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THE FINE PRINT

AREA SPORTS
THURS & FRI: THS Boys and Girls Basketball @ La Junta Tournament
FRI: Aguilar @ Primero (Boys Only) 4 p.m. & Hoehne @ Rye 3 p.m.
SAT: Hoehne hosts Swallows Charter Academy @ 2 p.m.
SUN: BRONCOS @ Chargers 2:05 p.m. (CBS)

DECEMBER 10 CLOSURE NOTICE
WEDNESDAY (8 a.m.-10 a.m.) The City of Trinidad Utility Office will be closed today from 8-10 a.m. for staff training purposes.

Trinidad City Council
WEDNESDAY (1:30 p.m.) Work session followed by a special session in Council Chambers, City Hall, 135 N. Animas St., Third Floor. Information: Audra Garrett, 719-846-9843.

FAMILY LIBRARY EVENT
WEDNESDAY (4 p.m.) FAMILY White Elephant and Ugly Christmas Sweater Fashion Show at the library, 202 N. Animas St. Info: 719-846-6841.

Housing Authority
WEDNESDAY (5 p.m.) Trinidad Housing Board of Commissioners will meet in regular session at the Trinidad Housing Authority Conference Room, 128 W First St. Information: Rosemarie Shier, 719-846-7204.

Trinidad Schools
WEDNESDAY (5:30 p.m.) The Board of Education will hold a special meeting at the Middle School Library, 614 Park St. Information: 719-846-3324.

Christmas Potluck & Service
WEDNESDAY (5:45 p.m.) Zion's Lutheran is hosting potluck Advent Dinner and Vespers Services each week until Christmas, 613 Prospect St. Info: Andrea Doeden, 719-859-2301. Everyone is welcome.

Today's Quote

"Peace on earth will come to stay, When we live Christmas every day."

— Helen Steiner Rice

DECEMBER 11
Christmas Toy Drive
THURSDAY DEADLINE: Help support the Trinidad Fireman's annual toy drive. Drop off new toys at either Fire Station: 1605 Santa Fe Trail Dr. or 1102 Nevada Ave. Info: 719-846-8664.

Hoehne Schools
THURSDAY (1 p.m.) Hoehne School Board will meet in regular session in the Superintendents Office. Information: Hannah Baca, 719-846-4457 ext.109.

Water Association
THURSDAY (3 p.m.) Greetville-Carbondale Board of Directors will meet at the Century Financial Group, 109 W. Main St. Information: Jeni Skalko, 719-846-2080, ext. 116.

Autism Support Group
THURSDAY (6 p.m.) Autism Awareness & Support Group for parents with challenged children in any area will meet at 315 E. Strong Ave. Refreshments will be served. Info: Linda Thompson, 719-680-2638.

PRCWD Water District
THURSDAY (7 p.m.) Purgatoire River Conservancy will meet in City Hall Council Chambers, 135 N. Animas. Information: Thelma Lujan, 719-846-7285.

PUBLIC SERVICE
Christmas Event Calendar
FIRST TIME AVAILABLE: Hurry into The Chronicle-News office at 200 W. Church St. to get your free copy of the new local Community Christmas Event church calendar. Info: 719-846-3311.

FIND THE MAYOR UNTIL CHRISTMAS: Where is Mayor Reorda? Be the first each day to find the life-sized cardboard cutout of his honor in any of the area merchants stores, call 719-846-9843 ext. 123 and win a prize.

Republican Women
FRIDAY (11:30 a.m.) The Las Animas County Republican Women's group will meet at the Golf Course Grill for lunch. Info: Paula Marshall, 719-845-9544.

ADULT LIBRARY EVENT
FRIDAY (4 p.m.) ADULT White Elephant & Ugly Christmas Sweater Fashion Show at the library. Info: 719-846-6841.

Branson Christmas Bazaar
SATURDAY (7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.) The Branson Online School will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar starting with a pancake breakfast and including a spaghetti luncheon at Noon, 101 Saddlerock Drive, Branson, Colo. Info: 719-946-5555.

PANCAKES WITH SANTA
SATURDAY (8-11 a.m.) Come for pictures with Santa Russ Gorrell at the annual Christmas Pancake Breakfast charity fundraiser at LaCasa Lodge, 34451 State Hwy 12, Trinidad.

RIVER CALL

Purgatoire River Call as of: 12/09/14. Chilli ditch: Priority # 7 --- Appropriation date: 04/30/1862.

Trinidad Reservoir Accounting:
Release .06 AF
Inflow 45.02 AF -- 22.70 CFS
Evaporation 1.96 AF
Content 14,012 AF
Elevation 6,174.05
Precipitation 0

Downstream River Call / John Martin Reservoir: 12/31/1948.



THE ARTS

"Back Home for Christmas"



Walton Family Concert is a holiday season highlight

By Steve Block
The Chronicle-News

An evening of great Christmas music is always a highlight of every holiday season. The popular and multi-talented Walton Brothers will give a "Back Home for Christmas" Concert to benefit the Grace Christian School.

The concert will be held at 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 21, at Grace Christian Church, located at 200 S. Walnut St., in Trinidad. Tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under age 12 and the concert is free for kids under age 5.

Tickets are available at the door, or in advance at Grace Christian School, located at 1001 Obregon St., Mangino Automotive, located at 1631 E. Main St., by contacting Susie Gutierrez at First National Bank or at the Family Seed Restaurant, located at 525 San Juan St. For more information, call Grace Christian School at 719-846-6133 during school hours.

The group consists of brothers Josh, Bob and Bruce Walton and has been entertaining area crowds of music lovers for many years. Christmas music will be featured in the upcoming concert at First Christian Church, but the Walton Brothers also perform gospel and country and western music.

Josh Walton lives in Nashville, Tennessee, so the concert is scheduled for the time when he comes home for Christmas. Bob and Bruce Walton also serve as praise and worship band leaders at First Christian Church. All three brothers play guitars and sing.

Jean Griffiths, superintendent of Grace Christian School, said it would be the sixth annual Christmas concert by the Walton Brothers, and always seems to attract a good crowd.

"They really have a unique blending of voices," Griffiths said. "They play traditional Christmas favorites like 'Frosty the Snowman' and many other Christmas songs. Usually someone will ask them to play, 'Drifting along with the Tumbling Tumbleweeds,' but other than that it's all Christmas

AGRICULTURE

Colorado producers invited to farm bill meetings hosted by Farm Service Agency, CSU Extension

By USDA Colorado Farm Service Agency
Special to The Chronicle-News

USDA Colorado Farm Service Agency (FSA) along with Colorado State University (CSU) Extension will host multiple Farm Bill meetings and producers are urged to attend.

FSA and CSU Extension will discuss the Price Loss Coverage (PLC) and Agricultural Risk Coverage (ARC) programs which provide revenue and price loss payments to eligible producers for the 2014 through 2018 crop years. The 2014 Farm Bill ushers in one of the most significant reforms to U.S. farm programs in decades.

Additionally, FSA will discuss the Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP). NAP provides producers the option to purchase basic catastrophic insurance (CAT) and now includes buy-up coverage options.

These Farm Bill meetings focus on PLC, ARC and NAP, which are administered by FSA. FSA staff will review the new safety net provisions and CSU Extension will explain the new online Farm Bill Decision Aid Tool that is available at <http://fsa.uscspas.com>. The online tool assists producers in understanding available enrollment options.

"Producers must make a one-time decision to retain or reallocate crop bases, to retain or update program payment yields and to select a coverage option for their operation for the 2014-18 crop years," said Leland Swenson, FSA Executive Di-



Mt. Capulin photo courtesy of Tim Keller
Walton Family photo courtesy of the Walton Family

Mt. Capulin spotted with snow is a familiar holiday view for the Walton family who is "Back Home for Christmas" with their annual holiday concert. The popular Walton family musicians, (L-R) Bob, Micheli, Josh and Bruce are sure to delight concert goers again this year.



music."

Bob Walton said his 11 year-old daughter, Micheli, would accompany the brothers on the drums, as she did last year. He said that the group is already getting requests for songs from people who enjoyed the earlier concerts, and he said they always try to honor each request.

"We've been singing together all of our lives," Bob said. "Our mom used to get us to sing around the piano during Sunday church services, and we've always enjoyed making music together. We'll keep putting on the Christmas concerts as long as they keep asking us to do them. We all feel

really honored that they want us to do this. It's a special event that we all enjoy, and we're very proud to be able to do this for the community."

This year's program will include tradition holiday favorites such as, "O Holy Night," "Mary Did You Know?" "I'll be Home for Christmas" and "Silent Night." For an evening of heavenly inspiration and pure enjoyment, a chance to revisit home and childhood memories as well as a time to relish the true meaning of Christmas, don't miss this opportunity to hear the Walton Family musicians as they present this year's beloved "Back Home for Christmas" Concert.

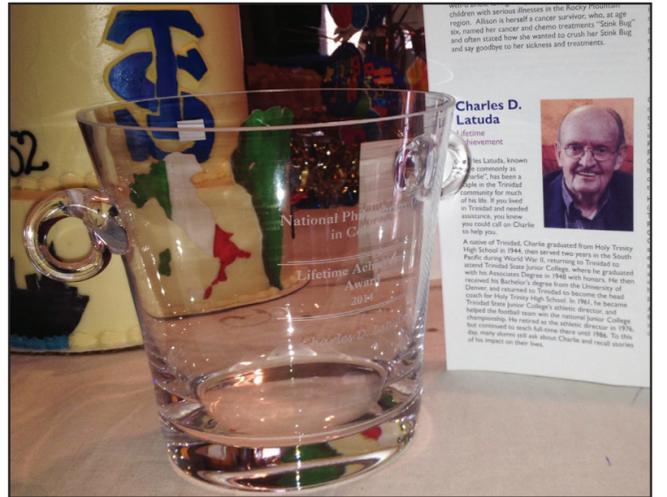


Photo Courtesy of Trinidad Community Foundation

Pictured is the 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award awarded to Trinidad's Charles Latuda by National Philanthropy Day in Colorado and presented to him on his birthday, Sunday, by friends from the Trinidad Community Foundation.

ACCOMPLISHMENT

Latuda presented lifetime achievement award by Trinidad Community Foundation friends

Special to The Chronicle-News

Charles Latuda, local philanthropist and former Trinidad State Junior College Athletic Director, was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award during the twenty-fifth annual National Philanthropy Day Luncheon held in Denver, Nov. 14.

Unfortunately, due to health issues, Latuda was unable to attend the festivities in Denver. Latuda's

nephew, George, accepted the award, noting, "Every small town should have an Uncle Charlie." Therefore, several members of the Trinidad Community Foundation, Trinidad State Junior College, family and friends, were on-hand at his home on Latuda's birthday, Sunday, December 7 to make a personal presentation of the prestigious award.

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WEATHER WATCH

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 59. West wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the morning. **Night:** Mostly clear,

with a low around 28. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming west southwest in the evening.
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 62. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. **Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 32. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 67. West southwest wind around 5 mph. **Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 35. West southwest wind around 5 mph.
Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 57. West southwest wind around 5 mph. **Night:** A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 27. West southwest wind around 5 mph becoming north northwest after midnight.
Sunday: A 20 percent chance of rain and snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 37. North wind 5 to 10 mph.

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