

Miner golf team opens 2010 season strong

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The Trinidad High School Miner golf team opened the 2010 fall sports season with a strong statement against some good 4A schools by shooting a 223, one of their best team scores ever, and finishing in second – just two strokes behind traditional 4A golf powerhouse Pueblo South (221) at the Pueblo West Invitational at the Desert Hawk Golf Course in Pueblo.

Miner Sophomore Blake Young who added some size

to his improving golf game shot a 38 on the front, and a 35 on the back nine finishing with a 73. Young tied for third just four strokes behind Jimmy Makloski of Pueblo South who shot a 69, and Luke Conden of Monte Vista who shot a 70 good enough for second place individually. Young helped Trinidad to a second place finish at the Cougar Canyon Golf Course in Trinidad last year.

“I am very happy with the way we played Friday.” Miner Coach Mike Vecchio said, “We held our own

against some really good 3A and 4A teams and some real good individual players.”

Garrett Schrepfer a two time state qualifier who finished fourth at State last

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Trinidad High School's 2010-2011 golf team posed recently with coach Mike Vecchio

Photo by David J. Santistevan



Folsom Museum helps celebrate branches of American music

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The Folsom Museum continued its busy summer schedule with a presentation Saturday afternoon on

Candalaria Garcia Lopez. Maria's brother was Roberto Garcia's great granduncle Salome Garcia, sheriff of Union County from 1900-1902, who gained some fame for being the

in the old Folsom Schoolhouse gym. The event accompanies the traveling Smithsonian Institution exhibition “New Harmonies”, a celebration of the many branches of

American roots music, including blues, gospel, Cajun, Tejano, country, bluegrass, zydeco, polka, Klezmer and others. The “New Harmonies” exhibit is open to the public daily

Garcia's presentation on Penitente music and the Latin mass, are co-sponsored by the Folsom Museum and New Mexico Humanities Council. All programs are free of

through the summer, in the center of Folsom Village and a quarter-mile north of the old Folsom Schoolhouse. Both are easy to find in the village of 75 people.



Photos by Tim Keller

“Penitente Music & the Latin Mass” by Roberto Garcia, PhD. The informative talk included Garcia's a cappella singing.

Garcia is the great grandson of Atanacio Lopez and Maria

man whose hatchet cut the rope attached to the neck of the outlaw Tom “Black Jack” Ketchum, sending Ketchum to his death by hanging in Clayton on April 26, 1901. The hanging became more famed than others of its time when Ketchum's head broke free of his body and rolled to his side, immortalized by clicking cameras. Today, the images are available on tourist postcards.

Ketchum's crime had been robbing the train just outside Folsom, about a mile from Garcia's program Saturday, which will be held alongside the train tracks



Penitente & Latin Mass music at Folsom part of celebration of music this summer in Folsom.

4-H ambassadors impress Rotarians

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earned him numerous championship awards. He also competes in photography categories and does community service projects that include highway trash clean-up and yard care for elderly residents. “I have learned that hard work is the key to success, and there is always a need for a helping hand, so go out and find it,” he said.

Travis is a four year member of 4-H. He competes in the market swine division and talked to Rotary members about the dedication it takes to care for and show animals. He said records must be kept on expenses and on animal progress, in addition to paying attention to basic care. A snapshot of his day included an early start at 5 a.m. to walk his pigs in the cool part of the morning, which is necessary because pigs do not sweat and so they can't cool off, so they easily over heat, which can cause them stress - to the point of death.

Travis is enthusiastic about the upcoming Las Animas County Fair, which will be held September 1-6. He made a point of inviting Rotary members to attend the fair this year since it is the 100th anniversary of the local event. The area 4-H clubs are sponsoring a mini carnival on Friday, September 3, to celebrate the 100th anniversary.

Rotary members congratulated the two young 4-H members on their excellent program. They were guests at the luncheon of Rotarian Mike McMillan, Century Savings and Loan Assn. President.

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First National Bank's 'Back to School' supply drive very successful

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Village East Estates, Jeanine Duran, and many anonymous donors for their contributions.

The First National Bank in Trinidad also held a similar drive at the Loan Production Office in Raton, and at the Huerfano County Branch in Walsenburg. The supplies collected at those location are being distributed to schools within those communities.

from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Sat., September 18.

The Smithsonian exhibition and its accompanying programs, including

charge, although the museum is happy to accept donations at the door.

The Folsom Museum itself is also open daily

Trinidad police will actively enforce child booster seat law

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Glorioso pointed out that a child under eight who is just wearing a seatbelt can be more seriously injured if they're not in a booster seat that brings them up to a safer level in the vehicle. “Our whole approach is going to be to educate the public and we will be proactive during this grace period.”

The department posted a memo this week to all 21 police officers to be on the alert for possible violations of the new law and to stop people who aren't complying. “We're not looking at giving tickets, we're looking at educating the public,” he said, although drivers stopped for normal traffic violations who also have unrestrained children in the vehicle will also get an earful on the new law from the detaining officer.

Glorioso said Trinidad has “just been lucky” in not seeing more unrestrained children seriously injured in city traffic accidents in

recent years. He said any officer is likely going to see a seatbelt or booster seat violation within an hour of driving around town. He has noticed people driving with their infants in their arms, let alone not strapping them into a booster seat.

As for the unrestrained adults driving around town, Glorioso said the department has participated in the state “Click It or Ticket” campaign. “We take that seriously as well and enforce the law.”

Booster seats do a better job of protecting children than a seat belt because it allows the lap belt portion to go across the hips and the shoulder strap across the collar bone instead of the neck, according to the Colorado State Patrol, noting that from 2004 to 2008, 20 of 28 children, ages 4 to 7 killed in state traffic accidents were improperly restrained.

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