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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13, 2014

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THE FINE PRINT

AUGUST 13
-Pitkin Water Sanitation
WEDNESDAY (8:30 a.m.) District meeting will be in the Century Financial Building, 109 W. Main. Information: Darla Higgs, 719-846-2080.

-Tourism Board
WEDNESDAY (9 a.m.) Committee meetings in the City Hall Third Floor Conference Room, 135 N. Animas St. Information: City Clerk, Audra Garrett, 719-846-4343.

-FP Fire District
WEDNESDAY (6 p.m.) Fishers Peak Fire Protection District Board of Directors public meeting will be at the Starkville Fire Station. Information: 719-846-6077.

-Free Stress Management
WEDNESDAY (6 p.m.) How does stress affect the body? Join Dr. Leo Ntadini for a free 1-hour information session and light refreshments at Mt. Carmel, 911 Robinson Ave. Information: 3-545-2746.

-Trinidad Schools
WEDNESDAY (6 p.m.) The Board of Education will hold its regular session at Middle School Library, 614 Park St. Information: 719-845-2048.

-Stonewall PPD
WEDNESDAY (6:30 p.m.) Board Directors meets in the Stonewall Fire User. Information: 719-846-2080.

-VFW
WEDNESDAY (7 p.m.) Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #884 will meet in the Club Banquet Room, 120 S. Maple. New members need to bring their ID. Information: Post Commander in Rios, 719-846-6094.

Today's Quote

"The most wasted of all days is one without laughter."
- E. E. Cummings

AUGUST 14

-Economic Development
THURSDAY (3 p.m.) Trinidad and S. Animas County Board of Directors will meet at 134 West Main Street, Suite 1. Information: 719-846-9412.

-Water Association
THURSDAY (3 p.m.) Greatville-Independence Board of Directors will meet the Century Financial Group, 109 W. Main St. Information: Jenni Skeiko, 719-852-080 ext. 116.

-Mt. San Rafael Hospital
THURSDAY (5-6:30 p.m.) The public is invited to a Provider Open House to see the newest members of the hospital's health care staff to be held in the spiral lobby, 410 Benedicta Ave.

PUBLIC SERVICE

-Search Team Exercise
FRIDAY 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.) The Trinidad Correctional Facility Search Team will be conducting a training exercise throughout Trinidad. During this time residents will see increased law enforcement presence, both in vehicle and on foot. This is only an exercise.

-Ave Maria Shrine
SATURDAY: The Rosary will be read (10:30 a.m.) and Mass will be celebrated (11 a.m.) in the historic Ave Marie Home located behind the Mount Sinai Hospital on Benedicta Ave. Follow a signage. Visitors are always welcome.

-ArtCade Call for Artists
Hubcapalooza at Galeria Vivante 4 E. Main St.) Carvelously embellished bezels—paint, sculpt, collage, glue or whatever. All pieces will be for sale for under \$100. Hubcaps are available at the gallery for \$4. Entries due Sept. 5-6. Information: 719-334-0087.

***AutoLotivation at Gallery Main**
0 E. Main St.) Earthly bound vehicle-piled art in any media. Stop by the gallery for a prospectus. Completed pieces to be delivered to gallery on Sept. 2-3 (10 1-4 p.m.), information: 719-846-1441.

-Call for Kids Car Art
Need auto-themed kids artwork by Oct. 1 for Kids Spark Exhibit at the Arcade festivities in September. Information: Rich Colorado, 719-846-6435.

-Trinidad Roundup Association
AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 1: Mark your calendar for the annual Labor Day weekend rodeo, parade and dance. Information: 719-880-0424 or go to www.trinidadroundup.com.

-Low-Cost Spay/Neuter
The Fisher's Peak Veterinary Clinic (9-846-3211) and the Trinidad Animal Clinic (719-846-3212) offer grant-funded, low-cost spay/neuter surgeries for all Las Mas Community residents' animals. Call information and appointments.

By Steve Block
The Chronicle-News

Volunteers needed for Rural Philanthropy Days

Coming up soon will be an opportunity to serve the community by volunteering to help with Rural Philanthropy Days, which will be held on September 24, 25 and 26, with Trinidad playing host to the event for the first time.

Rural Philanthropy Days (RPD) is a conference for nonprofit professionals, public agencies, elected officials, business leaders and funders to get together and learn from each other, collaborate on projects, discuss funding resources and more.

The eight county Steering Committee encourages Trinidad service groups to have a visible presence during the conference; serving as greeters, guiding the approximately 300 guests to their meeting, dining and entertainment venues, answering questions about Trinidad and providing a friendly and welcoming face for the community.

The eight counties who are involved in the 2014 Southeast Colorado RPD include, Las Animas, Huertano, Baca, Bent, Crowley, Kiowa, Otero and Prowers Counties.

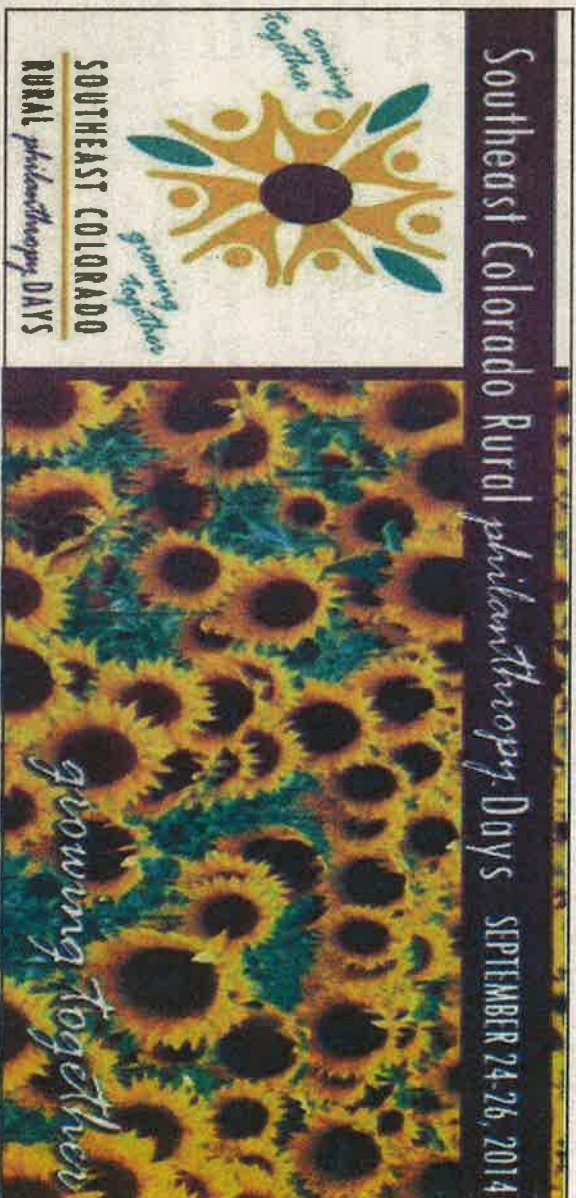
RPD conferences started in the 1990s as a way to funnel money from private donors to rural nonprofits across Colorado. Each region hosts an RPD conference every four years. Previous RPD conferences in Southeast Colorado were held in La Junta.

Members of the Steering Committee will contact volunteers once they've signed up and provide them with all the information they will need to help the visitors flocking to Trinidad.

The conference will have two main points of emphasis. The first

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RURAL PHILANTHROPY



is nonprofit capacity building and fundraising and includes workshops and networking with Colorado funding organizations. The second is community solutions, with a focus on downtown revitalization and workforce readiness.

There will be a pre-conference training session for those entities planning to attend RPD from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Thursday, August 21 in the Pioneer Room, located in the Sullivan Center at Trinidad State Junior College (TSJC).

Most of the events will take place at various locations on the campus of TSJC on Wednesday, September 24, the conference's first day. Registration will be held from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. A make-up session for those who missed the pre-conference training session will be held, beginning at 12:30 p.m. A workshop providing technical assistance for grant writers will begin at the same time. Later that afternoon, workshops will be held for those who are new to nonprofits and providing informa-

tion about recent trends in philanthropy and giving. A grant-writing strategies funder panel, titled "Are you in the Know?" will be held at 4 p.m. in TSJC's Massari Auditorium. The day concludes with a 6:30 p.m. welcome reception and dinner at the A. R. Mitchell Museum.

Thursday, September 25, begins with an outdoor networking breakfast beginning at 8 a.m. at TSJC's "The Pig", which is an open area just outside the Sullivan Center. The action moves to the Massari Auditorium at 9:30 a.m. for opening remarks, followed by the premiere of "Spotlight on the Region," a documentary film about Southeast Colorado and its potential and opportunities. Concurrent breakout sessions and community dialogues will follow throughout the day, focusing on a variety of subjects concerning the region. A social event will be held, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Famous Performing Arts Center. Visitors and locals alike will then get the chance to explore the El Corazon de Tri-

dad Historic District and dine at one of its many fine restaurants. It's definitely a chance for the City to show itself at its very best.

The conference concludes on Friday, September 26, with an 8:45 a.m. networking breakfast, followed by roundtable instructions and funder roundtables, all held at the Mitchell Museum, where nonprofits from throughout the region can provide information about the important work they do to some of Colorado's biggest donor groups.

RPD volunteers can help by providing some of that famous Trinidad hospitality to visitors from around the region and all over the state. More information can be found by going to the website cramerica.org/rural-philanthropy-days/regional-websites/southeast/.

Volunteers who would like to help should contact Harriet Van-geois, co-chair of the RPD Steering Committee, by calling 719-845-9213, or e-mailing: harriet@duangeo-isfamily.com.

ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL



Fourth Congressional District. She lost to current Rep. Cory Gardner in the 2010 election and took a job working as the Assistant Secretary for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

"I worked with a lot of mayors and governors and other elected officials around the country to integrate our state, local and federal efforts to enhance our homeland security issues," Martkey said. "Now I'm back in Colorado and running for state treasurer."

Asked why she decided to run and what she hoped to bring to the office if elected, she said it was a very important office for Colorado, because the treasurer has to work with the governor and the state legislature on economic development issues.

"A couple of things that I think I bring to the table are that I have 35 years of executive financial management experience, in both the public and the private sector," she said. "I've worked in different levels of the private sector as an entrepreneur. There are a couple of things I would like to do differently in the treasurer's office. I would like to bring more transparency to the office. People

Trust. She went to the state legislature to propose using a portion of that money as a matching grant for our schools, to do capital construction and renovation of existing schools," she said. "That's been a very successful program, with over \$1 billion coming in as matching grants since 2008 for our public schools, many of them to make our schools more energy efficient. Many of our schools, especially in rural areas, are older and it takes a lot of money to heat and cool the schools. This has been a great thing for our schools and I know this county got some of the BEST money for its schools. The money saved on energy costs then goes to where it should go, to our students."

She said the BEST program was an example of how the treasurer's office could help the people of Colorado, something she wants to do as much as possible if she's elected as Colorado's next state treasurer. "I think that's one example of how the treasurer's office can work with our legislature and with the private sector to make sure we are maximizing our revenues."

Any state treasurer should not just stay in their office in Den-