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City passes budget following Marchant's resignation

By Robert Perea

After passionately defending his honor, Fernley City Manager Ben Marchant resigned following a 90-minute budget discussion on May 28 in which three city council members lodged a litany of complaints against him in explaining why they had voted to defund the city manager's position at a budget meeting the previous week.

At that May 21 meeting, council members Albert Torres, Felicity Zober-ski and Joe Mendoza voted to approve the city's final budget, defunding the city manager's position. That motion passed 3-2, with council members Stan Lau and Ryan Hanan opposed, but was vetoed by Mayor Neal McIntyre, leaving the city without an approved budget just 10 days before the deadline to submit a final budget to the state Department of Taxation.

At the May 28 meeting, after Torres, Zober-ski and Mendoza enumerated their grievances with him, Marchant responded by vowing to do whatever was in the best interest of the city, even if that meant his resignation.

"If that's what's stopping the city from going forward, I will respectfully resign on conditions I'll work out with the mayor," Marchant said.

When asked at the May 21 meeting to explain the reason they wanted to defund the city manager's position, Torres said they had been advised by legal counsel not to discuss the character, conduct and competence of the city manager, while Mendoza and Zober-ski declined to offer their reasons.

At the May 28 meeting, McIntyre opened by insisting that the council

needed to pass the budget and expressing his dismay that nobody had stated their reasons for voting to defund the city manager's position.

"It's really disheartening to me that this council wants to sit up here and defund the position the city truly does need, and nobody talked about the person in the position," McIntyre said. "I do believe that Mr. Marchant has done a great job here. But beside the fact is, we need to pass this budget."

McIntyre said Marchant had been notified that his character, competence and conduct may be discussed.

In a lengthy statement, Torres detailed several instances of what he said were insubordination, dishonesty and disregard of the city council by Marchant. Torres started by pointing out that the budget was passed at the last meeting, but that one line item was asked to not be funded.

"My attempt to resolve an issue by asking for one line item to be unfunded is not killing the budget," Torres insisted. "The mayor's veto of the entire budget for one staff member is killing the budget."

Saying he was responding to other questions that had been raised, Torres also asserted that his motion on May 21 was legal by state statute, constitutional law and case law; that he is not attempting to change the city's form of government; and that McIntyre may be unlawfully interfering with the legislative branch—the city council—in the performance of its duties.

Torres then said the council had been given approval by legal counsel to address its complaints against Marchant at the May 28 meeting. He alleged



City Manager, Ben Marchant from the north of Fernley. Courtesy Ben Marchant.

that Marchant has blatantly undermined and been insubordinate to the council, specifically listing instances when the council had voted on items to be either included or excluded from the budget and Marchant had disregarded those votes.

Torres referred to a discussion on whether a new code enforcement officer position should be POST certified, which he said Marchant stated the city attorney and municipal judge agreed it should be. He said the municipal judge, Lori Matheus, was present at the meeting and responded that she had never said that and that she did not agree that it should be a certified position.

In addition, Torres said he told McIntyre that he had received several complaints about Marchant made to him in confidence by city employees.

"These employees had not come forward because they didn't feel that (human resources) or the mayor would do anything about it and they didn't want to be fired or retaliated against by the city manager," Torres said.

Torres said he was advised by legal counsel not to discuss those matters further until an investigation could be carried out.

Torres said on May 6, he met with McIntyre at the sheriff's substation in Fernley, a place away from City Hall where they could have an open conversation about his concerns, but that McIntyre dismissed those concerns and said he would veto any motion to defund the city manager's position.

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Library Board denies appeal to remove books

By Robert Perea

The Lyon County Library Board of Trustees denied an appeal asking for a book to be removed from the library collection, and upheld the library director's decision that the Lyon County Library System cannot remove four other books from the Nevada Library Cooperative network because it does not own them.

The Trustees voted 4-1 to uphold the decision by Library Director Wynne Prindle that the book "What If It's Us" meets the requirements of the library's Collection Development Policy and should be retained. The Trustees

also approved a motion to uphold the appropriateness of the response of the library director and cease all further discussion on four other books that Lyon County does not have any control over.

Wellington resident Gwen Ernst-Ulrich had filed the Request for Reconsideration of the book "What If It's Us" Becky Albertalli and Adam Silvera. She appealed the decision by Prindle to the Trustees. In her Request for Reconsideration, Ernst-Ulrich cited profanity throughout the book and described it as "one long ongoing gay sexual conquest." She requested the book be removed from the county

library and the card catalog.

Prindle told the Trustees that after reading the book, she determined it was in compliance with the library's materials collection policy.

During her presentation to the Trustees, Ernst-Ulrich said she believes the book meets the library board's definition of sexually explicit and pervasively vulgar or obscene material that should not be allowed in the children's or young adult library section. She read examples of what she called obscenity in the book and described the book as "one big, long sexual conquest between children."

Ernst-Ulrich also cited information

from studies warning against exposure to sexually explicit materials. She also cited several passages from the Bible and used the examples of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln to demonstrate how the country was built on a foundation of Christian faith.

"Teens exposed to sexually explicit and pervasively vulgar or obscene material can be drawn into predatory sexual behavior," she said. "Our words and actions, how we interact with children, what we offer them, matter. We can help them, or we can harm them."

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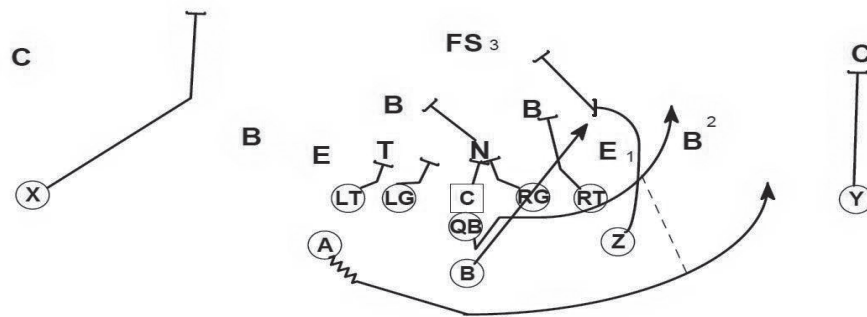
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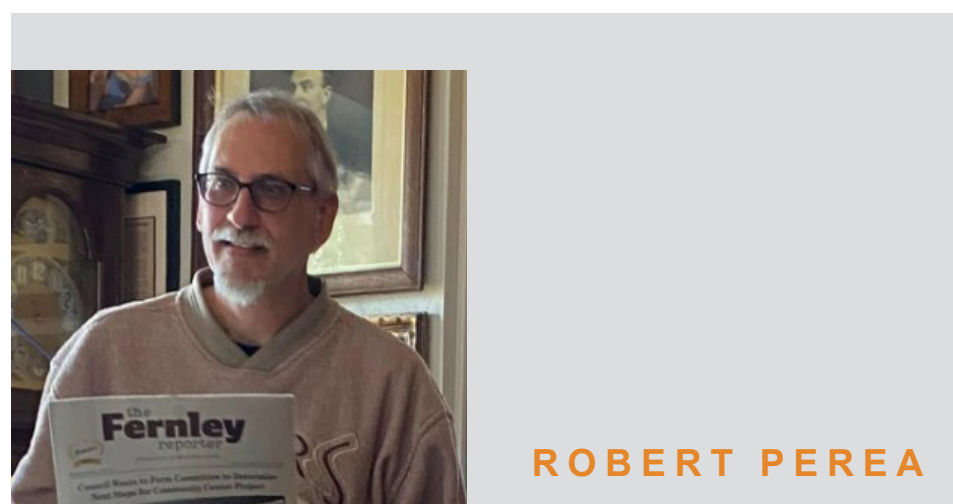
From the day I started the Fernley Reporter online in 2016, it has been the most satisfying endeavor of my writing career. With only one exception.

Despite people in the news industry telling me it was the only way to make it, I resisted all of the advice I had been given to make it a subscription site, but I wanted to build as much web traffic as possible in order to maximize the advertising potential of the site. The problem is that sales isn't part of my personality, and I never was able to sell many ads. I wouldn't hire me to sell Sno-Cones in Arizona in summertime.

In hindsight, because I wasn't successful in sales, not putting the site behind a paywall from the beginning was the worst decision I've ever made. However, in the long run it might turn out to be the best, because although I continually refused to give up even when I was only able to devote a day or two a week to the site, if I had tried to sell subscriptions and been unsuccessful, there's no doubt I would have pulled the plug.

So now here we are, with a paywall that went live on the site Tuesday morning. That is a decision that pained me as soon as I realized it was going to be a necessity.

As an avid and voracious reader myself, I know exactly what I'm asking for when I ask you to consider subscribing, whether it's a print or a digital plan. I follow a whole bunch of writers at various newspapers, magazines, Substacks and independent websites, and I can't afford to subscribe to everyone I'd like to read. My main criterion for deciding which ones to subscribe to is whether or not I can get that same information somewhere else.



ROBERT PEREA

The only reason I feel comfortable asking anyone to even consider a subscription to the Fernley Reporter is that I'm confident that we are providing information you can't get anywhere else. Sure, there are occasional stories that Reno or other regional media reaches out to Fernley for, but even when they do, there are so many other things that nobody else is covering. Sure, you might have read someone's Facebook post about last week's resignation of City Manager Ben Marchant, but there was only one place to turn if you wanted to read what happened without having to wade through speculation, conjecture and innuendo. Every week, the newspaper is full of stories that not a single reporter anywhere else is covering.

Part of what I love about covering community news is the direct connection I have with readers. People who recognize me stop me all the time to ask me questions or give me their opinions about things that are happening in Fernley. I'm not some faceless reporter that only a few dozen people

out of a city of hundreds of thousands know, or that blows into town, writes about something sensational, then disappears. If I get something wrong, I have to face those same people again, and again, and again.

The bottom line is that as the editor of the Fernley Reporter, I work for you. Thanks to Rachel Dahl and Kerry Lyman, and our other contributors, I'm not doing it all by myself like I was when there was only the website, but I hope that you find value in the work we're doing. I have hopes that with more resources we can do even more things.

If you are already subscribing, I'm grateful for your support, and if you haven't yet, I hope you will join us and become a part of this local, community newspaper covering all the things that Fernley cares about. As always, send us your letters, your ideas, and story tips.

Robert Perea has covered news and sports in Northern Nevada since 1993. He has published The Fernley Reporter online since 2015.

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Loretta Badley, 34

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Bev Barker, 5'5"

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Loretta Bradley, #2
Bev Barker, #7

FEATURES

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Responding to a comment by McIntyre that he had solicited evaluations of Marchant's performance from council and had received only one, Zoberski said she did submit an evaluation, which she provided a copy of, but said her concerns were never addressed.

"I did not receive a response, an email or any other form of communication from our city manager or our mayor," she said. "Although I have attempted numerous times during private meetings, senior staff meetings, strategic meetings and council to communicate with Mr. Marchant, I cannot say that any of my evaluation concerns have changed."

Zoberski said there is no transparency and communication from management to the council. She also took exception to a poll that McIntyre posted on Facebook asking residents if they believe the city needs a city manager.

"Creating a poll on a social media platform to gain traction during a budget is not only unethical, but a blown insult to the intelligence of our community," she said.

McIntyre said he put the poll on Facebook because more people in the city respond to a poll on Facebook than they do coming to a meeting.

Mendoza prefaced his comments by

saying he voted yes on that Facebook survey, then asked what the average score on the performance evaluation McIntyre had referred to was, and how he arrived at that score. McIntyre said he averaged all the scores, and it came out to 3.1 on a scale of 5. Mendoza, who wasn't on the council at the time of that survey in September 2024, requested the evaluations through a public information request and said he wasn't given all of them. However, he produced one signed by Marchant and McIntyre with an average score of 4.875.

"There was no consideration of any council member's review in regards to this one," Mendoza told McIntyre. "So, I'm calling you out with the disinformation that has been given to the public."

Hanan said he was the only council member who provided constructive criticism in his evaluation of Marchant, with things that he wanted to see improved.

"One of the questions was, did he meet the goals and expectations that were set of him last year?" Hanan said. "And when I go back and I look at the previous year, there were no goals and expectations set. But then the second year, he didn't meet his expectations. That is just not fair."

Hanan said nobody had offered any constructive criticism as to how Marchant could better himself in his

job.

"It's just Ben did something bad, and so that's done, we have to pull the plug, and there's no saving Ben," he said. "That's horrible to do that to somebody. What I see is some very, very strong personalities that don't like when people don't do what they say."

Marchant called the accusations against him "specious and baseless," and said neither Zoberski nor Torres have ever come to him with specific complaints they have received from any employees.

"I'm not under any investigation, no allegations have been made, and I take great offense to the specious and baseless accusations that are being leveled against me," he said. "All I hear are vague insinuations assassinating my character without any evidence, without any proof. And that is terribly unprofessional and unfair. And I find it cowardly when people are not able to raise their concerns directly with me."

Marchant said he was raised to be a Christian, God-fearing man and tried to model his life after the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and grew up in the Boy Scouts of America. He then raised his hand in the Scout's Honor symbol and recited the Boy Scout Oath.

"On my honor, if I can help the city of Fernley proceed, I will do whatever it takes," he said. "In fact, I will tender my resignation on condition that the

city council approves this budget, including the position of city manager, in order for it to proceed."

McIntyre opened the floor for public comment, with some speakers defending Marchant, some listing grievances against him, and others urging the council to pass the proposed budget and deal with any personnel issues later.

McIntyre then announced that the council would recess to go into a legal brief for an hour. At 8 p.m., he announced that the recess would be extended another hour. At 9 p.m., the council reconvened, and McIntyre announced that they were negotiating a separation agreement with Marchant. The council voted unanimously to allow the meeting to continue past 9 p.m., and McIntyre said they would remain in recess until the separation agreement was completed.

Shortly after 10 p.m., the council reconvened again and voted unanimously to approve the 2025-26 fiscal year budget as presented, with no mention of Marchant's resignation.

The council was scheduled to approve the separation agreement with Marchant at the June 4 meeting as part of the consent agenda, a list of matters that can be approved in one vote without discussion unless otherwise requested by a council member.

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Trustees Jan Shardt, Kay Edwards, Patti Palmer and Nora Stevens disagreed.

Shardt said after reading the book, she believes it is appropriate for the library's collection development policies.

"I believe it should remain on our shelves and not be banned or removed for any reason," she said.

Edwards said the library is not responsible for dictating morals to children.

"It is the parents' responsibility," she said.

Palmer said the book wasn't as bad as she expected after reading the complaints about it and she didn't find the book pornographic.

"If this was a story about a heterosexual boy and a heterosexual girl, we would not be here," she said.

Stevens said the issue before the Trustees is not the book itself, per se.

"I believe the issue is whether we follow the collection policy and whether we follow the law about whether we can take books off the shelves or not and I believe this book is where it belongs," she said.

Trustee Deanne Davis said she used two packs of Post-it notes to mark the pages she felt were offensive. She recited many of the 337 instances of profanity she said she found in the book's 433 pages.

"If the things the kids do in this book happened in the workplace, someone would be accused of sexual harassment," she said. "If kids were doing that at school, they might get suspended."

She also argued that the book's pop culture appeal is outdated because it takes place during Barack Obama's

presidency.

When Davis opened the meeting for public comment, several people spoke in opposition to removing the book, most of them on the grounds of individual choice and that a vocal few should not decide for everyone else what they may read. Other speakers said the sexual content in the book is not appropriate for children. However, one speaker pointed out that the characters in the book are 16 years old, and that the age of consent in Nevada is 16.

After the vote to uphold Prindle's decision, Deputy District Attorney Ilyssa Fogel told the board there was no basis for them to hear an appeal about the other four books that were being challenged - "Loveless" by Alice Oserman; "Shine" by Lauren Myracle; "Jay's Gay Agenda" by Jason June and "All Boys Aren't Blue" by George Johnson - because the people who filed the Request for Reconsideration stated on the form that they had not read them.

"The only question I think that you can vote on today is whether you uphold the decision of the director because it's not in the collection," Fogel said.

The Trustees then voted to uphold Prindle's decision on those four books. Prindle said each library system purchases their own books and that patrons can request books from outside the co-op through inter-library loan. She said all public libraries in Nevada are required to participate in inter-library loans.

"The other four items have not been owned and are not owned by the Lyon County Library system," she said. "Libraries provide inter-library loan, that is part of our mandate, and I can't do anything about books in other library systems."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wigwam Offering Free Meal to Graduates on June 13

Staff Report

The Fernley Wigwam Restaurant is offering a free meal to graduating seniors.

This is the second annual event where the Wigwam is offering a free meal to graduating seniors from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Friday, June 13.

Parties of six or more are asked to call ahead to (775) 575-2537.

Reservations are also available for graduation parties as well as catering for private parties.

Right: Graduating seniors from the Class of 2024 enjoy their free meal at the Wigwam prior to last year's graduation ceremony. Photo courtesy of the Wigwam.



Fire Board Seeking to Fill Vacant Position

By Robert Perea

The deadline to apply to fill the vacant seat on the North Lyon County Fire Protection District Board of Directors is next Tuesday, June 10.

The fire district is seeking to fill a seat vacated by the resignation of chairman Mike Toombs in May.

The board was originally scheduled to make an appointment at its May 28 meeting. Vice Chairman Paul Murphy said the district received two applications, but one came in after the deadline and the other did not include a letter of interest. The board decided to reopen the

application period since the first two applicants did not meet the district's posting requirements but encouraged both of them to restate their interest and to submit a letter of interest.

Anyone interested in applying to fill the vacant seat must provide the district with a Letter of Interest no later than 4 p.m. June 10 at 195 East Main Street, Fernley, NV 89408. An appointment is scheduled to be made at the Board of Directors Meeting at 6 p.m. on June 12. Candidates must live within the boundaries of the district.

For more information, call the District Office at 575-3310.

Library Board to Consider Applications for Board Vacancies June 24

Staff Report

With the terms of two members of the Lyon County Library Board of Trustees expiring on June 30, the board is scheduled to interview and consider the appointment of applicants at its June 24 meeting. The terms of Trustees Deanne Davis, who represents Dayton, and Kay Edwards, who represents Silver Springs and Stagecoach, end on June 30.

Applications for those positions are available on the Library Board page of the Lyon County website at lyon-county-org and must be submitted by June 16. For further information, contact Martha Tapia at (775) 463-6531 or via email mtapia@lyon-county.org.

FRW to Hear Presentation on 2025 Legislature

Staff Report

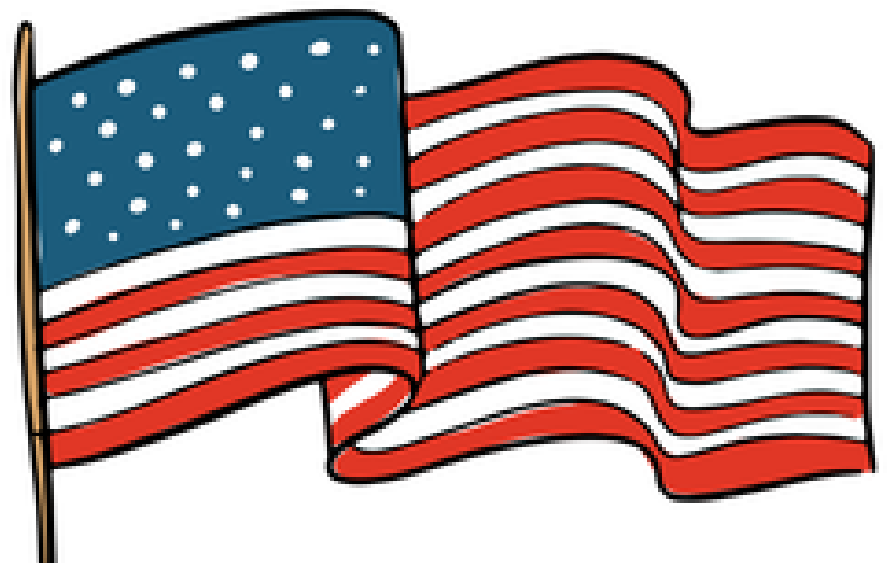
The Fernley Republican Women will hear a presentation on the 2025 legislative session at its next meeting on June 17.

The guest speaker will be Jim DeGraffenreid, Nevada GOP's National Committeeman, who will talk about the conclusion of the 2025 legislative session. The public is always invited to attend.

DeGraffenreid has been active in Nevada politics since 2007 at both the county and

state levels. He served as secretary of the Nevada GOP from 2011 to 2013 and as its vice chairman from 2013 to 2020. He is currently the Nevada National Committeeman. DeGraffenreid and his wife, Theresa, have lived in Nevada since 2001.

The meeting will be held at the Fernley Senior Center at 105 Lois Lane, on June 17. A light meal will be served at 6 p.m. and the meeting will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.



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OBITUARIES

Glenna Rae Hofheins (Shaw)

May 8, 1943 – May 21, 2025

Glenna Rae Hofheins, born on May 8, 1943, in Ruth, NV, passed away peacefully on May 21, 2025. She was the beloved daughter of George and Vera Shaw and grew up in Old Ruth, where her childhood adventures included hunting rabbits along the 'Big Ditch' and riding tractor tires down the Kennecott copper mine tailings.

Glenna met her high school sweetheart, Richard Hofheins, on a chilly November morning as she boarded the school bus. Richard was the student bus driver who had swapped routes in hopes of meeting the young redhead from Ruth. A few days later, Richard's mother, Jean Hofheins, crocheted a special seat cover for the spot next to the driver, which, of course, became Glenna's seat on every ride thereafter.

Glenna and Richard married in their hometown of Ely, NV soon after

graduating White Pine High School in 1961.

After their daughter Wendy was born in 1964, they moved to Reno where Richard worked for Cashman Equipment Company as a heavy equipment mechanic. Richard went on to eventually retire from Cashman with over 36 years of service.

Glenna worked as a sheet metal mechanic for Magnuson Corp. in Reno for over ten years and retired after her daughter Wendy's untimely death in 1988.

Over the years, Glenna enjoyed a variety of hobbies, ranging from camping along the Pacific Northwest coastline, being a Camp Fire Girl leader in the late '70s, exploring ceramics and various arts and crafts in her spare time. However, her greatest joy came from spending time with her two granddaughters, Allison Horner (Cravey) and Reese Hofheins.

Glenna is preceded in death by her mother, Vera; her father, George; her brother, Bill; her sister, Gloria; her husband, Richard; and her daughter, Wendy.

She is survived by her sister, Cheryl; her two granddaughters, Allison Horner (Cravey) and Reese Hofheins; and her son, Richard J. Hofheins.

Glenna's faith in Christ and His love for her was of great comfort to her towards the end of her journey here.

Surviving family owe her dear friends Bill and Chris Bernard, and Pastors Matt and Regina McCreary a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid.

May God rest her soul. ... "onnit."

Services TBD. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to your local food bank and/or The Living Faith Christian Fellowship Church in Fernley, NV.



William C. Flipppo

July 7, 1942 - May 20, 2025

On May 20, 2025, William C Flipppo, also known as Bill to all his friends and family, went to sleep in the arms of our savior.

Bill was born on July 7, 1942 in Whitesboro, TX to JC and Nellie Flipppo. He was joined later by a brother Donald and sister tiny Mary who both preceded him in death, along with his parents.

Bill is survived by his wife Betty, his sons David and Alan, stepson Danny

and stepdaughters LaVonda and Donna, his brother-in-law Richard (Mary's husband), many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In 1961, Bill joined the Air Force to serve his country and that is where he picked up his love of flying.

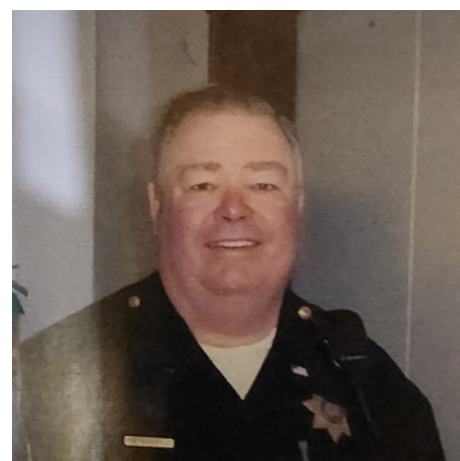
In 1964 after his military training, he joined the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, where he retired after 22 years. Bill had many things he liked to do such as meeting with friends, driving in the mountains, looking at the scenery and of course checking out

airplanes, whether in the sky or on the ground.

Bill will surely be missed but not forgotten. He had a heart of gold and was willing to help anyone that needed help.

For those who want to help celebrate his life we will have a celebration of life for him soon. As we get more information, we will be announcing it later.

Bill is being taken care of by the Neptune Society and Smith Family Funeral Home in Fallon.



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Legislature increases Lyon per pupil funding

By Robert Perea

The Lyon County School District received a slight increase in per-pupil funding and increase in weighted funding for English learners, Gifted & Talented and at-risk students as part of its 2026 final budget.

The District Board of Trustees approved the final budget at its May 27 meeting, in which Chief Financial Officer Kyle Rodriguez said the district has 30 days after the legislature closes to file an amended budget if any new legislation has passed.

Rodriguez said Governor Joe Lombardo's original budget, which was superseded by Senate Bill 500, originally had reduced Lyon County's per student funding by \$3 per student from the current year. But SB 500 granted the district a \$6 per student increase, so it's receiving a net increase of \$3 per student over last year.

Rodriguez said the district is using 8,904 as its enrollment figure for the budget, an increase of five students from the average daily enrollment from

the fourth quarter of the current fiscal year.

"We budgeted 8,972 in fiscal year 2025 and we have not hit that mark and have a \$583,000 negative variance in adjusted based funding for this fiscal year," he said.

Rodriguez said the weighted funding revenues for English learners is increasing by \$101,656, Gifted & Talented is increasing by \$20,334 and at-risk funding is increasing by \$187,799. In addition, special education funding increased by \$2,390,346 in fiscal year 2026. In total, the budget projects \$123,262,839 in total funding from the State Education Fund. The total adjusted base per pupil amount is \$11,491, which is a total of \$102,315,864 at the projected enrollment of 8,904 students. The total weighted funding is \$3,620,115 and special education funding is \$11,959,030.

"We are fully staffed, and we budget all vacancies in the middle of the salary schedule," Rodriguez said. "If there is any vacancy savings, that will be brought forth."



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LAW & ORDER

Arrest Report May 25 – June 1, 2025

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Arresting Agency: Lyon County Sheriff's Office: 34 State of Nevada: 6 Tribal: 0 Yerington Police Department: 2	DUNN, WILLIAM FRANCIS IV Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$10,000.00 Charges: VIOL STALKING/HARASSMENT EPO	LONGWORTH, JENNIFER LEE Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,000.00 Charges: CONTEMPT OF MUNICIPAL COURT	Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$5,000.00 Charges: OBT MONEY/PROP/LABOR BY FALSE PRETENSES, \$1200 BUT LT \$5K
ALDAMA, GASTON LEE Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$9,280.00 Charges: DOM BATTERY, 1ST; RESIST PUB OFF; UNLAW USE OF EMERG PHONE NUMBER (911); DESTROY/INJURE PUB COMM/TRANS/POL/FIRE PROTECT	EDWARDS TOLBERT, COLE MATH-WEPAUL Area of Arrest: Mound House Bail Amount: \$2,035.00 Charges: BASIC SPEED - 11-20 MPH OVER POSTED LIMIT; OPEN ALC CONTAINER IN VEH; POSS/CONSUME MARIJ IN PUB PLACE/MARIJ STORE/VEH; DUI, (1ST)	LUCERO, ROGER JOSEPH III Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$1,680.00 Charges: Assist Other Agency--Hold	ROLLO, MARK THOMAS Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,890.00 Charges: Assist Other Agency--Hold; USE/POSS DRUG-PARA
BARNES, STEPHANIE KRYSTAL Area of Arrest: Mound House Bail Amount: \$1,760.00 Charges: OWNER - PROOF OF INS REQ; DRIVE W/SUS DRV-LIC	EGGERLING, JEROLD JOSEPH Area of Arrest: Mound House Bail Amount: \$1,055.00 Charges: CIVIL-FAIL TO OBEY STOP SIGN AT CONTROLLED INTERSECTION; DRIVE W/SUS DRV-LIC	MARCELLI, ANTHONY MICHAEL Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: None Charges: FTA AFTER BAIL, MISD CRIME	SARDINAS-DIAZ, YOSNEL Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: None Charges: FEL ARREST FUGITIVE FROM OTHER STATE/CMPL/WARRANT; FEL ARREST FOR VIOL OF PROBATION/COND OF SUSP SENT SINNER, JUSTIN MICHAEL
BONNIE, JOSEPH EDWARD Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,640.00 Charges: HARASSMENT, (1ST)	GALLEGOS ARROYO, MANUEL Area of Arrest: Mound House Bail Amount: \$3,140.00 Charges: DOM BATTERY, 1ST	MARTINEZ, VINCENT ANDREW Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$5,440.00 Charges: DUI, (1ST); DRIVE W/O DRV-LIC; OPEN ALC CONTAINER IN VEH; RESIST PUB OFF; DAMAGE PRISON, JAIL PROPLT \$5K	Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$12,500.00 Charges: POSS/RCV/TRNSFR STOLEN VEH; POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF
BORDERS, JANNIE ANN Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$3,140.00 Charges: DOM BATTERY, 1ST	GEORGE, NATHAN JAMES JR Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,500.00 Charges: CRIMINAL CONTEMPT	MARTINEZ PEREZ, JOSE JAIRO Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$3,140.00 Charges: DOM BATTERY, 1ST	SMOKEY, KAMERON WAYNE Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,000.00 Charges: FTA AFTER BAIL, MISD CRIME
CARLSON, RACHELLE SHARON Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$40,135.00 Charges: DRIVE W/REV DRV-LIC; OPER UNREG VEH/TRAILER/SEMI; OPERATOR - PROOF OF INS REQ; USE/POSS DRUG-PARA; GRAND LARCENY OF MOTOR VEH, 1ST OFF	HAKALA, CHARLES MICHAEL Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$1,640.00 Charges: HARASSMENT, (1ST)	MCCARTHY, MICHAEL JOSEPH Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$380.00 Charges: Assist Other Agency--Hold	SOTO, DARIEL RICARDO Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$5,920.00 Charges: ASSAULT ON PROTECTED PERS; RESIST PUB OFF; INTOX PEDESTRIAN/ANIMAL RIDER ON ROAD; FALSE STMT TO/OBSTRUCT PUB OFF
CHARTER-YOSCOVITCH, MELISSA ALICE Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$640.00 Charges: PETIT LARCENY	JOHNSON, LANCE LEIGH Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$1,225.00 Charges: DRIVE W/SUS DRV-LIC; DSPL FICTITIOUS VEH REG/PLATE/TITLE; OPEN ALC CONTAINER IN VEH	MOFFETT, RYAN EASTON Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$8,640.00 Charges: POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF; DESTROY/ CONCEAL EVIDENCE; POSS BURGLARY TOOLS; USE/POSS DRUG-PARA	STRAUCH, JEFFREY LYNN Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$1,842.00 Charges: CRIMINAL CONTEMPT - FTO COURT ORDER
CLARK, TRAVIS EDWARD JR Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: None Charges: Court Commitment	JURADO, ESTEBAN VILLA Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$2,280.00 Charges: FALSE STMT TO/OBSTRUCT PUB OFF; RESIST PUB OFF	MORRIS, PAUL CEDRIC Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$5,500.00 Charges: POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS BUT LT 28 GRAMS; Assist Other Agency--Hold; FEL ARREST FOR VIOL OF PROBATION/COND OF SUSP SENT	THOMAS, ALAN NICHOLAS Area of Arrest: Smith Valley Bail Amount: \$15,650.00 Charges: BASIC SPEED - 11-20 MPH OVER POSTED LIMIT; DUI, (1ST); POSS/CONSUME MARIJUANA IN VEH ON PUB ROAD/HIGHWAY; USE/POSS DRUG-PARA; FAIL DRIVE ON RIGHT HALF OF ROAD
COPELAND, PAUL DALE Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$13,190.00 Charges: FEL ARREST FOR VIOL OF PROBATION/COND OF SUSP SENT; HEADLAMPS NOT ILLUMINATED WHEN REQ; OWNER - PROOF OF INS REQ; FAIL POSS/SURRENDER CERT OF REG; DUI, (1ST); USE/POSS DRUG-PARA; RESIST PUB OFF; POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF	KILLEN, DAVID SCOTT Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$5,000.00 Charges: POSS SCH I, II C/S 14 GRAMS BUT LT 28 GRAMS; DESTROY/CONCEAL EVIDENCE; FEL ARREST FOR VIOL OF COND OF PAROLE; Assist Other Agency--Hold	NEILL, DANIEL RAY Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$27,395.00 Charges: Assist Other Agency--Hold (2 counts); POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF; USE/POSS DRUG-PARA; OPER UNREG VEH/TRAILER/SEMI	WATERS, TYLER MATTHEW Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$4,555.00 Charges: DUI, (2ND); DRIVE W/REV DRV-LIC; RESIST PUB OFF; FAIL DRIVE ON RIGHT HALF OF ROAD
DAVIS, SHAUN MICHAEL Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$5,000.00 Charges: ASLT DOM VIOL, W/USE OF DW	LECHLER, JACQUELINE BLAIR Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$3,995.00 Charges: DUI, (1ST); RECKLESS DRIVING DISREGARD PERS/PROP SAFETY, (1ST); FAIL MAINT LANE/ IMPROPER LANE CHG/USE SIGNAL; FOLLOW TOO CLOSELY; FAIL SAFELY PASS/OVERTAKE ON RIGHT SIDE; BASIC SPEED - 1-10 MPH OVER POSTED LIMIT; OPEN ALC CONTAINER IN VEH; POSS/CONSUME MARIJUANA IN VEH ON PUB ROAD/HIGHWAY	PATINO AGUILAR, MANUEL Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,140.00 Charges: CONV PERS FAIL TO REG WITH LAW ENF WITHIN 48 HRS	WEED, TARA YEVONNE Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$7,280.00 Charges: POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF; USE/POSS DRUG-PARA
DUGGER, REBEKKA DANNYELLE Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$2,500.00 Charges: POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF	ROBERTS, JAMIE KENDALL Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$4,280.00 Charges: DUI, (1ST); DRIVE W/REV DRV-LIC; POSS SCH I, II C/S LT 14 GRAMS, 1ST OR 2ND OFF	ROBLES, MARCO ANGELO	WILLIS, FRANK LEE Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: None Charges: CRIMINAL CONTEMPT (2 counts)



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PLANNING, PARTICIPATION, PROGRESS

Infrastructure march continues at Victory Logistics District

By Robert Perea

Sitting in a pickup truck atop a berm in the desert at the south end of the Victory Logistics District, Mark IV Capital Senior Vice President Rick Nelson asked a visitor to imagine that he was climbing the approach to a bridge over the Union Pacific Railroad.

Nelson was explaining where the north end of the overpass will be on the Nevada Pacific Parkway extension, one of a myriad of projects currently underway in the Victory Logistics District.

But while the area will eventually be full of a variety of industrial, logistical and data collection and management facilities, the infrastructure for it all has to be in place before that can happen. Most of the work being done now is just to lay the groundwork, quite literally, for the massive plans the

company has for the project.

“We are really moving out on a lot of things,” Nelson said.

One of the projects currently underway is the construction of a mile-long box culvert to drain storm water out of the area and into a 20-acre retention pond. That works includes sloping and compacting the ground.

“Once that box culvert is poured, we are aiming to change the property elevation through a letter of map revision,” Nelson said.

The culvert will be buried 20 feet deep and three drain connections will be added to drain surrounding lots.

“That’s what you don’t see. Everything is underground,” he said. “A lot of work goes into infrastructure to create what people just accept as normal.”

In addition, Nelson said many preliminary steps are being taken for the preparation of the extension of Nevada

Pacific Parkway. Environmental studies are currently underway, while the company is sorting out plans to acquire land on both sides of the highway to widen the road. The current southern section of Nevada Pacific, where the road now ends, will be straightened out where the approach to the bridge will be.

Nelson said the overpass will be a six-lane road that gradually goes up to 25-30 feet high at the top, enough to go over a double-stack train.

“We’re there, we’re getting there, it just takes a lot of work to get it done,” he said.

Infrastructure to build an access road that will be called Gavin Road is currently also being put into place. Within the next few months, Nelson said pipes will begin to be laid for sewer, gas and electricity. Several large parcels are being prepared for the

eventual construction of buildings.

“We have power, we have plans, we have permits, we’re just waiting for the dominoes to go into place,” he said. “The economics are getting better every day, especially with the current administration’s influx of cash. People are starting to have confidence to actualize their plans.”

As it all comes together, Nelson said the growth the project will bring is the economic boon to the list of unfunded deficiencies the city of Fernley now faces.

“Victory is more than just industrial space. Victory is a combination of Northern Nevada economic growth,” he said. “We have a really good, thoughtful plan that brings it all together.”

City passes budget following Marchant’s resignation

By Kerry Lyman

After City Manager Benjamin Marchant resolved the Fernley City Council’s budget impasse last Wednesday by offering to resign, the council unanimously adopted a \$25.3 million budget for fiscal year 2025-2026, thereby eliminating a \$4.2 million water ancillary fee that has increased property taxes for Fernley property owners since 2016.

The budget approved by the council includes the city manager’s position, which was included in the original budget presented to the council. But a motion by Councilman Albert Torres at the May 21 meeting to approve the budget while defunding the city manager’s position was vetoed by Mayor Neal McIntyre, leaving the city without a budget and forcing the council to hold another meeting on May 28.

After two hours of testimony from the council and public comment in which three council members outlined their grievances against Marchant, the

council went into recess for more than three hours, during which Mayor Neal McIntyre announced to the members of the audience who remained that City Attorney Aaron Mouritsen was negotiating a separation agreement with Marchant.

When the council reconvened, Councilman Ryan Hanan made a motion to approve the budget as presented, and the motion passed 5-0. The water ancillary fee was imposed in 2016 to pay principal and interest on debt service payments to pay for the city’s water treatment facility.

“Elimination of the fee ‘will save rate payers hundreds or thousands on their property tax bills,’ Marchant predicted at an earlier budget workshop in May.

“The water fund has the resources now to fund its operations and debt requirements without collecting this fee,” he said.

The adopted budget is projecting revenues of \$20.7 million, plus the use of \$4.6 million from the city’s \$15.3

million reserve fund, leaving a fund balance in the reserve fund of \$10.7 million.

The new budget includes the creation of two new departments in the city, a human resources department, budgeted at \$163,090 and a code enforcement department, budgeted at \$476,606. The budget anticipates the hiring of 11.5 full time equivalent employees, including two new code enforcement officers, without law enforcement training, 2.5 workers in the public works department, six new employees in the utilities department and one new employee in the planning department.

The budget also includes \$100,000 for celebration of the city’s 25th anniversary in July 2026, \$80,000 in professional services fees for work on phase III of the Lands Bill conveyance and \$1 million in funding for the Community Response and Resource Center to pay any bills not paid in the current fiscal year.

Other expenditures included in the

budget include funds for a Cedar Street reconstruction, Fernley Industrial Park rehabilitation and reconstruction, a flashing light at the Farm District Road crosswalk, phase III of the Farm District Road bike path, design for the Red Rock Road extension, design services for the proposed fishing pond park and improvements at In-Town Park, Green Valley Park and Out-of-Town Park.

Funds have also been allocated for fiscal 2026 to complete the Master Plan update, creation of a capital improvements plan, creation of infrastructure plans for the North and Southwest Area plans, adoption of the South Area plan and corridor studies for Main Street, Farm District Road and Highway 95A.

The final budget also includes funding for three new modular buildings, priced at \$300,000 each, to house existing and new employees at the Utilities Department. The proposed modular building for city hall was eliminated from the final budget.

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SPORTS

Nine Fernley student-athletes to compete in college

By Robert Perea

Fernley High School held a College Signing Ceremony on May 29 to celebrate nine student-athletes who will be continuing their athletic careers in college, ranging from community college to Division I. The range of sports is just as diverse as the different levels of competition they will face, from rodeo and bowling to baseball and soccer.

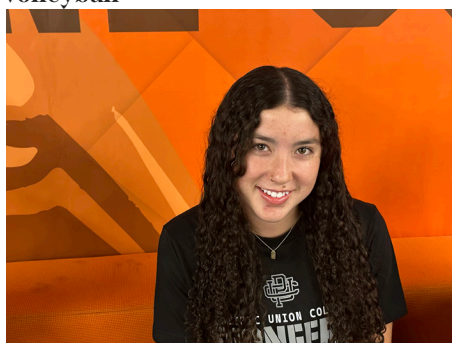
Morgan Dickson, Feather River College soccer

Despite being unable to play in both her first and last year at Fernley, Dickson has earned the opportunity to play soccer at Feather River College in Quincy, CA. Her freshman year the JV team was dissolved due to a lack of players, so she became a team manager, where she learned the statistical side of the sport. As a sophomore, she made the JV team as starting centerback and was a team captain. She made the varsity as a junior and continued to be a defensive leader on and off the field. She tore her anterior cruciate ligament during summer conditioning last year and missed her senior season but earned the title of varsity captain and supported the team with positive energy and outlook.



Arianna Mathern, Pacific Union College volleyball

Mathern will be attending Pacific Union, located in Angwin, CA, on an athletic and academic scholarship. She was senior class president, the varsity captain last fall. She recorded 500 kills in her career and was named 2024 Northern 3A East MVP in 2024, as well as first-team All-Northern 3A and first-team 3A All-State. She also made the Nevada All-State Academic team as a senior. She missed her junior year with an ACL tear, after being on the Northern 3A East first team and first-team All-Northern 3A as a sophomore. In the classroom, she posted a 4.0 grade point average the last two years.



Tina Garcia, UNLV wrestling

Garcia competed in wrestling for three years in high school, earning 48 career wins and consistently demonstrating grit and determination. She is a two-time tournament champion and has earned top four finishes in five major tournaments. Her standout performance came in the Nevada Queens Tournament, where she dominated her bracket and claimed first place. In the 2024-25 season, she placed third in regionals and state. At UNLV she also aims to pursue a degree in law.



Kylie Ann Behrendt, Colorado Mesa rodeo

Behrendt is a two-time Nevada state champion in goat tying, winning in 2024 and 2025, a five-time national qualifier from 2021 to 2025, a 2023 reserve state champion in goat tying, a three-time Junior Patriot qualifier and two-time Junior World Championship qualifier. She plans to compete in rodeo at Colorado Mesa University in Grand Junction, CO. She said she has had Colorado Mesa in mind since she started high school because they have produced several fantastic goat tyers. She also plans to compete in breakaway roping and team roping.



Kade McKnight, New Mexico St. rodeo

McKnight is the two-time Nevada State All-Around Cowboy, winning the title in 2024 and 2025. He also won the All-Around Cowboy for the State Finals Rodeo both years and was the state team roping champion in 2025 and three-time state champion in boys cutting, in 2023, 2024 and 2025. He qualified for the National High School Finals Rodeo coming up July 13-19 in Rock Springs, WY in team roping, boys cutting and steer wrestling. In 2024, he was the Nation-



al High School Reserve World Champion in team roping with his partner, Jace Jepson from Fallon. He has twice won the Stan Ceresola Memorial Roping Saddle for being the high money winner during the Fernley Junor Rodeo.

Kael Paz, College of Southern Nevada track and cross country

In cross country, Paz set a personal record in the 5k of 16:49, the second fastest time in athletic.net history for Fernley High School. He is a four time state qualifier, and was second team all-region once, first-team all-region three times, second-team all-state three times and first-team all-state once. In track, he set a personal record of 4:37 in the 1600 meters, the third fastest time in athletic.net history for Fernley High School, and has the second-fastest time in athletic.net history for Fernley in the 3200 with a time of 10:05. He was a member of the school-record setting 4x800 relay team last month at the 3A State Meet. Paz is a four-time state qualifier in track, a five-time second team all-region honoree, and was first-team all-region and second-team all-state once.



Hayden Lyon, Mesa Community College baseball

Lyon will be headed to Mesa (AZ) Community College as a pitcher. He was a three-year letter winner for the Vaqueros as a starting pitcher and earned Northern 3A East Honorable Mention as a pitcher. He recorded 73 strikeouts in his varsity career. In his final appearance on the mound for the Vaqueros, he was the winning pitcher in an elimination game at the Northern 3A Regional Tournament against Lowry, which had beaten the Vaqueros three times in the regular season.



Brittney Fogelberg, York University basketball

Fogelberg will be playing basketball for York University in York, NE. She played in the Vaqueros program for four years, showing growth and improvement and was a key player helping the team finish second in the Northern 3A Regional Tournament. She was cited by Fernley coach Ralph Dunn as being very coachable, inspiring and competitive, with a positive attitude at practice that makes her teammates better. She will be attending York on an athletic and academic scholarship and plans to pursue a degree in physical education.



Hailey Havel, Waldorf University bowling

Havel will be attending Waldorf University in Forest City, Iowa to compete in bowling and pursue a degree in business. She has competed on the Fernley High School bowling team for three years and is one of the 2025 team captains. Bowling is a club sport in northern Nevada and not a sanctioned sport by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association. Fernley has won the regional championship in three of the four years it has fielded a team.



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- 5:30 p.m. Lions Club BMX Bike Race
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- 6:00 p.m. Horseshoe Contest

Friday, August 15

- 8:00 a.m. Silver State Livestock Show
- 4:00 p.m. Fair Opens
- 5:00 p.m. Carnival until 10:00 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m. Frog Jump
- 6:30 p.m. LL Productions Truck & Tractor Pull
- 9:00 p.m. Dancing Under the Stars
- 9:00 p.m. Hispanic Band

Saturday, August 16

- 8:00 a.m. Silver State Livestock Show
- 10:00 a.m. Main Street Fair and Rodeo Parade
- 10:00 a.m. Fair Opens
- 12:00 p.m. Four Star - CCPRA Rodeo
- 12:00 p.m. YHS Basketball Cornhole Tournament
- 1:00 p.m. Carnival until 11:00 p.m.
- 5:00 p.m. Littlest Cowboy / Cowgirl Contest
- 6:00 p.m. Yerington Fire Department Demo Derby
- 9:00 p.m. Dancing Under the Stars
- 9:00 p.m. Hispanic Band

Sunday, August 17

- 9:00 a.m. Livestock Buyer Sign up
- 9:00 a.m. Mud Volleybal
- 10:00 a.m. Fair Opens until 4:00 p.m.
- 10:00 a.m. Motorcross Barrel Racing
- 10:00 a.m. Painting Class
- 10:30 a.m. Silver State Youth Livestock Show
Buyer Lunch
- 11:00 a.m. Carnival until 2:00 p.m.
- 12:00 p.m. Silver State Youth Livestock Show
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From Setback to Comeback: Your Story Isn't Finished Yet

By Wes Sheley

Have you ever felt like your life is filled with plot twists you didn't sign up for? Like a single moment of failure or an unexpected crisis has completely ruined your life? Perhaps it was a decision you made, or maybe someone else was responsible. In moments like these, it can make you feel like everything is over, like you've lost your dreams and plans for a future, or to make things right. Here's the good news: what seems like your biggest setback is just a setup for God to create the most incredible comeback story of your life.

Romans 8:28 (NIV) says, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

That means that no matter what has happened in your past, how deep the pain, how big the mistake, or how impossible the situation might seem, God can use it for good. Nothing is wasted in His hands. Every moment, every tear, every stumble becomes part of a beautiful story of hope and redemption.

Winston Churchill once said, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

Those words are just as true for us today. No matter how many times you've fallen, no matter how hopeless things might look, you can always rise again because God is not finished writing your story.

Maybe today you're carrying the weight of past failures. Perhaps you feel like you've messed up too many times, or you feel like your dreams have slipped through your fingers. Or maybe you're just worn out from all the battles of life. It is easy to think that God has given up on you, or that there's no way forward.

The truth is, God never writes you off. Let me say that again, God never writes you off.

He sees beyond our failures and our fears. He sees the person you can become. He sees the person He has created you to be. When we start to trust God with our brokenness, he doesn't just fix what's wrong, He transforms it into something better than we ever imagined. He takes the shattered pieces of our lives and rebuilds them into something stronger and more meaningful than we could ever create on our own. Your pain and your challenges become part of your testimony, a testament to God's grace and power at work in your life.

As we read the Bible, we see this

pattern again and again. Think about Joseph, he was betrayed by his brothers and sold into slavery. His setback was devastating; however, in the end, Joseph became ruler in Egypt and saved his family and nation from famine. We can also see Peter, who denied Jesus three times. But Jesus forgave him and used him to build the early church. Their setbacks didn't define them, God did!

God can do the same for you. What you see as a setback is not the end of your story. It might be just the beginning of your greatest comeback. What you see as a failure, God sees as a setup for something better. What you think is a dead end, God sees as a doorway to a miracle.

It doesn't mean the process will be easy. Joseph spent years in prison during the process, and I'm sure that wasn't easy. There will be challenges and very hard days, but when you put your trust in God, you'll discover a strength and hope you didn't even know you had. You'll find that even in the darkest moments, His light still shines. Even when everything feels like it's falling apart, He is still working behind the scenes to bring about something good.

So today, I would like to encourage you: don't give up. Don't let your

setbacks steal your hope. Instead, turn to God and ask Him to show you the comeback He has planned for you. Let Him breathe new life into your dreams, your purpose, and your heart. No matter what you've been through, no matter how far you've fallen, your story isn't over. God is still writing your story.

Your struggles can become steppingstones to something greater. Your setbacks can become the very foundation of your testimony. With God on your side, you can have the courage to keep moving forward. It might not happen overnight, but step by step and day by day, God will guide you. He will take the broken pieces of your life and create something that gives Him glory and fills your heart with joy.

So, hold onto hope. Keep pressing forward. Trust that God is not finished with you yet. With Him, your greatest setback is just the beginning of your greatest comeback. Your story isn't over...It's just getting good.

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Morgan is vaccinated, spayed and ready to become a full-time family member to a loving home. If you think Morgan would be a good fit for your home, please contact the Lyon County Animal Services at 775-577-5007 to arrange a time to visit. The shelter is located at 3705 Highway 50 West, in Silver Springs, NV. This shelter

receives all the strays, abandoned, and surrendered dogs in the Dayton, Fernley, Silver Springs areas. Consequently, there are usually lots of beautiful pups to choose from at their facility. If you are considering adding to your fur family, please stop by for a visit at the shelter. You can also go on Petfinders.com, put in 89429 as the zip code and filter it within 10 miles and you will be able to see all the dogs currently housed there and ready to meet you.



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The North Lyon County Fire Protection District is seeking candidates to fill one (1) vacated Board of Director position. Candidates must live within the boundaries of the District. Interested parties need to provide the District with a Letter of Interest no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2025. Appointment will be made at the Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday June 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., at 195 East Main Street, Fernley, NV 89408.

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