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Trustees give superintendent satisfactory evaluation

By Robert Perea

Lyon County School District Superintendent Tim Logan received a satisfactory evaluation for his first year on the job from the District's Board of Trustees.

Logan received a composite score of 3.66 on a scale of 1-5. A score of 3.67 would have fallen in the "exceptional" category.

While Logan has only been in his position for a year, after being hired to replace Wayne Workman, who resigned after the 2023-24 school year, three of the seven trustees have only been in office since January, and several of them said that made the evaluation process tricky.

"Our superintendent has only had one year, and he hasn't had any direction from the current board during that time," Board President Tom Hendrix said. "We did come up with a new District Performance Plan that gives him guidance as to what this board is looking for and I look forward to his implementation of that over the next year."

Trustees Elmer Bull and James-Whisler, who along with Dawn Carson were just elected last November, each said they didn't have a lot to go on in

filling out the evaluation. Bull, in particular, called it "perplexing."

"I certainly had nothing to say negative about the superintendent," Bull said. "I had a few positives for sure, but I can tell you overall, I feel that he's doing a fine job, and I am really encouraged by some of the developments."

Bull and Trustee Sherry Parsons each said they are encouraged by the improved communication that seems to have resulted from a recent board workshop. Bull said he is concerned about how the district is going to address things like poor behavior by students, poor teacher retention and recruitment.

"But I do believe we're taking a shot at trying to address that and trying to figure out how to move forward on those and kind of move the dial a little bit on that," he said.

Whisler agreed with Bull that it's tough to evaluate someone you've only worked with for five or six months.

"I definitely wanted a lot of positives in there, because I think Superintendent Logan's got a great future here and can be one of the best superintendents this district's had," Whisler said.

Each trustee rated Logan on a scale of 1-5 in 32 total categories. The average score of all the categories added up



Lyon County School District Superintendent Tim Logan talks with students during Bite of Reality, an interactive financial simulation hosted in April at Dayton High School. Photo Courtesy of LCSD

to 3.66.

An overall average between 1 to 2.32 signifies an unsatisfactory evaluation, 2.33 to 3.66 points signifies a satisfactory evaluation, and 3.67 to 5 points signifies an exceptional evaluation.

Logan credited district staff for many of the things he was credited for in the evaluation.

"A lot of the stuff in the evaluation comes from their work and I do definitely appreciate them," Logan said. "Some things are quick and easy to fix, and other things are going to take some time."

NDOT presents plan for I-80 widening project

By Robert Perea

The Nevada Department of Transportation is continuing to take public comment through a virtual public meeting on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed Interstate 80 East Widening Project.

NDOT officials held a public hearing in Lockwood on June 25 to explain the project, but the exhibits presented at the meeting are available through July 18 at I80EastNV.com.

At the June 25 meeting, NDOT Public Involvement Coordinator Justin Hopkins, said the project would expand the highway from Vista Blvd. in Sparks to USA Parkway. He said the project is being studied in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act commonly called NEPA, to make sure all of the potential environmental impacts are being evaluated and to get input from the public before moving forward.

"We've prepared an environmental assessment that outlines the project's purpose and need, potential impacts,

proposed mitigation measures and the preferred alternative we build if the project moves ahead," Hopkins said. Senior Project Manager Chris Kuhn said there has been an approximate increase in traffic of 70% in the last 10 years.

"Obviously a lot of congestion because of that and a lot of crashes and operational issues," Kuhn said. "The goal of the project is to address those issues by adding additional capacity, reconfiguring and upgrading the interchanges and by implementing safety improvements such as widened shoulders, wrong way driver detection systems and median barrier rails."

Kuhn said the preferred alternative is to expand I-80 to three lanes in each direction between Vista and USA Parkway. He said other planned improvements to the Lockwood, Mustang and Patrick interchanges would help traffic move more efficiently and safely through the area.

"If you couldn't make it to today's public hearing, no worries," Kuhn said. "You can review all of the details and



submit your questions or comments online anytime." The public comment period is open 24 hours a day through 5 p.m. Friday, July 18

Traffic backs up on Interstate 80 after a crash. Photo Courtesy of NDOT

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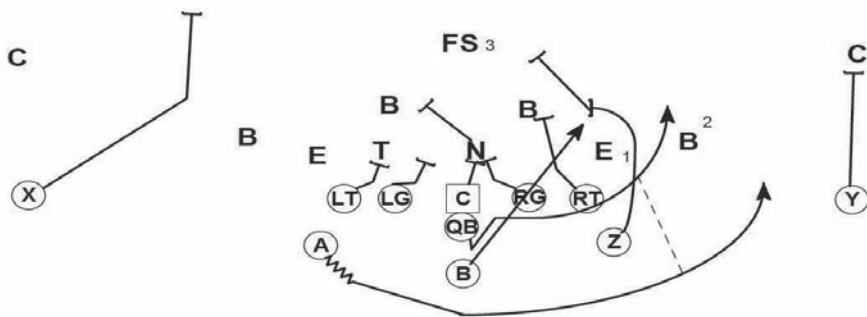
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

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Looking ahead to 4th of July 2026

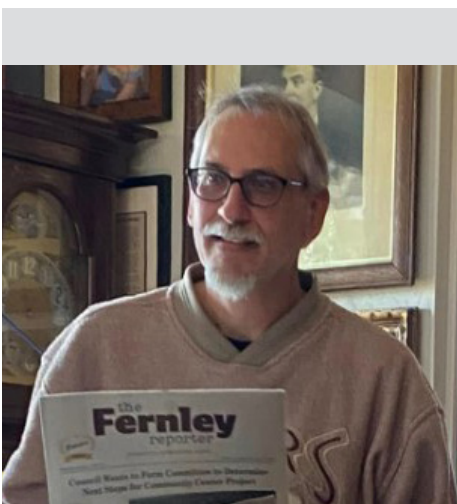
During an interview with Rebecca Kitchen on KOLO-TV last week to promote the Fernley 4th of July, Rebecca asked John Mueller and I how soon planning begins for each year's 4th of July. Rebecca chuckled when John said July 5th, but in reality, planning for next year's event started a couple of months ago.

That's mainly because July 1 next year is the 25th anniversary of the City of Fernley's incorporation, and to make it even better it's also the 250th anniversary of the United States. Google says a 250th anniversary is called a Semiquincentennial, and I think we should do a drinking game where people have to try to pronounce that.

July 1 next year is on a Wednesday, so the plan is to get all of the various community organizations together and hold a weeklong celebration with activities every day that culminates with the 4th of July on Saturday.

This year, though, we're turning the 4th of July celebration into a two-day event for the first time, with a Battle of the Bands on Thursday. But part of the planning for that is actually for next year as well. Since it's our first time, we're learning as we go about what it takes. We hope it's successful this year, but even more so, we hope to learn what we don't know and make it even better next year.

Having attended the Fernley 4th of July for several years, I had a general idea that it must be a huge scope of work to put it all together. But when I joined the 4th of July committee



ROBERT PEREA

three years ago, I realized I had no clue. There are so many moving parts, there's a reason the planning takes 12 months.

There's also been quite a bit of turnover on our board over the past three years. Only two other members of the board were there when I joined, and one of those left and came back. Fortunately, past boards have kept meticulous records and created detailed schedules of tasks for each month. You can't put on an event of this magnitude haphazardly, and after seeing how much time, effort and money it takes, I'm even more impressed with what past organizers did than I was from attending the event in years past.

With the planning for this year behind us and nothing left to do but enjoy the day, my thoughts are already on next year's huge anniversary

celebration. If you're involved with a community group, I hope we can work together and all have a hand in making it a weeklong festival. If you aren't in a group, I hope you are willing to get involved individually. We intend to make it a community-wide celebration, and that means community-wide involvement. All ideas are welcome, and I'll be sure to keep you posted on ways you can get involved.

Robert Perea has covered news and sports in Northern Nevada since 1993. He has published The Fernley Reporter online since 2016, loves music, is a sucker for the pets who have adopted him, and is thrilled to be printing the Reporter.

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Bev Barker #16

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Cheryl Beye, 22'

Chip In: Bev Barker, #16

FEATURES

Local ballet students perform for Fernley senior

By Rachel Dahl

It was a quiet morning at Fernley Estates Senior Living when a little bit of magic pirouetted in.

Thanks to the Fernley Performing Arts program and a group of generous young dancers, one resident's lifelong dream came true. Miss Mary, a beloved member of the senior living community, had always dreamed of being in a ballet performance. Now in her later years, stepping into a theater wasn't possible so the ballet came to her.

Several ballet students volunteered their time and talent to stage a special performance, fulfilling Miss Mary's "Ageless Dream" with a performance of 12 songs. They began with "You Will Be Found" from the musical Dear Evan Hansen and included "When You Wish Upon a Star" from Disney's Pinocchio, The Sound of Music and finished off with "Flowers."

"It was an honor to fulfill Miss Mary's 'Ageless Dream,'" Laken Boonlua said in a social media post. "She was teary-eyed the whole time and absolutely loved it."

The dancers, dressed in soft pastels



Dancers from Fernley Performing Arts put on a ballet performance last Saturday at Fernley Estates Senior Living, bring a dream to life for a resident. Photo courtesy of Fernley Performing Arts

and warm smiles, twirled and leaped through a short program, bringing the grace of the stage to the heart of the care home. Residents gathered in the common room, some tapping along to the music, others simply soaking in the joy.

For the students, the performance was more than just a chance to dance, it was a powerful lesson in kindness, service, and the joy of sharing their art.

The Fernley Performing Arts program continues to find new ways to connect with the community, bringing music, dance, and delight wherever they go. Their mission is provide quality age-appropriate instruction to inspire and uplift all ages to express and share the art of dance and music and

focus on each individual student and to help increase their love of dance, music and performance.

And for Miss Mary, the dream didn't just come true, it danced right into her heart.

After 40 Years, Nevada's State Entomologist Retires

Staff Report

After four decades of dedicated service to the Silver State, Jeff Knight, Nevada's longtime state entomologist, is preparing to retire. His final day with the Nevada Department of Agriculture (NDA) will be Friday, July 4, 2025.

Knight's path to entomology began in childhood, sparked by an early fascination with insects and nurtured through 4-H programs. He earned a Bachelor of Science in pest management from the University of Nevada, Reno, followed by a Master of Science in entomology from Utah State University. He first joined NDA as a seasonal entomologist in 1977.

Knight has deep Nevada roots and strong ties to the Fallon community. In October 1976, he married Fallon resident Virginia Guazzini. They welcomed son Brian in 1980 and daughter Angela in 1982. He continues to spend much of his time in Fallon with family. In 1993, Knight was promoted to state entomologist, a role in which he helped safeguard Nevada's economy and food systems by leading responses to invasive species and agricultural pests. According to NDA Director J.J. Goicoechea, Knight's "passion and dedication to the development and curation of the State of Nevada Entomology Collection has catalogued the discovery of new species within the state and expanded the formal state records for species."

Knight also became a go-to resource for the public and agriculture professionals alike, identifying countless specimens and offering guidance on pest management. "He has also identified innumerable samples from the public and agriculture community, offering insights and management recommendations," Goicoechea noted.

Throughout his career, Knight

was known not only for his scientific expertise but also for his commitment to public education and environmental stewardship. "Jeff is regarded as a tireless advocate for environmental stewardship, educating Nevadans on the importance of sustainable practices to preserve our state's valuable ecosystems," said Goicoechea.

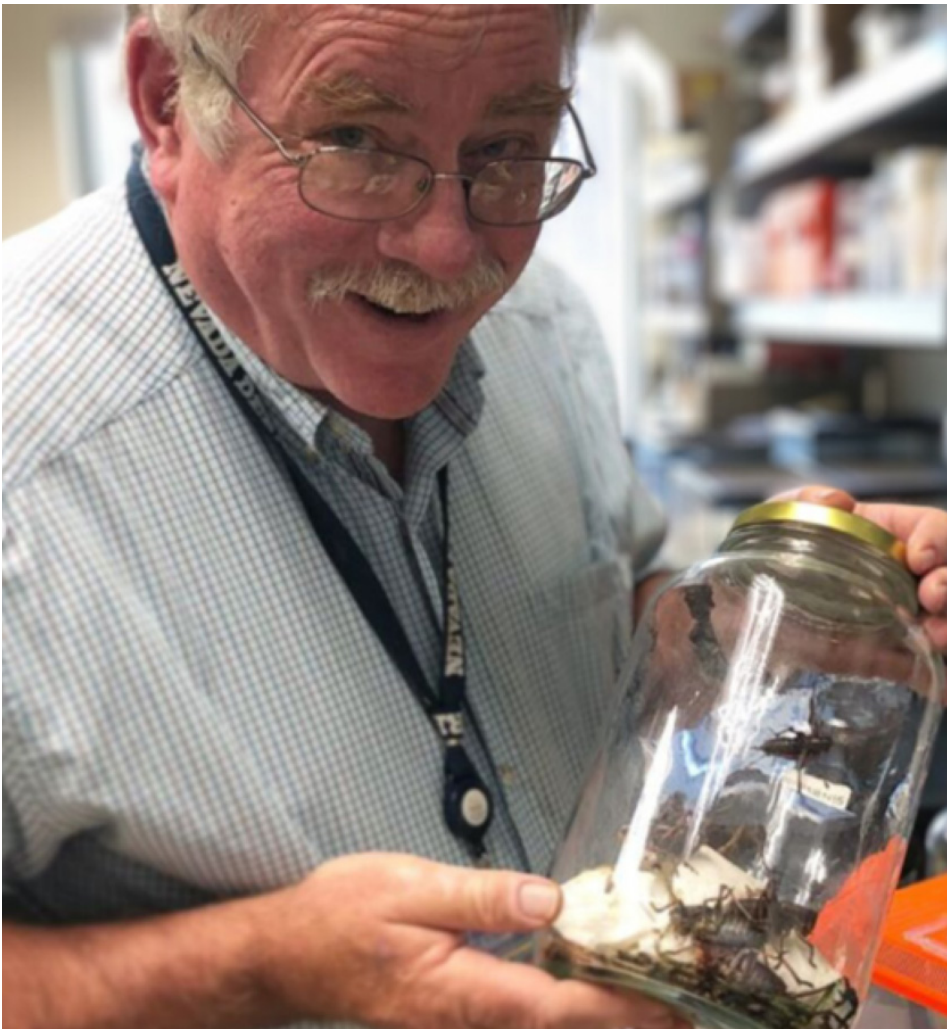
Knight has worked on several of Nevada's major insect issues, including Mormon crickets, fire ants, grasshoppers, gypsy moths, spiders, Japanese beetles, Africanized honeybees, and more. He has given thousands—literally—of lectures throughout Nevada and Fallon, working closely with the University of Nevada Extension Office, Master Gardeners, schools, and other organizations. He is a familiar face at the Fallon Cantaloupe Festival, often staffing the Department of Agriculture's booth, and has spent countless hours teaching students about insects in classrooms across the region.

Sharing his love for the field, Knight also taught community education classes through Western Nevada College's Fallon campus. One beetle has already been named in his honor as a newly discovered species, with another in the process.

With his July retirement approaching, colleagues across the state are taking time to reflect on Knight's many contributions to Nevada's agriculture, environment, and scientific community. Governor Joe Lombardo has issued a proclamation in his honor upon retirement.

"We wish him all the best in his well-deserved retirement," Goicoechea said.

Information for this article was provided by the Nevada Department of Agriculture and additional details were contributed by the Knight family.



Above top: Jeff Knight sharing his passion. Governor Lombardo presents Knight with proclamation. Photos courtesy Department of Agriculture.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FCTA awards \$92,125 in grant funds for community events

Staff Report

The Fernley Convention and Tourism Authority awarded \$92,125 in grand funding to 10 community organizations for events to promote tourism.

The Fernley Convention and Tourism Authority was established in 2011 with the objective to distribute funds from collected Transient Lodging Taxes to special event organizers to better promote tourism in Fernley. These grants are intended to be seed money to foster the development of special events which will bring people to Fernley and stay in local hotels, shop at local businesses, eat at local restaurants and fuel up at local stations.

The awards granted during the FCTA June 9 meeting were:

- Fernley 4th of July - \$14,375 for the Fernley Fourth of July event
- Sacred Visions Pow Wow - \$8,125 for the Sacred Visions Pow Wow
- Fernley ACES - \$8,500 for ART Lite/haunted House/Christmas Village
- Nevada Veterans Coalition - \$9,250 for Wreaths Across America
- Fernley Jr. Rodeo Association - \$9,625 for the Fernley Jr. Rodeo
- Fernley Community Foundation - \$4,625 for Fernstock 2025
- The Beacon - \$3,875 for the Fernley Splash the Stigma Tournament
- Main street Fernley - \$6,250 for the Drive to It-Not Through It campaign
- Fernley Youth Softball Tournaments - \$22,250 for sports tournaments
- Fernley Chamber of Commerce - \$5,250 for Big Impressions

Fernley RPen to meet July 9

Courtesy of RPEN

The Fernley Chapter of RPEN, the Retired Public Employees of Nevada, will meet at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 9 at the Fernley Senior Center, 105 Lois Lane.

There will be a presentation about the latest session of the Nevada State Legislature and about how RPEN has worked for nearly 50 years to protect the pension and healthcare benefits for public employee receiving or looking to receive their pension from the Nevada Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS). RPEN follows all of the PERS and PEBP (Public Employees' Benefits Program) meetings as well as the Nevada Legislature when it is in session every two years.

You don't have to be retired to join RPEN, as long as you've earned five years in PERS or are 50 years or older; you can join while you're still working. RPEN is working to protect the pensions of public employees who are still working or who have retired.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Library Board recommends Ross for one board seat, no consensus on other

By Robert Perea

With the terms of two members of the Lyon County Library Board of Trustees expiring, the Trustees voted 3-1 at their June 24 meeting to recommend Sara Ross of Silver City to fill the seat representing the Dayton area but reached no consensus on a recommendation for the seat representing Silver Springs.

The terms of Trustees Kay Edwards of Stagecoach and Deanne Davis of Dayton expiring, the Trustees voted 3-1 to recommend the appointment of Ross to represent Dayton. But a motion

to recommend the appointment of Edwards for a second seat ended in a 2-2 vote, with Trustees Jan Shardt and Nora Stevens in favor, and Davis and Patti Palmer opposed. A second motion, to recommend the appointment of Vida Keller, also ended in a 2-2 vote, with Davis and Palmer in favor and Shardt and Stevens opposed. Edwards recused herself from both votes on the recommendation of District Attorney Steve Rye. Davis likewise recused herself from the vote on the motion to appoint Ross.

Following the second 2-2 vote on the Silver Springs seat, Davis asked

if anyone would like to make another motion, and none was offered. “If there’s no other motion, then there would be no recommendation regarding Silver Springs,” Rye said. “For the minutes and the other information, just indicate that there was not a recommendation approved.”

Under County policy, the Trustees make recommendations to the Lyon County Commission to fill vacant seats, but the Commission makes the final decision. The last time there was a vacancy on the Board, the Trustees voted 3-1 to recommend the appointment of Suzanne Prouty of Fernley, but the

Commission voted to appoint Palmer. The Trustees had received six applications for the two spots, with Davis, Ross and Sara Jorgensen of Dayton applying for the seat representing Dayton, and Edwards, Keller and Eric Nelson of Stagecoach applying to represent Silver Springs.

Because the meeting happened after the cutoff to get on the agenda for the July 3 Commission meeting, Library Director Wynne Prindle told the Trustees the item would likely be placed on the agenda for the Commission’s July 17 meeting.

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Yerington air ambulance services
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By Lt. Bret Willey of the Lyon County Sheriff’s Office

The Lyon County Sheriff’s Office takes great pride in partnering with multiple law enforcement, medical, and civilian programs within the county. One such program that the Sheriff’s Office has partnered with since 2024 is Battle Born Medevac, a service of the Rural Medevac Alliance. Based out of Yerington, this privately owned company was created to better serve the citizens of Lyon County, with an emphasis on the southern portions of Silver Springs, Yerington, Mason Valley, Wellington, and Smith Valley.

This program offers emergency medical services through the primary use of a helicopter, and a ground medical transport vehicle. Battle Born Medevac began operations and were deployed by helicopter on June 19th, 2024. Since then, they have been called to serve during numerous medical emergencies, public events such as Night in the Country, and have provided stand-by emergency medical options during critical incidents in all areas of the county. Some of the many options they provide for the Deputies is an immediate response during LCSO SWAT operations, patrol critical incidents, and assisting all county Fire Protection Districts with emergency medevac call outs.

Since 2024, Battle Born Medevac has been going through an ongoing accreditation program through the National Accreditation Alliance of Medical Transport Applications (NAAMTA). During this accreditation period, they have been tested through pilot certification, both day and night flight operations, paramedic training, and have been proven to adhere to the highest standards in the air medical industry. They provide safety, professionalism, and compassionate care on every flight.

Each flight crew includes a highly trained pilot, flight nurse, and a flight paramedic that are all capable of delivering ICU-level critical care, whether at a rural clinic, hospital or on scene.

On June 11th, they successfully

completed the accreditation process and even added a second helicopter to their fleet. Many of the flight crew have 10+ years of experience in aviation, and emergency medical services. As a locally based, community-focused provider, they offer a personalized approach that sets them apart from larger models of medevac services.

The crew works in partnership with the Lyon County Sheriff’s Office Dispatch Division and have even created and provided the Dispatch center with a proprietary Computer Aided Dispatching (CAD) System. This system was integrated into our Dispatch center and the flight crew has provided ongoing training and support to our Dispatch team.

The Sheriff’s Office has assigned one of our Dispatch supervisors as the subject matter expert and liaison to the program. This supervisor is in charge of the day-to-day operations of the Dispatch shift and also has the responsibility of ensuring that all Battle Born Medevac training is being conducted. This includes ensuring that all rules, regulations, and policies are being adhered to, as well as doing regular audits on the calls for service which are being dispatched. This was a large undertaking for our Dispatch center as it added additional duties and responsibilities to all Dispatch team members. Our team is required to enter the medical call into the CAD system, dispatch the pilots and crew through radio, as well as continually monitor flight paths and conditions during the calls for service.

Through a new collaboration with SB Energy, all permanent residents of Lyon County are now automatically enrolled in the Rural Medevac Alliance membership with no sign up required. Any medically necessary air transports are fully covered with zero out-of-pocket costs. To learn more about Battle Born Medevac and the Rural Medevac Alliance (RMA), please visit ruralmedevac.com, follow them on social media, or follow the Lyon County Sheriff’s Office.

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ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

How City Planning Decisions Shape Fernley’s Future

By John Mueller

Fernley is one of the fastest-growing communities in Northern Nevada. With its strategic location, expanding industrial base, and strong community spirit, it stands at a crossroads where planning decisions made today will define what kind of city it becomes tomorrow.

From the location of new roads and parks to where businesses and homes are allowed to grow, city planning isn’t just about maps and permits. It’s about shaping opportunity, protecting quality of life, and ensuring that Fernley grows smarter, not just bigger.

What Is City Planning, and Why Does It Matter?

City planning is the process by which local governments determine how to utilize land, develop infrastructure, and deliver public services. In Fernley, these decisions are guided by two core documents:

1. The Master Plan – A long-range plan for growth, zoning, transportation, housing, and economic development.
2. The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) – A rolling five-year list of infrastructure projects like water systems, roads, and public buildings.

These tools determine whether new neighborhoods have sidewalks or streetlights, whether fire stations are built near growth areas, and whether businesses have the necessary power, water, and access to thrive.

In short, Planning decisions either unlock Fernley’s potential—or leave it underprepared for the challenges of growth.

Why Planning Is Urgent Now

Over the past decade, Fernley has become a magnet for industrial development and new residents. Projects like Victory Logistics District are bringing high-quality jobs, new businesses, and tax revenue. But with that growth comes pressure—on schools, roads, emergency services, and housing.

Fernley faces several key challenges as it grows, including keeping infrastructure development aligned with the rapid pace of construction, streamlining the permitting process to support new businesses, ensuring that public safety services and utilities can meet the demands of a rising population, and creating a master plan that addresses the unique needs of underserved areas like North Fernley.

Without proactive planning, growth can strain resources and frustrate residents. With a brilliant strategy, however, Fernley can grow in a way that strengthens neighborhoods, protects open space, and expands opportunities for everyone.

How You’re Affected as a Resident

City planning might sound abstract, but its impact is felt every day in ways that directly affect residents’ lives. It shapes your commute—whether the streets are wide enough, the traffic lights are efficient, and there’s safe access to I-80. It influences your safety by determining whether fire stations are close enough to meet response-time standards. It affects the character of your neighborhood, guiding whether new development complements or clashes with the surrounding area. It governs the reliability of essential services, such as sewer, water, and power systems, ensuring they can support both current and future needs.

Well-planned cities attract investment, maintain property values, and improve quality of life. Poorly planned ones fall behind.

What Fernley Needs to Do Next

To keep pace with its potential, Fernley will benefit from several key actions. Updating and implementing the city’s Master Plan—particularly for areas like North Fernley that have seen little coordinated development—is a critical first step. Modernizing the permitting process will enable businesses and developers to move forward efficiently without compromising oversight.

Continued investment in planning staff and modern tools, such as GIS mapping, growth modeling, and traffic analysis, will support data-driven decision-making. Just as critical is the need to engage residents and stakeholders early and often, making the planning process more inclusive and transparent. Thoughtful planning isn’t about more red tape. It’s about creating clarity, reducing friction, and building trust between the city, residents, and business community.

Why Mark IV Cares

As the master developer behind Victory Logistics District, Mark IV Capital believes in building more than industrial buildings. We believe in building strong, thriving communities. We know that public infrastructure, workforce housing, and civic amenities are essential to Fernley’s long-term success.

We are committed to working with the City of Fernley and community partners to ensure that our developments align with the city’s vision and support the infrastructure needed for sustainable growth.

VICTORY LOGISTICS

Moving Fernley Forward

This page is brought to the community courtesy of Victory Logistics District and is aimed at informing Fernley residents about community development and economic growth. Each week we provide in-depth coverage of key issues shaping the city’s future focused on fostering transparency and encouraging engagement.

Mark IV presents Folds of Honor with \$89,000 donation at Victory Loop event



Staff Report

Mark IV Capital presented the Folds of Honor Foundation with a donation of \$89,000 during its Victory Loop event on June 18.

Victory Loop is a three-day off-road event hosted at the Walker River State Park. All participant entry fees go directly to supporting charities that serve veterans and first responders. Folds of Honor provides scholarships to spouses and children of fallen or disabled veterans and first responders.

Mark IV is the developer of the Victory Industrial Park in Fernley. This year’s Victory Loop drew participants from Los Angeles to San Francisco and included a two-day side-by-side scavenger hunt through 100 miles of desert.

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BUSINESS

United Federal Credit Union celebrates ribbon cutting at 10th location in Nevada



United Federal Credit Union Presented a \$5,000 check to the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows Serving Fernley. Pictured from left to right are Nathan Fogelson of Tiffany Cleary, Carmen Olivas, Karolina Ciesielska, Oscar Aguilar, Stefan Dammen, and Ronald Bryant. Photo by Robert Perea



Along with members of the Fernley Chamber of Commerce, Mayor Neal McIntyre and Oscar Aguilar of the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows, United Federal Credit Union cuts the ribbon at its newest branch in Fernley on June 24. Photo by Robert Perea

By Robert Perea

United Federal Credit Union celebrated its continued growth with a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its new Fernley branch on June 24. The branch, located at 1035 Inglewood Dr. Suite 100, is United's 10th location in Nevada.

"We are excited to offer existing and new members in the Fernley community a convenient place to engage with our team and learn more about United's unique products and services," said Meredith Williams, United's Regional Vice President in Nevada. "Unit-

ed has proudly served Nevada since 2009, and this new location allows us to build on long-standing partnerships and expand our support for community events and programs."

Karolina Ciesielska, who joined United in 2024, will lead the Fernley branch as Branch Manager. She brings a strong understanding of member needs and a passion for community engagement.

"We've already built wonderful relationships with members in Fernley and are committed to helping them reach their financial goals," said Ciesielska. "Our team is proud to serve the

Fernley community and looks forward to delivering exceptional service for years to come."

As part of the celebration, United also presented a \$5,000 community donation to the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows during the Fernley ribbon-cutting ceremony. Oscar Aguilar, Director of Lovelock & Fernley Area, accepted the check on behalf of the organization.

"Thank you for believing in our mission and investing in our future of our community," Aguilar said. United opened the doors to the 2,931 square foot branch on April 1. The

Fernley branch is a full-service extension of United, offering personal and business banking services including loans, mortgages, and investment planning.

Mayor Neal McIntyre said bringing new businesses to Fernley is important to provide more offerings to people in Fernley, whether they are longtime residents or new arrivals.

"It gives people a choice of why they want to go with and who they think is best," McIntyre said.

Core Title Group ribbon cutting



Core Title Group held a ribbon cutting ceremony June 25 to celebrate its one-year anniversary in Fernley. Previously known as Western Title, Core Title Group is Nevada's premier provider of title and escrow services with offices in northern Nevada and southern Nevada. Core has offices in Reno, Carson City, Minden, Fernley, Winnemucca; and in southern Nevada in Summerlin and Green Valley. Core Title Group also recently held celebratory ribbon cuttings for their Reno and Minden offices.

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Arrest Report

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Arresting Agency: Lyon County Sheriff’s Office: 32 State of Nevada: 2 Tribal: 0 Yerington Police Department: 2	CONTRERAS, JASON DWAYNE Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$0.00 Charges: Court Commitment	HICKS, HARVEY KRISTOPHER KYLE Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$150,000.00 Charges: Child Abuse or Neglect (1st)	Order or Interfere with Effort to Control Emergency
ABERNATHY, JUSTIN MICHAEL Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$0.00 Charges: Court Commitment	FIELDING, PEYTON MCKENZIE Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$2,280.00 Charges: False Statement to/Obstruct Public Officer; Resist Public Officer	HODES, KENNETH WAYNE Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$3,140.00 Charges: Domestic Battery (1st)	SORRELL, SCOTT DOUGLAS Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$3,640.00 Charges: Use/Possession Drug Parapher- nalia; Possession Schedule I, II Controlled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense)
ADAMS, SHAWN ALLAN Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$23,705.00 Charges: DUI (3rd); Intimidate Public Officer/Others; Non-Resident Drive When Privilege Suspended/Revoked/Cancelled; Civil-Fail to Obey Stop Sign at Controlled Intersection; Basic Speed - 1-10 MPH Over Posted Limit	GALLARDO, REYNA DELOSANGELES Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$1,105.00 Charges: Assist Other Agency--Hold	JOHNS, MARK JASON Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$79,280.00 Charges: Domestic Battery (1st); Destroy Property of Another (\$25 - \$250); Child Abuse or Neglect (1st)	SQUIRES, QUANNAH SIERRA-LYNN Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$8,640.00 Charges: Possession Schedule I, II Con- trolled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense); DUI (1st); Use/Possession Drug Paraphernalia; Basic Speed - 21-30 MPH Over Posted Limit-E/WZ; Resist Public Officer
ALBA, ROBERT EDWARD Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$8,140.00 Charges: Domestic Battery (1st); Prevent/ Dissuade Report Crime/Cause Prosecu- tion/Arrest	GRENICKO, CHRISTOPHER JAMES Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$21,120.00 Charges: Possession Schedule I, II Con- trolled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense); Possession Dangerous Drug Without Prescription (1st/2nd); Windshield/Window Obstructed; Operate Vehicle with Expired Registration/Plates; Display Fictitious Vehicle Registration/ Plate/Title; Owner - Proof of Insurance Required; Drive with Suspended Driver’s License; Resident with Non-NV Driver’s License; Use/Possession Drug Parapher- nalia; DUI (1st)	KEPLER, JAMES HOWARD SR Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$1,140.00 Charges: DUI (1st)	STOTTLEMEYER, MARC SIGURD Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$1,140.00 Charges: DUI (1st)
AMAYA-RODRIGUEZ, AARON Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$2,280.00 Charges: Drive with Revoked Driver’s License; Use/Possession Drug Parapher- nalia; Assist Other Agency--Hold	HACKLE, JOSHUA MARTIN Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$8,035.00 Charges: Use/Possession Drug Parapher- nalia; Drive with Suspended Driver’s License; Operate Vehicle with Expired Registration/Plates; Possession Schedule I, II Controlled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense); Possession Dangerous Drug Without Prescription (1st/2nd)	MCIVER, MICHELLE MARIE Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$7,280.00 Charges: Use/Possession Drug Parapher- nalia; Possession Schedule I, II Controlled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense); Possession Dangerous Drug Without Prescription (1st/2nd)	VENTRESS, ELSIE LEE Area of Arrest: Silver Springs Bail Amount: \$3,140.00 Charges: Domestic Battery (1st)
ANDAVASO, DANIEL ANTHONY Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$690.00 Charges: Criminal Contempt	NAVARRETE, MONIQUE RENEE Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$153,200.00 Charges: Discharge Gun Within Struc- ture/Vehicle Within Prohibited Area; Discharge Gun/Other Weapon Where Person Might Be Endangered; Disregard for Safety of Person/Property; Unlawful Discharge of Weapon in Congested Area	VOSSEN, TONI LAUREN Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$6,280.00 Charges: DUI (1st); Possession Schedule I, II Controlled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense)	WAGERS, ANTHONY MICHEL Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$7,280.00 Charges: Use/Possession Drug Parapher- nalia; Possession Schedule I, II Controlled Substance Less Than 14 Grams (1st or 2nd Offense); Possession Dangerous Drug Without Prescription (1st/2nd)
BELLER, CRAMER RICHARD Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$1,000.00 Charges: Criminal Contempt	HELLWICH, JASON ERIC Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$1,840.00 Charges: DUI (1st), Drink Alcohol While Driving/Physical Control of Motor Vehi- cle; Civil-Fail to Maintain Lane/Improper Lane Change/Fail to Use Signal; Civil-Ba- sic Speeding Violation - 21-30 Miles Per Hour Over Posted Speed Limit	ORTON, MICHAEL STERLING Area of Arrest: LCSO Jail Bail Amount: None Charges: Willful/Malicious Torture/ Maim/Kill Dog/Cat/Animal	WALKER, MICHAEL Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$3,480.00 Charges: Operate Vehicle with Expired Registration/Plates; Operator - Proof of Insurance Required; Drive Without Driv- er’s License; Assist Other Agency--Hold
CAMARA, SALIM Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$2,510.00 Charges: License Plates Improperly Dis- played; Possession Less Than 10 Ounces Marijuana; DUI (1st); Civil-Basic Speeding Violation - 1-10 Miles Per Hour Over Post- ed Speed Limit	HERNANDEZ, CANDUS ISEBEL Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$3,140.00 Charges: Domestic Battery (1st)	PARKER, MICHAEL JOHN Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$61,150.00 Charges: Assault with Deadly Weapon; Discharge Gun at/into Occupied Struc- ture/Vehicle/Craft; Battery; Disturbing Peace (Breach of Peace); Intoxicated Pedestrian/Animal Rider on Road; Discharge Gun/Other Weapon Where Person Might Be Endangered; Discharge Gun in/on Public Thoroughfare or in Public Place; Possess/Sell/Transfer/Re- ceive Firearm Without Serial Number (1st Offense); Destroy Property of Another (\$250 - \$5,000)	WELLS, JONATHAN DALLAS Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$18,000.00 Charges: Battery on Protected Person; Intimidate Public Officer/Others
CARLOS, ANTHONY VIERRA Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$969,780.00 Charges: Robbery-E/DW Violation of Pro- bation; Assault with Deadly Weapon-E/ Violation of Probation; Driver Disobey Peace Officer, Endanger Other Persons/ Property; Aim Gun at Person; Attempt to Destroy/Conceal Evidence; Own/Possess Gun by Prohibited Person; Convicted Per- son Fail to Register with Law Enforcement Within 48 Hours; Resist Public Officer	HERRERA, RICARDO FLORES Area of Arrest: Fernley Bail Amount: \$3,580.00 Charges: Assault; Resist Public Officer; Assist Other Agency--Hold	SANDOVAL, ALEJANDRA DIAZ Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$3,640.00 Charges: Drive with Suspended Driver’s License, Assist Other Agency--Hold	WHITE, CODY KEITH Area of Arrest: Dayton Bail Amount: \$23,140.00 Charges: Domestic Battery by Stran- gulation; Domestic Battery (1st); Court Commitment
CAZAREZ, VICTOR MANUEL JR Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$1,805.00 Charges: Failure to Appear on Traffic Citation		SHERLOCK-YOUNT, LAURA ANNE Area of Arrest: Mound House Bail Amount: \$5,700.00 Charges: Resist Public Officer; Disobey	WILLIAMS, CHARLES ROBERT Area of Arrest: Yerington Bail Amount: \$0.00 Charges: Court Commitment

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EDUCATION

Soles4Souls partnership provides shoes to students in need

Courtesy of Lyon County School District

The Lyon County School District received a donation of 250 pairs of brand-new shoes to support students in need through its partnership with Soles4Souls.

As part of this initiative, 188 pairs of high-quality, name-brand shoes, along with brand-new socks, were personally distributed to students across the district. The shoes were presented to students who face housing instability and other hardships that impact their education, who are protected by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. This federal law ensures that students facing housing instability have the same access to education as their housed peers. Students are considered

homeless under McKinney-Vento if they lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

For many of the students, it was their first time receiving shoes that were not only new, but also fashionable and comfortable.

“They are super comfortable, so my feet don’t hurt when I walk or run,” one student said. “I can play tag and race my friends at recess without slipping or getting tired.”

Beyond the joy of receiving new shoes, this donation has allowed LCSD to reallocate resources, such as clothing support and funding for extra-curriculars, to continue to meet the diverse and growing needs of homeless youth.



Scholarship Awards



Left: The Fernley Chamber of Commerce President Shannon Ceresola presented the Chamber’s two \$1,000 scholarships to Fernley High School graduating seniors Ariana Mathern and Lucas Stanger at the Senior Scholarship Awards & Recognition Night on June 11.
Photo courtesy of the Fernley Chamber of Commerce

Above: Rotary Club of Fernley President William Shattuck presented the club’s Lorraine Natress Scholarships to Fernley High School graduating seniors Tracie Smith and Braidyn Irwin at the Senior Scholarship Awards & Recognition Night on June 11.
Photo by Robert Perea

COLUMNS

Food for Thought

By Sherry Perea

Blackberry, Avocado and Spinach Salad with Lime Mint Vinaigrette

Sweet blackberries paired with crispy spinach tastes like sunshine, this salad is simple to make and so tasty, I recently made it and tossed in some cold shrimp, and I’m convinced it’s the perfect summer salad.

Ingredients:

- 5 cups fresh spinach leaves
- 1 cup blackberries
- 3/4 cup blueberries
- 2 avocado, chopped
- 1 ½ cups cucumber, sliced thinly
- 1/3 cup feta cheese

Vinaigrette:

- 1/3 cup olive oil
- 2 tbsp freshly squeezed lime juice
- 1 tbsp maple syrup or honey
- 2 tbsp finely chopped fresh mint
- 3/4 tsp salt
- Dash Pepper

Instructions

1. Whisk together all ingredients for vinaigrette.
2. Assemble fresh salad ingredients in large bowl and toss in vinaigrette.
3. Enjoy

Sherry Perea has nearly 20 years’ experience managing restaurants and creating delicious menus. She enjoys sharing unique recipes with her family and friends and is excited to bring her love of food to the Fernley community.



SPORTS

Softball All-Stars sweep District 3 titles



All three Fernley Softball Little League teams won the District 3 Championship in Yerington last weekend. Photos courtesy of Fernley Softball Little League(Edited)

By Robert Perea

All three Fernley Softball Little League All-Star teams won the championship at the District 3 Tournament in Yerington last weekend and will be playing in the State Tournament July 9-13 in Las Vegas.

In the 8-10 year old division, Fernley and Walker River were the only leagues in the district with All-Star teams. Fernley beat Walker River 10-1 on June 25 and 8-1 on June 27 to claim the win. In the June 25 game, Fernley scored nine runs in the top of the seventh inning to pull away for the win. Halia Marrietta had a triple and Ryleigh McKnight hit an inside-the-park grand slam to key the winning rally.

Ashlyn Smythe and Everlee Davis pitched a combined no-hitter. Smythe went the first six innings and struck out 17 batters, then Davis pitched the final

inning and struck out three.

In the June 27 game, Fernley didn't need late dramatics, scoring in each of the first four innings. Cassidy Lis and Marrietta both had three hits to lead Fernley's attack and Davis struck out 12 of the 21 batters she faced, allowing only two hits and one walk.

In the Little League Division, 10-12 years old, Fernley rolled through the tournament without allowing a run until the championship game, where they beat Elko 5-2.

On June 27, Fernley beat Silverada 15-0 in three innings in the first game. Kendall Sanchez, Lucy Pellett and Lilly Nicholas-Morser each pitched one inning and struck out all three batters they faced. Sanchez also led the offense with two hits and three RBI, while Liliana Leija and Ella Parale each drove in two.

On June 28, Fernley beat Walker River 10-0. Pellett and Aria Parker each drove in two runs, which Sanchez struck out 13 in five innings in the pitcher's circle.

On June 29, Fernley beat Elko 14-0 as Sanchez threw a perfect game with nine strikeouts while nine different players had a hit, eight scored at least one run and nine drove in at least one run. All 12 players had at least one hit, run or an RBI.

Sanchez strike out 12 more in the championship game win over Elko on June 30. Both teams scored two runs in the first inning, but Fernley got three in the fourth on a two-run single by Parale and a steal of home by Pellett. Pellett had three hits and drove in three runs while Parale and Addison Lewis had two hits each.

Rosters for the three teams are:

8-10 Division: Abby Kramer, Ashlyn Smythe, Aubri Dunn, Cassidy Lis, Everlee Davis, Halia Marrietta, Hayven Robb, Melona Rosales, Ryleigh McKnight, Sophia D'Agostino, Teagan Boyer, Whitney Davis

Little League Division: Addison Lewis, Annalynn Young, Aria Parker, Azaylee Pogtis, Bella Pope, Devlynn Guthrie, Ella Parale, Emma Geddes, Kendall Sanchez, Liliana Leija, Lilly Nicholas-Morser, Lucy Pellett, Rayven Johnson

Junior Division: Cadence Alexander, Emma Collins, Isabella Martinez, Jaelyn Smythe, Jillian Richards, Lillianna Young, Mia Espinoza, Nahla Burnitt, Nevaeh Leija, Rayne Wardleigh, Rhea Marsh, Zoe Gillespie

Baseball: Majors All-stars win District 3 championship

By Robert Perea

The High Desert Little League Majors All-Starts beat Silverada Little League of Dayton in the deciding game on June 24 to win the District 3 Tournament in Winnemucca.

The team had reached the championship by beating White Pine, Hawthorne and Silverada, while Silverada came back through the loser's bracket to reach the championship. Silverada needed to win twice to win the championship, and forced the deciding "if-necessary" game with a 3-2 win. With the game tied 2-2, Silverada scored the deciding run in the bottom of the fifth inning to force the extra game. High Desert had tied the 2-2 with a pair

of runs in the top of the fourth inning.

Ayden P had two hits and scored a run for High Desert. Jon L and Grayson B had the only other hits in the game for High Desert.

In the deciding game, High Desert scored five runs in the bottom of the fourth to break a 2-2 tie and held on for the win. Greysen K singed in the first run of the rally, two more scored on a single by Asher K. Greysen K and Asher K each had two hits and two runs batted in, while Garrett C pitched all six innings with five strikeouts and one walk.

The championship qualified High Desert for the State Tournament July 23-27 in Reno.



The High Desert Little League Majors All Stars beat Silverada on June 24 to win the District 3 Tournament held in Winnemucca. The team will compete in the State Tournament in Reno later this month. Photo courtesy Of High Desert Little League

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