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THE FINE PRINT

JUNE 18
-Main Street Closure THROUGH THE END OF THE WEEK the 100 Block of East Main Street will be closed for emergency sewer repair. The street will be closed to through traffic, however business access will remain open. Information: Mike Valentine or Linda Vigil, 719-846-9843, ext. 124.
-FP Fire District WEDNESDAY (6 p.m.) Fishers Peak Fire Protection District Board of Directors public meeting will be at the Starkville Fire Station. Information: 719-846-6077.
-Hoehne Fire Protection WEDNESDAY (6 p.m.) District Board of Directors meets at the El Moro Station, 14386 Hwy 239 in Hoehne. All interested persons invited to attend. Information: Dana Phillips, 719-846-2080.
-Purgatoire Watershed WEDNESDAY (6 p.m.) The Purgatoire Watershed Partnership will meet in the NRCS Office, 3590 E. Main. Information: Karen Wolf, 719-543-8688.
-Trinidad Schools WEDNESDAY (6 m.) Board of Education will hold a special meeting and work session at the Middle School Library, 614 Park St. Information: 719-846-3324.

Today's Quote

"Leaders live by choice, not by accident."

— Mark Gorman

JUNE 19
-Annual Family Fun Days THURSDAY-SUNDAY: Join the family-friendly festivities at the 2nd Annual Family Fun Days to be held at the Las Animas County Fairgrounds on N. Linden St. Activities include live bands, food vendors, arts and crafts and carnival rides. Admission to the event is free. Information: 719-680-4677.
-TDOG Park Organizers THURSDAY (9:30 a.m.) The Trinidad Dog Owners Group will have a meeting at the Trinidad Community Center, 1309 Beshoar Drive. Information: Mary Rogers, 719-846-6030. Everyone welcome.
-Senator's Meeting THURSDAY (5 p.m.) State Senator Larry Crowder P-Alamosa will hold a public question and answer session in the Leone Room of the Sullivan Center at Trinidad State Junior College. Information: 303-866-4875.
-Trout Unlimited THURSDAY (6 p.m.) Purgatoire River Anglers meeting will be in Ristras Restaurant on Elm Street. Information: Mark Hanson, 970-366-8148. Meetings are always open to the public.

PUBLIC SERVICE
-Free Summer Lunch Program JUNE 23-AUGUST 8 (11 a.m.-1 p.m.) All kids (18 and under) can eat a free lunch at the Trinidad Middle School Cafeteria, 614 Park St. Adults can join in for \$3. Information: 719-845-2051.
-CLOSURE NOTICE FRIDAY: The county offices at the courthouse will be closed for a mandatory furlough day for all county employees. The Election Office will remain open for voting purposes only.
-Representative's Office FRIDAY (3-5 p.m.) Doris Morgan, district representative for U.S. Representative Cory Gardner (R), will hold office hours on the third floor of City Hall, 135 N. Animas St., for anyone wanting to address issues about the federal government or share opinions on current issues. Information: 719-316-1101.

-Farmers' Market Opening Day SATURDAY (8 a.m.-Noon) Come celebrate our 14th anniversary every Saturday in Cimino Park. Continues throughout the summer, until mid-October. Information: 719-846-7386.
-FP Horse Association SATURDAY (9 a.m.) All Breed Horse Show will be held at the Las Animas County Fairgrounds on N. Linden St. No admission for spectators. Information: 719-680-0666.
-Ave Maria Shrine SATURDAY: The Rosary will be recited (10:30 a.m.) and Mass will be celebrated (11 a.m.) in the historic Ave Marie Shrine located behind the Mount San Rafael Hospital on Benedicta Ave. Follow the signage. Visitors are always welcome.
-Aguilar American Legion SATURDAY (11 a.m.-2 p.m.) Post 42 Ladies Auxiliary will host a spaghetti fundraiser dinner at the Aguilar Community Center. Information: Pat Romero: 719-680-1262 or 719-941-4678.
-Branson Fundraiser SATURDAY (Noon-6 p.m.) The Branson football team and sophomore class will hold a repeat barbecue, garage sale and cake auction (3 p.m.) at the Branson School. Information: 719-946-5555.
-Elks Soccer Shoot SUNDAY (12 p.m.) Free registration for kids 4-15 who want to join in the fun at the annual Elks Soccer Shoot at Los Niño's Soccer Field, behind the Post Office. Information: John Garcia, 719-680-2709.

-Carnegie Public Library
 Calling all artists who want to exhibit their 2-dimensional artwork at the Library. Information: Mallory Pillard, 719-846-6841 or stop by the Library at 202 Animas St.

RIVER CALL
 Purgatoire River Call as of: 06/17/14. Enlarged South Side ditch: Priority # 80 / Appropriation date: 04/07/1877.

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WEATHER WATCH
Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. Breezy, with a SW wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to 20 to 25 mph in the afternoon.

Winds could gust as high as 35 mph. Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 52. Breezy, with a W-SW wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to 5 to 10 mph after midnight. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 80. W-NW wind around 5 mph becoming E-SE in the afternoon. **Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. S-SE wind 5 to 10 mph becoming W-SW after midnight.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 83. W-SW wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south in the morning. **Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 56. South wind around 10 mph.
Saturday: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 88. W-SW wind 5 to 10 mph. **Night:** A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 56.

ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL

Family Fun Days kicks off Thursday

By Steve Block
The Chronicle-News

Summer festivals provide people with opportunities to have fun outside in the sunshine, to enjoy the company of family and friends and to participate in wholesome entertainment. Trinidad's Second Annual Family Fun Days will kick off from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. on Thursday, June 19 at the Las Animas County Fairgrounds and will be followed by three more days of excitement.

On Friday, June 20, the festival hours will be from 6 p.m. until 11 p.m.; on Saturday, June 21, the hours will be from 1 p.m. until 11 p.m.; and on Sunday, June 22, families can enjoy the fair from 1 p.m. until 10 p.m. Admission to the fairgrounds is free, and no alcohol will be available at the fair, nor will it be allowed into this family-friendly event.

Sun Valley Rides will provide

many exciting carnival rides for kids of all ages, and this organization delivers a clean, safe environment that is overseen by a professional staff. Armband tickets for the rides cost \$15 apiece prior to the event or \$25 apiece at the festival. The armbands offer admission to any and all of the carnival rides and are good for one person for one day only. They're not transferrable among individuals. Armbands can be purchased in advance until 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 19 from event organizer Tom Davis by calling 719-680-4677, Emily Olguin of Trinidad Cheer at 719-859-2290, or at Tutti Scoops, the SCCOG Early Learning Center, TLAC Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Romero's Liquor and Candy Shop, Corral Pawn and La Confederacion Lodge (La Casa).

"We're getting ready to go. The carnival people will be setting up the rides starting Monday," said event organizer Tom Davis. "And



The Chronicle-News / File Photo

Carnival workers set up the rides for the 2013 Family Fun Days at the Las Animas County Fairgrounds. Local crowds can expect another happy festival atmosphere for this year's event.

what we saw last year was that as soon as word got out that the rides were going up, armband sales went right through the roof. That's what we're expecting this year.

"We'll have some great rides again this year," Davis said. "They'll be bringing in about 25 rides, and they've added the 'Spinning Strawberries,' which is always a popular ride. They've also got a 'Skytracker,' which they just added this year. They send some of their rides back to the manufacturer to be refurbished each year. You're going to see some different rides every year. Sun Valley Rides is based in Arizona, and their family has been running carnivals for three generations. Steve Mattfeld

and his family out of Arizona do a really nice job. They have very clean workers and very clean rides. They're safe rides, they run very well and they look good. They custom paint every ride. It's a really clean show."

Free live entertainment from three popular area bands will be featured. The Provenza family hails from the Aguilar area, and the family band, known as "The Outlaws," will go onstage on Friday from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. "Steele Street" will take to the stage playing classic and country rock music on Saturday from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m., and the "High

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Bruce Leonard / The Chronicle-News

Repair crew hits the bricks . . .

Early on Tuesday morning City workers repair a sewer problem along the 100 block of E. Main Street. Though the street will likely be closed to through traffic for the remainder of the week, according to the City, the businesses along this block will remain open.



Tim Keller / The Chronicle-News

Actor Ian McCabe (left) plays an assortment of characters in "The Cotton Patch Gospel," a reimagining of the Christ story set in the contemporary American South. In this one-man show with a twist, McCabe is accompanied by a four-piece bluegrass band. The band includes, from left, Rick Trice, John Ward, Tom Fitzgerald and Stan Lark.

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