

San Miguel Basin Forum

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Nucla hosts prestigious D-1 wrestlers for youth clinic

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

Wrestlers from throughout Western Colorado and even from other states traveled to Nucla over the weekend to attend a wrestling clinic led by two elite college wrestlers, Nelson Brands and Austin DeSanto. Head wrestling coach for the Nucla Mustangs Rob McCabe told the San Miguel Basin Forum on Sunday afternoon the event held last Friday afternoon and all day on Saturday in the brand new school facility was a great success.

McCabe has known Brands, D-1 wrestler for the University of Iowa, since he was a child. McCabe used to teach and coach in the Pagosa Springs area and has been acquainted with Brands and his family there.

McCabe previously suggested to Brands the idea of coming to Nucla to lead a clinic for young people. Less than a month ago, Austin DeSanto, also a D-1 wrestler from the University of Iowa, decided that he wanted to come too.

McCabe said both guys are well known in college wrestling, and as a result, the clinic “blew up.” More than 80 students from the area and beyond attended.

Approximately 25 from Nucla were there, with roughly 12 from Norwood and another 12 from Dove Creek too. And, several traveled from the Grand Junction area, as well as from Montrose, Cedaredge, Olathe and Meeker. Two athletes came all the way from Cheyenne, Wyoming, and one came from Moab.

McCabe said it was great to have such a geographically diverse dynamic. Many people were astounded at the size of Nucla and had never been to the West End. DeSanto, who hails from the outskirts of Philadelphia, said he had never been in a town so small. Though, at the same time, many reported that they were impressed by the landscape.

Brands and DeSanto shared wrestling techniques, offering their expertise. They also conducted question and answer sessions for the kids attending. McCabe said some of the questions were about wrestling, and others were about life in general.

McCabe said both D-1 athletes enjoyed their time. In fact, Jackson McCabe, coach’s son, overheard DeSanto state that Nucla has been one of his favorite places to lead a clinic, due to kids remaining so engaged and willing to learn and

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The Bucktail Fire appears threatening Aug. 8. (Photo by Rusty Scott)

FIRE

Bucktail Fire containment increases; community helps

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

On Monday, Aug. 12, the Bucktail Fire, just outside of Nucla at the base of the Uncompahgre Plateau, was contained 67 percent but had burned more than 7,200 acres. Personnel numbers were decreasing, down to 110.

USFS representatives said in a news release Monday that the “fire area stayed within its current footprint and rainfall helped reduce

the fire intensity within the interior.” Rain no doubt helped over the weekend, and lingering showers were still possible Monday too.

Crews had continued to secure containment lines during the weekend, Aug. 10 and 11, as “firefighters transitioned from active suppression to repair and patrolling activities.”

The news release added that over the weekend “suppression repair efforts occurred with crews using heavy equipment and hand tools to return impacts caused by fire-

fighting activities to a more natural state” and “some firefighters were reassigned to other wildfires in the nation needing support.”

By Monday, firefighters were cleaning up, patrolling and monitoring the Bucktail Fire perimeter. The numbers of personnel were projected to decrease dramatically in the early part of the week. Still, representatives said resources would remain on the scene to monitor the fire perimeter.

On Monday Highway 90 was

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WATER

Nucla, Naturita begin source water protection plan

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

The Towns of Nucla and Naturita held a meeting together Aug. 5 at the Nucla Community Center for the purpose of beginning the process of establishing a source water protection plan through Colorado Rural Water Association (CRWA). Stakeholders were invited to participate.

CRWA said in a news release that source water protection is a “voluntary, non-regulatory, proactive approach to preventing the accidental pollution of groundwater and surface water that serve as sources of drinking water.” CRWA’s role is to work with public water systems and their communities in the development of plans that are aimed to protect those

drinking water supplies.

Gabriel Matta, USDA source water specialist, led the meeting. He presented an overview of what a source water protection plan looks like and does and gave an introduction to water sources and systems — in this case, the San Miguel River and Mustang Water.

Matta acknowledged that Naturita has a population of 585 people; Nucla, 875.

He said establishing a source water protection plan really is about just that: protecting safe drinking water, avoiding risks of contamination and also subsequent clean-ups. He added that communities who participate in creating such a plan with CRWA receive a \$5,000 grant from the state’s department of Public Health and Environment.

Part of the process includes prioritizing potential contaminations, using a matrix that rates things from low to severe in terms of threat. Additionally, a delineation map is created to show the watershed boundary, and then the plan looks at sources of contamination within that.

Matta said the next local meeting, held Aug. 26, will focus on potential sources of contamination, and participants should bring those when they attend. Matta did acknowledge that the Nucla community has been battling the Bucktail Fire. He said wildfire is an important thing to look at in Colorado, as it relates to source water, and maybe the first thing to consider.

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PEOPLE

Local approaches a year of making farmhouse pies

By REGAN TUTTLE, *Editor*

While Tammy Gillaspay has always baked, she didn’t start baking professionally until last fall. She already knew how to make a tasty crust, but in September of last year, she began experimenting with pie decor, cut-outs and painting, after she’d seen something on social media.

The artwork developed quickly for her. She was soon making lattice work and flowers for pies in a creative process that just unfolded. Then she was making pies she never had before, like peach, triple-berry and cherry — the latter of which she doesn’t even personally care for ironically.

After posting a few photos of her pie creations on Facebook, people wanted them. Last Thanksgiving she sold more than 50 pies. Christmas was a bit slower, but she sold 15-20 pies then. In the meantime, she’s donated her work for fundraisers in the community and has continued to fill orders for birthdays and more.

Gillaspay uses specific ingredients, only Red Rose Flour from Cortez. She likes it because it’s cleaner and doesn’t contain the pesticides that other processing plants have.

Already, Mesa Rose Bakery in Norwood is carrying her pies and some of her farmhouse bread too, the bacon-cheddar-jalepeno bread.

And, she makes old-fashioned cakes: chocolate-mayonnaise, Mandarin orange, spice cake, yellow cake with chocolate frosting, and chocolate zucchini. She also makes a “Do Nothing Cake,” a pineapple cake, with a coconut and pecan topping, that has been a hit at a hunting camp she bakes for.

Her cakes are simple, baked in 9x13 pans, not fancy looking, but very moist and sometimes don’t even require frosting.

She also makes biscuits, like the ones her aunt used to make out in Paradox in the old days. They’re baking powder biscuits that her mom taught her to prepare. Now she’s making a new biscuit too, a Denver biscuit, which is a cross between a roll and a biscuit. Those can be frozen and are easy for folks to buy and bake when they’re ready to eat.

But her son, Cory Colombo, loves her farmhouse bread. He says it makes the best French toast every single time.

Not even a year after beginning a business she never knew she’d start, Gillaspay is now figuring out what’s next for Tammy’s Farmhouse Pies and Baked Goods.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

It covers the cost

Dear Editor,

If anyone is in search of financial assistance for individual mental health counseling and therapy related to substance use issues and recovery, we encourage them to explore the West End & Delta Recovery Access Fund (RAF). This invaluable resource is specifically designed to support those who live and/or work in Delta County and the West End of Montrose County. The RAF helps cover the costs of receiving substance use therapy treatment, making it more accessible for those in need. They should visit the official website or contact the fund administrators to learn more about eligibility requirements and application procedures: <https://bit.ly/3Ky2baH>.

Representatives of Tri-County Health Network
SAN MIGUEL COUNTY

Recalling the mayor

Dear Editor,

I am on the recall committee for Norwood mayor, Candy Meehan. As our recall states, Candy has shown the community how inadequate she is to

be the town's mayor. When you have a room full of town residents, and community members outside of the town boundaries, as an elected official you should treat them all with respect and listen to their concerns.

Candy was asked to step down by residents and one town board member.

Since I have been in Norwood, 1986, the Norwood Town Hall has not shut down for a day. Yet, recently it could not provide all the everyday services to the community for two weeks. This is a result of the mayor's statement from the paper and that she "has not been afraid to challenge the status quo and to question long-held positions and practices." This is admitting that she has been doing exactly what the code of conduct specifically states not to do, interfere with staff.

The mayor should not include the board on her accomplishments. Three of the board members were never involved in any of this disaster she created, except for the other board member who had a copy of a recording.

The mayor cannot distinguish between truth and a lie. How can she distinguish what is good or bad for the town?

Kerry Welch
NORWOOD

EDUCATION

Girls on the Run comes to Nucla

SPECIAL TO THE FORUM

Girls on the Run of Western Colorado is excited to announce registration for the Fall 2024 program season, which will run from the week of Sept. 1 through early November. The Girls on the Run mentoring and life skills program will be offered at more than 50 sites throughout western Colorado. And, more than 1,800 girls in grades three through eight will participate during the 2024-25 school year.

The Girls on the Run program uses an experience-based curriculum, which integrates running to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident. The interactive curriculum is fun and challenging, covering meaningful topics such as self-awareness, building healthy relationships and developing personal strengths while engaging in physical activities. The curriculum also includes lessons specifically devoted to a community impact project completed by each team, as well as a fun, non-competitive 5K event at the end of the eight-week season.

Online program registration will

be open Aug. 1 and run through Sept. 1, depending on space availability. Details can be found online at gotrwesterncolorado.org. The program fee is \$95 per participant and includes 16 lessons delivered by trained coaches, a Girls on the Run program T-shirt, entry in the end-of-season 5K, a 5K T-shirt and finisher medal, and end-of-season awards and celebrations.

No girl is turned away due to financial restrictions with scholarships readily available.

"We are excited to kick-off our Girls on the Run season at Nucla School and hope to engage girls and their families with a positive lifestyle program," said Lisa Ross, a teacher at Nucla School and a Girls on the Run coach. "The physical activity and healthy lifestyle focus of Girls on the Run will reach the girls who participate in the program, as well as their families, plus our volunteer coaches within the school and the community."

To learn more about the program, how to volunteer, or to register for the 5K, please visit gotrwesterncolorado.org. You do not have to be a runner to get involved.

History: Rimrocker Historical Society
Naturita and CottonwoodBy JANE THOMPSON, *Rimrocker Historical Society*

This photo shows the first post office and store in Naturita and the home of E. J. Warner, postmaster, established in 1882. (Photo courtesy of Rimrocker Historical Society)

From the Montrose Enterprise of Jan. 1, 1898, comes the reporting on all of the places in Montrose County to be watched as they moved into the new year. This part of the article is about Naturita and Cottonwood, and also Paradox Valley. I thought you might enjoy knowing what was going on in the West End back in 1898.

"This locality is situated about 50 miles from Montrose, which is the supply point. Along the small streams are farms; out it is to the higher mesas, where water can be brought by great labor, that the people are looking for the soil and acreage to make this in a few years one of the richest farming sections in the west. The C. C. Colony ditch is one of these later undertakings and so stupendous is the enterprise that were private capital and not co-operation the means employed, a capitalization of \$300,000 would be a moderate limit for such an undertaking. When completed, the ditch will water a vast area of fertile mesa, that which there is no finer on Earth. Another large colony is now beginning a location on Wright's mesa; and to amply supply them with water, a ditch must be taken from the San Miguel River, a never-failing stream.

Some of the largest cattle-raisers in the county are located here, notably, P. T. Stevens, H. C. Goulding, Galloway Bros. and others, whose great herds of cattle find ample feed, almost

the entire year through, on the slopes and valleys of this beautiful country.

Here are located the Cottonwood placers, where gold is known to abound in paying quantities for miles up and down the stream. Many thousands of dollars have been invested here in preparing for hydraulic mining on a large scale, and much gold has been taken from the sand and gravel bars.

Naturita is the post office for this section, while there is also one at Pinon, one at Coventry, one at Paradox, all small places, mere post offices for cattle and farming sections. Coal is found in good quantities here, and copper is found in several places and is paying quantities further toward the west, and in the Paradox section.

The C.C. Colony is an organization of co-operators seeking to build a gigantic ditch. They own considerable property, including a sawmill, box factory, printing office, halls, etc., in common, and are quite prosperous."

The article then goes on about Paradox:

"Paradox Valley lies in the western part of Montrose county. It is about 25 miles long and from three to five miles wide. Its length is from northwest to southeast. The Dolores River crosses the valley at right angles near the middle; hence its name, Paradox. It is completely surrounded by a wall of sandstone. This wall

facing the valley is almost perpendicular on every side, except at the southeast end, where the wagon road from Naturita enters over a high ridge. At the opposite end of the valley is a trail up the steep mountainside along which the wagons sometimes pass to the La Sal Mountains.

That part of the valley to the north of the Dolores River is watered by Paradox Creek, which takes its rise in the La Sal Mountains and is also fed by numerous springs in the north of the valley. That portion to the south of the river is entirely without water. The altitude of the valley is 5,000 feet.

Being on the Western Slope and surrounded by mountains, the winters are mild and the climate throughout the year delightful. The few settlers are on the northwest side of the river and are mostly engaging in stock-raising. There are some fine farms on which are grown excellent crops of hay, oats, wheat and corn. There are a few orchards which produce all the varieties of fruit that can be grown in any part of the state."

This was what it was like promoting life in the West End in 1898. Naturita and Paradox Valley had been in existence since the early 1880s.

(Article taken from The Montrose Press, May 24, 1918, Colorado Historic Newspapers Collection, Colorado State Library.)



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The Montrose County Sheriff's Office celebrates the grand opening of its new space in the old elementary school in Naturita. (Photo by Sharon Different)

Bucktail Fire

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open to through traffic, and by the end of that day, 25 Mesa Road was supposed to also open to through traffic. The public was asked to remain cautious, however, since active operations would remain on 25 Mesa Road with crews and heavy equipment.

Roads and trails north of Highway 90 in the fire area still remained closed on Monday, and authorities were continuing to evaluate the conditions for road reopening plans.

Since the Bucktail Fire started, Aug. 1, the West End community has graciously fed first-responders. People have donated fresh eggs, baked breakfast items and treats, and showed up to prepare, cook and clean up dinners for those working the fire.

Doylene Garvey, who has helped feed firefighters, told the Forum the experience has been amazing — but not surprising.

“Tonya (Stephens) put out a call for help, needing things, and it’s amazing how it just happens,” she said. “People organically just start showing up.”

In fact, Garvey said at one point, the cooking operation got so big that the meal prep was moved from the Nucla Fire Hall to the Nucla Community Center. A call for volunteers was issued, and before Garvey could even get to town from her family ranch, a multitude of people had rushed to the scene and handled

the kitchen move.

“It’s just amazing, incredible,” she added. “They show up to do dishes and floors, and when we need treats, cookies and muffins, they come in loads — loads and loads.”

Garvey said her daughter-in-law hails from Canada, and she’s remarked that she’s not seen the

type of large-scale service she’s been witnessing.

“I never doubt this community,” Garvey said. “This is what we do here.”

She’s even taken her grandkids out to help feed the firefighters. She said those on duty appreciate seeing the kids, and the children get to see what service in action looks like.

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You may also contact the office by calling 970-864-7335.

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Farmhouse pies

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She's operating under the Cottage Act at home, carefully following food-handling guidelines, but unable to prepare coconut cream or certain other pies due to the law. At some point, she might have another baking space where she can prepare 10-12 pies at a time more easily.

It does take her about two hours to make a single pie, before she even bakes it.

Some might know that Gillaspys is raising her granddaughter, Aniyah, who also bakes little 5-inch pies. The child does sell her own baked goods too, and the funds are put into her savings account for the future.

Part of Gillaspys's inspiration for continuing her professional baking is her granddaughter. She wants to save money to get the little girl raised, and she hopes maybe one day Aniyah might want to take her baking business over.

"I'm hoping it turns into something for her," she told the Forum. "She loves baking."

Gillaspys invites the community to follow her on Facebook at "Tammy's Farmhouse Pies." She's working on a promotional flyer too, in preparation for Thanksgiving.

She wants the community to



This image shows one of Tammy Gillaspys's farmhouse pies. (Courtesy image)

know that her pies keep frozen well for about three months, and the take-and-bake option can simplify the holidays, providing a locally-made, locally-sourced, freshly-baked pie Thanksgiving morning.

"And it makes the house smell

so good," she said.

For her, the pie creations are also providing a therapeutic element in her life. Gillaspys said even if she's having a challenging day, the pie baking helps to take her mind off things.

"It's very relaxing," she said.

Source water protection plan

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He also spoke about risks of spills upon the highway, as well risks that above or below-ground storage tanks pose. Also to consider are things like weed abatement (spraying of noxious weeds), mining, plus oil and gas development.

Matta said the potential sources of contamination can be used as information for future development, for engineers or construction crews, to prevent disaster.

CRWA's services are free to the towns of Nucla and Naturita. So

will be education, cameras and signage in the future, after the source water protection plan is in place.

The next local community meeting, Aug. 26, is on a Monday at 6 p.m. Then, the delineation map will be discussed, as well as the possible sources of contamination and risk levels. Jackson Reagan, state source water specialist, said in the meeting that he wants to discuss assistance for wildfire. He said proactivity is important, and that for every \$1 communities spend in wildfire prevention, they save \$4. Reagan will be collecting and for-

matting data for local communities in the future.

Justin Musser, of Montrose County Ecological Services, asked about drought, and if that should be considered for source water protection. He also asked if stakeholders upstream, like those in San Miguel County, should be included in the process, because they affect the water in West End communities. Musser also applauded the work of Adrian Bergere, program coordinator for the San Miguel Watershed Coalition.

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Nucla hosts elite college wrestlers in a regional clinic that drew participants from out of state. (Photo by Brandi McCabe)

Nucla hosts wrestlers

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listen.

McCabe said he's proud of the kids who attended, and pleased that the local area made an impression on some of the biggest guys in college wrestling.

Many coaches who brought students were also gracious and

thanked McCabe for his effort in producing something that so many could be a part of.

"They appreciated what we were able to do and pull off here," coach said.

Some parents stayed and watched the clinic, rather than just dropping their kids off.

McCabe said he's grateful for

participants, but also to Aimee Tooker, who donated rooms from the Vestal House to help house the visiting athletes. Additionally, he thanks Brandon Morris and Kobie Morris for helping pay for the guys' plane tickets.

Brandie McCabe, coach's wife, also helped with the planning and management of the clinic.

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West End Montrose County Sheriff's Office Blotter

7/13/2024

1451 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of Highway 141 and Highway 145 near Naturita for an animal problem.

1935 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 4900 block of U5 Road near Paradox for an animal problem.

1 directed patrol in Nucla
1 directed patrol in Naturita

7/11/2024

0931 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 600 block of Juniper Street in Nucla for a theft report.

1245 Hours - Adrian Jones, 65, was contacted at the intersection of Highway 97 and Crabtree Road in Naturita and cited for no registration.

1951 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a theft report.

2256 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a disturbance.

2311 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of Heron Street in Nucla for a disturbance. An arrest warrant for Jami Peters, 34, is being sought for assault and harassment. Brittany Turner, 29, was cited for harassment x2.

1 VIN inspection

7/12/2024

1239 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita.

1457 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Elm Street in Naturita for a fraud report.

1657 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of Lake Avenue in Naturita to relay a message.

1801 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of Heron Street in Nucla for a trespassing report.

1815 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of East Fourth Avenue in Nucla for a disturbance.

2137 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to DD31 Road near Nucla for an animal problem.

1 follow up report

7/14/2024

1026 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the area of 2900 Road and DD Road near Nucla for a utility problem.

1143 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a civil matter.

2110 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 35000 block of 3590 Road near Redvale for a traffic complaint.

7/15/2024

0818 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a criminal mischief report.

0901 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 29300 block of 3090 Road near Nucla for a welfare check. A warrant is being sought for Carrie Goode, 43, for a protection order violation.

1133 Hours - Deputy took an information report in the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita.

1251 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Grape Street in Nucla for a fraud report.

1458 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of Main Street in Nucla for a disturbance.

1643 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of Heron Street in Nucla for a report of a burglary.

2156 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Main Street in Nucla for a 911.

2344 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Main Street in Nucla for a 911.

1 follow up report

1 directed patrol in Nucla

1 civil process attempted/served

7/16/2024

0821 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 400 block of Adams Street in Naturita for an information report.

1708 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for a protection order violation.

1843 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 300 block of West Sixth Avenue in Nucla for a civil matter.

2 VIN inspections

1 follow up report

7/17/2024

1010 Hours - Fredrik Johansson, 50, was contacted in the 300 block of East Main Street in Naturita and issued a warning for speeding.

1046 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 145 mm 110 near Redvale for an animal problem.

1255 Hours - Deputy was dispatched

to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for a disturbance.

1311 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 500 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for a parking problem.

1758 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 200 block of West Seventh Avenue in Nucla for an information report.

1802 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of East Tenth Avenue in Nucla for a trespassing report. Brent Garber, 63, was cited for second degree trespassing.

1826 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to Highway 97 for a traffic hazard.

1959 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Main Street in Naturita for found property. A backpack was logged into found property.

2029 Hours - Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of Wilson Street in Naturita for a juvenile problem.

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600-700# STEERS	2.65-2.80	600-700# HEIFERS	2.30-2.60
700-800# STEERS	2.40-2.55	700-800# HEIFERS	2.30-2.45
800-900# STEERS	2.30-2.45	800-900# HEIFERS	1.90-2.10
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NORWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NOW HIRING FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

- Elementary Teacher
- Spanish/English Language Learner Teacher
- Paraprofessionals (1/2 or Full-time)
- Activity Driver

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Assistant Kindergarten Teacher

- Full-time, up to 32 hours/week
- Hourly pay rate dependent on experience: \$15.50-\$29.00
- Benefits include: health, dental, vision, life, PERA Retirement, PERA 401K, paid time off
- Send resume with references to Sara Bray, Elementary Principal, sbray@westendschools.org

Early Childhood Assistant Teacher

- Part-time, up to 28 hours/week
- Hourly pay rate dependent on experience: \$15.25-\$28.75
- Benefits include PERA Retirement & paid time off
- Send resume with references to Cydney Starks, Early Childhood Director, cstarks@westendschools.org

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- Full-time, up to 32 hours/week
- Hourly pay rate dependent on experience: \$15.50-\$29.00
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- Send resume with references to Candelera Franklin, Business Manager/HR, cfranklin@westendschools.org

K-12 Music Teacher/Paraprofessional

- Bachelor's degree preferred, but HS graduates with music teaching experience also encouraged to apply
- Full-time, 32 hours/week
- Salary/wage dependent on education and experience
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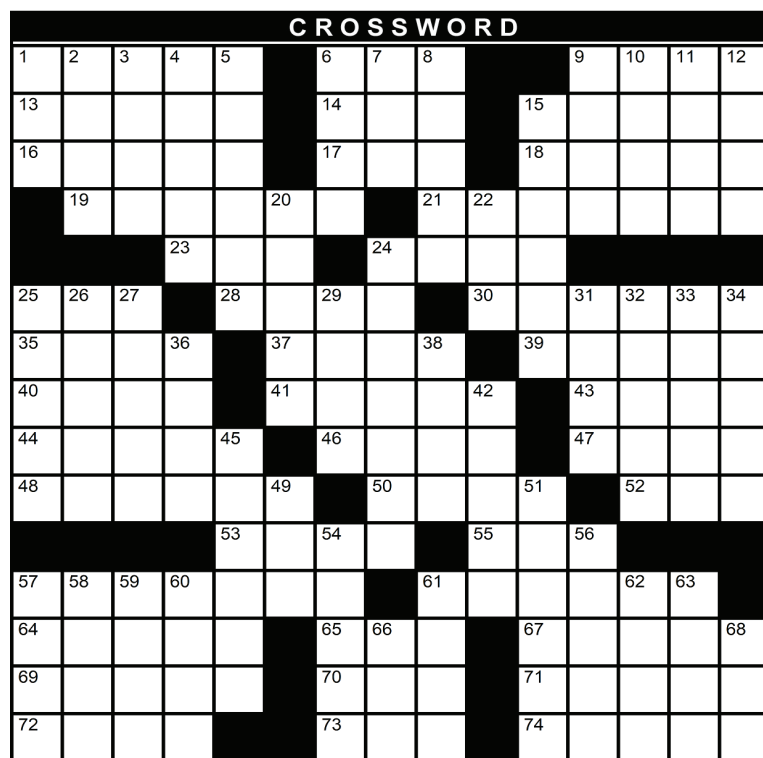
- Command to Fido
- Sheep not yet sheared
- Cap and gown accessory
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- *Peyton or Eli
- Napkin spot
- Eminem's 2002 hit "____ Yourself"
- Embargo
- Feed storage cylinder
- Like house from a kit
- Greek god of love
- Smokes
- *Super Bowl I M.V.P. Bart _____
- Taj Mahal locale

- *Career rushing yards record holder
- Equals squared
- Regretting
- *Highest college football level: ____ Division I
- Extend credit
- *Seventeen games in NFL
- Somewhat (2 words)
- "Whatever Will Be, Will Be" singer
- Mare's baby
- Not a friend
- *55 of them
- *Home of the NFL Hall of Fame
- Hole-borer
- For every
- Color red on coat of arms
- Birds of ill omen
- Outrage
- ____ shopping cart
- Party barrels
- Sound from one of #69 Across
- Homes for #69 Across



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- Down in the dumps
- Cry of contempt
- Marine eagle
- Wake Island, e.g.
- Kismet, pl.
- Foolish one
- Even, poetic
- Useful contraption
- Lamborghini model
- Unfavorable prefix
- "As ____ on TV"
- Suspend
- Astrigents
- "The Iliad" and "The Odyssey," e.g.
- Venomous Egyptian snake
- Deducible
- *One of 2 NFL founding teams still in league
- Lock horns
- Waterwheel
- Outline
- Et alii, abbr.
- Got along
- *Like indoor eight-men football
- *Career NFL passing yards record holder
- Without
- Wild guess
- Israeli port
- Errand-runners
- Neither's partner
- Nuku'alofa language
- Meat jelly dish
- Musician's exercise
- "*Go ____ Go!"
- Fishing decoy
- Awestruck
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Solution To Previous Sudoku

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5	3	4	6	1	2	7	9	8
2	9	5	7	3	6	8	4	1
7	4	3	1	5	8	9	6	2
6	8	1	4	2	9	5	3	7

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Heading out

Students through True North Youth Program get ready for a river trip in late July. (Courtesy photos)



Helping hands

The Garvey grandchildren — Owen, Presley and Russell — help prepare meals for those working the Bucktail Fire.



Cowgirl at heart

Rynn Reams wins big in a local gymkhana series.

FAIR

Round robin, large animal show winners celebrated

By REGAN TUTTLE, Editor

The San Miguel Basin Fair happened last month, and still the San Miguel Basin Forum is announcing winners. Last week, the Forum acknowledged the small animal show results, plus the Stockmanship Awards and the rate-of-gain awards. This week focuses on the round robin winners, plus the large animal show results.

For the small animal round robin, senior grand champion was Kannon Sherman; reserve was Dalton Brack. For the intermediates, Josey Herland was grand champion, and Chloe Sherman was reserve. In the junior division, Jacob Lucaszewski was the grand champion; Max Fahrenbacher was the reserve.

For the large animal show round robin, Shay Snyder was the senior division champion with Reece Elwood taking reserve. In the intermediates, Hadley Snyder was grand champion; Weston Elwood was reserve. For the juniors, McKenzie Alexander was the champion with Deklyn Moore the reserve.

For market goats, Class 1, Hadley Snyder was first place, and Mady Tomlinson was second. In Class 2 goats, Wyatt Weimer was first place, and Kyndle Weimer was second. In Class 3 goats, Reece Elwood was first; Hadley Snyder was second.

Grand champion market goat went to Reece Elwood; reserve was Hadley Snyder. Kaden Donnellon won the County Bred & Fed Award.



Hadley Snyder had the grand champion market beef. (Courtesy image)

For showmanship in goats, in the seniors, first place went to Reece Elwood; second was Haylie Mapp. In the intermediates, Hadley Snyder was first, and Wyatt Weimer was second. For the juniors, Kyndle Weimer was first; Waylen Donnellon was second.

For lamb, in Class 1, first was Weston Elwood, and Clayton Brack was second. In Class 2, Reece Elwood was first; Emma Herland was second. For Class 3, first was Ember Alexander; second was Braxton Brack. For Class 4, first was West Elwood, and second was McKenzie Alexander. In Class

5, first was Illiana Henderson; second was Chevy King.

Grand champion lamb was Reece Elwood, and reserve was Weston Elwood. Reece Elwood also won the County Bred & Fed Award.

For lamb showmanship, in the seniors, first was Reece Elwood; second was Braxton Brack. In the intermediates, Weston Elwood was first, and Clayton Brack was second. In the juniors, McKenzie Alexander was first, and Ember Alexander was second.

For swine, in Class 1, Shay Snyder was first; Emma Lamers was second. In Class 2 for swine, Had-

ley Snyder was first, and Lexi Bray was second. In Class 3, Shay Snyder was first; Kannon Sherman was second. For Class 4, Aubrey Taylor was first, and Kyndle Weimer was second. In Class 5, Aubrey Taylor was first, and Darcy Bray was second. For Class 6, Hadley Snyder was first, and Dilyn Alexander was second.

Grand champion swine went to Shay Snyder; reserve went to Hadley Snyder.

For the pig showmanship, in the seniors, first was Shay Snyder; reserve was Dilyn Alexander. For the intermediates, Hadley Sny-

der was first, and Chloe Sherman was reserve. In the juniors, Deklyn Moore was first; Corbyn Reams was reserve.

For beef shows, in Class 1, Weston Elwood was first place; second was Ember Alexander. For Class 2, Reece Elwood was first; second was Shay Snyder. In Class 3, Hadley Snyder was first place, and Weston Elwood was second. In Class 4, Reece Elwood was first; McKenzie Alexander was second. In Class 5, Dilyn Alexander was first and second.

Grand champion beef went to Hadley Snyder; reserve went to Weston Elwood. Weston Elwood also won the County Bred & Fed Award.

For the showmanship in beef, in the seniors, Reece Elwood was grand champion; Shay Snyder was reserve. In the intermediates, Weston Elwood was grand champion; Hadley Snyder was reserve. In the juniors, Weston Enstrom was grand champion, and McKenzie Alexander was reserve.

Fair Board President Makayla Gordon said in a news release the livestock shows and auction were a great success.

“We are incredibly grateful for all of the support that our community provides to these youth by attending the shows, sponsoring the fair, participating and purchasing livestock through the junior livestock sale, and adding money onto the kids’ projects,” Gordon said. “This event would not be successful without our community.”