an embodiment of our county's agricultural heritage," said Commissioner Keith Caddy. "We are proud to honor the craftsmanship of our forefathers, who

used local materials to create a building that has been the county seat for 100 years. Featuring a memorial to service members of WWI, this building is an important part of our community. With the upcoming renovation project, we are committed to preserving their legacy and ensuring that the courthouse continues to serve our community for generations to come."

The official centennial date of the courthouse is Dec. 7, marking a century of service to the people of Montrose County. Montrose County invites the community to celebrate this significant milestone in the county's history. They said we can honor the past, embrace the present and look forward to a future filled with countless memories within the walls of the Montrose County Historic Courthouse.

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COMMUNITY

# Adult volleyball happens; board members needed

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

It might be getting colder, but there's an invitation to keep moving and warm up in the West End. Montrose West Recreation is starting an adult volleyball league that takes place this winter. The volleyball practices start Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. Anyone looking for a team is welcome to show up and participate. There's an online registration link to get started.

Adult volleyball league games begin Dec. 11, and those will run on Mondays through mid-February.

Game times are 7 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person, and there is a limit of 10 people per team. The league is co-ed, and both males and females are welcome to join.

Also held through Montrose West Recreation is a fifth- and sixth-grade girls basketball league beginning in January. The girls will be playing in the Montrose Recreation District League and will travel to Montrose. Practices are twice a week in Naturita.

With questions, the public may email [montrosewestrec@gmail.com](mailto:montrosewestrec@gmail.com). Longtime coaches are Stan and Misty Galley.

In the Town of Nucla, the clerk

reported there would be another water shut-off period for Nov. 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The outage was for the waterline repair work that has been ongoing this fall. Water users were told there would be low water pressure or no water at all.

"We're sorry for the inconvenience," the clerk and staff said in messages over the weekend.

Up in Norwood, the Lone Cone Legacy Trust congratulated winners of its recent grant awards. The grants celebration happened Nov. 28 at the "Blue House" next to the Livery in Norwood.

"We will have checks to distribute to all of you who have completed your grant agreement and are looking forward to thanking you in person for the great work you do to serve Wright's Mesa," April Montgomery of the Telluride Foundation said Monday morning. "If you can't make it, we will mail your check."

Regarding county news, communication specialist Katie Yergensen announced that Montrose County now seeks service to boards and committees. Those in the West End are encouraged to apply.

"Montrose County is seeking dedicated residents to serve on various boards and committees

that play a vital role in shaping the county's future," a news release said last week.

Current openings include positions on the Region 10 board of directors, Region 10 Business Loan Fund Committee, the Montrose Regional Airport Advisory Board, the Historic Landmark Advisory Board, and also the Montrose Fair Board.

"Serving on the Montrose County Planning Commission for several years gave me valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities facing our community," said County Commissioner Roger Rash. "I would strongly encourage others to apply to help provide a positive impact on our community."

Montrose County representatives have said the county values the contributions of its residents and encourages individuals to apply for board and committee positions. Applicants should have a passion for serving their community, a willingness to commit their time and talents, and a desire to make a difference. Interested individuals can apply online at [montrosecounty.net/174/Boards-Commissions-Committees](http://montrosecounty.net/174/Boards-Commissions-Committees).

Applications are open until positions are filled.

## Mustangs perform

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the lighting were other challenging parts. Then, sound, music and instruments were factored in, along with costumes.

In the past, Colorado Mesa University Performing Arts Department has sent costumes on loan, but this semester the group decided to see what they could come up with by resourcing from the local community.

"I really wanted our final show on this stage to be something that we built ourselves, without any help from outside of the community," Benson said. "I wanted to produce a show that says 'This is what our talent looks like in the West End, and this what we are capable of pulling off' ... and we pulled off a lot this semester."

So far, the production has cost more than \$2,000. While the school provides the class with a small budget, it doesn't come close to being able to provide the students with the needed paint, let alone the flats, back drop, the rest of the set, costume pieces, publicity, and make-up.

Needless to say, the instructor remains grateful for the generosity of community West End members. He'd made a request when school started about potentially gathering funds from those who wanted to support local theatre. He figured \$800 could mostly solve the class problems.

"I am still in awe at what this community gave to my program



Anton Pierce is ready to break a leg in the theatre class plays. (Photo by Brock Benson)

this year," he said. "Over \$2,500 showed up on my doorstep and at the office of the high school. There isn't enough room in this newspaper to list all of the people that gave so generously. However, they will

be listed in the program that you will get when you come see the productions."

Cost of admission for the show is \$5, and the first one-act play starts promptly at 7 p.m.

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# Boys basketball

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definitely a commitment piece to doing both sports, and it's not easy on them, as far as conditioning goes. Wrestling practice is first after school, and then the basketball practices are later. Arnold commends those kids on their efforts.

"They come in without complaining and go to practice and get to work," he said.

The basketball season goes until

March, and practice will continue nightly in the meantime.

Arnold, who is also the athletic director for West End Public Schools District the last 15 years, said the middle school kids are using the Naturita gym for basketball, and the high school kids are in the Nucla gym. He's not sure how that will all play out next year moving forward, but the new K-12 school in Nucla is set to be complete in January.

In fact, Arnold spent time over

Thanksgiving break organizing his office and preparing for the move. It will be a short three weeks until the winter break when the new school is open.

The new k-12 school in Nucla will have two new gyms.

As far as basketball season goes, Arnold said he and the guys are ready.

"We are all excited and expecting a very good year — and looking forward to tipping off," he said.

## Basin Clinic Vital Signs

Patient Visits through  
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Basin Clinic had  
 2,474 patient visits, from

Nucla .....	47.0%
Naturita .....	30.8%
Redvale.....	5.0%
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# Christmas Cantata

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p.m. in Paradox at the community center, the little red church. The third and final performance for this year is also on that Sunday at 7 p.m. in Naturita at New Hope Pentecostal Church.”

Daniels said for those that celebrate Christmas, the cantata experience is an excellent way to begin the advent season, and everyone is encouraged to attend.

“The annual cantata is the Community Choir’s way of thanking all of our neighbors and friends and wishing all a beautiful Christmas,” she said.

In other holiday news, the Nucla-Naturita Area Chamber of Commerce announced its annual holiday lighting contest. The chamber will award a business and residential category winner this year. Communities eligible to participate include Nucla, Naturita, Redvale, Bedrock and Paradox. Judging will take place from Dec. 14-16. Business judging will be complete by Dec. 18. Anyone with questions or



This image shows the lap quilt that will be given away Dec. 7 for Elfin Eve. (Courtesy image)

who would like to sponsor a prize should contact Paula Brown at the chamber by calling or texting 970-361-5733, or emailing mnacdirector1@gmail.com.

Additionally, many already know that Art at the Apothecary is teaming up with True North Youth Program to offer a holiday hand-crafts market on Elfin Eve from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Apothecary building, which is located at 480 Main St. in Nucla. But, Rosella Chiles

announced over the weekend that she and fellow quilter Jodi Karo are giving away a hand-made lap quilt that evening too.

“The drawing will be on Elfin Eve, at 7 p.m.,” Chiles told the Forum Saturday. “Stop by Art at the Apothecary to register on Dec. 6, from 1 to 6 p.m. or on Dec. 7, from 4 to 7 p.m.”

The West End Sheriff’s Posse is also an Elfin Eve sponsor and producer.

# Main Street work

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that, and the project will go out for bid sometime next year, so that new sidewalks can be constructed in the spring of 2025.

In other town news, Nucla will approve the 2024 budget at the Dec. 13 meeting, though Lampshire said

there’s nothing surprising in it.

“It has to be done, and it is what it is,” she said.

The town will hold interviews next week for the position of Public Works director. Three qualified candidates have applied. The majority of the town board and Lampshire will conduct the interviews. She

said it’s important for the board to be present, because whomever is hired must know the board and their vision for Nucla.

Looking into the future, there’s also a municipal election coming up in April. Three board member seats will be open, and the campaign process begins in January.

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# West End Montrose County Sheriff's Office Blotter

11/1/2023

0920 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Heron Street in Nucla for a report of threatening.  
 1327 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 145 mm 114 near Redvale for a traffic complaint.  
 1346 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 35000 block of 3575 Road near Redvale for an animal problem.  
 1536 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 141 mm 61 near Naturita for suspicious activity.  
 1745 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Fourth Avenue in Nucla for a harassment report.  
 2011 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of East Third Avenue in Nucla for a disturbance.

11/2/2023

1019 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the intersection of 2900 Road and DD Road near Nucla for an animal problem.  
 1202 Hours - Deputy was dispatched

to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for a medical assist.  
 1240 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Adams Street in Naturita for a medical assist.  
 1348 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Grape Street in Nucla for a traffic complaint.  
 1355 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of Highland Circle in Naturita for a medical assist.  
 1524 Hours - Ryan Windscheffel, 55, was contacted in the 28000 block of CC Road near Nucla and issued a warning for speeding.  
 1602 Hours - Joshua Flint, 19, was contacted on Highway 97 mm 2 near Nucla and cited for reckless driving.  
 1604 Hours - Isabella Biggs, 25, was contacted at the intersection of West Sixth Avenue and Ivy Street in Nucla and issued a warning for speeding.  
 1639 Hours - Dale Phippeny, 73, was contacted in the 1000 block of Main

Street in Nucla and issued a warning for speeding.  
 1 VIN inspection

11/3/2023

1119 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 31400 block of Mailbox Park Road near Nucla.  
 1152 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 35300 block of Highway 145 near Redvale for an animal problem.  
 1344 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Adams Street in Naturita for an information report.  
 1706 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla for a welfare check.  
 2 VIN inspections  
 2 follow up reports  
 1 directed patrol in Nucla  
 1 civil process attempted/served

11/4/2023

0833 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of Payson Street in Naturita for a civil standby.  
 0846 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 5600 block of U5 Road near Paradox for a theft report.  
 1614 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 35900 block of Highway 145 near Redvale for a harassment report.  
 1625 Hours - Deputy conducted a ride along in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.  
 1646 Hours - Chad Turner, 50, was contacted on Highway 141 mm 61 near Naturita and cited for driving while ability impaired, no driver's license, and expired registration.  
 1945 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of Heron Street in Nucla for burglary report. Carrie Goode, 42, was arrested for Burglary, resisting arrest, and criminal mischief.  
 1 directed patrol in County

11/5/2023

0332 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for a welfare check.  
 1117 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of Porter Street in Nucla for a trespassing report.  
 1843 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Pine Street in Naturita for a citizen assist.  
 1955 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of West Fifth Avenue in Nucla for a medical assist.  
 1959 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Pine Street in Naturita for an information report.  
 2124 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Pine Street in Naturita for an alarm.  
 1 directed patrol in Naturita

11/6/2023

0950 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of West Fourth Avenue in Nucla for a disturbance.  
 1120 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for an alarm.  
 1134 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Adams Street in Naturita for a theft report.  
 1413 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Main Street in Nucla for a welfare check.  
 1741 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to 25 Mesa Road near Nucla for a welfare check.  
 1749 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of West Sixth Avenue and Grape Street in Nucla for a juvenile problem.  
 2 civil processes attempted/served

11/7/2023

0047 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for an alarm.  
 0649 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for a medical assist.  
 0844 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 800 block of Grape Street in Nucla.  
 0905 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Main Street in Naturita for a traffic complaint. Thomas Short Jr., 45, was cited for careless driving.  
 1 directed patrol in Naturita

11/8/2023

0827 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 24100 block of X7 Road near Bedrock.  
 0951 Hours - Deputy conducted court security in the 300 block of Main Street in Nucla.

1557 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 90 mm 30 near Naturita for an accident.

1739 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Main Street in Nucla for a juvenile problem.  
 1747 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of West Main Street in Naturita for a fire assist.  
 1753 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla for a report of threatening.  
 2023 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 800 block of Grape Street in Nucla.  
 2158 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of East Main Street in Naturita for a suspicious vehicle.  
 1 VIN inspection  
 1 directed patrol in Nucla

11/09/2023

0825 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 29900 block of 3090 Road near Nucla for a medical assist.  
 1354 Hours - Deputy conducted public relations in the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita.  
 1358 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 27600 block of BB Road near Nucla for a welfare check.  
 1511 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 19300 block of T5 Road near Paradox for a 911.  
 1607 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Heron Street in Nucla for an assault. Kalub Marler, 44, was arrested for second-degree burglary, third-degree assault, and a protection order violation.  
 2 VIN inspections  
 1 follow up report  
 1 civil process attempted/served

11/10/2023

1503 Hours - Robert Kendall, 29, was contacted in the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita and issued a warning for speeding.  
 1519 Hours - Leroy Nieto, 69, was contacted in the 200 block of West Main Street in Naturita and issued a warning for speeding.  
 1551 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 30800 block of Mailbox Park Road near Nucla for a burglary report.  
 1859 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 700 block of Ivy Street in Nucla for a suspicious vehicle.  
 1919 Hours - Danielle Reyes-Acosta, 39, was contacted at the intersection of Main Street and East Tenth Avenue in Nucla and issued a warning for no brake lights.  
 2028 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of Novack Avenue in Naturita for a harassment report.  
 1 VIN inspection

11/11/2023

1214 Hours - Thomas Sullivan, 29, was contacted on Highway 141 mm 58 near Naturita and cited for driving with a denied driver's license. Thomas was also arrested on an outstanding warrant.  
 1327 Hours - Kimball Williams, 56, was arrested on an outstanding warrant in the 35000 block of I Road near Redvale.  
 1418 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 33400 block of Maverick Draw near Redvale for an abandoned vehicle.  
 1706 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of Novack Avenue in Naturita for a harassment report.  
 1719 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla for a harassment report.  
 1839 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla for a fraud report.  
 2038 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of East Main Street in Naturita for an unwanted person.  
 2135 Hours - Deputy conducted a citizen assist on Highway 141 mm 59 near Naturita.  
 1 directed patrol in Nucla

11/12/2023

1253 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla for a disturbance.  
 1257 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 1100 block of Lookout Drive in Naturita for an information report.  
 1541 Hours - Deputy took a report for a citizen assist in the 27700 block of DD Road near Nucla.  
 1545 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of Payson Street in Naturita for a trespassing report.

1601 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of East Main Street in Nucla for an animal problem.  
 1 follow up report

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### Wednesday, Dec. 6

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### Thursday, Dec. 7

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### Wednesday, Dec. 6

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### Thursday, Dec. 7

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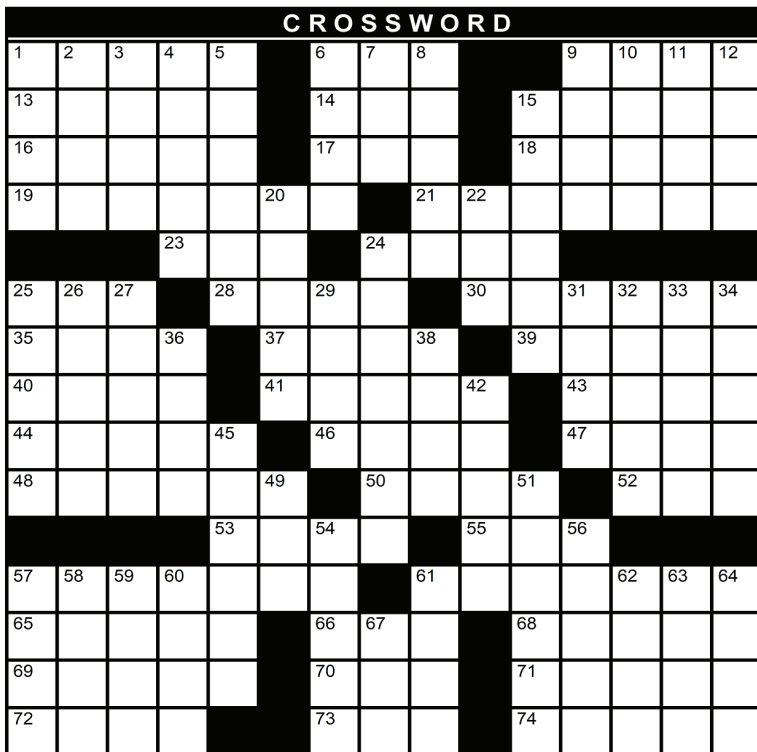
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47. Puppy cry
48. Denver option, at a diner
50. Apartment
52. Green turtle's domain
53. Final
55. Personal trainer's place of employment
57. \*Venn \_\_\_\_
61. \*Point in 2.5
65. Barrel racing meet
66. Gobbled up
68. On the rocks (2 words)
69. \*Fields Medal to a mathematician, e.g.
70. Sports official, for short
71. 8 of something
72. Like Gulf Stream
73. Big bang maker
74. Required things



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1. "I lift my \_\_\_\_ beside the golden door"
2. Petri dish gel
3. Carpenter's groove
4. Dodge, as in tax bill
5. Takes exception to
6. Native Egyptian, in Roman times
7. \*Line with one endpoint
8. Path in the woods
9. Left or right, e.g.
10. Awestruck
11. \*Three-dimensional figure with 6 square faces
12. Palm reader, e.g.
15. Cake with filling
20. Three people?
22. Neither here \_\_\_\_ there
24. Subcontract (2 words)
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26. Sacred song
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29. "Nobody \_\_\_\_ It Better"
31. Fix a cat
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