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THE FINE PRINT

Trinidad's Community Calendar is designed to keep you apprized of all upcoming local fun events & important meetings. You won't want to miss a single thing!

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.

Neighs & Brays

Donkey, horse & mule lovers meet 6 p.m. Wed @ the Carnegie Public Library, 202 North Animas. You don't have to own one to attend. For more information email jane.besel@gmail.com or call 719-680-0741.

THURSDAY

Rotary Club

Weekly Luncheon & Meeting 12 p.m. every Thurs. @ the Holiday Inn, 3130 Santa Fe Trail Dr.

Ballot Questions

An informational meeting on Amendments 60, 61 and Proposition 101 will be held at 6 p.m. Thurs, Aug. 5 at the Trinidad Holiday Inn. Guest presenters will be Ann Terry, Mark Radtke and John Lay. Host is Kelli Dochter-VanMatre in connection with Century Financial Group. For information, call Kelli at (719) 846-2080, ext. 116.

Trinidad High School

Fall sports meeting for parents & guardians of all students who will participate in school sports this season. Come to the THS Library 6 p.m. Thurs, 816 West Street. Call 846-2971 for more information.

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WEATHER WATCH

Wednesday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after noon. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph. New rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Wednesday Night: Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly before midnight. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59. East northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph becoming calm. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Thursday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 82. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east.

Thursday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

RIVER CALL

Purgatoire river call as of 8/3/10
South Side priority #108 2/15/1888
Trinidad Lake accounting
Release 435.20 acre ft.
Current release 475 cfs
Inflow 590.35 acre ft. = 297.63 cfs
Evaporation 11.15 acre ft.
Content 20,413 acre ft.
Elevation 6,180.75
Precipitation 0
Downstream river call
Nine Mile 5/10/1887
1 cubic (cfs) foot per second equals one cubic foot of water passing a point in one second of time.
1 acre-foot equals a quantity of water required to cover one acre of land to a depth of one foot.
1 cubic foot per second = 1.9835 acre-feet per day (24 hrs)
(Provided by Division of Water Resources)

Stormy weather



Photo by David J. Santistevan Jr.

A rash of heavy thunderstorms has hit Las Animas County over the past couple of days. County roads have been hit hard in both the western and eastern part of the county. This photos shows lighting and a thunderstorm cloud rolling over the northwestern part of the county. Today, in the Trinidad area the forecast is calling for a 40 to 60 percent chance of isolated thunderstorms with highs in the low to mid 80s. Tonight, there will be a 40 percent chance of rain and thunderstorms with a low around 59. For Thursday and Friday, a 40 percent chance of scattered storms is possible with highs in the upper 70s to mid 80s. (Source: www.weather.com.)

Huskies headed for new homes

By RICHARD SITTS
The Chronicle-News

Three Huskies rescued from an illegal dog breeding operation in a Trinidad backyard are headed for a brighter future. The dogs, along with a fourth Husky brought in by someone else, were loaded into pet carriers at Noah's Ark Animal Welfare Association Tuesday morning and driven down to Siberian Husky Rescue of New Mexico, in Tijeras, just east of Albuquerque. There, the dogs are expected to be placed in foster homes until permanent homes can be found for them.

The three Huskies came from the 200 E. Second St. residence of David Holloway and his mother, Patricia Conner. Last week, Holloway, 51, pleaded guilty to four counts of animal cruelty for having an illegal dog breeding operation. He was sentenced to 150 hours of community service, fined \$300 and ordered to pay restitution of \$500 each to Noah's Ark and to Watermelon Mountain Ranch no-kill animal shelter in Rio Rancho, NM. Municipal Court Judge John Garcia also ordered Holloway to surrender any dogs still on his property and said that he should no longer be allowed to own any animal.

Last Saturday, Noah's Ark employee Ernie Valdez went to the Holloway residence to pick up the dogs. Valdez and Noah's Ark shelter manager Pat Sanders both said they thought there were supposed to be three dogs at the residence, though there were only two when Valdez arrived. The third Holloway Husky was brought to Noah's Ark by another party.

Valdez said that he was able to leash the two dogs, but that it was clear that they did not like Holloway, the way they behaved in his presence.

"They've been doing better since they got here," Valdez said Tuesday morning as he corralled the dogs into large pet carriers for their trip to Tijeras. Once all four dogs were in the carriers, Valdez and fellow Noah's Ark worker Sara Montoya hoisted them up into the back of a pickup truck.

Kaye Peery of Miami, NM, located south of Cimarron, then left to drive the dogs down to Tijeras, assisted by her two nieces, Sierra, 10, and Savannah, 7, Slade, of Albuquerque. Peery said the girls help out a lot on animal rescue projects while they are on summer vacation.

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Photo by Richard Sitts

These are two of the Huskies taken from an illegal dog breeding operation behind the residence of David Holloway, 200 E. Second St. in Trinidad. The two dogs, along with a third Holloway Husky and another homeless Husky, were driven from Noah's Ark to Siberian Husky Rescue of New Mexico.

Des Moines Athletics throws a team roping

By TIM KELLER
The Chronicle-News

The tiny village of Des Moines can only support so many fundraisers, says Des Moines School teacher Deanna Walker, so Des Moines Athletics has gotten creative: it's throwing an open team roping competition at the Union County Fair in Clayton Wednesday evening, Aug. 11.

Ropers who show up with their horse and \$100 will put their names in a hat. Each roper will then draw three partners from the draw pot, getting three tries to advance to the final

go round and win buckles and prize money.

Registration opens at 4 p.m. at the Union County Fairgrounds and the competition begins at 6. Riders on the first-place team will each win buckles by Floyd Mossier and a percentage of the cash proceeds. The winners' buckles will read "Union County Fair Team Roping 2010." Second and third place team ropers will win cash prizes. Remaining proceeds will benefit the year's athletic programs at Des Moines School. Walker and the other organizers are hoping to see a stream of cars headed east to Clayton to enjoy the event.

Moms of the athletes will be on hand with a grill, selling hamburgers, hot dogs, and other selections. Their \$5 Blue Plate Special will include a grilled burger with all the fixings, ice tea, choice of chips, and a dessert. Soft drinks, candy bars, and popsicles will also be available. As with the competition itself, all proceeds go to the athletic program.

After the team roping is completed, there may be an open roping competition. That will depend on the number of entries in the team roping and the condition of the steers, provided

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