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## THE FINE PRINT

### COUNTY FAIR TIME

Don't miss this year's "Fun at the Fair" annual event at the Las Animas County Fairgrounds. Info: Connie Mantelli, 719-680-4839 or go online to: <http://www.coopext.colostate.edu/lasanimas/>

♦ **MONDAY:** 6 p.m./Fashion Review at TMS Auditorium

♦ **TUESDAY:** 9 a.m./Horse Show, 4 p.m./5:30 p.m. Baking Contest & Judging

♦ **WEDNESDAY:** 4 p.m./Sheep Show, 5 p.m./6:30 p.m./Garden & Flower Show Check In & Judging

♦ **THURSDAY:** 9 a.m./Goat Show, 1 p.m./Rabbit Show, 2 p.m./Poultry Show, 4 p.m./Beef Show

♦ **FRIDAY:** 8 a.m./Swine Show, 1:30 p.m./Round Robin

♦ **SATURDAY:** 10:45 a.m./Round Robin Awards, 11 a.m./Livestock Sale, 1:30 p.m. Buyers Barbecue, 2:30 p.m./Ranch Rodeo

## Today's Quote

**"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are."**

~ John Wooden

### JULY 28

**LAS ANIMAS COUNTY TUESDAY (9 a.m.)** Board of County Commissioners work session will be held in the Las Animas Courthouse, 200 E. First St., Room 201. Information: 719-845-2568. **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:** Gary Hill (719-845-2595), Mack Louden (719-845-2592), and Anthony Abeyta (719-846-9300).

**CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY (1:30 p.m.)** Special/Work session will be held in Council Chambers, City Hall, 135 N. Animas St., Third Floor. Information: Audra Garrett, 719-846-9843. **CITY COUNCIL:** Mayor: Joe Reorda and Council Members: Carol Bolton, Joe Bonato, Pat Fletcher, Anthony Mattie, Michelle Miles, and Liz Torres.

**VISION LOSS SUPPORT TUESDAY (1:30-3:30 p.m.)** Group meets monthly at the Trinidad Work Force Center, 140 N. Commercial. Refreshments will be served — family and friends are encouraged to attend. Info: 719-546-1271.

**HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY TUESDAY (5:30 p.m.)** School board meeting at the school, 613 Prospect St. Info: 719-846-4522.

**SQUARE DANCE CLUB TUESDAY (6-8 p.m.)** The Square Dance Club meets at LaCasa on Hwy 12 in Jansen. Free membership. Info: Peter Monzon, pmm49@hotmail.com.

### JULY 29

**SUPPORT GROUPS WEDNESDAY (Overeaters Anonymous/5:30 p.m. & Alanon Family Group/7:30 p.m.)** Groups meet every Wednesday at 120 W. Kansas St. Info: 719-680-0505 or 719-680-7732. No dues or fees.

**PUBLIC SERVICE CARNegie LIBRARY FRIDAY (4-5:30 p.m.)** Instruction on how to convert VHS tapes to DVDs. Bring your favorite old home movies and we'll show you how it's done. Info: 719-846-6841.

**KIDS' FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE FRIDAY (5-8 p.m.)** End of Summer Barbecue at the Trinidad Community Center, 1309 Beshoar Dr. Events are FREE for middle and high school kids. PARENTS are asked to sign kids in and out of each event. Info: 719-680-8639.

**COWBOY CHURCH FRIDAY (7 p.m.)** Free admission, free hot dogs to the special event "Ridin' for the Lord" presented by Paul Daily from the Colorado River Cowboy Church that will be held at the Las Animas County Fairgrounds. Info: 512-581-2811.

**FP FIRE DISTRICT SATURDAY (8 a.m.)** Donations are being accepted for the annual garage sale this coming weekend. Drop off or pick up info: 719-859-6095.

**AGUILAR SENIORS AUGUST 8 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)** Bake Sale, Art & Crafts Show — tables available. Proceeds support Senior Bingo Club. Info: Pat Romero, 719-941-4051.

*The Fine Print feature is a courtesy notice used to inform the public of upcoming free public meetings and events. Placement is not guaranteed. For contributions please call 719-846-3311 or e-mail cathy@trinidadchronicle-news.com.*

## RIVER CALL

Purgatoire River Call as of: 07/24/15. Enlarged Southside Ditch: Priority # 74 --- Appropriation date: 02/17/1876.

**Trinidad Reservoir Accounting:**  
Release 349.93 AF  
Inflow 245.22 AF -- 123.63 CFS  
Evaporation 16.29 AF  
Content 33,932 AF  
Elevation 6,200.62  
Precipitation 0

**Downstream River Call / JMR Conservation Storage:** 12/31/1948.

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## TRIGGERS: PECOS CHAMPS

Triggers claim first ever division title, split weekend against Santa Fe

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Steve Block / The Chronicle-News

The construction crew for the Commercial Street project could be seen hard at work last week pouring concrete slabs that will support the new brick street overlay.

## CONSTRUCTION

# Commercial Street crews overcoming obstacles

Staff report  
The Chronicle-News

Despite heavy rains and having to deal with muddy conditions at the worksite, construction is continuing on the Commercial Street Improvement Project in Trinidad's Historic Downtown area. A Friday press release from Tom Beach, City public works director, described the challenges being overcome, and laid to rest some recent rumors about what's happening at the worksite.

It reads: "Work is continuing on the Commercial Street Project

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## COLORADO BANDMASTERS

# New Hall of Fame inductee: Lifetime of musical passion

By Steve Block  
The Chronicle-News

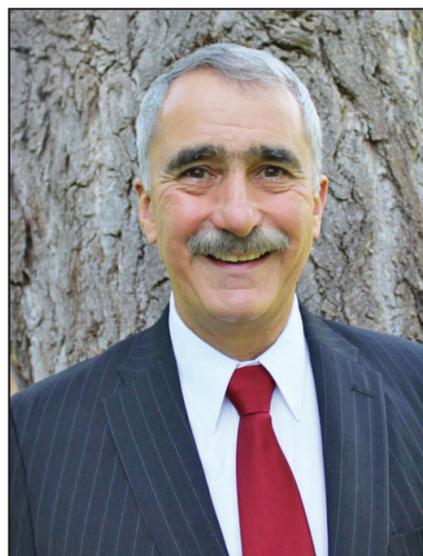
Growing up in the former coal-mining town of Sopris, Salvatore (Sal) Martorano recalled that every family celebration and social gathering seemed to spring to life when the musicians started playing. Those childhood memories led Martorano into a long career as a music teacher and bandleader that recently resulted in his induction into the Colorado Bandmasters Association (CBA) Hall of Fame, making him the seventh Las Animas County native to be so honored.

A graduate of Trinidad High School and Adams State College with a bachelor's degree in music education, he also earned a master's degree in computers in education from Lesley College. He taught music and band in Colorado Springs, Erie and Longmont, retiring in 2005, but resuming his teaching career in 2013 at Westview Middle School in Longmont. Bands under his direction earned consistently superior ratings at various musical and marching band competitions throughout Colorado and across the nation. He's served as president, convention chairman and in numerous other CBA offices, received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Education — Division of Arts and Humanities, President of the Colorado Italian Musicmasters' Association, Chairman of the All State Jazz Bands Committee, Chairman of the Pikes Peak Music Educators, and is presently co-leader and a performer with the Swing Shift jazz combo.

He credited two local musicians for helping him get his start in music. Duane Zanotelli, also a Sopris native, encouraged him to join the Trinidad High School Band after the Sopris schools were closed and the students transferred to Trinidad schools. He described Zanotelli as, "Always the friend you could count on for help."

Joe "Ernie" Montoya was his band

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Courtesy Photo

Sal Martorano



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The comic plot of "Boeing Boeing" thickens as the close calls mount, with Ian McCabe's three high-flying fiancées coming closer and closer to discovering each other. Nora Leahy's German stewardess Gretchen is catching on.

## SHULER SUMMER THEATER

# 'Boeing Boeing' flies high to land big laughs

By Tim Keller  
Correspondent  
The Chronicle-News

RATON — After serving up a pair of timeless costume classics, "Into the Woods" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream," the Shuler Theater closes its professional summer season with a relatively modern romp, the (PG-13) sex comedy "Boeing Boeing." The six actors who get to stay in Raton into August have perhaps the most fun of the summer.

A slow build adds to the fun, like watching six very funny people build a house of cards that you know will eventually topple: The higher they go, the funnier they get; the suspense builds until the inevitable and satisfying crash at the end when, improbably, all six characters might live happily ever after.

Born at the start of the 1960s, Frenchman Marc Camoletti's farce took only two years to arrive in London in an English translation. It reached Broadway in 1965 just as a Tony Curtis-Jerry Lewis American film version hit the streets. The world of "Boeing Boeing" predates The Summer of Love and Woodstock; instead, it channels the spirit of earlier 1960s TV shows like "I Love Lucy," "Laugh-In" and "Shindig."

The Shuler's production is a hoot, and all the more so for patrons that have enjoyed the summer's earlier pair of comedies with the same actors, most now unrecognizable in their new characters.

Bernard, played by Ian McCabe, is an American ar-

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## WEATHER WATCH

**Tuesday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. West wind 5 to 15 mph.

**Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 56. South southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

**Wednesday:** A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 74. North wind 5 to 10 mph. **Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 57. Southwest

wind 5 to 10 mph.

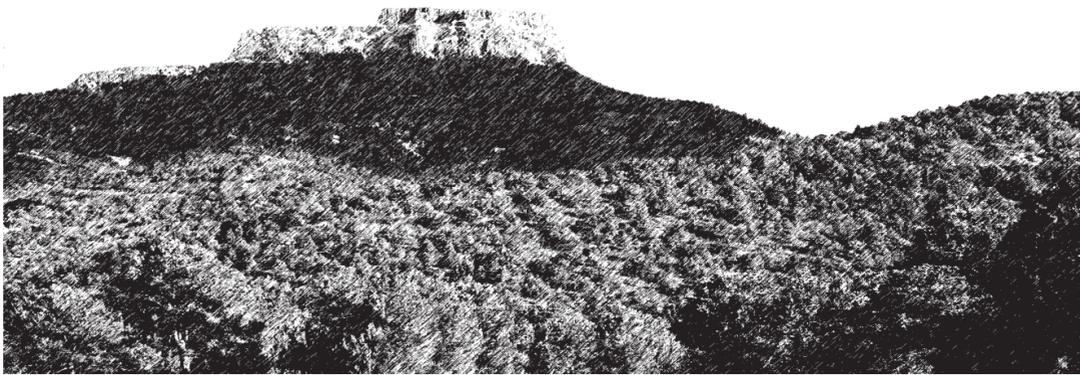
**Thursday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 82. Southwest wind around 5 mph. **Night:** A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, around 58. Southwest wind 5 mph.

**Friday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, high near 84. West southwest wind 5 mph.

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# OVER THE PASS



"You'll get a million No's before you get one Yes. Fight for that one Yes."

– Kristi Hoopes, country singer, Parker, CO (Trinidad)



## TRINIDAD-RATON CONNECTION

### "What's the best advice that you can give?"

By **Tim Keller**  
Correspondent  
The Chronicle-News

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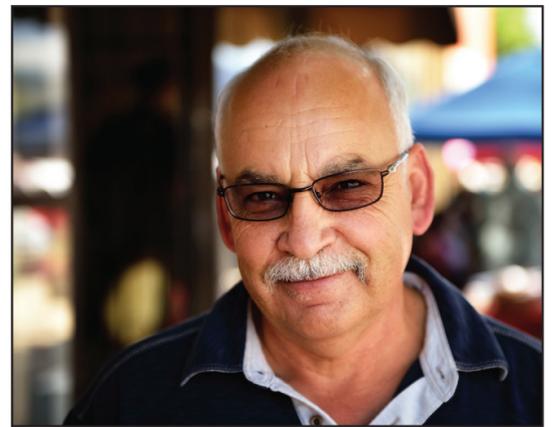


"Never give up on your dreams, no matter what they are. If you want to be a singer, sing your heart out. Don't be afraid of what people think."

– Anthony Garcia, community volunteer (Trinidad)

"Put God first and everything else falls into place. That's what I tell my kids. You trust Him and let Him into your heart, then you're not stressed all the time."

– Cindy Crawford, owner, The Sparrow's Nest antique mall, Pampa, TX (Raton)



"Do as much as you can while you can. See the world and enjoy life to its fullest. I'll be 78 this fall. Enjoy your kids and grandkids. They're the ones that keep you going."

– Mary Lou Archuleta, retired hospital and school cook, Springer (Raton)

"Don't listen to anyone else's advice. Take advice with a grain of salt. It's advice, not rules. Everyone has their own path."

– Nancy Greene, outreach & education coordinator, Denta-Quest, Denver (Trinidad)

"Stay healthy, have fun, enjoy life and be loving."

– Gene Sierra, operations manager, Albuquerque (Raton)

## 'Boeing Boeing' flies high, lands laughter

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chitect living happily in a Paris penthouse that came complete with a maid, Berthe, endearingly and hilariously played by Tamara Todres in her best role of the past two summers at the Shuler. Bernard enjoys his own kind of polygamy, balancing three airline stewardesses that each think she's Bernard's fiancée. Bernard successfully juggles the women with the help of the master schedule book for the world's airlines.

Working for different airlines, his fiancées are the American Gloria (Cassie Thompson), Italian Gabriella (Bussy Gower) and German Gretchen (Nora Leahy). Each gets her own accent, wig, and primary color—the American in red, Italian in yellow, German in blue. It all works, aided by a predominantly yellow set design with early 60s accents like a Roy Lichtenstein print, round mirrors and period furniture.

Two complications set the fun in motion. Boeing introduces a faster aircraft that will accelerate the arrival of each of Bernard's carefully scheduled girlfriends. He learns of this kink in his plan just as his old Wisconsin college buddy arrives for an unannounced visit. Compared to Bernard, Darren Hill's Robert Lambert is conventional, milquetoast and boring.

But not for long. Robert remains on stage as Bernard alternately escorts each of his gals off stage, leaving Robert to grow, in the course of one afternoon and evening, into more of a Lothario than Bernard. His transformation, prodded by the three winsome women, is at the heart of the play.

Robert joins the maid Berthe in reluctantly helping Bernard to keep his game afloat. The audience joins them in



Photos by Tim Keller / The Chronicle-News

Clockwise from above: When the curtain call arrives at the end of the Shuler Theater's current comedy "Boeing Boeing," the cast does a lot more than just hold hands and bow: They perform a choreographed go-go dance. From left are Ian McCabe, Bussy Gower, Darren Hill, Nora Leahy, Cassie Thompson and Tamara Todres. Bussy Gower's Italian bombshell airline hostess Gabriella is a handful for Ian McCabe's philanderer Bernard in the Shuler Theater's hilarious "Boeing Boeing," running through Sunday. Cassie Thompson's American flight attendant Gloria likes to play around, repeatedly catching Darren Hill's visiting Robert by surprise.



acter, actress Bussy Gower plays Italian firecracker Gabriella as a brassy sexpot who can knock Bernard or Robert to the floor with a sudden heavily accented exclamation. Nora Leahy, too, uses a thick accent to create the alternately endearing and frightening German, Gretchen. The play's four women each use a signature accent and a signature color to ramp up what repeatedly rises to cartoon-like humor, an impression accentuated by the color palette of Leahy's wonderful costume and set designs.

With such talent on stage, it's hard to see what director Blake White did here. Whatever it was, it was just right. His colorful and zany "Boeing Boeing" closes the Shuler summer season with great professional comedy.

Produced by McCabe and Leahy's Two Pigs Productions for the local Santa Fe Trail School for the Performing Arts, this summer's performances have been plagued with shamefully low attendance. No doubt the causes are complex, but more people should be out beating the bushes, sponsoring theater nights, bringing all their friends and waving banners for these magical productions. The acting company can't do that: its 18 professional artists

have been fully immersed in doing their jobs beautifully. Use it or lose it: if audiences don't go out to see such great local theater, there will be no local theater. Even more than paychecks, actors need audiences. Do audiences need theater?

Four opportunities remain to experience "Boeing Boeing," Thursday through Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m., then closing with a 2:30 p.m. matinee Sunday, August 2. General admission tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 seniors, \$5 children, available at the Shuler Theater, 131 N. 2nd St., (575) 445-4746, [www.shulertheater.com](http://www.shulertheater.com).

knowing exactly what's going on, unlike each of the three stewardesses who take the whole play to figure it out. In this "door farce," each time a gal goes out one door, another gal enters through another door. Increasingly panicked, the two actors revert to boyish behavior and manic physical humor that eventually channels slapdash TV cartoons.

Ian McCabe breaks loose with facial tics, contortions and pratfalls as Bernard increasingly loses control. Darren Hill literally turns somersaults and cartwheels; at one point, his face burns so red that it looks like he may explode.

All four actresses shine here. Todres makes Berthe the smartest person on the stage, co-conspiring as Bernard's enabler because it's as good as any other job she can get. Thompson's frisky American Gloria lacks the New York accent her character should have but it never matters: her energetic verve and assertive sexiness perfectly fit her fiery red outfits and playful provocations.

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