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County grapples with COVID response

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Plumas County Sheriff's officers aren't responsible for enforcing Gov. Gavin Newsom's stay-at-home order, as of late evening, March 21, but that doesn't mean the sheriff and his peace officers are looking the other way.

The Plumas County Board of Supervisors, department heads, health officers, the sheriff, district attorney and

"This is our opportunity to avoid martial law. We have the ability to stop it or slow it down."

Todd Johns
Plumas County Sheriff

others responded to Plumas County's needs during the COVID-19 crisis during a special 4 p.m. meeting Saturday.

Some of the newest information came directly

from Sheriff Todd Johns who said that his officers won't be standing guard at grocery stores for crowd management and social distancing recommendations, but they would be out watching for

"bad guys."

Johns told the same audience and those viewing at home that there is widespread anxiety in Plumas County at this time. "My goal is to reduce some of the fear," he said.

"Don't feed into the mass hysteria that some people are putting out there," Johns warned the public. The website, as put out by the Plumas County Health Agency, is the most up to date. Johns strongly encouraged the public to go

to that source for correct, detailed information. "Stay well informed."

Officers will not be stopping vehicles or people on the street to see if "you're doing something you shouldn't be doing," he added about the COVID-19 regulations put in place by the governor.

What the sheriff's officers

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Feather Publishing adjusts to COVID

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We at Feather Publishing are grappling just as other businesses are with how to continue to serve the public best during the COVID-19 outbreak. Providing the news is considered an essential service especially during this unparalleled time.

While this newspaper is a weekly, we are posting multiple times daily to our website, plumasnews.com, as we receive new information that needs to be shared. As this is a matter of health and safety, all articles on COVID-19 are in front of the payroll. All of the articles are located conveniently on our homepage by clicking on the large graphic at the top; while the latest breaking news scrolls beneath.

As of now, we have closed our Portola and Chester offices to the public, but our news and advertising staffs will continue to gather the news and develop ads for our customers who are continuing to operate. We ask that customers call the Quincy office at 283-0800 for their classified and subscription needs. They can also reach the news department at the same number, and calls will be directed to the local reporters.

Our Quincy and Susanville offices will remain open to the public from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday. Quincy can be reached at 283-0800 and Susanville at 257-5321.

Sierra snow Sparkles

Between storms, the Sierra sunshine sparkles through spring icicles.

Photos by Roni Java



Drifts of fluffy spring snow cling to the thirsty forests of Plumas County.

PDH prepares for COVID-19

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Plumas District Hospital and its associated clinics are preparing for COVID-19. As of this writing there had been no confirmed cases in Plumas County.

JoDee Read, the hospital district's chief executive officer, with input from her staff, responded to several questions posed regarding preparation. She also provided an update of services that are being impacted.

The hospital is updating its website as well as its Facebook page with the latest information.

In a letter to the community, Read wrote, "Our community is understandably concerned about the spread of COVID-19 disease. Plumas District Hospital is prepared to care for patients arriving with respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19 and any other medical needs."

The hospital's incident command structure is meeting daily to adjust to the situation.

One example is more limited access to non patients.

"We've begun controlling access to our facilities ensuring the safety of our patients and employees," she wrote in her letter. "We will have an employee stationed at the entrance of the emergency department requiring individuals to sanitize their hands, as well as put a mask on if they show up with a fever, cough, or cold symptoms. Those who are visitors, and not patients seeking care, may be asked to leave."

The hospital is working to reduce, restrict or defer elective physician office visits, elective lab tests, x-rays and other imaging, and surgeries.

"We are doing this with your health and safety in mind, so our team can focus on ill patients," she wrote. "We'd like to minimize the population that is generally well from coming to the hospital in an effort to limit exposure."

Q. How many hospital beds are there at PDH?

A. We are licensed for 16 beds, but we are allowed to exceed that capacity if necessary.

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Laid off? Here's what to do

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As local businesses across the county seek to comply with local, state and national guidelines in the wake of COVID-19, a number have been forced to close or alter their ways of doing business, resulting in layoffs.

Those people are now left scrambling to replace their paychecks. Traci Holt, the executive director of the Alliance for Workforce Development, said her office has been handling a constant stream of requests for assistance.

Her organization is devoted to connecting employers with employees, and there are some opportunities — chiefly in the grocery industry.

But most of the advice sought last week was for unemployment. She said that individuals must file for unemployment benefits online at www.labor.ca.gov. The website has clearly marked links for those displaced due to COVID-19.

An announcement on the page reads: "In the face of the COVID-19, the Labor & Workforce Development Agency (LWDA) wants to keep workers, employers, co-workers, and families safe.

What employees are entitled to may be confusing. We are trying to make it easier and spread awareness through this centralized source of info. Use the guidance below to determine what is best for you, your family, and your workplace."

Some of the benefits that individuals can be eligible for include:

- Paid family leave
- Paid sick leave
- Unemployment insurance
- Disability insurance
- Workers compensation

"It's very important that people use COVID-19 as the reason," for their unemployment, Holt said.

She added that the normal one-week waiting period to receive benefits has been waived during this health crisis.

"They will need to be patient, because the system is overwhelmed right now," Holt said.

While her office is now closed to the public, employees are still available to assist by calling 283-1606. She also directed people to the agency's Facebook page for the latest information.

The Alliance for Workforce Development serves Butte, Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas and Sierra counties.



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Supervisors declare local emergency in Plumas

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The Plumas County Board of Supervisors approved two urgency items declaring a local emergency in the county due to COVID-19.

Placed on the agenda as urgency items, two resolutions were given to supervisors at the beginning of the regular meeting Tuesday, March 17.

"We don't have confirmed cases in the county yet, but neighboring counties do," said County Council Craig Settemire.

What the emergency resolutions do is invoke emergency powers, Settemire explained to supervisors and the small audience. They can also make it possible to seek emergency reimbursement should it be needed, he added.

To approve the resolution required a four-fifths vote from supervisors. Although Supervisors Kevin Goss and

Sherrie Thrall were meeting by conference calls from their home communities, voting was unanimous.

There were two things Settemire had to explain to the audience.

First, since Gov. Gavin Newsom suspended some portions of the Brown Act that governs public meetings, both supervisors could attend by way of conference calls legally.

Traditionally, a supervisor or any member of a public board is required to be in a place that is accessible to the public during a conference call.

The agenda must also be posted at that location.

The governor relaxed both of those requirements as boards and agencies attempt to negotiate new state guidelines resulting from the COVID-19 outbreak.

Observing those new rules, in place only as long as special precautions are in place for the virus, Goss

called in from Greenville. He also conducted the meeting from there.

The snowstorm also kept Thrall off the roads and at home in the Lake Almanor area.

The second area Settemire included in his explanation involved adding the resolutions to the agenda.

The resolutions met the terms of urgency items. At the time the agenda was finalized by Secretary to the Board Nancy DaForno, they hadn't been written or submitted to her.

The resolutions also couldn't wait until the next regularly scheduled meeting, which is April 7, Settemire explained.

Supervisors voted once on both resolutions as approved by Settemire.

The first resolution was from the Plumas County Health Officer Mark Satterfield.

He explained that under the Health and Safety Code, he, as

the health officer, could declare a local health emergency within the county.

To do this in the county or a portion of the area, Satterfield had to "reasonably determine that there is an imminent and proximate threat of the introduction into the jurisdiction."

This applies to any contagious, infectious or communicable disease, chemical agent, non-communicable biologic agent, toxin or radioactive agent.

Satterfield took this step Monday, March 16, because of the possible introduction of a novel coronavirus known as COVID-19 into Plumas.

This declaration must then be ratified by supervisors within seven days in order for it to remain in effect, according to the resolution.

The Health and Safety Code then requires the board to review the need for continuing the local health emergency for at least 14

days, under traditional procedure. The governor also waived this requirement for the duration of the statewide emergency until locally terminated.

Supervisors are allowed to terminate the declaration when conditions warrant.

According to Satterfield, he "believes that the potential introduction of COVID-19 into Plumas County continues to present an imminent and proximate threat to the public health."

The second resolution begins with the origins of COVID-19 in Wuhan City, China and its spread person-to-person throughout the world.

Because of the rapid spread of the disease, the World Health Organization declared Jan. 20 that the outbreak constitutes a "public health emergency of international concern."

On Jan. 31, U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a

public health emergency for the U.S. This is to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention determined that COVID-19 presents a serious health threat to the public. And this was followed with 19 cases reported in the state. The need to stop the spread was being taken seriously. Northern California also was included in seeing a growing number of cases.

Also on March 17, the Plumas County Director of Emergency Services declared a local emergency due to the potential of the spread.

The second resolution indicates that the conditions are more likely to be beyond the control, capacity and resources of the services, staff, equipment and facilities available in the county. "And local resources are unable to cope with the effect of the said emergency."



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Board to decide if staff can work from home during COVID-19 crisis

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Working far into the night, County Administrator Gabriel Hydrick brought a partial plan on telecommunications and county employees to the attention of supervisors.

In a brief presentation March 17, Hydrick discussed the beginnings of an emergency telecommunications policy. His idea is that the policy could apply to county employees during the COVID-19 outbreak, and also be available in the case of future crises.

Borrowing plans from Los Angeles, Hydrick said some

of the plan could work for Plumas County, some wouldn't.

What Hydrick had in time for the supervisors' meeting was "a very rough draft," he explained. He also acknowledged that things are changing rapidly about COVID-19. His rough draft could look a lot different by the time he's prepared to present it back to supervisors April 7.

County Council Craig Settemire offered to "jump in to provide a little additional background," to Hydrick's ideas.

Traditionally, Human Resources Director Nancy Selva and other representatives of the various bargaining units would need to be involved in a policy about staff hours and working conditions.

Under emergency situations supervisors can take steps without noticing employee bargaining groups, Settemire explained.

However, at the earliest

possible time, county bargaining representatives do need to meet with bargaining groups concerning working conditions, Settemire added.

"Do we have to notify them about shelter in place?" Supervisor Lori Simpson asked. "The directive is way beyond us."

Settemire explained that if the county health officer or governor makes the call then that supercedes any memorandum of understanding with the workforce.

He reminded supervisors that the county doesn't have a telecommunication plan in place.

A concern that Simpson voiced about a telecommunication policy is where we live.

She explained that Plumas County doesn't have a good internet service in many areas. And then there are conditions such as storms that tend to disrupt communications services.

Hydrick said that the plan is to keep people working. Many of county departments were experiencing a staff shortage before the emergency, and some couldn't handle further disruption to services and workloads. "Everything would remain the same except where they're reporting for work," he said.

In presenting supervisors with LA's telecommunication plan — which is traditionally used for traffic reduction and reducing the carbon footprint in that area — there is "kind of a guide at home because that can be kind of challenging," Hydrick said.

Not everyone has a home office; they have family and friends who might interrupt work time and production.

There is also a guide on how to manage employees who work from home. "I don't know that we especially need an agreement but (Hydrick) wants to give the board ideas for direction," on a policy.

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Quincy businesses offer curbside pickup, delivery and more

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The Quincy business community is actively addressing public health needs for social distancing and other COVID-19 novel coronavirus responses while continuing to provide necessary goods and services.

Editor's note: This is a fluid situation and services may change as circumstances warrant.

Groceries and senior shopping

Grocery Outlet, 283-2706, **Safeway**, 283-1404, and **Sav-Mor**, 283-2370, are maintaining their regular hours, though Safeway has established special shopping hours for seniors Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. The other grocers also encourage seniors to shop in the early mornings when the least number of customers are present.

"We're staying open at 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily and the earlier in the day they come shopping, the better for our seniors and social distancing," said Jelly Wilson who co-owns Grocery Outlet with her husband Josh. "The store is relaxed then and fewer shoppers come that early."

Quincy Natural Foods has switched to online orders to go and curbside service 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at its Quincy downtown location and its Portola store.

"Some of our staff are self-isolating, so we're running on minimum crew," Co-op Manager Andrea Wilson said. "We still have bakery items and many other things, but issues are coming up with the supply chain, as you can imagine. We're also bagging up produce as it comes in, doing everything we can to reduce exposure and inconvenience."

Call 283-3528 in Quincy to place your orders and 832-1642 for the Portola location.

Pharmacy services

Rite Aid, 283-1809, and its pharmacy are observing normal business hours and awaiting further instructions as of press time.

Quincy Pharmacy, 283-4545, has put a closed door policy in place, but is still accepting prescription and refill orders. It will continue to offer curbside delivery to your car or home delivery within the Quincy area.

Ordering takeout or delivery

Adhering to the March 17 Plumas County Environmental Health directive, in which Governor Gavin Newsom and the California Department of Public Health "strongly encourage all food facilities to stop dine-in service and shift operations to pick up and delivery

only," local restaurants have adjusted their services accordingly.

Cedarling, 283-2000, in East Quincy remains closed at this time.

Express Coffee Shop, 283-1949, is offering its full menu and filling to-go orders only, no dine-in service, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesdays through Sundays.

East Quincy's **Golden King** is filling takeout orders from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesday through Friday. The restaurant will maintain dinner-to-go services from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Call orders in to 283-3338.

Grandma Jane's currently plans to remain open during regular business hours Tuesdays through Saturdays. Custom cakes are still available, but all other services are carryout only and customers should definitely plan ahead and call in so orders may be accommodated. Call or text 616-5656.

Jeffrey's Pub & Grub, 283-2890, is now offering takeout 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. or delivery anywhere in Quincy, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays through Sundays only.

The Knook is open for take takeout orders and is open 11-5 p.m. Phone in at 283-0300.

Midtown Coffee announced that after the governor's stay order was issued March 19, "We decided it would be best to close until that order is lifted."

The drive-through is open

"The earlier in the day they come shopping, the better for our seniors and social distancing."

Jelly Wilson
Grocery Outlet

as usual at **Mill Creek Fish and Chips** in East Quincy and takeout is still available for walk-in customers, too. Closed Sundays and Mondays, the restaurant is filling orders Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and they stay open an extra hour until 8 p.m. Fridays only.

New owners of **Moon's Restaurant**, 283-9900, Caledonia and Luis Santos, with their nephew Edgar Santos, report they will provide takeout service Thursdays through Mondays, from 4:30 to 8 p.m.

At their **Paradise Grill Restaurant**, 283-0591, the family offers takeout seven days a week for breakfast and lunch 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and dinners to go only, Monday through Saturday, between 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Pangaea Café and Pub owner Holly Callahan, one of many community supporters in Plumas County, said her downtown restaurant will serve takeout orders for two days, Thursday and Friday, March 19-20, and then close until further notice, 283-0426.

"No one is coming out," Callahan noted. "It's hurting businesses pretty bad. As a small business owner and particularly with a restaurant, we feel forgotten by the federal government."

understanding of their customers with this week's switch to a reduced menu and takeout only Tuesdays through Saturdays. The restaurant will bring your order to their door to accommodate social distancing from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for lunch, and 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for dinner.

Retail resource businesses

American Valley Hardware, 283-3088, is part of a co-op of stores in the Ace Hardware and True Value chains. They are open normal days and hours at this time.

Co-owner Mary Vogt said, "Everything is fluid right now. Our CEO had a conference call with U.S. Vice President Mike Pence to ask that hardware stores be considered an essential service. Right now, our delivery trucks have federal clearance to be on the roads and we are continuing with our regular operations while we await a decision on what is essential."

The **Quincy Hot Spot**, 283-2929, on East Main Street is maintaining its regular hours Tuesday through Saturday to serve heating needs.

"People keep calling and asking 'Do you have any pellets?' and yes, we are loaded with both heating and barbecue pellets," said Hot Spot Co-owner Dee Dee Driscoll. "Our service is a public necessity and we have to stay open."

On March 18, **Dollar Tree**, staff said they are currently maintaining regular shopping hours. 927-6063.

Sierra Cycle and

chainsaw repair, 283-5000, is "trying to stay open as much as we possibly can right now," they said.

DuPont Power Tools, 283-2136, is keeping their regular hours "as far as we know right now," as well.

Community services

The Plumas Crisis Intervention and Resource Center, 283-5515, is currently open for services during its regular hours, unless circumstances direct a change, staff said. In addition, the county's various **food pantry** operations are also permitted to remain open for their regular hours, per this week's County Environmental Health directive.

Plumas Rural Services (PRS) Executive Director Michele Piller said all PRS programs are operating and the ALIVE day program and independent living services are still open.

However, clients of other programs are encouraged to contact their staff persons by phone, 283-2735, text or email primarily — not visit the office unless absolutely necessary.

Piller added that Plumas Transit is still offering bus service, but as many PRS employees as possible are working remotely now through April 9, or possibly indefinitely, depending on community health needs and directives.

The Quincy Community Supper has been canceled until further notice.

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are doing is taking the opportunity to educate the public, and what to do if they're not complying with the governor's regulations. He explained that if a business is in violation of remaining open and not following the state's guidelines, that the state health department or the state's ABC (alcohol and beverage control agency) could be asked to handle the situation.

Businesses or people not complying with the governor's requirements are in violation of the state's government code. While infractions are considered a misdemeanor, they can result in a citation or arrest, Johns said.

Along these lines, Johns said he had received complaints about three bars that were open.

He said he talked to the owners. He was already voluntarily closing the business in observance of the state requirements.

While all three bars also had off-sale liquor licenses, two owners wanted to keep that portion of the business open.

Johns said that social distancing would be difficult to enforce and owners could be opening themselves up to liability. And if ABC gets involved "what are the ramifications?"

In another issue, Johns

said that he heard that some counties were releasing their inmates. "At this time I have no intention of releasing inmates in the jail," he said.

There has not been a single case of COVID-19 in the facility, as with the rest of the county as of March 21. And inmates are already isolated in the jail, Johns pointed out.

Supervisor Lori Simpson was taking texts from various members of the public on her cell phone. One person asked about martial law. "This is our opportunity to avoid martial law," Johns said in answering the question. "We have the ability to stop it or slow it down."

And that's the governor's intent in his stay at home order.

"We are at a point where some people are just not understanding the potential of this," Johns said about COVID-19.

District Attorney

District Attorney David Hollister explained what is and is not going on with the courts. He said they are working under an order from the chief justice of California to limit exposure.

In some cases the 48-hour rule for arraignment of inmates has been extended by the state.

"I agree with the governor's order completely," Hollister said.

Behavioral health is assisting the courts by allowing inmates to use the

Telehealth equipment to cut down on the need to drive inmates to and from the courthouse.

But while some things are being postponed or rescheduled, Hollister was adamant that anyone who takes advantage of homeowners being unaware or other convenient crimes during this calamity, he will prosecute any individuals to the fullest extent of the law.

Reduced public access

Although the front office at the Sheriff's Office is closed and some services are not available at this time (fingerprinting services for example), calls are still being taken.

Most departments are asking clients to call ahead and make appointments for services. Limiting contact is important in reducing the potential spread of COVID-19.

Those weighing-in on the conference call included Supervisors Kevin Goss and Sherrie Thrall, Behavioral Health Director Tony Hobson, and Social Services Director Neal Caiazzo.

Those who attended the board meeting included Simpson, Supervisor Jeff Engel, County Administrator Gabriel Hydrick, County Council Craig Settlemire, Clerk of the Board Nancy DaForno, Hollister, Johns, Public Health Director Andrew Woodruff, Plumas County Health Officer Mark Satterfield, Tina Venable of the public health emergency program, Human Relations Director Nancy Selva, and Auditor Roberta Allen.

PDH, from page 1A

Q. How many isolation rooms at PDH?

A. Any room could be transformed into an isolation room.

Q. What is the surge capacity at PDH?

A. We can handle as many patients as we have staff to safely care for.

Q. What are the contingency plans for staff exposure?

A. We are following the CDC recommendations for Potential Exposure in a Healthcare Setting to Patients with Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19).

Q. Does PDH have enough personal protection equipment for staff? (masks, gloves, etc.)?

A. Our current inventory is adequate.

Q. How is PDH handling the protocol for isolating patients who possibly have COVID-19?

A. As of 5 p.m., March 18, 2020, there are no confirmed cases in Plumas County. We are adhering to our normal isolation practices and following CDC guidelines.

Q. Do you have the ability to test for COVID-19 at PDH and what is the estimated time to receive results?

A. Testing takes place at the discretion of the provider. Turnaround time is currently taking between

4 to 5 days.

Q. What are you advising people to do if they aren't sure if it's a cold/flu or COVID-19 before arriving at a clinic or ER?

A. Our clinical team is triaging patients, asking specific questions about symptoms and travel history. Patients may receive education, a clinic appointment or be asked to come to the emergency room.

Some changes

In accordance with recommendations from the U.S. Surgeon General and the American College of Surgeons, PDH has decided to postpone surgeries considered to be elective to a later date.

This temporary measure will allow PDH's surgeons and staff to enact the emergency preparedness plans they have been developing to create additional capacity for inpatients and to continue to deliver high quality care during the a potential surge in COVID-19 cases in Plumas County.

The new guidelines do not apply to emergency surgeries.

Visitor restrictions

Public entrance into the hospital is limited to the South Hall (Emergency Department) entrance at this time.

It's requested that individuals not make unnecessary visits to the PDH campus.

"While we understand that visits from family, friends and loved ones is important to the healing of our inpatients, to help prevent

the spread of respiratory illnesses, as of Wednesday, March 18, 2020, Plumas District Hospital will not be accepting visitors," the guidelines say. "If your family member or friend is hospitalized, we encourage you to telephone them by dialing 530-283-2121 and asking for them by name or room number."

Certain exceptions apply to the following: Patients in end-of-life situations (limit 2).

Birth of baby. One partner and one birth support person for labor and delivery (limit 2).

Minors (under 18). One parent/guardian (limit 1). Outpatient procedure/surgery or to assist with ambulation (limit 1).

If there are extenuating circumstances, "we will be compassionate in granting exceptions."

All visitors must pass a respiratory illness screening.

Diagnostic imaging

In accordance with recommendations from the American College of Radiologist, PDH is postponing screening mammograms to a later date.

Dental services

In accordance with recommendations from the California Dental Association, non-essential dental services are being postponed to a later date.

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Plumas Unified School District is committed to continuing its free breakfast and lunch program for all students under the age of 18 while local campuses are closed in response to the pandemic COVID-19 novel coronavirus outbreak.

The nutritious “to-go” sack lunches and breakfasts will be available only on weekdays and

from 7:30 to 10 a.m.

PUSD is able to provide meals to anyone aged 18 or under and the children must be present to receive them, but in observance of current social distance health requirements, students should take them elsewhere to be consumed.

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How to submit your meal survey on PUSD's Facebook page

To help the school district plan and prepare enough free breakfast and lunch meals for students while our local campuses are closed, please fill out PUSD's simple survey form by visiting the Plumas Unified School District's Facebook page. On the left-hand side of the Facebook page, you will see a

search box that says, “Search for posts on this page.”

Enter the term Meal Service During School Closure and click enter. You will be directed to the survey on the district's Google Docs site. Enter your information and click to submit.

The survey form will soon be available on the PUSD website at www.pcoe.k12.ca.us. Call 283-6500 for information.

Easter Egg Hunt canceled



In the best interests of public health and safety, the Soroptimist International of Quincy Club has announced it will cancel the annual Easter Egg Hunt previously set for Saturday, April 4, at the Plumas-Sierra County Fairgrounds. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak and the need for vital social distance efforts at this time, SIQ members regret the popular event will not be held this year and thank the community for its support. Photo by Roni Java

Workshops canceled

PASSAGES Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program (HICAP) wants to alert its clients and those nearing age 65 that due to the COVID-19 outbreak it has canceled all in-person Medicare counseling and public presentations until further notice. Welcome to Medicare Workshops, for example, have been canceled in HICAP's five-county service area of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Plumas and Tehama.

Staff and volunteers are available for telephonic counseling Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Callers can leave a message at 800-434-0222 or 530-898-6716 with their specific questions, telephone number and home ZIP code. A return call will be made within two business days.

Another option Medicare beneficiaries have is by calling Medicare at 800-633-4227. Service representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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Underburning is the practice of deliberate burning of surface fuel so as to leave the tree canopy intact as seen here in the Old Highway Road community Feb. 28. Photos submitted



Landowners burn fuel with cooperative's help

Concerned Quincy land owners partnered with the Plumas Underburn Cooperative (PUC) on Feb. 28 to conduct its first official prescribed burn.

Members of the Old Highway Road Firewise Community, located just east of Quincy, reduced fuels surrounding four houses on 2.6 acres. Prior to underburning, the community was seen as at high risk of fire danger.

"It was a great learning experience for all the new people who helped with the burn," said PUC

coordinator, Matt West. "It got them used to the idea of burning, and got them comfortable with it."

Prior to the underburn, members of the Old Highway Road Firewise Community worked to make their neighborhood more fire resilient by thinning the understory of the woods near their homes.

Along with local landowners, PUC's active membership includes Forest Service personnel participating as citizens, local volunteer firefighters, Fire Safe Council members,

"Anyone in the county can join PUC to learn more about fire, help with underburning and get help with their own land."

Matt West
Plumas Underburn Cooperative

Feather River Resource Conservation District, UC Cooperative Extension and tribal representation. These members range in skill from no experience with fire to

decades of experience.

PUC is a community-initiated group of local landowners willing to help each other underburn each other's

land, modeled after Humboldt Prescribed Burn Association.

The group formed last year and currently has 22 active members, 112 members on the PUC email list and has received a CalFire Grant to help them get started.

With its first official underburn under its belt, PUC is looking to expand its membership and reduce fuels in more areas at risk of fire around Plumas County.

"PUC focuses on reducing fuels to promote forest health and community fire

resilience," West explained. "Anyone in the county can join PUC to learn more about fire, help with underburning and get help with their own land."

The Underburn Cooperative's web page is under construction, meanwhile West encourages anyone who is interested in reducing fuels around their property to give him a call at 927-5297 or email him at plumasunderburn@gmail.com to find out more about the cooperative.

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Recognize food spoilage

Many people do not think about the perils of food poisoning until they hear of one or more people getting sick from foods they have consumed.

Foodborne illnesses send roughly 128,000 Americans to the hospital each year, and account for 3,000 deaths annually, states the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Roughly one in six people will get sick from a food they've consumed this year.

Food poisoning may occur when foods are not properly washed or cooked to adequate temperatures to kill pathogens.

After eating foods that have been sitting out at room temperature for too long, which enables pathogens to multiply, people can easily get sick.

Sometimes people get sick from food that has spoiled in the refrigerator or even in its original packaging.

Why food spoils

Food can spoil for many different reasons.

- **Moisture:** Foods that have a high water content can decompose more quickly than those that don't. Moisture in foods allows

microorganisms to dissolve food they use, and can cause chemical reactions to occur in foods. Molding, caking and lumping of products can result from humidity or moisture getting into drier foods. Condensation can cause bacteria and molds to grow.

- **Oxygen:** Oxidative spoilage can cause loss of fats and fatty portions of foods. Oxygen can affect food colors, and compromise the nutritional value and flavor of certain foods. Vacuum packaging keeps air out of foods to prevent spoilage.

- **Microorganisms:** Certain microorganisms may be present on or in foods and will proliferate with moisture, heat and oxygen.

- **Temperature:** When temperatures are not controlled properly, food can spoil. It is essential that foods are stored, cooked and served at the proper temperature.

The Danger Zone

Pathogenic spoilage occurs when foods are exposed to temperatures between 40 F and 140F, which is dubbed "The Danger Zone." The USDA recommends keeping cold food below 40 F and hot food at or above

140 F to prevent it from going bad.

Food preparation necessities

The CDC recommends these four steps to additionally prevent food spoilage and illness:

1. **Clean:** Wash hands and food-preparation surfaces often.
2. **Separate:** Do not cross-contaminate hands, surfaces and prepared foods with raw foods.
3. **Cook:** Cook all foods to the recommended temperature.
4. **Chill:** Refrigerate cold foods promptly. Germs can grow in as little as two hours at room temperature.

Recognize food spoilage

People without an acute sense of smell and eyesight, such as the elderly, may be at greater risk of food spoilage that can make them sick than younger people. Food that is going bad tends to develop unpleasant odors and textures. The health and food resource Nutronics Health says that most fresh or recently cooked food leftovers should only be stored in the refrigerator for three to four days. Showcase foods that will spoil quickly by keeping them in a visible spot. An Uncluttered Life advises discarding items that have been stored in the freezer for more than six months.

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Departments receive approval for funding requests

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Plumas County department heads made a number of requests from the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 10. All requests under the consent agenda were approved without discussion.

Behavioral Health Two positions open

Plumas County Behavioral Health Director Tony Hobson is looking to recruit and fill two therapist positions within the department.

Recent vacancies created the need to find two Therapist I/II senior positions. These are considered critical positions within the department.

"There will be a further reduction of service availability to the community (county)," according to Hobson's request to supervisors. "Existing clients will not receive ongoing services as good ethical practice would indicate. There will be a decrease in staff resources to provide 24-hour crisis services."

Hobson said that until the positions are filled new requests for services would be delayed.

If supervisors hadn't approved refilling the two positions, Hobson indicated that there would be a possible increase in liability exposure to the county as the result of a decrease in services. Additional stress could also be anticipated on the remaining staff in terms of providing adequate emergency services, Hobson explained in his report.

"A further decrease in staffing support will result in additional deterioration of staff morale and will risk additional staff turnover, which will incur additional

cost," Hobson also explained.

The two positions are funded by MediCal, Realignment funding and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) sources.

Funding for the positions are expected to remain stable.

Anyone interested in the positions can check with Plumas County Human Resources located in the courthouse in Quincy.

Loan assumption program

In a separate request, Hobson requested that supervisors authorize an agreement not to exceed \$10,000, between the county and any current employee of the Behavioral Health Department for MHSA workforce education and training. This is the Behavioral Health Employee Loan Assumption Program.

"Plumas County has identified a need for greater local incentives in efforts to 'grow our own' licensed behavioral health staff for hard-to-fill and to retain clinical and other staff position," Hobson told the board.

This program also broadens availability of the current statewide Mental Health Loan Assumption Program, the Behavioral Health Department is offering a local incentive program to current eligible employees of the department who have completed a degree toward licensure in hard-to-fill positions within the department.

These positions could include a master's in social work that lead to continued employment of licensed professionals. These positions therefore include marriage and family therapists, licensed clinical social workers and

psychologists as well as psychiatric nurse practitioners and professional administrators who choose to work in a local public mental health plan.

The program can enroll up to six department employees through a competitive application process. This is for up to \$10,000 per year for each employee. To begin to qualify, the employee must have worked for the department for 12 continuous months on a fulltime basis, Hobson explained.

The lifetime loan assumption program is for up to \$60,000 per employee. No general fund monies from Plumas County are used in this program.

Three services agreements for out-of-county programs

Supervisors also approved Hobson's request for three different agreements and costs for special services.

The board agreed to a \$100,000 agreement with Aurora Santa Rosa Hospital for fiscal year 2019-20.

This is a Medi-Cal reimbursable psychiatric inpatient facility for individuals a psychiatric crisis and need temporary care, Hobson said.

A second agreement is with Kings View Corporation for a three-year \$900,000 contract.

This three-year term continues to provide support and services for the Anaszi electronic health record systems computer program.

Kings View provides the monthly Medi-Cal billing, does health information analytics, provides state reporting outcomes and measurement systems and much more.

A third agreement in the current fiscal year is for a

\$40,000 amendment to an agreement with Restpadd-Redding.

This is a psychiatric health facility for individuals with acute episodes or crisis that would require rehabilitation services in a non-hospital setting.

"Due to the demand for services, Behavioral Health is requesting the board approve an additional \$40,000 increase," Hobson said.

Expiration extension

The board also approved an expiration extension date of Aug. 31 for the current fiscal year amendment with the National Commission on Correctional Health Care Resources.

This program develops medically assisted treatment policies and procedures that assist the county in implementing medication assisted treatment in the Plumas County Correctional Center.

The program also performs a review of the county's opiate treatment and related services and helps the county determine how services may be interrelated, connected and complimentary, Hobson explained. The ultimate goal is to enable the county to provide continuity of care and reduce recidivism.

To accomplish that final goal, more time is required to satisfy the onsite trainings.

New Polaris UTV

Plumas County's Department of Public Works Director Bob Perreault received permission to purchase a Polaris RZR 1000 XP (UTV).

Perreault explained to supervisors that two public works employees are certified by the Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle

Association as trainers to conduct basic driver course for side-by-side vehicle use.

Off-Highway-Vehicle training is necessary for the sheriff's office employees as required by OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) requirements. According to Perreault, the sheriff's office requested that public works conduct the training.

Last year in July, the training was conducted over two days with 10 sheriff's office people trained. During that training, the two OHVs owned by public works and the two owned by the sheriff's office were used.

However, during the

training, the auxiliary fuel tank in one of the public works vehicles spilled fuel on the engine and caught fire. No one was injured during the incident, but the insurance adjuster declared the OHV a total loss, according to Perreault.

Insurance approved the replacement of the vehicle and the damaged one will be kept for parts, Perreault added.

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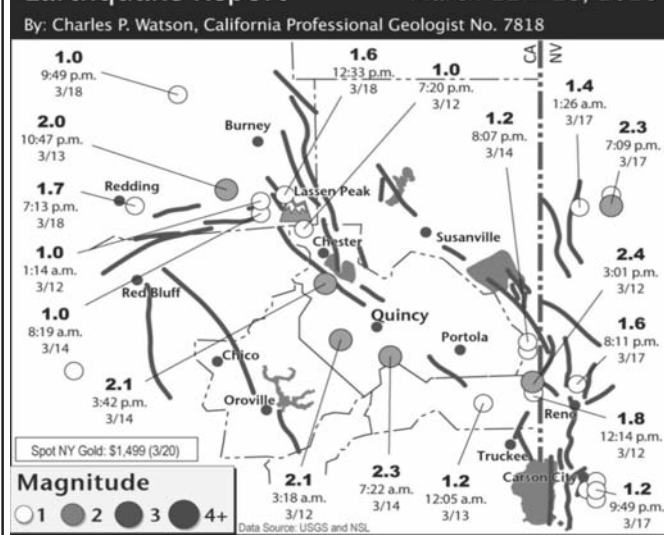
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Quincy Elementary fifth-grader Marleigh Wills uses binoculars to view Canada Geese. Photos submitted

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several areas from Carson City to Redding. A notable exception was a 4-event series in South Carson City near Prison Hill. The largest earthquake measured M 2.4 and occurred mid Thursday afternoon a few miles southwest of Border Town in Dog Valley. Two M 2s were detected in the Sierra south and southwest of Quincy and a M 2.1 triggered southwest of Lake Almanor in Humboldt Valley. A few small tremors were recorded around Lassen Peak and a M 2.3 event happened near Shingletown. A M 2.3 triggered in the Smoke Creek Desert. The aftershock sequence following last week's M 3.7 quake north of Truckee reduced to a single event.

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Lake Almanor	4,482.95	858,009.00	March 16	37	28	1.34	10
†Current	4,486.20	939,481.90	March 17	33	29	0.63	2
¥1 Year Ago			March 18	43	30	0.33	2
Lake Almanor			March 19	48	28	0.19	1
†Current			March 20	52	28	---	---
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Wednesday, March 25	Thursday, March 26	Friday, March 27
Sunrise 6:59–Sunset 7:20 	Sunrise 6:57–Sunset 7:21 	Sunrise 6:56–Sunset 7:22
Snow showers, with a high around 41. Winds 5 to 10 mph.	Partly cloudy, with a high around 47. Winds light and variable.	Partly cloudy, with a high around 49. Winds 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 25.	Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 24. Light winds.	Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, low 31. Winds light and variable.
Saturday, March 28	Sunday, March 29	Monday, March 30
Sunrise 6:54–Sunset 7:23 	Sunrise 6:52–Sunset 7:24 	Sunrise 6:51–Sunset 7:25
Rain showers, with a high around 50.	Partly cloudy, with a high near 57.	Partly cloudy, with a high around 61.
Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 33. Light winds.	Sunday Night: Rain showers, with a low around 35.	Tuesday, March 31 Sunrise 6:49–Sunset 7:26



QES fifth-grade teacher Mrs. Lemnah gathers students at the Leonhardt Learning Landscape on Friday, Feb. 14, to count birds.

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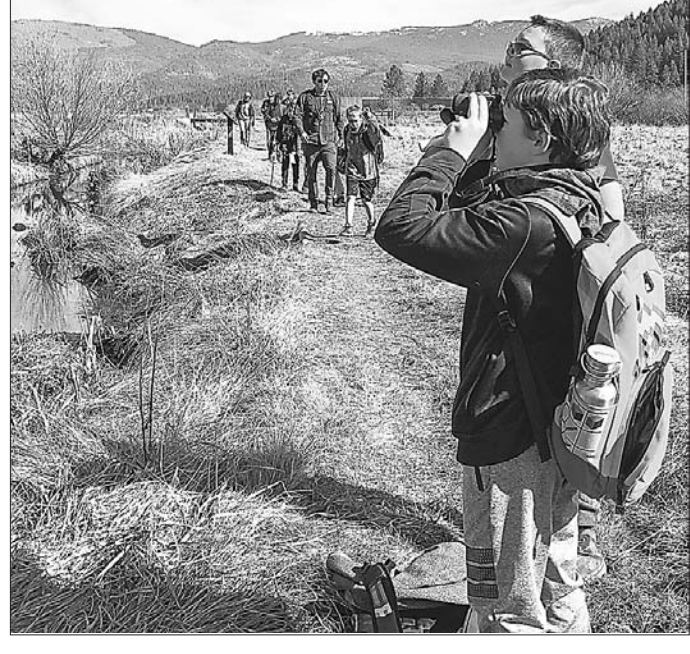
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THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: April 13, 2020
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The address of the court is same as noted above.
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county (specify newspaper): Feather River Bulletin.
Judge of the Superior Court.
Filed: Feb. 25, 2020.
Deborah Norrie, Clerk of the Court,
By Deputy Clerk
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Quincy Property Sale
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An audience for the birds

Each February, fifth-graders throughout PUSD head outside to participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count, a yearly citizen science event that tracks a week of bird counts worldwide. Birds are fifth-graders' science focus, so students were excited to take their studies into nature to identify and count birds first-hand. The counts are added to an online tally, which allows researchers to track growth or reduction in bird populations.



Fifth-graders Jeremiah Nickerson and Aaron Irwin, accompanied by teacher Mr. Morgan (background), try to identify a bird in the distance.

DEADLINE FOR PAYING SECOND INSTALLMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

Julie A. White, Plumas County Tax Collector, reminds all taxpayers with secured property tax bills to pay their second installment by Friday, April 10, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 THE PLUMAS COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE ENCOURAGES PAYMENTS BE MADE BY MAIL, ELECTRONICALLY OR THE DROP BOX ON THE COURTHOUSE STEPS. THIS PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE WILL LESSEN PUBLIC INTERACTION IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES HEALTHY. Taxpayers who mail their payments should ensure that the envelope is postmarked by the April 10th deadline. Payments may also be made by credit card. To pay by credit card contact Official Payments at (800) 272-9829 or at www.officialpayments.com. Enter the jurisdiction code 1535 when prompted. There will be a nominal fee charged for this service. Second installments not received or postmarked by April 10th will automatically have a 10 percent penalty and a \$20.00 cost added to the bill according to State law. If a tax bill has not been received, the property owner should call the Tax Collector's office, 283-6260, as failure to receive a bill does not relieve the taxpayer of any penalties if the taxes become delinquent. Should a property owner have any questions regarding this or other matters regarding property taxes, they should contact our office at (530) 283 – 6260.

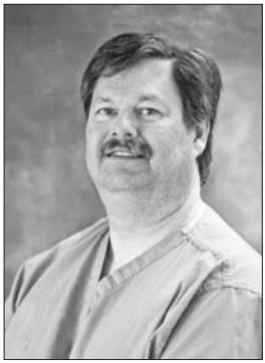
Adult basketball champs

Central Plumas Recreation and Park District adult basketball program champions pose after wrapping up the championship March 7 at the Quincy High School gym. From left: Jack Menard, Ricky King, Darnell Hamilton, Terill Foote, Ravion Bell and Chris King. Not pictured: Chris Shea and Austin Camareno. Photo submitted



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March 30, 2020



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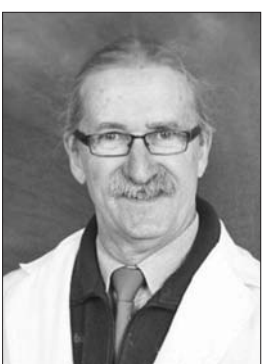
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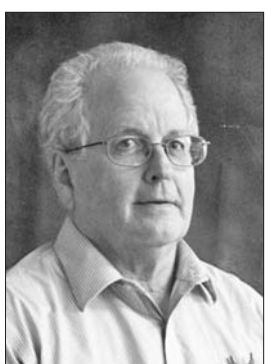
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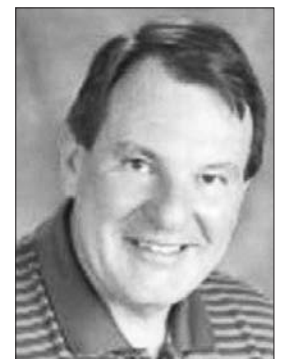
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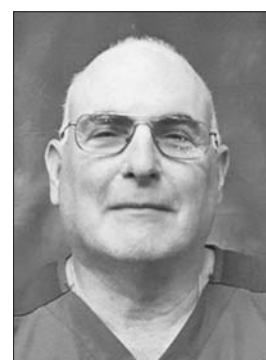
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Environmental health talks rabies, food safety

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Jerry Sipe shared a bit of information with members of the Plumas County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 3, "If you can see it; smell it; taste it; we inspect it."

As director of Plumas County's Department of Environmental Health, Sipe shared a little humor before launching into his department's 2019 annual report.

"Promoting an environment that enhances human health and well-being is the foundation of Environmental Health," Sipe explained in his report.

To reach the department's goals, Sipe said that services are generally grouped 10 core program areas: hazardous materials management, drinking water protection, food safety, liquid waste management, solid waste management, water quality protection, land use and development, rabies and vector control, recreational health, and housing and institution safety.

Risk factors, state mandates and the service needs of the community help determine how much time is spent on each program.

Hazardous materials management

Environmental Health's most time-consuming program, requiring 32 percent of the staff's time, is hazardous materials management. Under this program the department is the Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) for the county.

"We permit, inspect and enforce a variety of hazardous materials and hazardous waste regulations under certification by the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA)," Sipe said.

CalEPA evaluates Environmental Health's

program every three years to make sure it complies with state standards. Evaluations for 2019 had a few minor areas that needed corrections, he said.

Last year, Environmental Health completed 153 CUPA related inspections. These are up from 138 in 2018.

The department also tracks the number of violations found in each CUPA inspection. "Trend data for the last four years shows that the number of violations per inspection continues increasing for both hazardous waste and business plan elements," Sipe said. "The increasing trend for underground tanks appears to have tapered off at just over four violations per inspection."

Sipe said there is a trend toward installing aboveground tanks and the violations also continue. "This is likely due to increasing state emphasis on above ground tank compliance and the frequency of site inspections occurring only once every three years," Sipe said.

Environmental Health's approach is to reach people through outreach and education rather than issuing notices of violations or other enforcement approaches, Sipe said.

Site cleanups are one of the department's emergency response duties when it comes to hazardous materials management. Spills along or on highways and roadways within the county can occur suddenly during a traffic incident.

Last year the department responded to five hazardous materials incidents, Sipe pointed out. This was approximately a third of the number seen in 2018 when 17 incidents were reported.

"We work with the responsible party, land owners, state agencies, and others to ensure cleanup is timely and effective," Sipe explained. "Fortunately, we did not have any significant

releases in 2019."

Drinking water protection

Environmental Health staff spent 17 percent of its time on drinking water systems, Sipe told supervisors.

Making sure that residents and guests have safe and potable drinking water is a major function of Environmental Health.

As part of the drinking water program, the department maintains its state certification as the Local Primacy Agency for smaller drinking water systems, those that serve fewer than 200 connections.

This process is evaluated by the State Water Resources Control Board annually to ensure it meets state and federal oversight

requirements, according to the annual report for 2019. "EH staff serves as a local resource for water system operators, helping ensure that our drinking water remains the highest quality possible," Sipe said.

Last year, the department partnered with the California Rural Water Association and offered water system operator training in Quincy for local water purveyors.

Drinking water systems are categorized based on the size and nature of the population served.

Community systems usually serve year-round residents. State and local small systems serve up to 15 connections and small community systems serve up to 200 connections. These systems make up about half of the regulated inventory, Sipe explained.

Non-community systems provide water to areas without residential populations. These include parks, resorts, campgrounds and workplaces. There are 82 systems that account for half of the water system inventory.

"To ensure the water provided by all these systems remains safe to drink, we review and track nearly 2,000

bacteriological reported each year," Sipe said. "In addition, we also track numerous chemical data for each of these systems."

When there's an immediate risk factor detected, then the system operator is required to issue a Boil Water Advisory. There are few of these issued compared to the number of samples taken and these indicate how safe Plumas County's drinking water quality is.

Liquid waste management

Sewage and liquid waste proper handling, treatment and disposal are part of the 10 categories Environmental Health is responsible for.

"This includes preventing human exposure to contaminated wastewater as well as preventing contamination of surface and groundwater," Sipe explained. "We specify the location, design, construction, installation and repair criteria of all septic or on-site wastewater treatment systems [OWTS] through a permit and inspection program."

In 2004, the department issued more than 350 permits. That number continually declined until its lowest number of permits in 2011 with approximately 75. Since that time, the number of permits issued has climbed with a few exceptions until last year when it reached approximately 125.

Of the permits issued last year, 60 of them were for new construction, and 66 were issued for repairs for failing systems, according to statistics from Environmental Health. The majority of the systems failed due to root intrusion. Groundwater intrusion, pollution or other health concerns were not seen. Only one permit was issued to replace an antiquated system.

"Our OWTS program also includes a groundwater monitoring component to ensure wastewater pathogens

like E. coli or nutrients like nitrates are not contaminating drinking water supplies," Sipe said.

Water quality assurance

Another of Environmental Health's responsibilities is to ensure lakes, streams and groundwater supplies are protected. The permit process ensures that wells are properly located so they cannot affect groundwater quality.

The highest number of permits was seen in 2007 with more than 75. In 2019 that number was down to 37.

While the department tracks residential, agriculture and public water supply well permits, it also tracks the purpose of each permit. This is due to drought related impacts, none of which were found last year.

"Finally, we also issue and track permits for other borings or excavations that pose a risk to contaminating groundwater such as monitoring wells or geotechnical soil borings," Sipe said. Sixteen permits for these activities were issued last year.

Water quality concerns only take up about 5 percent of the staff's time.

Food safety

Time-wise, food safety takes up the second highest amount of time for Environmental Health, according to a chart Sipe developed. "Our food safety program helps protect the public from food-borne illness," he said.

Food safety relies on education, outreach and inspection of retail food facilities throughout the county. The department uses compliance procedures as established by the California Retail Food Code.

Registered environmental health specialists inspect, record and correct violations of safe food handling practices. They also have the authority to close facilities to protect the public.

Environmental Health's specialists are responsible for large restaurants with a seating of more than 25 and a food preparation area greater than 500 square feet; small restaurants; non-prep facilities, including convenience markets; cottage foods establishments where food is prepared in home kitchens, and mobile or temporary facilities for events such as the High Sierra Music Festival and the county fair.

Cottage foods or mom and pop are continuing to do well. The number of fixed facilities showed slight, but steady growth during the last six

years, according to Sipe.

"Every food facility that prepares, handles or serves potential hazardous foods must have an individual who is certified in food safety," Sipe said. This certification must be renewed every five years.

Last year, Environmental Health became authorized to proctor online Serv-Safe exams for local purveyors. "Providing this service to customers has been very popular as shown by the increase in the number of exams administered this past year."

Rabies and vector control

"Our rabies and vector control program protects the public from exposure to vector-borne diseases such as Hantavirus, plague and West Nile Virus, but the majority of our time in this program is spent on rabies case investigations," Sipe said.

The department works with state, federal and local partners to perform exposure investigations, environmental surveillance, consultation and other activities.

Rabies case investigations and testing increased last year. The department tracked and investigated 56 animal cases for potential rabies in 2019. Most cases involved domestic dogs, but bats are another concern. "In fact, the last animal that tested positive for rabies in Plumas County was a bat found in Graeagle in 2016," Sipe said.

That bat was found in July when Graeagle is at its busiest, he told supervisors.

A Portola woman is undergoing the rabies shot series after being bit by a golden lab that was allowed to run the neighborhood. Two dogs are detained, one at the Plumas County Animal Shelter and another at the owners' residence.

Plumas County is considered endemic for rabies. That means the virus is always present in wild animal populations including bats, skunks and foxes. Rabies is a significant health hazard, Sipe points out in his report.

The director of the California Department of Public Health has declared all 58 counties in California rabies areas every year since 1987.

Land use

Land use is usually done in cooperation with the county's planning and building services, engineering and public works departments. "Our role is to evaluate the

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foreseeable Environmental Health implications of proposed development projects," Sipe said.

In 2019, the department reviewed 22 land use applications. Almost half of them were for lot line adjustment applications.

The department was also involved in the negative declaration review for the new CHP facility in East Quincy.

algae bloom at Willow Lake next to the Pacific Crest Trail. It's important to keep hikers and others out of it, Sipe said.

There's another site at the north part of the Lake Almanor causeway that Environmental Health is watching, Sipe said. If the algae progresses it could impact recreation on the lake.

Duties include checking swimming pools and spas; currently there are 29 in Plumas.

Recreational health
Last year the department dealt with the blue-green

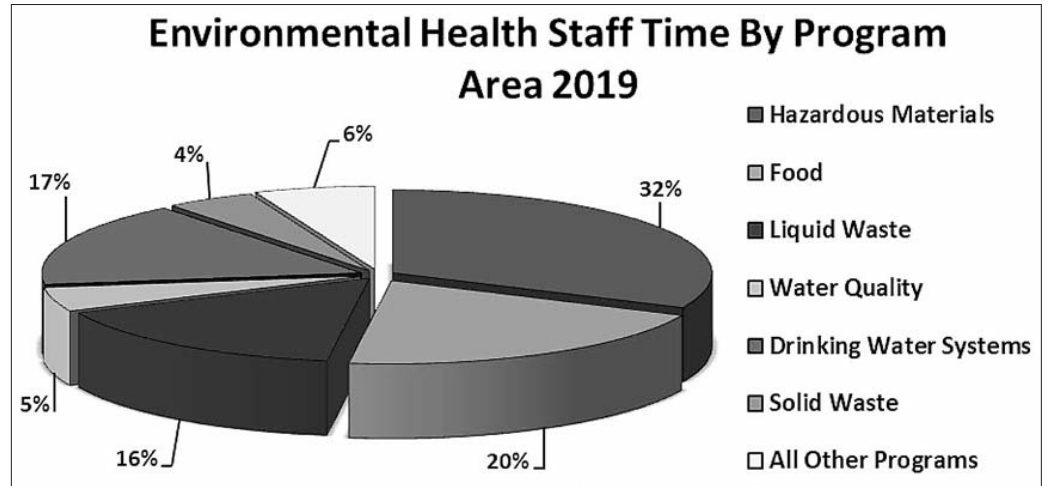
Solid waste
Solid waste responsibilities generally

take up about 4 percent of the department's time.

As the Local Enforcement Agency it is responsible for ensuring proper, safe and sanitary handling of the area's solid waste. "We inspect and permit county landfills, transfer sites, and investigate old or abandoned sites for hazards," Sipe said.

Last year the staff did 39 inspections of transfer sites, 20 landfill inspections and 29 inspections of closed facilities.

The staff also investigates complaints about litter, debris and illegal dumping.



In chart form, Plumas County Environmental Health Director Jerry Sipe reports to members of the Board of Supervisors just how staff time is divided up for the 10 main areas they serve. Chart courtesy of Plumas County Department of Public Health

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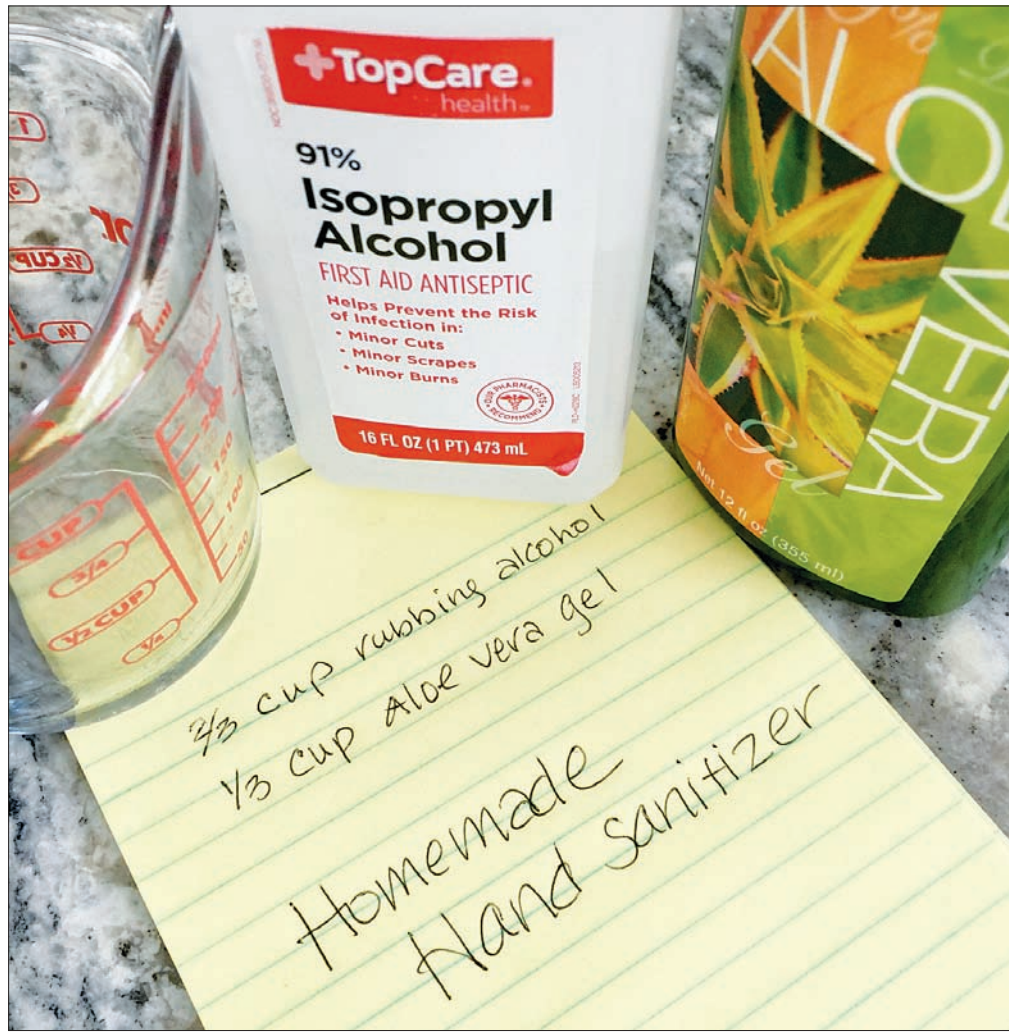
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Photo by Roni Java



Garbage collection continues

Waste Management, which provides garbage collection for much of Plumas County, announced that it is continuing curbside collections with the same routes and schedules.

However, local offices, and most recycling buyback centers and household hazardous waste drop off sites will be closed to the public throughout California and Nevada by Monday, March 23.

Most transfer stations remain open to process trash from customers who self-haul and material resource facilities that sort recycling Waste Management collects curbside remain open in Northern California.

Customers are encouraged to visit wm.com/alerts for detailed and up-to-date information about closures in their area.

"The health and safety of our employees and the community is our top priority," said Barry Skolnick, Waste Management Area vice president for Northern California-Nevada. "It is critical that we all maintain social distancing and reduce needless

trips, so as a result we will close all of our offices and buy-back centers to the public. This closure does not affect curbside collections."

Intermountain Disposal, serving Eastern Plumas, is also maintaining its regular schedule of operations.

"We've closed the lobby," said co-owner Ricky Ross, "but all of the services will continue as normal as possible."

Those who need to sign up for collection, can do so via email or by calling 832-4879.

Daw's Recycling Center will be closing for two weeks due to the coronavirus.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) are not calling for any additional steps to handle trash or recycling. Waste handling is not a disease pathway and has not been identified as needing any special precaution by the WHO or CDC. Waste Management continues to monitor this daily for any additional recommendations or changes from the CDC.

Connecting to nature

To help ensure that Feather River Land Trust staff and community stay healthy, the FRLT team will be working remotely and limiting time in the Quincy office for the next two weeks.

FRLT staff will continue to work on many land protection projects, collaborate with partners, and care for preserves. They are actively monitoring, adapting and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic as best as they are able. Call FRLT at 283-5758 if you have questions or want to know about public access on their preserves.

According to FRLT representatives, "One of the great things about living and working in the Feather River region is that we do have outdoor places to enjoy while social distancing. If you are at home during this time there are several wonderful ways to connect to nature without traveling far. Try birding from your windows or back yard, step out to measure the snow and look for animal tracks, or sketch your favorite tree. During this challenging time one thing is clear — we are all connected and we have power to care for each other and the places we love."

April events postponed
The Sierra Valley Preserve West Entrance Celebration

scheduled April 4 is canceled.

Due to recommendations and group meeting restrictions from local, state and federal agencies regarding COVID-19, FRLT is postponing all community programs and activities through April 30. "The health and safety of our community is our primary concern. Stay safe, wash hands, and enjoy nature while practicing social distancing," added FRLT staff.

Field Journaling

Looking for an educational, engaging, and stimulating activity for you and your kids? FRLT's Learning Landscapes Coordinator Rob Wade, has a great suggestion for this stay-at-home time. Take up field journaling.

Field journaling is a method of observing, exploring, and documenting the natural world around you. All you need is a pencil and a piece of paper, your senses, and curiosity (colored pencils and pens are fun too).

Making art or creating a picture perfect drawing is not the goal, rather you are "externalizing your thinking" by jotting down notes and illustrations about something in nature that grabs your interest. It can be a pine cone, a flock of birds, or a mountain slope. There are no right or wrong ways to field journal.

Libraries close, but curbside service

Roni Java
Staff Writer
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Effective March 17-31, all branches of the Plumas County Library and its Sierra County stations are closed to the public.

County Librarian Lindsay Fuchs announced the closure is in effect per guidance from Plumas County Public Health in coordination with the California Department of Public Health.

Temporarily closing the libraries will facilitate social distancing in an effort to help prevent further spread of COVID-19, a novel coronavirus responsible for the current international pandemic.

"At the moment, we plan to reopen April 1," Fuchs said. "All programming and meeting room usage has also been canceled until that date and we are not accepting donations until we reopen."

If you have items checked out from the library, due dates have been extended to April 1, too. Feel free to use the book drops; they will still be open and are being cleaned regularly, the librarian explained.

Curbside service

Library staff members are currently working and will offer some limited "curbside" services at the Chester, Portola and Quincy branches by



As part of Plumas County's public health response to the COVID-19 novel coronavirus outbreak, all Plumas County library branches and the Sierra County library stations are closed to the public March 17-31. Limited services are available online and by phone. Photo by Roni Java

arrangement. You may call those locations, email them or use the website to put items on hold.

"We will check the items out to your account and bring it to the door or to your car for pickup," Fuchs said, adding this service is only available during standard hours of library operation.

She advised that members of the public may either let their library branch know a preferred date and time for pickup of items they wish to check out, or call the branch when

they arrive.

"Please note that our Quincy branch phone lines are still having issues," Fuchs said, asking library patrons to make advance appointments to pick up their items at the Quincy location.

"You may not be able to reach us by phone when you arrive," she mentioned. "If you cannot reach us by phone and don't have email access, please contact another branch to get in touch with us."

Curbside checkout item limits (such as two DVDs, etc.) will

still apply, so bring your items back for check-in if you plan to reach that limit, she said. You must bring your library card or picture ID for this service.

Due to a number of factors, the librarian said, the Greenville Branch Library and Sierra County stations will not be offering curbside services and if you need to speak with someone before April 1, she requests that patrons contact the Quincy branch by phone or email.

Online services available

The library staff recommends everyone visit them online to access many services from the convenience of home including:
- 24/7 access to ebooks and e-audiobooks (using Overdrive).
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COVID-19 updates

The best prevention methods to reduce the risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still apply to prevent COVID-19. Please visit Plumas County Public Health's website for the latest information at www.plumascounty.us/2669/Novel-Coronavirus-2019.

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When someone reported that a line was down blocking traffic in a residential area, CHP Officer Reese McAllister investigated. It was a telephone line. He picked it up and attached it to the homeowner's side fence. He then had dispatch in Susanville attempt to contact the phone company.



CHP officer Reese McAllister cautions a driver in Quincy about how he was driving in the snow. While the driver said he hit the throttle a little harder than he should have, when he did he sent his truck spinning in the eastbound lane of Main Street.

Snow & St. Pat's Day Riding along with the CHP

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"Whoa! Did you see that?" It was a line I would hear a few more times during an afternoon and evening ride along with California Highway Patrol Officer Reese McAllister.

It was St. Patrick's Day. It was snowing hard. And it was moving into the first real week of cautions put in place to help protect the public from contracting corona virus, more specifically known as COVID-19.

"Today, I'm kind of the middle unit," McAllister said as we got into his black and white unit.

While he did yet more mandatory preparations before even backing the running unit out of its space behind the fence at the Quincy CHP headquarters, I buckled my seatbelt and tried to find a place for my camera. My little word processor would rest on my lap handy for note taking.

The computer system arranged in the center where the officer can easily access it takes up a lot of space. While this was one of the larger CHP vehicles, things are tight inside.

In my search for a spot for my camera, that left the area near my feet, which isn't convenient for quick photo opportunities, or the area I finally found at the base of the computer setup, nearer to the backseat.

Three CHP units were on for the day — St. Patrick's Day. I thought it was something new as a way to prevent those celebrating the occasion with too much to drink from getting into trouble behind the wheel, and others on the roadways safer.

After looking up some information on the internet (how did we ever exist without it?), it does seem this is nothing new.

"St. Patrick's Day celebrations can often result in a highway tragedy," said CHP Commissioner Warren Stanley prior to what usually is a big event.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, March 17 is "one of the deadliest holidays for drunk driving and alcohol-involved crashes. Last year on that day in California, seven people were killed and 116 others were injured in collisions caused by driving under the influence."

It was also a very busy period for the CHP statewide as officers logged 219 arrests for DUI alone on that day.

Given the snow storm in its fourth-day, and spirits dampened down by precautions centered around COVID-19, I didn't think we'd run into too many people waving and wearing the green.

Checking out the Plumas County Sheriff's Office official crime reports following St. Patrick's day I don't remember any alcohol-related arrests, not just in Quincy, but anywhere within the Quincy Area CHP's jurisdiction (Lake Almanor/Chester area excluded).

But as McAllister finished his routine check list, then reprogrammed the computer inside his unit because another officer had borrowed it, he was finally ready to sign in with CHP dispatch. The code he gave would crop up later in a discussion over dinner.

Going on a ride along, whether it's with the CHP or the sheriff's office, is one of the more exciting things I do on my job. I can usually count on going fast somewhere, after someone who's done something the officer didn't like or to an incident. If I'm remembering correctly I think my first experience with skillful driving and speed was when officer James Stowe first came on the force. When he punched the gas on a straightaway, I can still remember the force pushing me back against the seat, the speedometer read 100 mph in nothing flat and the landscape went flying by.

Don't try this at home kids, or anywhere else, but when

I'm with a trained driver, going fast is so exciting.

And I wasn't disappointed with McAllister this time around either.

It was closer to 3 p.m. as we left headquarters and McAllister turned right onto Highway 70/East Main Street.

Shifts had gotten a little messed up, he explained. He's been working graveyard since last November — by choice. In fact, he'd gotten home at 5 a.m., slept some and was back to work at 1:30 p.m. preparing for the ride along.

COVID-19 and the CHP

The "CHP plays a major role in the state in response to a public health concern due to our statewide law enforcement presence, public safety mission, and pre-existing memorandum of understanding with the California Department of Public Health," said CHP Commander, Lt. Erik Egide before the ride along began.

One of the CHP's objectives is to provide law enforcement and security services in support of public health and emergency medical services activities by providing site and escort security or other duties as requested by state emergency operations officials, Egide explained.

"Locally, we have implemented proactive cleaning measures for our personnel and facilities. Also, we continue to educate on good preventative measures to reduce exposure.

The dedicated officers of Quincy CHP continue to perform their patrolling and safety functions as usual," Egide said about what he and

See Ride, page 11B



What is it? That was the topic of conversation when CHP Officer Reese McAllister stopped a truck hauling a mysterious load. It wasn't the load, but a small wheel that was hanging down from the trailer and a taillight out that caused the stop. Photos by Victoria Metcalf



There's generally a lot of paperwork involved for each CHP officer before they can hit the road in his or her unit. Officer Reese McAllister has more than 18 years with the CHP.

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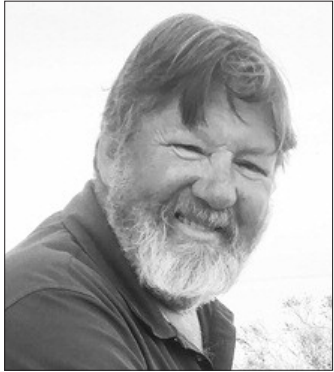
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Life Tributes

Richard Burfeind



It is with great sadness the family of Richard Burfeind announces his passing on March 7, 2020.

He is survived by his two children: Alan Burfeind and Pearl Burfeind. He was an incredible brother to his five siblings: Sherry Sprungman (John), Kristy Kelly (Kevin), Martin Burfeind (Kim), Stacy Lange (Wade) and Daniel Burfeind (Diane). He is also survived by his stepmother Cecile Burfeind; along with 12 nieces and nephews, and their beautiful children. He left a community of people who loved him and many great friends, including his close friend Christine Clark.

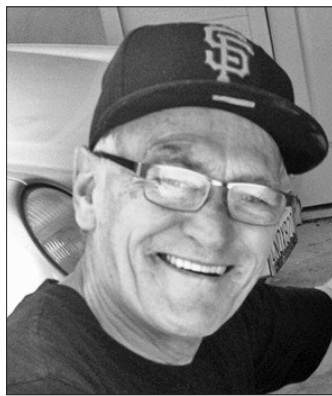
Richard started life in Redwood City, born to William Burfeind and Megan Jordan on August 22, 1951, he was the third of six children. He moved to Plumas County in 1972, and loved living here until his passing. He made a career doing construction with his younger brother, Martin. Martin and he worked all around the county with Burfeind Construction. His family was the most important part of his life, never missing a wedding or family reunion. Among all of his accomplishments being a father was his best. He was very proud of both of his children.

Richard had many passions in life including sailing, motorcycles, card games, music and carpentry. He worked hard to live his passions every day, seizing all of his days. He lived a life that was full of adventure, joy and kindness. His smile and laughter were contagious, he was known for his sense of humor and catalog of jokes. He was an avid lover of animals, especially the two Yorkies and four grand-dogs he left behind.

In lieu of flowers we ask that any contributions are sent to the Plumas County Animal Shelter.

Celebration of life to be held later this year.

William Thomas Perdue



William Thomas Perdue, 69, passed away on March 19, 2020, at his home in Graeagle. Tom was born in Wendell, Idaho, on Dec. 29, 1950, the son of Henrietta Haynes Perdue and William Morton Perdue D.D.

He was a natural athlete at a young age, particularly in football and baseball. Tom attended Feather River College and the University of California, at Berkeley, and graduated with a B.A. in history.

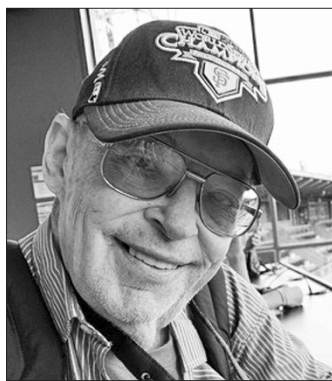
Tom was a true family man. He loved his children unconditionally, taught them the importance of faith in God, humility,

courage and forgiveness. He was a diehard Giants fan and he loved to be at the ballpark with his family. He taught his son to fish and they always enjoyed fishing together. He enjoyed gardening, reading, drinking a good cup of coffee, dancing to Elvis and The Beatles and being with the people he loved. Tom was the epitome of kindness to strangers, he made friends with everyone he met and his laugh could empty a movie theater!

He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Jill Perdue; his three daughters, Erica Perdue, Chelsie Taylor, and Rebecca Elizabeth Perdue; his son, William Ryan Perdue; his granddaughters, Analina Siebert and Mabel Rogan; his grandson, on the way; and his three brothers, Howard, Steve, and Jonathan Perdue.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date to be determined. Condolences may be sent to https://www.gofundme.com/f/in-loving-memory-of-tom-perdue?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link-tip&utm_campaign=p_cp+share-sheet.

Kenneth Ray Tucker



If you've lived in or visited beautiful Indian Valley any time in the last 40 years, then you've probably encountered Kenneth Ray Tucker or just "Ken" to most of the folks in his life. You might have encountered him at the Evergreen Market, a business he poured a

nearly endless amount of energy and passion into, or possibly as a member of the Indian Valley Fire and Rescue Team, where he lobbied to add rescue and EMT capabilities to the department. You might also have met him at a local Rotary fundraiser or at one of the many local school sporting events he attended. As a Rotary service, the family hosted many exchange students and teachers, bringing representatives of the world to Greenville. Even if you never met him in person, you almost certainly felt the impact he had on this community.

Ken was born in Sacramento on Nov. 28, 1947, the first child of Victor and Frances (Hein) Tucker. From them he inherited a passion for amateur radio operation and he earned his ham radio license at the age of 14. Ken and his younger brother David were both Eagle Scouts. He spent summers on his grandfather's ranch and he credits this experience as one of the sources of his work ethic — we also think it might be the source of his love of tractors.

Ken's interest and skills in radio proved to be a tremendous advantage in his career as a disc jockey and later as a broadcast news director, but more importantly it led him to the Radio Club at Sacramento State University, where he met the love of his life, Centella Wilson. They were married in 1968, and together they raised three sons: Andrew, Nathan, and Nick. Centella has been his steadfast partner and caretaker for over 50 years.

As a young man, Ken suffered constantly from abdominal pain and when he was 13 years old a specialist diagnosed him with Crohn's disease. The doctor didn't sugarcoat the diagnosis and told Ken that his life expectancy was short. At the time he was only expected to live to 19 or 20 years old. The doctor summed up his advice by saying "if there's anything you want to get done in life, do it now." This advice shaped the rest of Ken's life, which turned out to be far longer than anyone expected. As treatment options and medical technologies improved, Ken survived and thrived for several

more decades than anyone could have predicted in 1961. That advice, though, remained a motivating force for Ken and was a memory he often shared with his children. In recent years, as the challenges of his health have caught up with him, he's reminded his family that he's had far more time than he expected.

In June 2013, after waiting several years on a kidney transplant list, Ken came to accept that he would probably not receive a donor kidney and he resolved himself to a graceful exit. It was minutes after he came to this realization that his phone rang and he was told that a potentially compatible kidney had been found. The donor kidney was indeed a match and it gave Ken several years of good health, freedom from dialysis treatments and mobility.

Because of the transplant he was able to travel extensively with Centella, and over several years they visited every major league baseball stadium in the United States. He was able to attend his eldest granddaughter's wedding — something he never expected to be alive to see.

On Tuesday, March 10, 2020, Ken spent the day with his close family. He went to bed that night with sounds drifting in from the next room of his children and grandchildren sharing memories and telling stories. He fell into a sleep that would last the rest of his life, surrounded by his wife, his brother, his children and his grandchildren. The final end was shortly after noon on March 16, 2020.

If you call beautiful Indian Valley your home or if you are a visitor who has felt at home here, we hope you will remember Ken and his love for this place.

In lieu of flowers, Ken wished that donations be made to the Indian Valley Fire and Rescue Department. Due to current restrictions on public gatherings, a memorial service will be held at a later date. This obituary is, of course, an incomplete accounting of Ken's life. If you would like to share your memories, the family has established an online memorial site at: <https://everloved.com/life-of/kenneth-tucker/>.

DEATH NOTICES

Zena Bierley

Zena Bierley, age 96, a resident of Quincy, passed away on Thursday, March 12, 2020, at her home, following a long illness. Arrangements are pending at Blair Mortuary, Quincy.

Gerald Duby

Gerald Duby, age 78, a resident of Taylorsville, passed away on Sunday, March 15, 2020, in a care facility in San Leandro. Arrangements are pending at Blair Mortuary, Quincy.

Patsy Goings

Patsy Goings, age 83, a resident of Quincy, passed away in a Sparks, Nevada, care facility on Sunday, March 12, 2020. Arrangements are pending at Blair Mortuary, Quincy.

Penelope Shepardson

Penelope Shepardson, age 64, a resident of Lake Almanor, died in a traffic accident near Chester, on Monday, March 16, 2020. Arrangements are pending at Blair Mortuary, Quincy.

James Edward Urchison

James Edward Urchison ("Jim") passed away in his Greenville home Sunday, March 8, 2020. He was born June 2, 1939, in Poteau, Oklahoma, the son of Paul Edward Urchison and Lillian Louise Hedley.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby M. Urchison; son, James Urchison; and two daughters, Brenda Jones and Darla Little. Also, surviving are his sister, Helen Baird; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

James was predeceased by his parents and two brothers, Jerry, Billy; and his son, Michael Wayne, who died in infancy.

A veteran's graveside service will be held Monday, March 30 at 11 a.m. at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery, 5810 Midway Road, Dixon, CA 95620, (707) 693-2460.


MARRIAGE LICENSES

March 16

Gary Sather and Angel Britt, both of Portola.

March 17

Mary Katharine Boyce, of Palo Cedro and James Bradley Belsher-Howe, of Quincy.



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SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

Information in the Sheriff's Blotter is gathered from the dispatch logs provided by the Plumas County Sheriff's Office. No individuals' names are reported. And those arrested should be presumed innocent until proven guilty.

The following is a summary of the week's activity from March 11 to March 17.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 98 calls to 911 and dispatch
- 66 requests for assistance
- 55 medical requests
- 52 calls involving the CHP
- 51 reports involving fire departments
- 34 calls involving children or juveniles
- 29 calls about suspicious circumstances
- 22 civil calls
- 20 traffic incidents
- 18 disturbances reported
- 15 calls to REMSA
- 13 arrests
- 13 reports involving probation or parole
- 10 hazards reported
- 9 reports of intoxication
- 7 alarms
- 7 requests for a welfare check
- 7 reports of theft
- 6 reports involving schools
- 6 reports of harassment
- 5 reports to child protective services
- 5 extra patrol checks
- 5 reports to SIFC

- 5 reports involving vandalism
- 5 animal control reports
- 4 calls to the USFS
- 4 cases of domestic violence reported
- 3 reports of assisting other agencies
- 3 reports of trespassing
- 3 reports to the district attorney
- 3 reports involving drugs
- 3 deaths reported
- 3 citations reported

ARRESTS

Belden
The CHP reported the arrest of a man charged with driving under the influence.

Chester

A deputy reported the arrest of a man charged with being under the influence of a controlled substance and violating his probation.

Crescent Mills

An officer reported the arrest of a woman charged with injury of a spouse or cohabitant. A caller reported physical violence with a woman. She threw a plate at his head. He didn't want medical help, but was bleeding. No other weapons were reported. The woman was then outside and the caller locked the door. He said he had no relationship with the woman. The CHP was en route from Quincy to provide cover.

The CHP reported receiving a 911 call from a woman who requested an officer. She didn't

know her address but said where the place was located. When the woman was recontacted she said that her boyfriend was really intoxicated and arguing. No weapons were involved. The man was arrested and charged with being intoxicated.

Greenville

A deputy reported the arrest of a man charged with violating his probation, brandishing a weapon or firearm, and making threats.

Quincy

A deputy reported that three people were arrested. Two of the people were passed out at Quincy High School and two children were in a stroller. They were located on the bike trail by the gym. One man was charged with intoxication and violating his probation. Another man was charged with intoxication and false imprisonment. A woman was also charged with false imprisonment and for being intoxicated. Plumas District Hospital staged, but medical wasn't needed. The information was transferred to child protective services.

A deputy reported the arrest of a man charged with violating his probation.

The CHP reported the arrest of a man charged with multiple violations including assault

with a deadly weapon and driving without a license.

On a probation check, a deputy reported the arrest of two men. One was charged with probation violation. The other was charged with an out-of-county warrant.

The CHP reported the arrest of a man charged with driving under the influence and having a blood alcohol level of .08 percent or higher.

A corrections officer reported that a man caused damage to the jail. A deputy reported his arrest. He was charged with vandalism.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tuesday, March 17

Someone shoveling snow

In Crescent Mills, a caller reported that she received information from a neighbor that someone was shoveling snow in her backyard. They were making a path to her backdoor. She was calling from Okalahoma. A sergeant said that nothing was shoveled and there were no footprints in the snow.

Vehicle stolen

In Portola, a caller reported that a vehicle was stolen from an auto dealership. A deputy said that besides the Honda, a Bronco was also taken. The information was transferred to the CHP to be on the lookout.

Snow went into the roadway

In Greenville, a caller said a man was shoveling snow into the roadway. He also wouldn't move his vehicle so that the road department could plow the road. The caller was concerned that emergency responders couldn't get through. The information was transferred to the road department.

Downed limb

On North Arm Road by the fire station near Crescent Mills, a caller said that a large limb was across the road. The information was transferred to

the CHP. The road department was also notified.

Forging paperwork

In Greenville, a caller said that someone took her vehicle and forged the paperwork to show a different owner. She asked to talk to a deputy. The deputy explained it was a civil issue.

Tree in the roadway

On Highway 89 at the apple orchard, the CHP reported that a tree was blocking the highway.

False report

In Portola, a man reportedly went to a deputy and reported vandalism to a car window. The subject was filing a false report.

Down in the snow

In Taylorsville, a caller reported that he fell and is stuck in about 3 feet of snow and can't get up. The information was transferred to REMSA. Indian Valley and Crescent Mills fire and PDH were paged. The man was assisted. No medical was needed.

Line down

In Quincy, a caller reported that a line was down and didn't believe it was hot. It was reported to PG&E.

Into a ditch

In Greenville, a deputy reported that a vehicle went into a ditch. No one was injured. A deputy said the vehicle was back on the roadway.

Cost of love

In Portola, a deputy received a report of harassment. The individual wrote someone an alimony check that said the "Cost of love" on the memo line.

Man fell

In Delleker, a caller requested medical for a man who fell and possibly broke his ankle. Eastern Plumas Health Care and Eastern Plumas Fire were paged.

Smoke reported

In Quincy, it was reported that a powerline was down with smoke in a structure. PDH and Quincy Fire were paged. The information was also transferred to PG&E.

Tree falls on home

In Portola, a caller reported that a tree fell on a summer home. A deputy said it was a small tree that fell and no significant damage was found. The owners could handle when they return.

Low lying line

In Quincy, a caller reported a low lying line and he couldn't use the roadway. The information was transferred to the CHP. The officer tied the telephone line to the unoccupied home.

Traffic collision reported

On Highway 32 just past Butte Meadows, a caller reported a traffic collision. The information was transferred to the CHP.

Monday, March 16

Downed lines

In Quincy, a caller reported that a tree came down on the powerlines. Quincy Fire was paged. They said it was a tree reported earlier. PG&E was contacted.

Powerlines sparking

Near Greenville, a caller reported that some powerlines were sparking and there was no power. Indian Valley and Crescent Mills fire were notified. PG&E was contacted and had a 90-minute response time. It was reported that a tree was on the lines. PG&E arrived before they thought they could.

Stuck in the roadway

On Highway 70 west of the Old Highway near Keddie, a caller reported that he got his Toyota stuck in the roadway. No injuries were reported and he wasn't blocking the road. The information was transferred to the CHP.

Courts announce changes

Effective immediately the Plumas Superior Court will reduce to essential minimum services due to the governor's order on the coronavirus. The Court will focus efforts on matters involving civil liberties, restraining orders, and other emergency matters as outlined below.

The Court's operations will be limited to the following:

- Felony and misdemeanor in-custody arraignments.
- Juvenile justice and dependency detention hearings and other emergency matters.
- Civil and Elder Abuse Restraining Order requests and any requests for emergency relief.
- Family Law Domestic Violence Restraining Order requests.
- Any emergency civil (including probate) or family law matters.
- No jurors are currently being summoned for jury service and

no jury trials are set through April 30.

Matters currently set that are not listed above will not be heard and will be re-noticed by the Court.

The Quincy courthouse remains open. However, the court clerk's office will not be open to the public. A drop box for filings and payments (no cash please) will be available outside the Court Clerk's Office, Room 104 from 8 a.m. to 4p.m. Filings and payments related to matters not mentioned above should either be mailed to the County or placed in the drop box. The Court has declared March 24 to April 21, 2020, as court holidays for the purposes of computing time under Code of Civil procedure section I 2 and I 2(a).

The Court's Self-Help Center and the County's Small Claims Advisor have discontinued all

in-person services.

Please call Plumas County Self-Help (Family Court Services) at 283-4792 or the Plumas County Small Claims Advisor at 283- 6240.

The Court requests that members of the public should only come to the courthouse for official court business.

If you are not a party to an action and are not filing papers with the Court, the Court reminds you of the Governor's Order of March 19, 2020, for Californians to "shelter at home."

If you have a respiratory illness, are 65 years of age or older or have a chronic medical condition, do not come to court. You may call 530-283-6297 and leave a voice mail message relating to a court case.

Those who do attend court will be required to follow social distancing guidelines.

Kittens & Cats

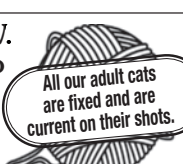
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SYLVESTER

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GINGER

Hello, I'm Ginger, twenty pounds of love! I came in with my friend, Sylvester. We're both seven years old, friendly and affectionate. We've been together a long time so it would be nice if we could be adopted together. We're good with other cats and are familiar with dogs.



PHOEBE

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EDITORIAL AND OPINION

EDITORIAL

What a week

We adjust to a new normal as we shelter in place

The reality is setting in. As our favorite coffee shops and stores sit dark. As friends and coworkers are laid off. As store shelves sit empty after a buying frenzy. As elective medical procedures are canceled. As we see the stark images from around the globe flick across our TV screens 24/7. What is to be our fate?

There is a palpable change in the air this week. There is so much about COVID-19 that is still unknown, but what is known scares us. The virus can spread before a person even has a symptom. The symptoms can be mild, but they can also bring a strong person to their knees. Enough people have recovered to recount their stories. "It hit me like a freight train," has been used more than once.

It's been a little shocking that we as a nation were so unprepared. Books will be written, but for now we want to look forward to see what can be done. It's encouraging that private corporations are stepping up to provide our frontline medical personnel with the personal protection equipment that they so desperately need. Doctors and nurses go to work each day knowing that they are the most vulnerable to contracting the virus. In Italy, where the death toll continues to surge, at least 14 doctors have died.

What can we do? Do what the governor has told us to do. Stay home. Don't interact with others as much as possible. Only go out for necessities. That's not a lot to ask. We aren't being asked to march off to war; we are being asked to stay home. As of this writing there have been no confirmed cases in Plumas County. But the sad reality is, that by the time there is a confirmed case, it will be too late. That individual will already have come into contact with others, and those people will have infected others. That's how this works. The only way to break that cycle is to isolate as much as possible and to practice not just good sanitation, but great sanitation. Wash your hands. Wash all surfaces. When you bring products into your home, wash them off. Wipe your bags off with Clorox wipes or wash them in the laundry with hot water.

The Board of Supervisors held a special meeting this past Saturday, giving various officials an opportunity to talk about COVID-19 and their planned responses. People were particularly interested to hear from the Sheriff and how he is planning to enforce the governor's and local health department's orders. Will he shut down the bars that so far have refused to comply? He said he has spoken with them and talked about their liability. We hope that if that doesn't work, they are fined or penalized as other jurisdictions are doing for the noncompliant.

We sympathize with small businesses; we are one. We have had to make changes here and aren't sure how many more will have to be made. In the meantime we will do all we can to keep you informed. We are continually updating our website plumasnews.com with the latest information. Every story can be accessed easily by clicking on the COVID-19 button on our home page. The stories are not behind the paywall as we consider them a matter of public health and safety. If you have any questions that you want answered, please email dmoore@plumasnews.com and we will do our best to get you that information.

Who's the boss at my house?



MY TURN
WILL FARRIS
Staff Writer

There is this stray, female cat hanging out at the Twain post office, Cappleman tells me. Pam says she is young and really friendly, looking for a home. We all know that stray cats are a menu item in this neck of the world; they don't live long on their own. Six of them have been digested from the Farris home.

My cat, Squeak, loves to play so a playmate would be just right. Apparently this stray would fit in well. With the help of a couple locals I managed to stuff the kitty in a carrier,

throw her in the car and take her home. She sang to me all the way.

In the past, Squeak had managed to sneak out the front door and go nose to nose with the local fox. I figured she would do the same with Sox (she had four white paws). Sox was still singing when we walked in the front door. Squeak came to greet me, saw the carrier, heard the song and bolted under my bed. When released from the carrier, Sox bolted to the closet in the back room and for three days it was like there were no cats in the house.

Now I had to set up two cat stations; food, water and litter boxes in two different rooms. When Sox was fed, she would whine from the closet but no show. Food would disappear and the obvious result of that would fill up the litter box.

Squeak came out for her afternoon treat of Temptations then disappear.

We humans can be pretty stupid. Squeak's stance was, "my house, my human, and my cat tree." Sox, on the other hand was happy to come in from the cold and wasn't about to go back. It all began with the oscillating growls, "I hate you," and "Not as much as I hate you." Then, of course the hissing and swatting, but neither made any contact.

Following those opening shots came the litter box wars. Each would sneak in and use the other's litter box. This became very hard for the stupid human because when Sox used the litter box the house was filled with a smell that was toxic to the extreme. Cutting out canned food eventually brought the stench under control, but the next

battle was looming on the horizon.

Enter the bed wars. Squeak had been sleeping on my bed for over 10 years. Sox wanted a piece of the action. This created a situation kinda like the Cold War. They each picked a spot, curled up and kept one eye open for any security breaches. When a real or imagined trespass was committed we had growls and hisses and leaps off the bed before they returned to stake out a new claim.

The stupid human would then acquire wisdom at the cost of a broken night's sleep. Eventually Sox began to make an attempt to play, only to be rejected with hisses, growls and ineffective swats. Then Sox would attack Squeak who would hiss and run under the bed. It ain't drama but it ain't peace either.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



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Thought "Fullness"

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Bette Maddon
Quincy

Helping our Town

The COVID-19 virus has overwhelmed our lives in the last couple of weeks and continues to raise our concerns about social interactions, which affects everything we do in a small town. While we social distance and/or shelter in place, many of our hard working businesses are already struggling with the typical winter season slow down. We all know how important it is to keep our local economy stimulated and our businesses afloat. Without knowing how long this virus might last, and with many large cities employing the shelter in place idea of quarantine for unknown durations, we might want to think about how we can help our local businesses now.

While I was on the phone discussing ways to mitigate issues that face our community with Matt at the Toy Store I thought, why not just buy a gift certificate over the phone. So, I did! It only took a couple of minutes. He said he would just put it in an envelope and mail it to me, and we finished our lovely conversation. It truly couldn't be easier. I imagine most businesses would welcome the influx during this quieter time. And, while we're social distancing, we can still have contact with our wonderful shopkeepers and restaurateurs over the phone.

I did notice on the Toy Store Facebook page, a short video Matt did explaining that he will take orders on the phone for

toys and deliver them to you, curbside. Now, that's a progressive idea! Especially for us older folks. That would be a great idea for restaurants and grocery stores. We call, place our order, give our credit card and pick it up.

Another idea is purchasing Gift Certificates, which might just be a gift now to the local businesses. If we spread out the time of our reclaiming the certificates, it wouldn't have as big an impact on the businesses, finding their sea legs when life returns to "normal." Or maybe, we buy the certificate but, if the business has a long road to recovery, we don't actually use the certificate. I have seen our community come together time and time again, in unimaginable solidarity to help a fellow Quincy friend, whether we knew them or not, through tough times. This could be the Go-Fund-Me idea for our local businesses during the unprecedented Corona Virus pandemic. Share this idea with your neighbors and friends, over social media or the phone, of course. This is just one simple act that might help our sweet town and all of its inhabitants.

Susan Holmes
Quincy

Luck o' the Irish

At great personal risk the wise, old soothsayer eluded the guards to issue a warning to Julius Caesar: "Beware the ides of March," from the play, Julius Caesar, by William Shakespeare. The warning for this Fifteenth of March came from the meteorologists. Earlier that week, the World Championship Longboard Races at Johnsville were canceled due to a complete lack of snow; then we saw so much snow that the road was nearly impassable. On top of that, due to the Covid-19 outbreak, groups of ten or more are outlawed and anyone over 65 is confined at home until further notice.

Being stranded at home was almost tolerable as long as there was light to read by, a few DVDs to watch, a running refrigerator, stove, and heat. We're fortunate to have a woodstove and can bypass the electric igniter on the stovetop with a match or lighter; but we discovered one other major disadvantage when the power went out. No electricity means no water pressure and no water pressure means no hot showers. That is why I am extremely grateful to the crews of electrical workers who braved the storm to restore the power supply to Indian Valley on the afternoon of St. Patrick's Day, and so was everyone else in the house.

Gene Nielsen
Crescent Mills

Wake up!

It's obvious people are not taking this virus seriously, though we've had no confirmed outbreak in Plumas County, it's only a matter of time before we do. With people traveling back

and forth to Reno where there are confirmed cases no one is using safety precautions to keep it from spreading to Plumas County. Schools, Public Offices, DMV, Courthouse, Welfare Dept., Health Dept., Probation and Child Support Dept., should be closed to the public to prevent any spread of the virus. We as a community should be doing more in preventive measures no one is immune to the Covid-19 virus. People need to wake up, this is real!

A 10-month-old baby has tested positive to one of the 38 virus panels in Washoe County, this is getting too real! Wake up Plumas County!

Tia Sharp
Portola

Seniors are not the only ones at risk from COVID-19

Seniors are not the only ones at risk from COVID-19. According to an article published in Academic Pediatrics back in 2011, 32 million children in the U.S. had chronic health conditions, and 14 million had conditions that required special health care needs. Examples of chronic health conditions in children include asthma, diabetes, obesity and heart problems (there are many more).

Even if these stats were way off, would you want to endanger even one child? All it takes to protect another human being is hand washing, coughing and sneezing in your elbow, social distancing, self-monitoring, testing and home isolation if tested positive (and medical care as ordered by a physician). Even if it comes down to lockdowns, it's about saving lives. (And who knows? You may be compromised and not even know it, having a health condition that hasn't been diagnosed yet.)

It's so true: "A house divided against itself cannot stand." We're all in this together. Let's stand united in this world-wide fight against the Coronavirus for every person on the planet — children, teenagers, adults and seniors.

Crystal Williams
Indian Valley

Not a platform

Letters to the Editor is not a platform to make plugs for ones organization or program. Comments and opinions is its intent (in my personal opinion). Enough with all the promotion for one's special program or favorite politician. Many of these promos are already well worn-out here already. Try to say something new I haven't heard.

Larry Weaver
Quincy

Town Hall Meeting with Huckbee

Why am I not surprised that people who hold Huckabee in high regard will pay so little attention to a pandemic during which Town Hall meetings should be cancelled, not scheduled?

Are these people not

sufficiently educated to understand what is in process right now? That the USA was behind Italy when we got hit with covid-19? That our own present rate of increase in infected persons is running — worse than Italy — where they can't bury their dead fast enough to keep up?

What is it with this kind of American hubris? I find no explanations suitable for public expression. This is despicable, self-centered behavior.

Imagine people "thinking" like this trying to administer a new state in the union. Incredible.

Hank Alrich
Greenville

Corona virus, etc.

It's a problem. But realistically, it could be worse. We are lucky to live in Quincy. We don't have a lot of people spreading the virus, we have an excellent hospital and the Sheriff and deputies will do a superb job, as always.

We all need to cooperate with the authorities because it will make their jobs easier. Let's face it neighbors, it is a crisis.

President Trump has done a great job assembling all of the measures and assistance at his disposal. It is well realized that his position is critical, as always, but they have not made any helpful proposals. The old adage is still applicable, i.e. "don't bitch unless you have a better idea." The swamp people have no ideas, nothing. They stuck their heads in the swamp mud. The two front runners Biden and Bernie, have only smart remarks, but contribute nothing. Make no mistake about it. Biden made millions when he was Vice President and Bernie is a hard nosed Communist.

John Wayne starred in the movie, Green Berets. He made the following statement: "In my day you were either Pro-America or a Commie. You can call yourself 'liberal,' 'Progressive,' or 'Socialist' but you are still nothing more than a rotten Commie."

It seems that the time has come to take sides.

Bernie calls President Trump incompetent and that kind of statement does not create the needed unity. Let's take his idea of forgiving the student loans. It sounds good, oil the surface. A lot of the new generation folks have loan debts. Bernie has not disclosed the results, if it becomes a fact. If the government actually forgives the debts, the Congress is hard pressed to start a new student loan program. If there is no federal program, commercial lenders will loan the money. That maybe create many problems. What happens to the people who paid all those years. Will they get a refund? Then there is the thought that you and I, the taxpayers, pay the loans. Are we prepared to pay

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OPINION

I see things differently than Dr. Saxton at FRC

WHERE I STAND

BILL MARTIN

In the March 18th edition of the newspaper, FRC Trustee Dr. Trent Saxton made his case for the institution's responsibility to combat global warming. While I applaud Dr. Saxton's intentions, I have a different view of FRC's responsibility and what action(s) they might take.

Let me be clear that I am no opponent of solar PV-generated electricity. To the contrary, I have 7.4 KW of capacity on my own roof that powers our carbonless, Zero Net Energy (ZNE), home in Quincy. I am also an avid energy conservation advocate and promote non-fossil solutions as president of the California Geothermal Heat Pump Association.

Before proceeding, I will note that Dr. Saxton did not credit FRC with having already taken the major step of using geothermal heat pumps to supply heating and cooling to nearly all on-campus buildings. The college has used electric golf carts for on-campus travel for years. There is also an active sustainability committee on campus and an environmental program component within course offerings. Green is good, and it appears to be active on this campus.

Dr. Saxton said that the college president should be tasked with taking FRC to carbonless ZNE in 10 years. He says that "we should put our money where our mouth is," but his proposals are not feasible, nor do they make economic sense.

He discussed the use of micro-grids and their potential. Although I am a supporter of such technology, I'd like to rebut his recommendation because this is not the best use of a small institution's budget.

For a micro-grid to serve the campus and for it to be capable of operating independently of PG&E (never mind achieving carbonless ZNE) an extraordinary degree of on-campus generating capacity would be necessary. Massive amounts of battery storage would also be required.

FRC is tucked into Meylert Ravine and is surrounded by tall trees. If the largest parking area was

panel-covered, it could not be oriented southward. Tall trees and a steep ridge would block sunshine, particularly during the low-sun angles of winter. Expensive engineering would be needed to design structures high enough to accommodate buses, delivery trucks, and front-end loaders used for snow removal. Frozen snowfall on panels would render much of the solar capacity worthless during winter, the period of highest electrical demand.

FRC's major electrical consumption is during fall, winter, and spring. In December, for example, even unshaded panels in Plumas County can expect only 45 percent of potential sunshine. At any point during those three seasons, there isn't a cost-effective set of batteries large enough to carry the campus' electrical loads during an unexpected lengthy outage or a 36-hour planned PG&E power shut-down. Back-up generation via fossil fuels, or a campus shut-down, would be required (as it is now).

And in summer, with more sun and lighter overall electrical loads, batteries large enough to store the surplus are too costly. Therefore, no matter what you do, you must remain connected to and dependent on the utility.

Could a commercial Net Energy Metering arrangement be struck with the utility? Perhaps. But until/unless that was accomplished, an expensive deployment of solar panels, inverters, batteries, and new micro-grid switchgear would be a dubious investment. Micro-grids depend on dedicated specialists that the FRC payroll cannot afford. Should there be strategically-placed solar PV capacity somewhere else on campus to offset the utility bill? Certainly, if/when the numbers pencil out. But unless the campus was grid-tied to a larger community, a solo micro-grid investment like this is a loser.

According to a feature in *Solar Power World*, 3-17-20, solar accounted for 40 percent of all new U.S. electric generating capacity in 2019, an amount that was 23 percent higher than in 2018. And this was achieved despite Trump Section 201 tariffs against imported panels. Solar generation is emission-free, faster to

permit and construct, and cheaper than base-load oil, coal, and, in some places, natural gas. It doesn't depend on water for steam-condensing cycles, which would produce extra humidity, and it creates no waste product — toxic or otherwise. But again, if you haven't got decent access to solar gain on your property, it might be better to buy into a utility PV array elsewhere that is installed and maintained by them on your behalf. Large generating arrays within utility systems are now beginning to be coupled to grid-scale battery storage that ramps up to meet demand faster than any other base load technology.

In my view, a major solar-micro-grid investment is not justified because the institution's load profile against potential generation won't succeed. Another reason is that a significant share of FRC's electrical power comes through a purchase consortium, providing power at under five cents per kilowatt hour. With less-than-retail energy prices and geothermal heating and cooling, the school has already eliminated much of its energy costs. Dr. Saxton recommended a baseline audit of energy and resource use. It's fair to say that the college has been pursuing multiple energy-saving retrofits over a long period already.

The one constant in electric and other forms of energy savings has always been the armoring of the building envelope with more insulation, improved windows, efficient lighting, and the improvement of heating, cooling, and hot water efficiency. FRC already has these. Even though Dr. Saxton recommends LED lighting upgrades, let me remind that T-8 and T-5 fluorescent lighting has the same lumen efficiency as LEDs, though without having as long a life. The new FRC library building got LEDs as part of its construction, but retrofitting all other campus lighting may not pencil out because LED tube-based replacements are far more expensive than what they would replace.

FRC's new buildings have met thermal codes, and the older temporaries were upgraded long ago. The school's geothermal heating/cooling system floor

space percentage as an entire campus is in the top 10 percent of all 107 community colleges. The original 1989 geo retrofit was a defense against monstrous all-electric bills at the time, and its success has fostered new and retrofitted geo installations for remaining campus buildings.

In recommending audits, Dr. Saxton also mentions water use on campus and specifically water pivots used to irrigate newly acquired ranch land south of Spanish Creek. The college obtains all its water from a well and, more recently, irrigation from the creek itself. I've already mentioned FRC's low cost of power, much of which provides pumping for campus and ranch land irrigation.

It is important to note that regardless of irrigation costs, campus water grows feed for horses and cattle, both of which are part of FRC's significant Equine and Ranch Management programs. This lowers costs by avoiding higher-priced imported feed. And with the addition of pivot sprinkling, students are being trained in the techniques of irrigation management, something that's impossible to fully convey from inside a classroom. Students, in effect, have a lab at their disposal to better understand the concepts and the actual operation and maintenance of an irrigation system.

I applaud anyone's interest in achieving energy savings and institutional leadership for green practices. Aside from specialized conferences and workshops that might involve the local community, I think FRC is currently behaving in a responsible way to do its part in minimizing global warming and the effects of climate change.

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for the education of other peoples' kids?

You see, it's a lure to get votes. He knows he is not being truthful. Again, a lie and no solution!

Stay healthy!

Jan Klement
Quincy

Failure

So, there's a proposal that every adult be given \$1,000 dollars and every child \$500 to help with the recovery of our economy. OK.

And who is it to be counted as one to benefit as an adult or a child? There are those in need living close to the border, those living within the cracks of every city. How will they be accounted for? Who is the authority to say Yes to one and No to another? Each decade the new census is argued over as being true or not. And even for our legal but undocumented citizens who live amid the cracks of our cities, how are they to be found, how are they to participate? When it's been impossible for authorities to simply keep track of those students here on educational visas — where they live now, how shall we keep track of these Economy Recovery payments made to those without name nor address? How shall that box be checked off, the name identified?

For decades to come this will be political fodder for liberal, social democrats crying about injustice. "This is not enough! ... Not enough, not enough!", "Failure, failure!, too little, too little." And shall it be too that a President-to-come will speak, from his heart, "Yes, my precious, they'll remember my thousand kindnesses?" Yes, my precious, failure, failure, more, more.

Julien Howe
Greenville

The Phaistos Disk

This relic was found in the Phaistos ruins in 1908. It is a 7

inch clay disk with 45 small symbols pressed into each side in a spiral pattern. 160 in all. Each side is divided into thirty enclosures. For over a hundred years, scholars have attempted to interpret the symbols as a third Minoan language, along with Linear A (not deciphered) and Linear B, an ancient form of Greek.

In 1960, I walked 24 miles across Crete to Phaistos. Barely a soul was at the site or on the road. The attempted decipherments still bothered me. I finally wrote a letter to the 'World Archaeology' staff in Oxford. In my opinion, it is not a language. It is merely a list of available specialists within the 60 small cities controlled by Knossos. The incredibly modern and technologically sophisticated complex at Knossos was devastated by a major earthquake in c1700 B.C. My guess is that the ruling administration moved to temporary headquarters at the equally impressive palace (perhaps less damaged) in Phaistos, while Knossos was being rebuilt. Each small city would provide professionals for Knossos' reconstruction. The clear impressions indicate such occupations as stonemasons, carpenters, plasterers, fishermen, water works crews, farmers (various symbols for grains, olives and grapes), charioteers, potters, leather workers and messengers (both on foot and on horseback). Most of the symbols are obvious; Cretan boats, three pronged octopus spears, fish, hides, vases, wheels, saws, carpenter's squares, double oxen team yokes, and beehives — even boxing gloves and a possible dancing bear for entertainment. Some symbols are less obvious, but they also appear to represent forms of occupation. One might denote a mill. My letter was published, but so far no rabid response from disappointed scholars.

Wallace B. Eshleman
Quincy

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFSQ) WITH PREQUALIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE COUNTY OF PLUMAS SB 844 NEW JAIL AND DAY REPORTING CENTER LOCATED IN QUINCY, PLUMAS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

The County of Plumas (County) is seeking a qualified Design-Build Entity (D-BE) to design and construct a new Jail and Day Reporting Center. **The County does not desire to schedule any site visits during this period or phase in the project, as the site is still actively used by both the Department of Public Works and the Sheriff's Office.**

This project will design and construct a new jail facility and day reporting center (DRC) on county-owned land in Quincy, CA. The new jail will include housing, intake, staff support, medical clinic, administration space, and a public lobby shared with the DRC. The DRC will include administrative and program space.

The new **Jail** will include housing, public lobby/administration area, intake/transfer/release, medical clinic, support, and day reporting center. Housing will consist of 60 dorm-style single/double beds, dayroom, outdoor recreation space, and multipurpose rooms used for programming and treatment. The public lobby/administration area will consist of a public lobby, jail administration space, and in-person visitation. Intake/release/transfer area will have multiple cells, vehicle sally port, booking counter, and an interview room. Medical clinic will include treatment rooms, an exam room, storage, and office space. Support areas will consist of a kitchen, food storage, laundry and staff support area. The new **Day Reporting Center** will include classrooms, offices, and video visitation.

The project will also include, but is not limited to, utilities, central control, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, communications, security, site improvements, fire protection systems, security fencing, and all necessary appurtenances.

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code, the County is utilizing a two-step process to prequalify and award a contract to a D-BE for the project. In this first step, the County is issuing a **Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) with Prequalification Questionnaire**. Based on criteria stated in the Prequalification Questionnaire, the County will score and rank all submittals. D-BEs with the three (3) highest scores will be eligible to participate in the second step in the process, the **Request for Proposal (RFP)**.

RFSQ CONTENT

This RFSQ Package includes the following:

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The entire **Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) with Prequalification Questionnaire** package, including submittal location and date/time deadline, is available for public viewing and review at:

<http://www.countyofplumas.com/bids.aspx>

High Sierra Fire is seeking crew members!



Lassen Career Network
166 N. Chestnut St., Susanville



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SPORTS NEWS



Young biking enthusiasts volunteer to wash bikes at the conclusion of the Grinduro Gravel Grinder event in Quincy in September 2019. Photo by Mari Erin Roth

Earn-a-Bike program in gear

Mari Erin Roth
Sports Editor
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“Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship is excited to announce its Knights of the Lost Sierra Earn-A-Bike Program,” said SBTS Trails Director Mandy Beatty.

“Through the generosity of Michael Knighton’s original 5 Bucks A Foot multiple Santa Cruz Bicycles Chameleon donations, SBTS was able to start this Earn-A-Bike Program. We are excited to continue the program in 2020,” added Beatty.

Participants agree to volunteer with SBTS learning trail stewardship and provide community service at least 15 times in order to earn a mountain bike.

Twice a month trail days will be offered after school with transportation leaving from Portola and Quincy High schools from spring through fall. During the summer, participants can attend the Trail Daze events, bike festival races or mid-week trail workdays coordinated with SBTS’s trails director.

The program is open to all

Requested applicant information

Name, school, grade, phone and email.

What does community mean to you? How does your community support you? Why is service important? What can you gain from providing service to your community? What public lands are you excited to help improve and steward? How will you challenge yourself in this program? What strengths will you bring to the program and crew to help make it a success? What is your transportation plan to attend Trail Day events?

junior and senior high school students in Plumas and Sierra counties.

Interested participants can send applications to Beatty at mandy@sierratrails.org or drop off applications at SBTS headquarters, at 550 Crescent St. in Quincy, adjacent to the airport. The application deadline is Tuesday, April 14.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 2020-000043 (Expires: 2/18/2025)

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: BBASK HOLDINGS, LLC. Business Address: 181 COMMERCIAL ST., PORTOLA, CA 96122, County of Plumas; (530) 258-7515. AMY T. GRUBER, 15 MATTOLE TR., GRAEAGLE, CA 96103; BENJAMIN D. SMITH, 3006 SURREY LANE, CHICO, CA 95928; BBASK HOLDINGS, LLC, 181 COMMERCIAL STREET, PORTOLA, CA 96122; KATHLEEN R. BRENNEMAN, 108 E TAYLOR STREET, SAVANNAH, GA 31401; BENEDICT C. FOJAS, 4076 GUNTREND RD., CHICO, CA 95973; STEPHEN R. BRENNEMAN, 108 E TAYLOR STREET, SAVANNAH, GA 31401. State: CA AIf: 200214310049 This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the above name(s) on 2/18/2020. Signed: /s/ Amy T. Gruber. This statement was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Plumas County on the date indicated below. Filed: Feb. 18, 2020 Kathy Williams, County Clerk By: Kari Capella, Deputy Published: FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 2020-000018 (Expires: 1/27/2025)

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: BLESSE MEDICAL SERVICES. Business Address: 3306 CHANDLER ROAD, QUINCY, CA 95971, County of Plumas; (530) 604-6850. ASHLEY BLESSE, 3306 CHANDLER ROAD, QUINCY, CA 95971; SAM BLESSE, 3306 CHANDLER ROAD, QUINCY, CA 95971. This business is conducted by: A Married Couple. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the above name(s) on 12/6/2019. Signed: /s/ Sam Blesse; Ashley Blesse. This statement was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Plumas County on the date indicated below. Filed: Jan. 27, 2020 Kathy Williams, County Clerk By: Kari Capella, Deputy Published: FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 2020-000020 (Expires: 1/30/2025)

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: AUTO FAB SPECIALTIES. Business Address: 305 INDUSTRIAL WAY, BECKWORTH, CA 96112, County of Plumas; (530) 832-9778. Mailing Address: 4790 CAUGHLIN PARKWAY #528, RENO, NV 89519. TOM KLAUER, MORTORSPOITS LLC, 305 INDUSTRIAL WAY, BECKWORTH, CA 96122. State: CA AIf#201113210017. This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the above name(s) on 1/30/2020. Signed: /s/ Jan D. Withrow, manager This statement was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Plumas County on the date indicated below. Filed: Jan. 30, 2020 Kathy Williams, County Clerk By: Kari Capella, Deputy Published: FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020

Request for Proposals: Electronic Monitoring and/or Portable Alcohol Devices/Services

The Plumas County Probation Department is seeking proposals to provide Electronic Monitoring (EM) and/or Alcohol Monitoring devices and services for juveniles and

adults sentenced and ordered by the court to the Plumas County Probation Department for supervision. Devices and services may include but are not limited to the following:

- Electronic ankle transmitters that can accurately monitor the location of a juvenile and/or adult.
- Portable alcohol testing devices that can comprehensively combine a breathalyzer with wireless connectivity to automatically document an individual’s blood alcohol level in real-time.
- Application and coordination of system(s) to ensure victim safety.
- Application and coordination of system(s) to ensure proper use, environmental adaptability and reliability of accuracy.
- Reasonable accommodations to enable timely initial hook up and/or termination of the EM or Alcohol Monitoring Program.
- Timely verification of testing results and/or violations of Probation rules and requirements.
- Proper coordination of communication with client, Deputy Probation Officer and/or Dispatch.
- Promptness of document support and the Probation Department’s accessibility of such resources (i.e. reports that include financial balances, tracking and communication history and/or testing results).
- Proper retention of records and database information.

These services are to be provided during the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Proposals will be reviewed by the Plumas County Probation Department. All contractual awards will remain at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors. The Probation Department reserves the right to waive any irregularities within a proposal or to reject any proposal. Proposals are due at the Plumas County Probation Department, 270 County Hospital Road, Suite 128, Quincy CA 95971 by the close of business April 29, 2020. For an Application Packet and further information please contact Erin Metcalf at (530) 283-6200. Published FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 18, 25, 2020

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plumas Unified School District (“District”), acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the DISTRICT will receive up to, but not later than 3:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, April 7, 2020**, sealed bids for the award of a contract for the **Plumas Unified School District (PUSD) Facility Maintenance Projects at Quincy Elementary School, 246 Alder St, Quincy, CA. Bid Package PU2020.2.9 Paving**. Bids shall be received at the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place. Responses must be sealed and clearly marked “**Facility Maintenance Projects at Quincy Elementary School, 246 Alder St, Quincy, CA. Bid Package PU2020.2.9 Paving**”. Facsimile copies of the bid will not be accepted. Each bid must conform and be responsive to this Notice to Contractors, the Information for Bidders, and all other documents comprising the pertinent Contract Documents. All interested parties may obtain a copy of the bid package from the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 or via email request to kevin@cmrgroupca.com. The successful bidder shall commence work on or before **June 15, 2020 and will be allotted 20 calendar days to complete this bid package**. All work shall be completed no later than **July 4, 2020**. There will be a pre-bid walk at **Quincy Elementary School, 246 Alder St, Quincy, CA, at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2020**. In contracts involving expenditures in excess of \$25,000.00, the successful bidder shall file a payment bond issued by an admitted Surety authorized to conduct business in California, in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. A payment bond may be required for contracts involving smaller expenditures at the option of the District. All forms must be completed, signed, and returned with the bid. The contract award

will be based on the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract. Minority, women, and disabled veteran contractors are encouraged to submit bids.

The contract is for a public work. Contractor and any subcontractor shall pay all workers on the project at least the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) pursuant to Labor Code section 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are available from the District or online at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov>. No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal or awarded a contract for public work unless currently registered with the DIR pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR. Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor at the time the bid pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and such license(s) shall remain in active and good standing for the duration of the contract. The bidder shall be licensed in one or more of the following classifications: **California General A / C-12 license in good standing**. Signed: D. Kevin Nolen, Construction Manager for PLUMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 50 Church St., Quincy, CA 95971 Published FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 18, 25, 2020

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Plumas District Hospital (“District”) invites and will receive sealed Bids up to but not later than **12:00p.m. on April 9, 2020** at the District Administration Building located at 1065 Bucks Lake Rd., Quincy, CA 95971, for the furnishing to District of all labor, equipment, materials, tools, services, transportation, permits, utilities, and all other items necessary for development of the **PDH Child Care Center** (the “Project”) located at 1018 Valley View Dr., Quincy, CA 95971. At said time, Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the District Administration Conference Room. Bids received after said time shall be returned unopened. Bids shall be valid for a period of 90 calendar days after the Bid opening date.

It is the responsibility of each prospective bidder to download and print all Bid Documents for review and to verify the completeness of Bid Documents before submitting a bid. Bid Documents can be found at www.pdh.org. Any Addenda will be posted on the District website. It is the responsibility of each prospective bidder to check www.pdh.org on a daily basis through the close of bids for any applicable addenda or updates. The District does not assume any liability or responsibility based on any defective or incomplete copying, excerpting, scanning, faxing, downloading or printing of the Bid Documents. Information on www.pdh.org may change without notice to prospective bidders. Each Bidder shall be a licensed general contractor throughout the time it submits its Bid and for the duration of the Contract. Bidder shall set forth the name, address of the place of business, and contractor license number of each subcontractor who will perform work, labor, furnish materials or render services to the bidder and each subcontractor licensed by the State of California who, under subcontract to bidder, specially fabricates and installs a portion of the work described in the drawings and specifications, and shall indicate the portion of the work to be done by such subcontractor. District shall award the Contract for the Project to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder. District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding process. The District may reject any Bid which, in its opinion when compared to other Bids received or to the District’s internal estimates, does not accurately reflect the cost to perform the Work. The District may reject as non-responsive any Bid which unevenly weights or allocates costs, including but not limited to overhead and profit to one or more particular bid items. Each Bidder shall complete the Bidder

Information and Experience Form provided herein and shall submit the form along with its Bid. Failure to provide all information requested within the questionnaire along with the Bid may cause the bid to be rejected as non-responsive. The District reserves the right to reject any Bid if an investigation of the information submitted does not satisfy the District that the Bidder is qualified to properly carry out the terms of the Bid Documents. Prior to submitting its Bid, each Bidder is encouraged to visit the site of the proposed work and fully acquaint itself with the conditions relating to the construction and labor required so that the Bidder may fully understand the work. For further information and/or to coordinate a site visit, contact Darren Beatty at dbeatty@pdh.org or 530-283-7129. Published FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 25, April 1, 2020

PLUMAS LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given by the Local Agency Formation Commission that a public hearing will be held on **April 10th 2020 at 10:00 AM**. Due to the State of Emergency declared by the State of California and the Declaration of Local Health Emergency by the Plumas County Supervisors, the regular meeting of the Commission will be held remotely only. The meeting will be open to the public and available via video conferencing at <https://zoom.us/j/370187632> and by phone at (669)900-9128 with meeting ID 370187632.

The Commission will consider the proposed 2020-2021 budget to make an initial determination thereon by the Commission. Any person may be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item from the budget or for the inclusion of additional items. The proposed budget document will be available for review 5 days prior to the hearing on the Plumas LAFCO webpage and at the Plumas County Planning Dept., 555 Main St. Quincy, CA. Please call or email LAFCO staff at (530) 283-7069 or jennifer@pcateam.com for more information or visit the LAFCO webpage at www.plumaslafco.org to review the Executive Officer’s report.

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION JENNIFER STEPHENSON, EXECUTIVE OFFICER Published FRB, IVR, PR, CP March 25, 2020

COUNTY OF PLUMAS NOTICE OF SOLICITATION FOR REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Plumas County Public Health Agency (PCPHA) is soliciting bids from automobile dealerships for three (3) or four (4) used 4x4 SUVs, each 2010 or newer and with less than 100,000 miles, with a total Out-the-Door price of \$67,114. PCPHA is seeking vehicles that either meet or exceed the specifications provided below. PCPHA will accept sealed bids through **April 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.** Bids may either be delivered in person or via US mail to the following address: ATTN: John Rix, PCPHA, 270 County Hospital Road, Suite 206, Quincy, CA 95971. It is PCPHA’s intent to review bid documents by the close of business on **April 9, 2020**. It is expected therefore that any successful bidder(s) would be notified by **April 10, 2020**. The projected time period for delivery of selected vehicles is by **April 30, 2020**. Sincerely, Andrew Woodruff, Director Plumas County Public Health Agency Vehicle Specifications:

- 4x4
- Automatic transmission
- Traction control
- Air conditioning/Heat
- Antilock brakes
- Power steering
- Power brakes
- Power windows
- Power door locks
- Cruise control

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Spring sports on hold

The California Interscholastic Federation announced March 17 that it was not ending the high school spring sports season, but taking a wait-and-see approach after the coronavirus outbreak scrapped the state basketball finals last week.

“While the time may come when we have to cancel postseason events, today is not that day,” CIF Executive Director Ron Nocetti wrote, adding, “The CIF has not

determined the future of spring sports events at this time and intends to reconvene with the 10 Section Commissioners on April 3 to revisit this issue.”

The spring seasons have been on hold as the coronavirus pandemic has shuttered schools, and many areas of the state and nation have been ordered to shelter in place.

Updates will be provided as news and information develops.

Parks waive fees

The National Park Service will not charge admission to its parks until further notice to give people a reprieve from their homes as they are urged to self-isolate during the coronavirus pandemic.

“I’ve directed the National Park Service to waive entrance fees at parks that remain open.

This small step makes it a little easier for the American public to enjoy the outdoors in our incredible National Parks,” Interior Secretary David Bernhardt said in a statement Wednesday.

Outdoor spaces in the parks will be open to visitors, though many of the parks’ facilities will be closed.

The Department of Interior urged visitors to keep their distance from others and wash their hands frequently. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends keeping at least 6 feet away from others.

Even with public health experts and government officials warning about the need to keep a social distance, some employees of the National Park Service expressed concerns about large crowds at the parks.

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April is a month of surprises. People play pranks while enjoying its first day – April Fools' Day! Clouds pop up and rain down on us. Breezes tug and break kite strings. Kites float quickly away or spiral down and crash! Fish pull on fishing lines and then swim away. Hey...are they laughing? Well, so shall we!

Ask someone with a good sense of humor to work with you to finish my puzzles!

- The ____ day of April is known as April Fools' Day.
- It is a day of fun. People like to play jokes and ____.
- Make sure that any pranks you might pull are ____.
- This fun day used to be called "All Fool's Day" and is thought to have started in ____ a long time ago.
- In those times, the date of the New Year was March 21st. People had ____ and fun for about a week, right through the last day of the celebration, April 1st. On that day people would visit and exchange gifts.
- In the 16th century (1500s) a new ____ was adopted and March 21st was no longer the beginning of the New Year. This meant that April 1st was no longer the day to visit others and exchange gifts.
- ____ traveled slowly and some people still celebrated on April 1st.
- Some people didn't like ____ and they refused to follow the new calendar.
- People who clung to the old ways were called "April ____" by others.
- In some areas, on April 1st, you might hear people call "Poisson d'Avril"! They have fooled someone and are calling that person an "April ____."
- This means that the person who was fooled "took the bait" and was easily ____, like a fish.
- April Fools' Day is for fun and small tricks that hurt no one. It is a time to share ____.

I love to make people laugh!

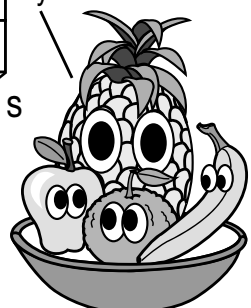
But, I never laugh **at** people.

My playful trick on Forest is to put this sign on his bedroom door!

Jesters were people who would entertain crowds at marketplaces or festivals. They wore pointed, three-colored caps, brightly colored clothing, floppy collars and bells. Today, we have costumed clowns who learn many skills to entertain us!



Pssst...a harmless prank – put googly eyes on the fruit!



Only 2 letters are needed to finish spelling these fun words. Can you figure out which 2?

- pr_n_s
- tric_
- g_g
- jo_e
- _ntic

The One That Got Away!

Have you ever noticed how the "big ones" always seem to get away? Follow the dots to see the one that didn't get caught.

Use the measure below to estimate how big it was!

I may be a jester, but I am no April Fool. I'm going to entertain the King and Queen. I need to put on the best show that I can. Help me find my set of juggling balls.

Tricks, Pranks and Silly!

Do you like to play harmless tricks on your family and friends on April Fools' Day? I do. So, I scratch my head and try to think of some fun things to do that will let us be a little silly without hurting anyone's feelings. See if you can figure out my five favorite ideas...

- Place gummy _____ or bugs on top of apples and other fruit in the fruit bowl. m r w s o
- Put a rubber _____ in the refrigerator. u y d c k
- Put a clean toy mouse on top of the _____. c l r e a e k c l o c
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Answers on page 11B

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RIDE, from page 1B

officers were required to do. Office hours in Quincy and Portola remain the same, but Egide encouraged the public to call the office rather than dropping in for non-emergency situations. These include vehicle numbers or VINs, collision reports and other general questions.

"We remain committed to providing our high level of service and are focused on maintaining public safety during this trying time," Egide concluded.

While McAllister carried out any number of his added safety requirements before I arrived, he was armed with a bottle of hand sanitizer that he seemed to use regularly.

So how is McAllister or other officers exposed? Throughout his shift he is coming close to people in and out of vehicles. He and others touch vehicles as they talk to drivers, assist with something, even as he's passing a warning or ticket through the passenger window, he's at some level of risk.

It's a risk that McAllister isn't too concerned about. He's one of the ones that believes there's a lot of shouting and precautions for something that isn't that bad. That said, he's still following orders and procedures.

Snowstorm

At some point during the ride along, McAllister said that he was sure relieved the roads were finally cleared.

Although he's equipped with a large SUV 4-wheel or all-wheel drive, when the roads are snowy and icy everything is slow, more difficult to navigate and riskier.

But McAllister has had experience on Plumas County's roads under a wide variety of conditions. With 13 years experience here, and another five years elsewhere he's experienced many

different road conditions to consider.

But today, although the snow was still steadily falling, McAllister takes his unit east. He turns around at Highway 89 as it heads toward Blairsden and Graeagle.

But it isn't long before he sees something that concerns him — a small wheel attached under a trailer that's hauling something that could actually be several things.

Turning around in the roadway, McAllister heads back east and comes up behind a dark colored truck.

"See that wheel?" he asks as he leans forward to examine it. "No, it isn't hitting the pavement." Just then the road dips and climbs and the mysterious wheel under the odd cargo is once again hitting the road.

"Yep, yep. And that back taillight is out also," he indicated the right-hand light on the truck.

We discuss what the man's hauling as we follow the truck to a safe location to stop.

I think it looks like a swamp boat. "Do you think he thinks this is Florida?"

McAllister thinks the rounded cage-like thing is some sort of flying contraption. It isn't until he's helped the man get the little wheel pulled up into a safe position and a fix-it ticket written for the light, that he finally tells me what the thing is.

McAllister said that when he was with the man he was also checking on the equipment on the trailer. He couldn't see a seat or anyway to steer it, so finally he just asked.

It turns out the man deals with a large leaf and yard debris situation. When it's time to burn the stuff, the driver said it used to take five days for everything to burn. The giant fan device that he had specially made by a company that makes swamp boats creates enough

breeze so that autumn vegetation burns in one day — less than half the time it took the old way.

That gives us yet something else to discuss and marvel about as the miles slide by and we're once again on Highway 70 driving west.

We don't get all that far before the officer is making a right onto a side road. Soon we see a vehicle on the opposite side of the road facing our direction. It's right where McAllister wanted to stop to refill his water bottle.

I watch with interest as McAllister hikes over the snow berm and almost disappears down next to this concrete bunker-like housing.

He says something about getting his water from an overflow source for some sort of water system.

But I learn all of this after he's checked on the guy changing into different clothing at his vehicle. McAllister said the man didn't think his mother would appreciate it at her house, so he chose a quiet spot on a seldom-used roadway before heading back to Reno.

So as he prepares to drive on he's explaining about the man and then singing the praises of the cold-water source he's found. McAllister said he's been drinking water from this site for years and has never had any trouble with it.

As we head down this side road we pass the Mt. Tomba Inn. I feel a little foolish right after I exclaim, "Now I know where we are!" Some big revelation, I know.

As we near the end of the road and notice someone plowing out a narrow driveway, McAllister launches into another story. It seems that the mother of his best friend through his childhood ended up living in the house. That's quite a coincidence since McAllister grew up in the Burney area.

Back in Quincy, we end up going fast over the top of

Cemetery Hill. We were traveling east when his radar told him a smaller car was traveling west at 61 mph in a 40 mph zone.

He follows along behind the vehicle. When the driver attempts to make a stop just along the snow-packed edge, McAllister uses his units PA system to tell her to move along to a better location that's more out of passing traffic.

McAllister writes out something after having talked to the driver, hands it to her and we're off again.

It's as we're heading east again back up Highway 70 in the Indian Falls area that McAllister shouts, "Did you see that?"

I did this time. Coming right toward us, behind another vehicle, was a smaller, light-colored car that had only half of its windshield cleared of snow.

A little later I said it looked like the person had put a rug over the driver side part of the windshield and pulled it off when he wanted to drive somewhere. The division between the two areas looked that perfect.

Anyway, McAllister wasn't going to let the driver get away with a windshield half covered with snow.

He turned around quickly in the roadway, I think not

far behind a driveway to what's known as Goat Ranch. And we flew down the winding road. This is when an experienced driver versus someone just driving too fast comes into play. I didn't glance over at the speedometer this time, I was just enjoying the experience.

As we approached the Greenville Wye, McAllister voiced what I was thinking, "Which way did he go?" We went right and took Highway 89, but it wasn't long before we realized that the other driver had taken the canyon road. It was disappointing, but McAllister said there comes a point when catching the person isn't worth the potential risks.

Rats! But I was still delighted with the sensation of going fast and not being the least afraid. "That made me feel young again," I told him as we headed back toward Quincy.

At some point as the day wore on, snow continued to fall and the sky took on the look it gets at the edge of night, I heard again, "Did you see that?"

I didn't. I was busy watching a large semi move along Main Street just before CHP headquarters. Soon we were following a large truck with the driver and a passenger inside.

McAllister approached the truck just across from Safeway. After talking to the driver, he returned to the unit.

He said the driver explained that he "was a little too quick on the throttle."

McAllister said that he saw the driver head across one of the snow berms in the center lane.

He seemed to hit it with enough force that it fishtailed and spun it around nearly 360 degrees. "That's how you hit parked cars and stuff," McAllister said, clearly not impressed with the stunt.

As 8:30 p.m. approached I said it was probably time that McAllister drop me off at my car parked in front of headquarters.

But as we approached it he was right in the middle of one of his stories and I had enough I wanted to contribute that I encouraged another run through town.

It wasn't until a little later that he pulled in and dropped me off. Not the most spectacular ride along, but still up there with one of the most enjoyable.

With the snow, the virus and St. Patrick's Day all rolled into one, who knew what could have happened. Not much, but enough.

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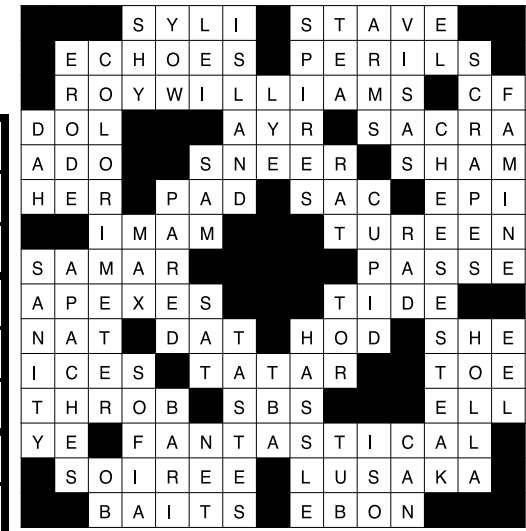
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Puzzle Answers

Word Scramble Answer: Aerates

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5	7	6	3	8	9	4	2	1
7	1	2	8	3	4	5	9	6
3	9	5	2	7	6	1	8	4
6	8	4	5	9	1	2	7	3
9	4	1	6	2	8	7	3	5
8	5	7	9	1	3	6	4	2
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Crossword, Sudoku, Word Mix can be found on 9B
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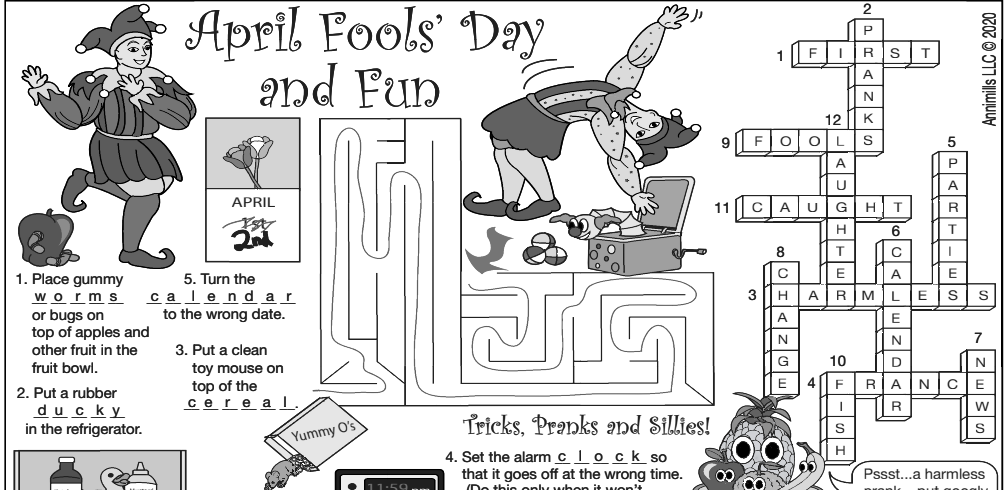


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With the news surrounding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) changing so rapidly, the **Bequette and Kimmel** accounting firm has shared some information as it pertains to this tax season that we thought is worth passing along.

Federal Tax: Congress is working through several fiscal policy proposals. It is very likely that whatever relief is passed will include tax incentives that will need to be carefully planned for.

The Treasury and IRS recently announced that the tax payment deadline will be extended 90 days, to July 15, and the IRS will waive interest and penalties for certain taxpayers. The delay is available to people who owe \$1 million or less and corporations that owe \$10 million or less. However, at this time you are still required to file your return by April 15 or get an extension. An automatic extension is likely to be granted by IRS, but that has not been announced.

Per IRS notice 2020-20, individuals can defer paying their 2019 individual income tax and their first and second estimates to July 15 without incurring any interest or penalties. Corporations and trusts can defer 2019 taxes owed and their first and second estimates to July 15, 2020.

California Tax: The state has granted extensions and payment deferrals to 2019 individual filers, partnerships and LLCs, and quarterly estimated tax payments until July 15, 2020. This also includes LLC fees.

In this same summary John Kimmel mentioned that his Quincy office is following the CDC guidelines on protecting his staff and clients. He has currently stopped all tax season appointments and is limiting contact to just the transfer of data and returns at this time.

MESSAGE FROM PLUMAS BANK

Here's a brief recap of just some of the information **Plumas Bank's** president and CEO Andrew Ryback has said regarding COVID-19. They too are closely following the latest guidance from the CDC as well as other state and federal agencies.

Banks are considered essential businesses and, as of now, their branches, loan offices and client resource centers are open and fully operational to meet client needs.

"Our community's health is top of mind. We have implemented enhanced cleaning procedures and social distancing for our branches, loan offices and administrative buildings. For our team members and clients, we are following the CDC guidelines; asking people to stay home when sick, reviewing client traffic patterns and branch staffing needs, and ensuring adherence to best practices. We offer remote and out of branch banking services 24/7. Clients can bank from the comfort of their homes with ready access to online banking and mobile banking services," Ryback said.

Additionally, they have ATMs at all their branches. Clients and businesses can use the night drop outside of each branch and deposits will be credited to their account the next business day.

"We have plans in place as well as resources for dealing with this crisis. Our bank is well capitalized and well positioned to serve local communities during this health crisis. Our branch managers and loan officers are reaching out to clients to understand their concerns, offering flexibility where possible and facilitating access to disaster relief resources," he said. For a complete report go to plumasbank.com.

Adapting to COVID-19

CHAMBER UPDATE

DONNA MILLS
 Lost Sierra
 Chamber of Commerce

I will not know if COVID-19 has entered Plumas County by the time this update goes to press. I do know most of us are feeling the effects the crisis is having on our local commerce and community as a whole.

Businesses are getting creative in order to keep their doors open while taking proper precautions to insure public safety. Many have added a curb-side service. You do not have to go without pizza or Mexican food, for example. You can still grab a table at Gumba's in Blairsden if you do wish to dine in or phone-in an order and they will take it right to your car door. Several area restaurants, like Lena's Cantina in Portola, and local grocery stores are providing similar customer services.

Some events within the county have been cancelled or at least postponed, for now. I just found out that Plumas Arts had to cancel 'Taste of Plumas,' a popular event which was to be held April 18. Lost Sierra Chamber of Commerce is postponing some of our B2B events for now, as well, like the 'Work It Wednesday Coffee Hour' and our annual member meeting. We will reschedule these events when things settle back down, hopefully by May.

We did have extremely successful B2B events earlier this month. About 20 folks gathered for our first WIW Coffee hour at Nakoma, and discussed short term goals for 2020. More than 30 members attended our first 'Cocktails & Commerce' mixer in Clio right before the snows hit. This mixer was held at a VRBO to highlight the value of chamber membership to VRBO owners.

The Sierra Valley Entertainment Group, a new LSCC member, has two events currently scheduled in April: our next C&C mixer on April 10, with great music and more, and a 'Reggae for a Reason' Concert on April 19. Both events will be held at the Diamond S Ranch, on A-23. We should have a go/no-go decision regarding possible postponement of these events by March 30, and will keep you posted through social media.

The Friends of the NRA annual fundraiser will be May 2, here at the Corner Barn in Blairsden, unless it is postponed. This is a huge fundraiser for the Chamber, as we receive the proceeds from the event's bar sales.

The Chamber and Visitor Center offices have closed for the time being. We will be checking our phone messages regularly should you need to reach us and will reopen as soon as possible. Meanwhile, we are keeping our magazine racks stocked for visitors and passersby, and our public Wi-Fi is available outside the building.

In other news, we are progressing on our Visitor Center's "facelift." A couple of our members stepped up and are helping us create a new look and feel that better reflects our vision of the "Lost Sierra." A big thank you to Joanne at Feathers in Graeagle and Mike at Kinship Ranch in Cromberg for your expertise in the remodel!

An important reason for the overhaul is to make more room for our historical lending library. We already have a number of books and materials available to the public, and will be working

with the Plumas County Museum and others to expand our selection.

Are you a LSCC member? Do you have a chamber decal in your window? If you have a brick-and-mortar business, displaying a chamber window decal helps show strength in commerce within a community. Be sure to stop by when we reopen, and pick up your decal. We even have a couple members who put the decal in their car window. Now, that's pride of membership!

If you are a member, and are having a special event, grand re-opening or anything newsworthy going on, let us know ahead of time. Part of the many perks of being a member of the Chamber is having us to get the word out to our vast membership and the community at large.

Not yet a LSCC member? Were you once a member and let your membership lapse? There is no better time to join or rejoin the Chamber than now. One of our longtime members said to me while holding up a finger regarding the decision of whether or not to participate in clubs and associations, "One: Is it fun? And two: Does it make a difference?" We have many new opportunities for member involvement to help our economy and businesses grow. And yes, we have a ton of fun when we work toward our common goals! Come check us out. Let's work together in 2020 and get this county jumping!

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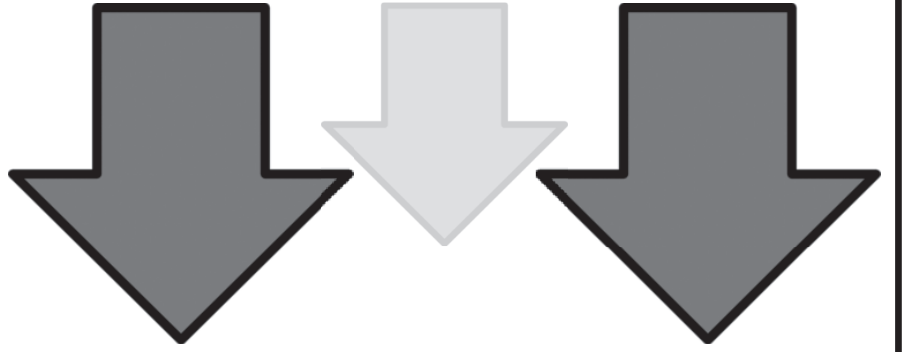
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SUSANVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT is accepting applications for permanent part-time Office Assistant. Workdays are Monday through Friday with hours to be determined. Minimum responsibilities include: accounts receivable, billing, filing, customer service, computer operation, and understanding district policies. The starting wage is \$13.00/hour. We would like to start the first round of interviews Friday, March 13th. Please bring your resume and application to Susanville Sanitary District 45 S.Roop Street, Susanville, CA 96130 or you may email it to scsd5@frontier.com. Applications may be picked up at the district office or downloaded online at www.susanvillesanitarydistrict.com

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