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Quilt Club meeting

The Bound Together Quilt Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday at the Fairgrounds. For more information, call (719) 846-3855.

Santa Fe Trail Festival Committee

Santa Fe Trail Festival Committee will meet at noon on Thursday in the Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

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WEATHER WATCH

Today: A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 67. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

Tonight: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Patchy fog after 1 a.m. Otherwise, cloudy, with a low around 47. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

Tomorrow: A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after noon. Patchy fog before 8 a.m. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a high near 71. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

Tomorrow Night: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 47. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

RIVER CALL

Purgatoire River Call as of 5/20/09. Southside priority #96 11/23/1883

Trinidad Lake accounting: Release, 530.91 acre ft.; Inflow, 347.18 acre ft.; Evaporation, 26.27 acre ft.; Content 26140, acre ft.; Elevation, 6188.59; Precipitation, 0.

Downstream River Call Highland 5/31/1866.

(Provided by Division of Water Resources)

Memorial Day Closure:

The Chronicle-News will be closed on Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day, however you will receive a newspaper. The advertising deadlines for Monday's paper will be 10 a.m. on Friday. Tuesday's advertising deadline will be by 12 a.m. on Friday. Please plan accordingly to prevent any inconveniences.



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Photo by David Santistevan

Recently, Holy Trinity Church celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation for several local teens. The light truly was shining down on these young men and women before the confirmation services.

Local teens celebrate Confirmation

Special to The Chronicle-News

Several teenagers from Holy Trinity Catholic Church celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, May 7, 2009. Present to confer the Confirmation was the Most Rev. Arthur N. Tafoya, Bishop of the Diocese of Pueblo. The Liturgy took place in Holy Trinity church and was attended by several hundred persons.

Confirmation is one of the Sacraments of Initiation for Catholics.

Confirmation is an opportunity for teens and adults to speak for themselves and to affirm their Baptismal process. For most of them, that initial process was done in infancy. Therefore, this is an excellent process for teens and young adults to become directly involved in their Catholic Faith. In the Diocese of Pueblo, teenagers are asked to devote two years of formative time in preparation for this event. During that duration,

teens are exposed to formation sessions, weekly gatherings, prayer experiences, field ministry and an intensive retreat. More recently, over thirty young persons participated in a retreat during Good Friday and Holy Saturday. The latter was an intensive experience in Christian living with participation of parents, godparents and many adult volunteers in the parish.

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Photos by Tim Keller

Raton High School's 2009-2010 National Honor Society chapter consists of, from left, Dale Proctor, Toni Sproule, Franko Donati, Rebeka Henson, Hannah Stolarczyk, Casey Kaplan, Shana Trujillo, Jerica Martinez, Nicolette Valdez (hidden), Riley Wilson, Megan Neurauter, and Jimmy Carroll.

RHS honors National Honor Society students

By TIM KELLER
The Chronicle-News

Tuesday night's annual National Honor Society program at Raton High School honored past achievements while welcoming eleven new members to join the one carryover member, next year's chapter president Jimmy Carroll.

Outgoing NHS president Gavin Wilson hosted the program, introducing counselor Kristen Forrester to present awards and Superintendent of Schools David Willden to give the

keynote address. Four graduating NHS seniors spoke on themes - Nathan Aguirre on scholarship, Amber Encinias on service, Jessica Vertovec on leadership, and Kelsey Fissel on character - lighting candles and transferring flames to others in a symbolic transfer of the traits of excellence and leadership.

As they prepared for graduation, this year's members were congratulated on their achievements and their service. They included Wilson, Aguirre, Encinias, Vertovec, and Fissel, as well as Jordan Carlini, Erin

Ganz, Rena Grubelnik, Tracy Hall, Michael Neurauter, Gian Poteste, and Steven Vanderpool. Jimmy Carroll was in this year's NHS as a junior.

Joining Carroll in next year's NHS will be fellow seniors Franko Donati, Rebeka Henson, Casey Kaplan, Jerica Martinez, Megan Neurauter, Dale Proctor, Hannah Stolarczyk, Shana Trujillo, and Nicolette Valdez. Toni Sproule and Riley Wilson will join them as juniors. The group's leadership will consist of Carroll as presi-

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Bi-County funds new Housing Rehabilitation Program

By DAVID SANTISTEVAN JR.
The Chronicle-News

Tuesday a public hearing was held in the chambers of the Las Animas County Commissioners Chambers on the Community Block Grant program for Las Animas and Huerfano counties which will help provide 20 new persons or families with low to moderate incomes, a decent chance at suitable housing through preservation, economic, job, and public facility improvements.

Even though the grant will be submitted through Huerfano County on behalf of both counties, Las Animas County will reap the benefits of this \$350,000 grant application, which has benefited over 300 homes here in Las Animas and the bi-county area since the 1980's (not the 1970's as reported yesterday's paper). It is estimated that 70 percent of the funds will desperately help out individuals with medium to low income status.

The Statewide money that is available through CDBG grant projects is around \$8,265,000 for small communities.

The Las Animas County board in the public hearing on Tuesday unanimously approved a letter to endorse the program to the Division of Housing. South Central Council of Governments (SCCOG) is looking to get more money according to one source for this program.

About 60 percent of the funds from this Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the Colorado Department of Local Affairs are used here in Las Animas County.

If anyone has questions about the grant, or project interested parties should write to COG at 300 Bonaventure Ave. Trinidad, Colo. 81082.

Obama attends economic advisory board meeting

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama said Wednesday that there has been "some return to normalcy" in areas of the financial markets that will be helpful to the economy overall, but added he remains concerned about what happens once the crisis ends.

"How do we create sound fundamentals on issues like education, on health care, and the topic that we're going to discuss today, energy, as well as all the innovation that's required around these various areas, so that moving forward we don't find ourselves in an unsustainable economic model," Obama said as he participated in the first meeting of his Economic Recovery Advisory Board.

The president said he wants to find a sustainable economic model that doesn't depend on cycles of boom and bust.

The meeting, held at the White House and streamed live on its Web site, focused on energy and so-called "green jobs" that will make homes, businesses and the country more energy efficient, such as installing solar panels and building wind turbines.

Obama maintains that reducing use of foreign energy sources and developing domestic alternatives will help boost the economy and job creation.

Obama said there was "impressive consensus" for getting the country out front on energy, and that he was excited about the opportunities.

Facing a trouble economy even before he took office, Obama created the 16-person advisory board to provide some outside-the-White House perspective on how his policies are affecting everyday people and the economy.

Led by former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker, its members represent academia, business and organized labor.