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Pershing County High School Class of 2025

Pershing County High School graduated 41 Seniors on June 7 at the high school gym. Principal Jonathan Reynolds addressed attendees. The Valedictorian is Jasmin Acosta and Salutatorian is Tyler Miller. Next week The Pershing Post will feature a special keepsake Graduation section with photos and names of each graduate. Be sure to grab your copy on newsstands June 27.

Yasmin Anahy Acosta Anjeanette D. Alcaraz Aaliyah Isella Allen Braxson JC Bird Chelsey Dakota Bloom Jacob James-Peter Burke Raegan Maxine Burrows Lily Brooke Anderson-Burt Justin Allen Carruth Kaden West Chambers Alexander Cruz Martinez Jose Lois Delgado Travis James Donaldson Mallory Diane Evenson **Brian Flores** Alexis Leanne Foughty Fidel Caro Gallegos Angelo Arnez Gibson Efrain Aceves-Gonzalez Zane Elijah Guilbault Tyus Rei Halverson

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Congratulations Graduates!

Bobbie Roybal's Journey Honors the Power of Women's Education

Salute to Women of Achievement celebrates courage, transformation, and the ripple effect of investing in women

By Rachel Dahl

Behind every Nevada Women's Fund scholarship is a story and few are as compelling as Bobbie Roybal's.

At just 16 years old, Bobbie faced a world that felt stacked against her: a young mother navigating an abusive relationship, barely hanging on in school. The odds weren't in her favor. But she made a choice, not just to survive, but to rise.

"I wasn't just fighting for myself," Bobbie told a sold-out crowd at this year's Salute to Women of Achievement luncheon held in Reno last month. "I was fighting for my kids, and for a future that looked nothing like the one I came from."

With grit, resilience, and the support of Nevada Women's Fund (NWF) scholarships, Bobbie earned her degree in social work, launched a nonprofit to support youth battling addiction, and is



now pursuing her master's degree. Through it all, she's been raising her family and emerging as a leader and advocate in her community.

Her story brought the room to its feet, an unforgettable reminder of why the Salute to Women of Achievement matters. More than just a luncheon, the event raises critical funds that help women across Nevada overcome adversity, complete their education, and make lasting change.

"This is the power of education," said the NWF press release. "This is the power of Nevada women."

Bobbie's journey is one of many, but it shines a light on a truth that resonates statewide: When we invest in women, we invest in stronger families, healthier communities, and a better Nevada.

For more information on the Nevada Women's Fund and how to support future scholarship recipients like Bobbie Roybal, visit nevadawomensfund.org.



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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain's Log

The Evidence File

By Rachel Dahl

When I first started writing a weekly column, back in 2005 for Anne at the Fallon Star Press, people would ask where the ideas came from each week? Didn't I ever run out of things to write?

Ideas would come at the strangest times. And they still do. Driving down the road and you hear a funny phrase and think, "Oh, that's a column." Or something happens, and you can see a lesson wrapped in the way the drama unfolded — that's a column.

I used to keep a manila folder on my desk labeled IDEAS, and in that were scraps of paper, restaurant napkins, Post-its, anything lying around when the idea struck that would hold ink. On Wednesday mornings, when the column was due, I would reach for the folder and rummage through the scraps and lists until I found one that grabbed me and looked like it might have potential.

But now deadlines are Tuesdays, and the IDEAS folder is instead a file on my phone in the Notes app called "writing."

Inside there is the funniest assortment of quips, blurbs, and sometimes just a word, typed out in haste with no telling what I was thinking at the time. And it's not as fun to rifle through as the paper file was. No pieces of evidence to help jar a story loose.

It may have been a better system back in the day. The item on which the note was scrawled would often provide clues to where I had been at the Eureka moment. Who I was with, maybe what the conversation would have been. On my phone, these little, sterile digital tracks are documented, but unless I also wrote where or who or what I was thinking at the time, sometimes there is absolutely no recollection of what I was thinking — or why this word "unencumbered" or "trails" is even in there.



Or better yet — what's this one supposed to mean? "Stuck in the desert of the thoughts in your own mind."

I sort of want to remember what the context is around that one.

So while I scroll through the evidence that ideas come from anywhere, I'll be right here...

...Keeping you Posted.



Rachel Dahl is a sixth-generation Nevadan who owns Fallon Media Co. and prints The Fernley Reporter, The Fallon Post, and now The Pershing Post, local community newspapers focused on providing "An Oasis in the Rural Nevada News Desert." She also publishes an online, rural news site called the Silver State Chronicle. She raises chickens and English Angora rabbits, spinning their wool into yarn. In her spare time, she is learning to knit.

Law & Order

All information for the arrest reports provided by the Pershing County Sheriff's Office and is considered by law to be public information. All subjects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Total Incidents	256
Calls for Service	100
Deputy Initiated Incidents	156
Traffic Stops	18
Other OIA Incidents	138
Bus/Building Checks	85
Veh/Ped Check	2



JUNE 2, 2025

Justin Charles Bonham, 28, of Lovelock NV, was booked for contempt of court.

JUNE 3, 2025

Candice Humiston, 43, of Ontario OR, was booked for possession, receive or transfer stolen

Doreen Leppard, 43, of Apple Valley CA, was booked for resist public officer, false statement to or obstruct public officer, open alcohol container in vehicle, bench warrant and damage or destroy states property value \$250 or greater but less than \$5000.

JUNE 4, 2025

Alvin Dominique IV, 25, of Lovelock NV, was booked for a bench warrant and a bench warrant from another jurisdiction.

JUNE 5, 2025

Martin Rosas, 30, of Lovelock NV, was booked for a bench warrant.

We'd love to hear from you. Have a story?

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FEATURES

2025 NVMA Individual Safety Award Recipients

EMS & MINE RESCUE

Jason Archuleta, Nevada Gold Mines Derek Norred, Coeur Rochester Benjamin Rangel, Kinross Gold USA Steven St. Germain, Nevada Gold Mines Elizabeth Witte, i-80 Gold Corp.

GENERAL MANAGER

Gavin Ferguson, Nevada Gold Mines

OPERATIONAL DEPARTMENT MANAGER Tim Felzien, Hecla

SAFETY CHAMPION

Polly Alstatt, KGHM Robinson Sabrena Ashby, KGHM Robinson Grant Castor, Nevada Gold Mines Rito Chavez, Nevada Gold Mines Preston Crossman, Nevada Gold Mines Travis Danner, SSR Mining Tyler Dennis, i-80 Gold Corp. Ivan Duran, Kinross Gold USA Amanda Goicoechea, Kinross Gold USA Adam Hannum, Nevada Gold Mines Brett Harris, Integra Resources Ricky Montoya, Nevada Gold Mines Ty Murray, Nevada Gold Mines Maria Painter, i-80 Gold Corp. Vicente Ramirez, KGHM Robinson Sarah Reali, Nevada Gold Mines Ruben Valdespino, Nevada Gold Mines

SAFETY MANAGER

Victor Ortiz, i-80 Gold Corp.

GENERAL SUPERVISOR

Jason Coyle, Coeur Rochester Glenn Lapira, Integra Resources Tye Lasich, Kinross Gold USA Brian Showers, Nevada Gold Mines Robert Ziegenbein, McEwen Mining

SAFETY PROFESSIONAL

Wendy Anderson, Coeur Rochester Jessica Dorohov, Nevada Gold Mines Tony Moore, Timberline Drilling Patricia Salin, i-80 Gold Corp.

SUPERINTENDENT

Ben Lupercio, Nevada Gold Mines Russell O'Dell, Kinross Gold USA Carl Olsen, i-80 Gold Corp. Brigham Rowe, Nevada Gold Mines

SUPERVISOR (14 OR LESS EMPLOYEES)

Shaun Austin, SSR Mining Tom Marley, Integra Resources

SUPERVISOR (15 OR MORE EMPLOYEES)

Daniel Dockery, Kinross Gold USA Roger Gentry, SSR Mining Junior Lacy, Integra Resources

TRAINER

Jamie Berger, Nevada Gold Mines Steven Paunovich, i-80 Gold Corp. Travis Petersen, Nevada Gold Mines

VENDOR/SUPPLIER

Ivan Molina, Industrial Supply

Nevada Mining Association Recognizes 47 Industry Professionals for Safety Excellence

Annual Safety Awards Highlight Leadership in Workplace Protection Across Nevada Mining



Staff Report

The Nevada Mining Association (NVMA) has announced the 47 recipients of its 2025 Individual Safety Awards, honoring outstanding dedication to safety in one of the state's most vital industries.

Each year, the mining community comes together to nominate and vote for individuals who exemplify the sector's deep-rooted commitment to workplace safety. This year saw a record-setting 259 nominations, submitted by NVMA member companies and voted on by peers across twelve award categories.

Winners will be formally recognized at a reception during the annual NVMA Convention, taking place September 5 in South Lake Tahoe.

"Safety is ingrained into the culture of Nevada mining," said NVMA President Amanda Hilton. "That commitment starts with the individuals who show up every day, prioritize safe practices, and lead by example. Congratulations to all of this year's recipients."

Nevada is considered a global leader in mining safety and regulatory oversight. The NVMA's Individual Safety Awards celebrate not just personal dedication, but the industry-wide value placed on rigorous safety standards and peer-led recognition.

In July, the NVMA will announce additional Mine Operator and Contractor Safety Awards, based on performance data from the U.S. Mine Safety & Health Administration (MSHA).

For more details and the full list of this year's honorees, visit www.nevadamining.org.





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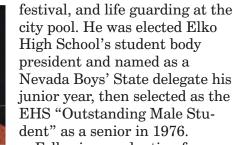
Obituary

RAMON K. LOPEZ *June 2, 1958 - October 16, 2024*

Ramon Kent Lopez passed away of natural causes ("atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease") in Fallon, Nevada on October 16, 2024 at 66 years of age.

He was born the youngest of four siblings in Elko, Nevada on June 2, 1958 to Delphina (Goicoechea) Lopez and her husband Romano. He was proud of his Spanish and Basque heritage, loved growing up in northeastern Nevada with daily views of the Ruby Mountains, and recounted often and fondly memories of what made his childhood and adolescent years so special, not the least of which was the priceless network of friendships he cultivated and happily clung to.

Ramon was a social animal from the get go. He liked being around others – in school, at catechism, family gatherings, on sports teams, while Basque dancing at the annual



Following graduation from the University of Nevada, Reno in 1981 with a degree in Business Administration, Ramon put his training to good use first in

Elko, then Reno, with jobs ranging from insurance agent, stockbroker, and convention center/visitors' authority sales manager, to retail sales, to fifteen years in the gaming industry.

There are inescapable universal experiences in one's life that define the essence of the human condition, both positive and negative. As Ramon navigated his way over and through some of the speed bumps and roadblocks associated with love, loss, sadness, and a search for meaning, he found guidance, support, and solace from such invaluable programs as New Frontier and

The Lighthouse, as well as years of weekly AA meetings and generous sponsorships here in Fallon. His love of distance running started early, becoming a very healthy positive addiction through time, and even when some physical limitations shortened his stride, he continued moving as best he could around town and the surrounding countryside. More than a pastime, it was a godsend.

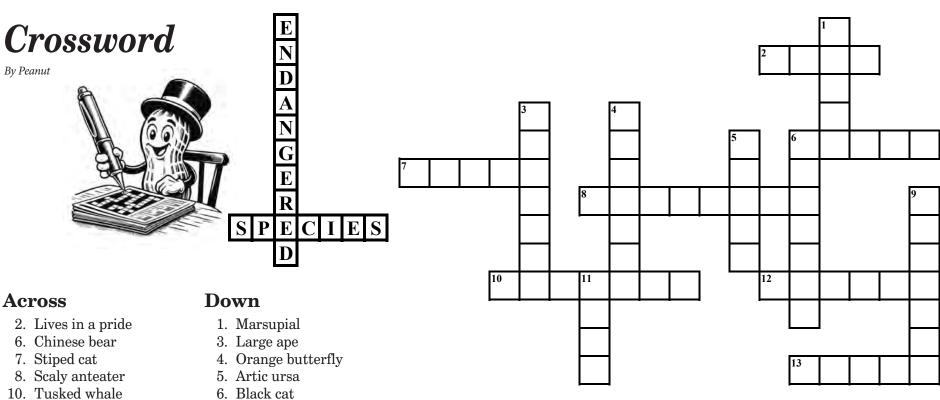
Ramon never married. He is survived by his three siblings: Elaine Starr (Jim), Gary Lopez (Linda), and Vera Ascasibar (Darby Long); nephews Adam and Chris Starr, Dan, Patrick, and Nick Lopez, and Steven Acker; nieces Juliette and Nicole Ascasibar, and Jennifer Acker. Additionally, Ramon left behind several grand nieces and nephews, and a cool bunch of cousins.

His cremains will be buried in the family plot in the Elko City Cemetery following a celebration of life/memorial service at Burns Funeral Home chapel at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 16, 2025. A lunch gathering will be held at the Elko Basque Clubhouse immediately following a committal ceremony.

In lieu of flowers, you may want to consider a donation to a favorite charity.







[Crossword answers found on page 5]



9. Sea cow

11. Red, gray

12. White whale

13. Right, blue, gray



COMMUNITY

Imlay Fire Department to Host Street Dance Fundraiser July 12

Raffle, Live Music, and Good Old-fashioned Fun in Store



Staff Report

It's that time of year again – the Imlay Fire Department is firing up the grill and tuning up the guitars for its annual Street Dance, happening Saturday, July 12, starting at 12:00 p.m. in downtown Imlay.

This family-friendly summer tradition brings together the community for a full day of food, fun, and fundraising. Attendees can enjoy delicious burgers and hot dogs, ice-cold drinks, and browse a variety of vendor booths. There's also a horseshoe tournament for the competitive folks and a raffle with prizes including a front quarter beef, shotgun, hotel room stays, and much more.

The raffle is already underway, tickets are available now at \$1 each, six for \$5, or 25 for \$20. Proceeds from the event support local fire department operations and emergency response efforts in the Imlay area.

Stick around into the evening for the main event: a live performance by the band Trainwreck, bringing high-energy tunes and small-town vibes to the Imlay streets.

Mark your calendars and come show your support for the volunteers who have your back when it matters most. Bring the whole family, bring your lawn chairs, and bring your best dance moves!



PET OF THE WEEK

Zoco is Available for Adoption



This is Zuko, he is Anatolian Shepard mix about 6 to 7 years old. He is a super friendly guy and doesn't seemed bothered by other dogs. Looking for his forever home.

If you would like to make a donation to the Lovelock Animal Shelter please call 775-273-7297.



Mental Health Awareness Month in Nevada is a time to push forward - not fall behind. Expanding access to care and encouraging open conversation is only part of the picture. The other piece is making sure future mental health treatments actually reach the patients who need them.

With the Trump Administration's recent Executive Order comes a lot of concern that innovation could be at risk. This order would base our drug prices on countries that use strict pricing models and often limit or delay access to modern therapies. If we copy those systems, it will be harder to bring future mental health treatments to patients in Nevada and across the country, as investments will be severely depleted.

Additionally, the Executive Order doesn't listen to the true concerns of patients. The biggest drivers of patient frustration aren't always visible. PBMs operate in the background, but their decisions shape what gets covered and how much it costs. Until that's addressed, no pricing reform will deliver the stability patients are looking for.

Nevada should focus on solutions that protect innovation and make care more stable for those who depend on it. That starts by moving past MFN and toward reforms to PBMs.

Sincerely, Denise Abbey, LCSW, QMHP



CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Crossword found on page 4

BELUGA	PANDA
GORILLA	PANGOLIN
KOALA	PANTHER
LION	POLAR
MANATEE	TIGER
MONARCH	WHALE
NARWHAL	WOLF

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Show and Shine



The Lovelock Street Fever Show and Shine 2025 boasted over 80 cars. Above: Samira Dyer.

GOVERNMENT

WNDD Presents Vision for Regional Growth at PCEDA Meeting

Main Street Program, Murals, CDBG Funding, and Stronger Outreach Among Key Topics

By Rachel Dahl

At the recent meeting of the Pershing County Economic Development Board (PCEDA), the board welcomed a detailed presentation from the Western Nevada Development District (WNDD), spotlighting regional funding opportunities, strategic planning tools, and creative economic development programs tailored to rural communities.

Representatives from WNDD, Chris Brandon and Don Vetter, walked the board through several key initiatives including Federal infrastructure grants for water, wastewater, broadband, and power, the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) planning process, which helps local projects gain federal funding support, and the Main Street Program, which supports revitalization through design, marketing, and grant access.

Brandon also discussed the Music and Murals program that has taken hold in several rural Nevada communities including Fernley and Winnemucca where week-long festivals are going promoted tied to murals and local bands.

"The goal is to help counties like Pershing attract business by having infrastructure, partnerships, and community readiness in place," Brandon said. "If a company comes to town and we can't meet their needs, they'll go somewhere else."

Board members discussed the importance of a central point of contact for economic development inquiries. Until a new county manager is hired, Commissioner Connie Gottschalk said she is serving in that role and will filter incoming calls and leads.

WNDD representatives encouraged the board to connect with



Left to right: Frankie Graham, Ted Bendure, Connie Gottschalk, Bonnie Skoglie, and Lynn Christofferson.

Sheri Davis, director of rural economic and community development fo rthe Governor's Office of Economic Development as well as Jessica Sanders, who oversees the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. CDBG funding can support a wide range of needs, from infrastructure to emergency services. However, participation requires training and a clear point person to manage the application and compliance process. CDBG applications must serve low and moderate income persons and also be sponsored or applied for by units of local government which implement the projects.

Board members expressed interest in forming a 501(c)(3) nonprofit to qualify for the Main Street program. They also discussed potential for a community mural project, possibly funded through tourism grants or humanities programs. Similar projects have revitalized towns like Fernley, Ely, and Carson City, and were highlighted as "game changers" for local pride and economic activity.

Vetter noted the urgent need to modernize Pershing County's website which shoulod include available properties and real estate contacts, clear guidance for incoming businesses, and key infrastructure details (rail, highway access, utilities) so interested companies can make development decisions.

"Economic development is part marketing and part readiness," he said. "You don't have to be a real estate broker, but you have to know what assets you have—and how to connect the right people."

Local resident LeeAnn Gallagher emphasized the need to reengage local businesses and possibly reestablish the Chamber of Commerce. An informal roundtable with past Chamber members will be added to the next meeting agenda.

The board agreed to begin assigning small projects to individuals and committees to begin making incremental progress.

Next Steps for Economic Development in Pershing County

IDENTIFY POINT OF CONTACT

Commissioner Connie Gottschalk will serve as the interim economic development contact until a new county manager is hired.

WEBSITE OVERHAUL

Begin updating the county website to include available properties, contact info for business inquiries, and key infrastructure details.

MAIN STREET PROGRAM

Community members are exploring the creation of a 501(c)(3) nonprofit to join the Nevada Main Street network and access design, branding, and revitalization support.

Outreach to Existing Businesses

A roundtable with former Chamber of Commerce members will be held to discuss restarting the organization and supporting current local businesses.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

• **Volunteer:** If you're interested in helping with the Main Street or mural efforts, reach out to any PCEDA board member or attend the next meeting.

• **Submit a Project:** Got a big idea for Pershing County? Make sure it gets added to the regional strategic plan (CEDS) for future funding eligibility.

• **Share Information:** Realtors, builders, and property owners — send available property details to the board Amanda for inclusion on the new website.

• Join the Conversation: Meetings are held monthly and open to the public. Next meeting: Monday, July 14.

To connect with PCEDA, contact Commissioner Connie Gottschalk via the County office at 775-273-2342.

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EDUCATION

High School Quarter 4 Honor Roll 2024-2025



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10TH GRADE Naveli Acosta Samantha Bristow Jujhar Chahal Maegan Delavega Whitlee Diaz Katelyn Elerick Jorden Fitch Arya Garland Milagros Gonzalez Aleksandr Gubarev Jordin Jones Israel Knight Khloe Montes Alejandra Pineda Magdalena Ramirez Elizabeth Reeves **Amare Rosas** Mariah Siqueido Chelsea Woodard Bryson Wriggelsworth

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Lillian Wagner

12TH GRADE **Efrain Aceves** Yasmin Acosta Lily Burt Chelsea Bloom Raegan Burrows Aelx Cruz Travis Donaldson **Alexis Foughty** Wyatt Hughes Eudosia Mendoza Tyler Miller Mateo Ortega Tyrn Sam Luis Sanchez Mathew Swindlehurst Denzel Zaldivar

EMERGENCY REPORT

Lovelock Fire Responds to Two Incidents in One Day

Quick Response Prevents Injuries and Limits Damage in Brush and Semi-Truck Fires

Staff Report

Lovelock fire crews had a busy day on June 6, responding to two separate fire incidents just hours apart. Thanks to fast response times and coordinated efforts, no injuries were reported in either case.

Brush Fire Behind Meridian Road Business

At 5:35 p.m., Pershing County 911 dispatch received a call reporting a brush fire in an alfalfa field behind a business at 1905 S. Meridian Road. Lovelock fire units were immediately dispatched.

- Chief Rodney Wilcox (Unit 501) was en route by 5:36 p.m. and arrived on scene just two minutes later.
- Brush Truck 562 followed, arriving at approximately 5:39 p.m.

Fire crews quickly contained the blaze, knocking it down by 6:01 p.m., then entered mop-up mode to extinguish remaining hotspots. The scene was cleared by 6:10 p.m. without any injuries or structural damage reported.

SEMI-TRUCK FIRE ON I-80

Earlier that morning, at approximately 6:00 a.m., dispatch received multiple reports of a semi-truck on fire on eastbound I-80 near mile marker 104. The truck was hauling 4,000 gallons of gasoline, prompting an urgent response.

• Chief Wilcox and Pershing County Sheriff's Deputy 104 were en route by 6:04 a.m., arriving a minute later.



• Fire units 561 and 553 responded shortly after, with Unit 562 arriving by 6:22 a.m.

Fortunately, the fire was contained to the front trailer tires on the driver's side, and crews had the blaze extinguished within six minutes. Additional efforts to cool the fuel tank continued for another ten minutes. The scene was cleared by 6:30 a.m., and no injuries were reported.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF LOVELOCK Publication of Annual Fiscal Report

General Fund ESTIMATED FINAL APPROV. **ACTUAL PRIOR** CURRENT BUDGET YEAR ENDING YEAR ENDING YEAR ENDING 6/30/24 Total Available Revenues 1,452,897 Total Expenditures 1,396,895 **Proprietary Fund** 675.521 **Total Operating Revenues** 710.500 **Total Operating Expenses** Total Non Operating Revenues 692,497 389,000 Total Non Operating Expenses

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Pershing County Library Now Hiring Administrative Clerk I

Deadline for Submitting an Application and Resume: July 18, 2025

The Pershing County Library is accepting applications for a part-time (20-hour week) Administrative Clerk I position. Although this is an entry level position all levels of experience may apply. The successful applicant must be able to perform a broad range of clerical duties and have knowledge of general office equipment, organize and maintain accurate files and records, provide information both in person and on the telephone, accurately type at a rate sufficient to perform assigned duties, knowledge of office practices and procedures and correct English usage.

Applications are available at the Pershing County Library 1125 Central Avenue, Lovelock, Nevada Or on the Pershing County website: https://pershingcountynv.gov

Resume and signed job description MUST be submitted to be considered. Please bring them to Kameron Mitchell at the library.

