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THE FINE PRINT

For upcoming "Summer Fun Events" see the list at the end of the Fine Print section just before the Public Service messages.

TUESDAY

Continuum of Care

Continuum of Care meets 8-9 a.m. 1st Tues. @ the Soup Kitchen, 308 Church St. For more info call Karrie Apple at 719-846-6665 or Tom Power (Colorado Coalition for the Homeless in Denver) @ 303-285-5221.

Las Animas Co.

Board of County Commissioner's meets 9 a.m. 1st & 3rd Tues. @ LA County Courthouse, Room #201, 200 E. First Street.

Pastor's Study

Meets 9 a.m. every Tues @ Zion's Lutheran Fellowship Hall. All Pastors welcome, call 846-7785 for more information.

Area Home Schoolers

Raton & Trinidad - join us for a weekly playgroup at Round-up Park (Trinidad Fairgrounds) 10:30 a.m. every Tues. This group is for local home schooling families to get to know each other. For more info call 719-422-4563 or e-mail: harthomeschool@yahoo.com.

Kiwanis

Weekly luncheon 12 p.m. every Tues @ A Little Catering Company, 916 Arizona.

Schools

★PRIMERO - School Board Executive Session meets 5 p.m. Tues followed by open meeting to hire new school superintendent @ the school.
★HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY - School Board Special Meeting 6:30 p.m. Tues @ the Davis Building on the TSJC Campus. Call 859-0740 (Andrea) for more information.

City Council

Regular session meets 7 p.m. 1st & 3rd Tues in Council Chambers @ City Hall, Third Floor, 135 N. Animas in Trinidad.

WEDNESDAY

Arthritis Exercise

Free Arthritis Exercise Class every Mon & Wed @ 9 a.m. @ Corazon Square & 1 p.m. @ Early Learning Center. Info call: 845-1133 ext. 224.

PAL

Playgroup meets 9:30 - 11 a.m. every Weds at Alta Vista, 415 S. Indiana. Moms & caregivers with infants, ages birth to 3. Playroom is also available for same time use Tues & Thurs. Information: Martina at 846-4400.

LaCasa - Fiesta

Meeting for all members 2 p.m. every Wed @ LaCasa Lodge in Jansen.

FP Fire Dept

Fisher's Peak Fire Protection Board of Directors will hold a Special Meeting 6 p.m. Wed @ Fire Station #1, in Starkville to discuss completion of the building. The public is invited to attend.

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WEATHER WATCH

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. West wind 5 to 15 mph becoming east northeast.



Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 53. Breezy, with a east northeast wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 83. East northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.



Wednesday Night: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 54. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

RIVER CALL

Purgatoire river call as of 7/2/10
Salas priority #22 5/31/1866
Trinidad Lake accounting:
Release 290.33 acre ft.
Inflow 156.44 acre ft.
Evaporation 23.11 acre ft.
Content 24,269 acre ft.
Elevation 6,186.13
Precipitation 0
Downstream river call
Highland 5/31/1866
(Provided by Division of Water Resources)



Jeanine DeGarbo retires with fond memories of people at Trinidad State Nursing Home

By MIKE GARRETT
The Chronicle-News

There must be something in the Trinidad air because another local longtime employee has announced her retirement this summer after a lengthy tenure with the same employer.

Trinidad State Nursing Home is losing Jeanine DeGarbo after 25 years of employment. Her last day of work was Thursday. The DeGarbo family has a combined 88 years of working at the nursing home. Jeanine's sister, Jennette Bonato, retired there a couple of years ago after 27 years of service as a licensed practitioner nurse (LPN). Their mother, Judy DeGarbo, also put in 25 years at the home, and Jeanine and Jeannette's father, Jimmie, worked there 11 years in the maintenance department. The sisters' grandmother, Ruby Dietz, has been a resident in the home the past six years.

"The residents here still ask about Jennette. She was a great nurse," said Jeanine. "And my mother also worked here as an LPN and in medical records."

In all, five generations of the DeGarbo family are still living in Trinidad, including two of Jeanine's sons, Brad and David. Trinidad International Bank Branch President Joe DeGarbo is a first cousin. "Joe's dad and my dad are brothers." Her father Jimmie passed away last February.

During DeGarbo's entire 25



Photo by Mike Garrett

"I've loved the job and the residents here. We can make a difference in their lives."

years at Trinidad State Nursing Home, she worked in its medical records department as a health information tech officer. She has 37 years in the medical records field, including a 10-year tenure

at Mt. San Rafael Hospital, working with Mary Pantano, who passed away a couple of years ago. DeGarbo received her license as a registered health

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History lecture looks at WWII treason trial

Special to The Chronicle-News

A chapter in local history that many may not be aware of will be brought to life this Thursday night at 7 p.m. when William Wei, a professor of history at the University of Colorado at Boulder, presents the interactive lecture, "Sex, Race, and the Fate of Three Nisei Sisters." The presentation takes place in the Pioneer Room in the Sullivan Student Center at Trinidad State Junior College, and admission is by donation.

In 1943, during World War II, two German prisoners of war escaped from Camp Trinidad and were later caught in New Mexico. It was later determined that the soldiers' escape was assisted by the three Nisei sisters, Japanese-American citizens who were being held at the Granada Relocation Center (Camp Amache) near Lamar. The sisters were tried for treason in Denver and this presentation concerns the case and the sisters' fate.

The lecture is part of the ongoing "Celebrate Japan!" program organized by the Trinidad History Museum. The year-long celebration also is being funded by the William and Alice Hosokawa Fellowship of the Japan America Society of Colorado, the Bar NI Ranch Community Service Fund, the City of Trinidad Art and Cultural Advisory Commission, the Colorado Garden Show, Inc., Friends of Historical Trinidad, the City of Trinidad Tourism Board, and Emory T. Trosper of Tokyo and Trinidad.

Folsom Museum hosts western night & chili cook-off

By TIM KELLER
The Chronicle-News

New Mexico's dynamic Folsom Museum hosts its annual Western Night Under the Stars Saturday evening, July 10, with more activities than ever before. Highlighted by a Chili Cook-Off this year, there is also a live auction of new items donated by local artists and craftspeople. Ranchers who haven't burned their brands into the fence can do it Saturday. People who aren't filled up by tasting the chili entries may partake in a Texas Longhorn Meal prepared by Fred Balmer in exchange for a donation to the museum.

Accompanying all this will be a concert performed by well-known cowboy singer Steve Cormier. Traveling from his home near Albuquerque for the event, Cormier has been a working cowboy, an actor, and a college professor; he's performed his songs and cowboy poetry all over the West.

Though everything officially

begins at 5:30 p.m., the museum is likely to be busy all day. At noon, Chuck Hannaford returns to set up his tables of area historical and archaeological artifacts for people to view, hold, and learn about. Project Director for the NM Office of Archaeological Studies in Santa Fe, Hannaford directs a program called Roads to the Past. He enjoys showing the artifacts he brings and spending the afternoon answering questions and talking about times past with everyone who stops by.

Visitors are encouraged to bring old items they're curious about; Hannaford can probably provide explanations and background, placing the objects in time and showing their uses.

Chili Cook-Off contestants may submit their entries in any or all of the three categories: red, green, or Tex-Mex chili. Contestants must give the judges a pint jar of their chili at 5:30 p.m., then have at least another gallon available to serve visitors. Tables and electricity will be provided, but contestants need to



Photo by Tim Keller

Until the 1960s, Doherty Mercantile Co. served the Folsom area. When it became the Folsom Museum, much of the old store was preserved intact.

bring their own heating devices. Judging runs from 5:30 to 6, when the cooks will begin serving samples to visitors. There is a \$5 fee for each entry, with prizes award-

ed in each category, plus a grand prize for an overall winner.

The Folsom Museum is open

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Photo by Marty Mayfield

A water canon was used to spray water on a fire in a storage shed on the BTU Block and Concrete property just behind the Ice House in Raton Sunday night. Firemen were called to the scene just as they were preparing for the annual July 4th fireworks display. Smoke could be seen from quite a distance in the twilight. The storage shed was totally destroyed in the fire.

Locks of Love



With hair that hadn't been trimmed since his freshman year in high school, Wesley had a healthy amount to give away.



Liz Torres, owner of Commercial Street Salon & Day Spa, trims the long locks off Wesley last week as part of the salon's participation in the Locks of Love fundraiser July 17, which encourages people to donate their locks for cancer research, in this case the Trinidad Cancer Alliance.



The freshly clipped young donor encourages others to join the effort.

Trinidad High graduate donates his hair to a good cause

By MIKE GARRETT
The Chronicle-News

Wesley Febbraro Jr., 19, decided his hair had grown long enough after not getting it cut since his freshman year at Trinidad High School. He just graduated from THS in May.

What better way to mark the occasion of getting his hair cut for the first time in nearly four years than to donate his trimmed long hair to Locks of Love and the Trinidad Cancer Alliance, which is in partnership with Commercial Street Salon & Day Spa at 257 N. Commercial St. to have all that trimmed hair donated to a good cause.

Wesley's mother, Chris Felthager, was all for having her son get his long locks trimmed for a noble cause. After all, it's summer and all that hair tended to get pretty hot under the sun. Knowing his hair would go to a good cause, Wesley said it was time to finally get it cut. So last week Commercial Street Salon owner Liz Torres accommodated Febbraro and saved all that hair for Locks of Love. The group's mission is explained on its website at www.locksoflove.org.

Lena Abeyta Calisto, who used to own and operate her own hair salon in the Arizona Avenue building where

A Little Catering Co., is housed, but now works for Commercial Street Salon, explained that the shop will host a Locks of Love fundraiser from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 17. "We encourage people to donate their hair, a hat or a scarf, with all proceeds going to the Trinidad Area Cancer Alliance."

She said the donated hats will be collected in a wall of hats similar to what Children's Hospital in Denver's Oncology Department does with its collected hats. "Some of the hats we collect will stay here and some will be taken there," she said.

Abeyta-Calisto, who also teaches at Trinidad State Junior College's Cosmetology Department, said she got involved in the project in an up close and personal way because her son Justin, now 14, is also a cancer survivor after the Trinidad Middle School student was diagnosed with cancer at age 13. "And I've always collected hair for Locks of Love.

Locks of Love is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the U.S. and Canada under age 21 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis.

ON THIS DAY IN TRINIDAD

By COSETTE HENRITZE
The Chronicle-News

50 Years Ago

The members of the Trinidad men's bowling team, representing the Columbian Lounge, that took top honors in the Raton, N.M. Major League bowling championship were recently awarded their trophy at a banquet in Raton. They are Julius DiGregorio, Joe Genell, Carl Frenchmore, Jim Sisneros, Jake Orsland, and Charles Festi, Jr. The team won the championship by

rolling a 921, 906, and 966 series.

75 Years Ago

Tommy Salito, a native son of this community who for the past 13 years has resided in Los Angeles, is enjoying a vacation visit in Trinidad and vicinity, renewing old acquaintances. His father resides on a ranch near Valdez. Two sisters in this city are Mrs. Joe Amato and Mrs. H. Galasso. Salito is well known here.

100 years Ago

Hector M. Kearney, an Englishman who came here recently and established an agency for the Cameron make of motor cars, and who was one of the 42 arrested and hauled into police court and fined for the alleged violation of the automobile speed ordinance which provides that cars shall not be driven within the city limits faster than eight miles an hour, appears to be very much provoked by the action of the police department in causing him to be fined for speeding. He argues that being a stranger here and therefore unacquainted with statutes and ordinances effective in this bailiwick, that he should have been advised or warned of such ordinances and shown some leniency in his first offense.

Folsom Museum hosts western night and chili cook-off



The Folsom Museum hosts its annual western night under the stars, complete with chili cook-off, Saturday evening.

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seven days a week throughout the summer, located in the old Doherty Mercantile in downtown Folsom, 35 miles east of Raton across Johnson Mesa via Highway 72. It is joined this year by The New Mexico Humanities Council in sponsoring Western Night Under the Stars. While the museum will remain open Saturday night, all the special activities will be held out under the trees beside the historic building. Information is available from the museum at (575) 278-2122 or www.folsommuseum.org.



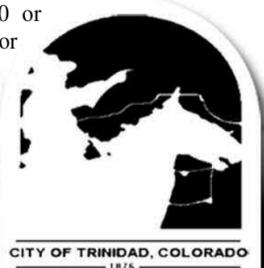
Photos by Tim Keller

After decades with a lost combination, the old safe in the Folsom Museum was recently opened. The museum will be open during Saturday evening's event.

NOTICE TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS, LESSEES OR OCCUPANTS IN THE CITY OF TRINIDAD

You are hereby notified that it is your duty to cut and remove all weeds, grass, brush, volunteer growth of bushes and herbaceous plants, and other vegetation in excess of six inches (6") in height from your property, on or along any street or roadway adjoining your property, between the property line and curb line thereof, and on or along any alley adjoining the same between the property line and the center of such alley, and to keep said growth below six inches (6") at all times. If cutting and removing is not done, the work may be done under the orders of the City Manager and costs thereof, together with an administrative fee, will be charged to said property. In default of cutting and removing, the owners, lessees, or occupants of said property will be subject to a maximum fine of \$300 or imprisonment of not more than ninety (90) days, or both, upon conviction. Failure to comply may result in immediate citation.

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Thought for the Day

"For every minute you are angry you lose sixty seconds of happiness."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



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