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Fundraiser

Mt. San Rafael Hospital is having a jewelery sale on Monday & Tuesday.

Spanish Peaks, Bon Carbo Fire Protection Dist.

Notice is hereby given that the monthly Board of Directors meetings for the Spanish Peaks and Bon Carbo Fire Protection District will be at 9 a.m. on Monday at the Century Financial Group office, 109 W. Main St.

Arthritis Exercise

Arthritis exercise classes will be every Monday and Wednesday following. The 9 am class will be held at the Corazon Square and the 1pm class will be held at the Early Learning Center. To register or for more information please call 845-1133 ext 224.

Board of Directors meeting

The Board of Directors for Trinidad-Las Animas County Economic Development will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, at 134 West Main Street, Suite 12, (the Bell Block) in the conference room.

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WEATHER WATCH

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. West wind around 5 mph becoming calm

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph

Tomorrow: A 10 per cent chance of show ers and thunder storms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93. West wind between 5 and 10

Tomorrow Night: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low around 57. Northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph

RIVER CALL

Purgatoire river call as of 7/10/09, Southside priority #73 11/1/1875.

Trinidad lake accounting: Release, 368.02 acre ft.; Inflow, 173.51 acre ft.; Evaporation, 16.49 acre ft.; Content, 2,252 acre ft.; Elevation, 6,183.93; Precipitation, 0.

Downstream River Call, Ninemile 5/10/1887.

> (Provided by Division of Water Resources)





Ludlow Memorial site. Ludlow is the subject of "Killing for Coal, America's Deadliest Labor War," by author Thomas G. Andrews.

Noted author discusses Ludlow Massacre's hidden scenes

By MIKE GARRETT The Chronicle-News

'Killing for Coal, America's Deadliest Labor War" is more than just an award-winning book describing a horrific event in Colorado's and America's labor history. It's more than just a book tracing the roots of the Ludlow Massacre and 10-day labor war preceding the brutal killing of local miners and their families.

Author Thomas G. Andrews, a University of Colorado at Denver Department of History professor, painted lots of symbolic pictures in discussing all the social and environmental history in portraying a true

picture of what precipitated the April and late 1800s. Palmer's entrepreneur-20, 1914 massacre right in Trinidad's backyard, 15 miles north of the city.

Bancroft Prize, considered one of the nation's top honors a history book can receive. It's awarded annually by the trustees of Columbia University to the authors of books of exceptional merit in the fields of American history, biography and diplomacy.

Andrews traced the labor war's roots back to one of Colorado's most famous citizens, Colorado Springs founder William Jackson Palmer and his heyday in the state in the middle

ial spirit and enterprising way of getting both political and business and His book, published by Harvard economical interests to come together Press, has received the prestigious in his and the state's best interests all helped set the stage for future chaotic events caused by the state's huge early 1900s economic revival fueled by its coal and other storehouse of mineral deposits.

Using lots of symbolic language, Andrews discussed all the combustible mix of ingredients, the unrest, social upheavals and divided relationships between the miners and their employers that all bubbled up to the surface

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Eric Blocker

Judge rules Blocker competent to stand trial

CN STAFF REPORT

On Friday, in Las Animas County District Court, Eric Blocker, 20, of Trinidad was found competent to stand trail by Judge Claude Appel in the brutal murder of David Doyle, 58, of Trinidad. Doyle was murdered at his residence at 34000 Old Sopris Road, back on Nov. 12, 2008.

Blocker is facing first degree murder charges, first degree assault and burglary, and a preliminary hearing has been set for Sept. 25.

On Friday morning Judge Appel with members of both families present heard just over two hours of testimony from Dr. B. Thomas Gray, a psychiatrist, from the Colorado Mental Heath Institute of Pueblo (CMHIP) who testified that Blocker was competent to stand trial for the murder. Gray stated that he did two evaluations of Blocker, one in April and a second one in early May. He stated that Blocker was not cooperative in April, so Judge Appel ordered the second test, in which Blocker according to Gray, knew and understood all of the pleas, and the charges against him in this case. As well as knowing all of the players involved, who represented who, and what all of the possibilities of his actions on that day mean.

The Judge did take into account previous records about two incidents Continued on page 4



Photos by Tim Keller

Young Ayden Clavel of Roy watches the big kids and dreams of the day.



Roy's Paul Grice won Senior Goat-tying with this flying dismount.

Sierra Grande youth rodeo runs hot

By TIM KELLER

The Chronicle-News

Saturday's third youth rodeo of the 4-rodeo summer series presented by the Sierra Grande Horse Association was big success. The hot summer day with only moderate winds saw seven hours of competition between youngsters from 3-years-old up to

Young horsemen from as far away as Red River, Seneca, and Boise City competed in eleven events at the Des Moines rodeo arena. At the end of the 4rodeo series, an awards presentation will take place in the fall, giving out buckles and cash prizes to sion, along with one second-place showing.

series point leaders. Saturday's big winner was 17-year-old Paul Grice of Roy. Grice took 1st place in senior reining, barrels, goat-tying, steer stopping, and breakaway. He took 2nd place in western horsemanship and poles. Senior Riata Rivale also had a big day in the senior division, winning showmanship, western horsemanship, and poles, and taking 2nd in western pleasure, reining, barrels, and goat-tying.

Junior Reinda Rivale won 4 events, with 3 seconds. Booster Rayelle Rivale won 4 events in her divi-

The top scorers in each event follow.

Showmanship: Seniors Riata Rivale 1st, Paul Grice 2nd; Juniors Reinda Rivale 1st, Tanner Monroe 2nd; Boosters Rayelle Rivale 1st, Cabe Emery 2nd; Pre-Boosters Madison Nixon 1st, Makenna Hittson 2nd.

Western Pleasure: Seniors Sydney Main 1st, Riata Rivale 2nd; Juniors Tanner Monroe 1st, Reinda Rivale 2nd; Boosters Rayelle Rivale 1st, Jake Mitchell

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