



Election Year Brings New Voting Equipment

June 12 Primary will be first use of updated secure voting equipment

The June 12 Primary Election is the first time that Eureka County voters will use the new voting equipment. The County purchased the equipment with assistance of a grant made possible by AB 519 of the last legislative session. The election equipment used in prior elections was obtained in 2004. New tabulating equipment will be used to process all ballots, including mail-in precincts 3 and 4.

The new equipment uses a touch screen tablet along with a paper printer to verify the vote cast. (See graphic at right.) A video explaining how to use the new equipment is available on the Clerk/Treasurer's webpage of the Eureka County website (<http://www.co.eureka.nv.us/>).

What about security? The voting system is the equipment used to create ballots, cast and count votes, and display election results. Nevada's voting system is a "stand-alone" system that is not connected to a network or to the Internet and does not have wireless connection capabilities. Before any component can be used in Nevada's voting system, it must first go through a series of tests and audits. Additionally, each component maintains a chain of custody with tamper-evident security seals and access limited to authorized personnel.



A video on the Clerk/Treasurer's webpage shows how to use the new voting equipment.

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Health Clinics Slowly Expand Services Under New Provider Billing Relief and Nurse Health Line Added

William Bee Ririe Hospital (WBRH), the medical provider for the Eureka and Crescent Valley medical clinics, is continuing to expand services to Eureka County. The County's Medical Clinic Advisory Committee is monitoring the transition and providing the County Commission with updates on progress and concerns.

Contract Extension Proposed: The County Commission is discussing a new contract with WBRH to provide medical clinic services through 2020. As part of the new proposed contract, WBRH will agree to write off 75% of the bill after insurance pays, effective July 1. The discount only applies to services rendered at the Eureka and Crescent Valley Clinics including blood draws taken in Eureka or Crescent Valley and processed at the WBRH lab. For example, a radiologist reading fee cannot be discounted as it is done by a third party. To receive the discount, patients must call the local billing office at 775/289-3467. Patients can also apply the discount themselves and mail the check to WBRH at 1500 Ave H, Attn: Billing, Ely, NV 89301. This will significantly reduce out of pocket costs for patients.

Nurse Health Line Available 24/7: A Nurse Health Line is now active for all individuals and families in Eureka County. The Hospital, Eureka Clinic and the Regional Emergency Medical

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Services Authority (REMSA) have partnered to provide a Nurse Health Line – a free, 24/7 call-in line staffed with registered nurses providing assessment, care recommendations and/or referrals to appropriate health care or community services. **The Nurse Health Line number for Eureka County is 775-289-1599.**



**THE NURSE
HEALTH LINE IS
775/289-1599**

Crescent Valley:

The Clinic held an open house in Crescent Valley on April 5 with Tamisha Pena, APRN. WBRH was pleased to meet with community members and discuss available services and get to know Tamisha who has 15 years of nursing experience and four years as a Family

Nurse Practitioner. She moved to Eureka from Tennessee in January with her family. Both Tamisha and Jerome Hicks serve the Crescent Valley clinic. For the schedule, check the Clinic's Crescent Valley Facebook pages or flyers posted in town. WBRH worked closely with Crescent Valley and had telemedicine up and running in mid April.

Eureka:

**WBRH AGREED TO
WRITE OFF 75%
OF THE BILL AFTER
INSURANCE PAYS,
EFFECTIVE JULY 1.**

Pharmacy Issues: Dispensing prescription medications at the Eureka Clinic continues to be a challenge. The Clinic has a very limited supply of medications that will be dispensed. State regulations forbid an outside pharmacy locating within a clinic without using their own licensed and certified staff. This has created a stumbling block for both Ridley's and Economy Drug to provide service at the Eureka clinic.

Jerome Hicks is licensed and certified to dispense medications. WBRH will be able to dispense a very limited selection of medications with this license.

Providers: The Eureka Clinic is served two days per week by one of two family practice physicians: Clement Strumillo, D.O. and Gary Seigel, M.D. The Hospital is working on having behavior health services available via tele-health two days a week in Eureka and Crescent Valley by the fall of 2018. The list of providers and Clinic information is available in the newspaper, on posted flyers, and on the Clinic's Facebook page. The Medical Clinic Advisory Committee, in conjunction with the Commissioners, are helping to coordinate hearing specialist and chiropractor services at the Eureka clinic.

Staffing: Jerome Hicks and Tamisha Pena work from the Eureka Clinic, and serve Crescent Valley one day a week. The Eureka Clinic has a new medical assistant, Ashley Barnett. Currently, the Clinic is fully staffed with two mid-levels, two medical assistants and one front desk person, Ashley Farris, as well as the medical doctor two days per week.

WBRH has a "patient/visitor concern form" available at the clinics and can be mailed or faxed if requested. WBRH wants clients to use the form to be aware of problems and continuously improve service.

The County's Medical Clinic Advisory Committee will continue to provide updates via Plain Talk and at County Commission meetings. Commissioner Mike Sharkozy is the liaison to the committee. ●

Air Ambulance Service Provider Membership Programs

REACH AIR MEDICAL SERVICES, \$65 PER YEAR (Bases in Elko & Reno, fixed wing and helicopter)

AirMedCare Network <https://reachair.com/membership/> (800) 793-0010

CARE FLIGHT \$55 per year (NV and CA only) Bases in Reno, Fallon, Gardnerville, Truckee and Beckworth, CA, Helicopter and fixed wing <https://remsa.formstack.com/forms/membershipform>

MEDX AIRONE Bases in Elko and Winnemucca, helicopter <https://www.medxairone.com/information>

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Are you registered to vote? The voter registration system is a centralized statewide voter registration system maintained by the Office of the Secretary of State and Nevada's local election officials. The voter registration system provides information relating to registered voters throughout the State of Nevada and does not connect to or contain information used by the statewide voting system.

Register to vote or update your existing voter registration by the deadlines shown on page 5:

- Online at <http://www.registertovotenv.gov/> with a current and valid Driver's License or Identification Card issued by the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles
- In person at the Eureka County Clerk's office
- In person at any NV Department of Motor Vehicles office, at various social service agencies and on college campuses
- Mail in a paper application to the

Eureka County Clerk's office

● Uniformed Service Member, their family, or overseas citizen: Contact the Clerk's office after completing your registration to indicate your eligibility as a military/overseas voter and request a ballot.

Privacy: State law allows a voter to submit a written request asking for his/her address and/or phone number to be withheld from any list produced by the Clerk's office. Identification numbers are never disclosed to the public and how a person votes is always private.

Voters with disabilities or aged 65+:

New this year, voters with disabilities or who are 65 years of age or older may now make a special request to permanently and automatically receive absentee ballots, instead of submitting a request each calendar year.

If you have questions about voter registration or the election process, please contact the Clerk's office at 775/237-5262. ●



Military service exhibit at the Eureka Sentinel Museum in historic downtown Eureka, open Tues-Saturday. Above, the World War I uniform donated by Estelle Gensoli; World War II uniform donated by the Delbert Robinson Family. Below: the barbershop exhibit at the Sentinel Museum.



Diamond Valley Groundwater Management Plan Nears Completion Summer Meetings Will Provide Forum for Discussion of Plan

Progress continues to be made by groundwater rights holders in Diamond Valley on the Groundwater Management Plan. This Plan is being developed to reduce water use in Diamond Valley to sustainable levels in lieu of curtailment by the State Water Engineer. Final touches are being put on the Plan which is expected to be completed in May or early June.

After completion, the Plan will be sent to all groundwater rights holders and an opportunity will be provided to every water rights holder to sign a petition requesting the State Engineer approve the Plan. There will be a couple of evening meetings during this timeframe to receive a presentation of the Plan and have questions answered. This process is currently planned to take place between June and August 2018. A majority of water rights holders must sign the petition to be able to submit it to the State Engineer. ●

Plain Talk

EPA to Resume Cleanup of Residential Properties Last Chance for Residents to Sign Up for Cleanup

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency began cleaning up lead and arsenic contaminated soil at residential properties in Eureka in 2013. This contamination is related to historic smelting operations in the townsite. To date, EPA has sampled nearly 300 properties and has completed cleanup at 126 properties.

THIS WILL BE THE LAST OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SIGN UP FOR THE CLEANUP PROGRAM.

In May 2018, EPA will resume cleanup work in Eureka. The focus of the work this construction season will be completing cleanup of all remaining contaminated residential properties. EPA believes there are up to 50 remaining properties still requiring cleanup. The cleanup involves excavation of up to one foot of contaminated soil, backfilling with clean soil and replacement of any pre-existing landscaping. Prior to performing any work on a property, EPA staff will meet with the property owner to produce a work plan which describes all work to be performed on the property. After the cleanup, EPA staff again meets with the property owner to confirm that all work was completed as agreed upon in the work plan.

This will be the last opportunity for residents to sign up for the cleanup program. If you have questions about whether your property is eligible for cleanup, please contact Tom Dunkelman at [\(775\) 721-4712](tel:775-721-4712).



2018 is the last opportunity for owners of residential property to request cleanup.

Once the cleanup of residential properties is complete, EPA will focus its attention on cleanup of contaminated hillsides and slag piles. This work will occur as funding becomes available. ●

Eureka County Yucca Mountain Update

About 15 years ago, Eureka County's Nuclear Waste Program developed a website: www.yuccamountain.org. We have maintained and updated it ever since. If you want to find out what's happening now or learn about the project history and potential local impacts of the federal proposal to build a nuclear waste repository in Nevada, the website is your go-to for news, maps, photos, transportation and emergency response issues and more.

NEVADA STATE OLD-TIME FIDDLERS' CONTEST
MAY 18 & 19 2018
Eureka Opera House
EUREKA, NEVADA
Free to the Public

FRIDAY MAY 18	SATURDAY MAY 19
Sierra Silver Strings Hot Fiddle Contest & Jam Session 5-10:00pm	Registration 8:30am Contest starts 9:30am

OPEN DIVISIONS

Entry Fee \$10 (up to age 17)	Entry Fee \$15 (ages 18+)
JR. JUNIOR (up to age 17)	SENIOR (ages 18-49)
1st place — \$25	1st place — \$25
2nd place — \$20	2nd place — \$20
3rd place — \$15	3rd place — \$15
4th place — \$10	4th place — \$10
5th place — \$5	5th place — \$5
JUNIOR (ages 10-17)	SR. SENIOR (ages 50+)
1st place — \$25	1st place — \$25
2nd place — \$20	2nd place — \$20
3rd place — \$15	3rd place — \$15
4th place — \$10	4th place — \$10
5th place — \$5	5th place — \$5
ADULT (ages 18-49)	
1st place — \$25	
2nd place — \$20	
3rd place — \$15	
4th place — \$10	
5th place — \$5	

GRAND CHAMPION DIVISION
- Entry Fee \$25 - (any age)

1st place — \$250
2nd place — \$200
3rd place — \$150
4th place — \$100
5th place — \$50

NEVADA STATE CHAMPION
Top scoring junior and adult Nevada fiddlers will be declared NEVADA STATE CHAMPIONS

For more information:
CALL OR FURBER 775-227-2347
EMAIL: Lin@ocnyeh.com
WWW: www.nevadastateoldtimefiddlerscontest.org

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2018 EUREKA Car Show MEMORIAL WEEKEND

FRIDAY, MAY 25TH	SATURDAY, MAY 26TH	SUNDAY, MAY 27TH
REGISTRATION 4:00pm - Registration 6:00pm - Cruise In	CAR SHOW 10:00am - Car Show, Street Dance at Dark	DRAG RACES 9:00am - Awards Brunch 11:00am - Drag Races

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June 23rd, 2018

191 State Route 276
Eureka, NV 89528

Call City 775-585-4029
Email duncdel@cityofeureka.com

Primary Election Slated for June 12, 2018



VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES for the 2018 Primary Election

- By Mail: Postmarked no later than May 15, 2018
- In-Person: Last day to register in person is May 22, 2018
- Online: Last day to register using NOVA is May 24, 2018 (11:59:59 p.m.)

Absent Ballot Request Deadline

Must be *received* no later than June 5, 2018 by 5:00 p.m.

EARLY VOTING LOCATION: Eureka County Courthouse, 10 S. Main Street, Eureka, NV

Early Voting Schedule:

May 26 (Saturday)	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
May 28 (Monday-Memorial Day)	closed
May 29 – June 1 (Tues. – Friday)	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
June 2nd (Saturday)	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
June 4 – 8 (Monday-Friday)	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

All precincts may Early Vote during the scheduled dates at the Eureka County Courthouse, 10 South Main Street, Eureka, Nevada. *NOTE: Once Early Vote has concluded you may only vote at your precinct’s designated polling location.*

ELECTION DAY: June 12, 2018, polls will remain open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

CRESCENT VALLEY: Mail-in ballots will be sent the week of May 21. An official ballot box will be available at the Crescent Valley Town Center, 5045 Tenabo Ave during business hours (Tues. & Thurs. 10 am—2 pm). On Election Day, the Town Center will be open from 10 am-5 pm. Ballots will be picked up from the Town Center at 5 pm.

POLLING PLACES FOR THE 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION, EUREKA, NV

- PRECINCT #1 and #2** Eureka Opera House, 31 S. Main St., Eureka, NV
- PRECINCT #3 and #4** Mailing Precinct

CHECK THE EUREKA COUNTY CLERK/TREASURER’S “ELECTION INFORMATION” WEBPAGE for statewide primary races and candidates and the Sample Ballot for the Primary: <http://www.co.eureka.nv.us/clerk/elect00.htm>. State and regional races include: U.S. Senate; Congressional Representative; Governor; Lt. Governor; Secretary of State; Attorney General and State Assembly.

COUNTY PARTISAN OFFICES

EUREKA COUNTY CLERK RECORDER Four (4) Year Term Republican Primary
Cloninger, Jennifer; Hoehne, Lisa L.

NOTE: Nevada has closed primaries. A voter must affiliate formally on their voter registration with a political party in advance of the election date in order to participate in that party’s primary. All registered voters will be able to vote for nonpartisan offices.

COUNTY NONPARTISAN OFFICES

- EUREKA COUNTY SHERIFF Four (4) Year Term
Cantrell, Shane; Sanders, Kenneth “Kenny”; Watts, Jesse
- EUREKA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES, Seat 2A Four (4) Year Term
Anderson, Ashley E.; Fitzwater, Melissa; Hicks, Robin; Izzolo, Jim
- EUREKA COUNTY TELEVISION DISTRICT DIRECTOR, Seat 4C Four (4) Year Term Brown, Eldon
- CRESCENT VALLEY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD 3 Seats Two (2) Year Term *Three Candidates - Uncontested* *
Charles Bledsoe, Jessica Evertsen, Nona S. Kellerman

**Will not appear on ballot because deemed elected*

Plain Talk

Trails Project Kicks Off With Public Meeting On May 2 *First Step: Map Existing and Potential Trails*

A meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2 at the Opera House to discuss a new trail project in and around Eureka. The project, centered on hiking and mountain biking, is a collaborative effort of Eureka County Natural Resources, Eureka County Cooperative Extension and the local non-profit Eureka Restoration Enterprise (ERE).



The planning for the trail project actually began several years ago when the Eureka County Economic Development committee mapped some existing trails. The project was abandoned until ERE contacted Jake Tibbitts, Eureka County Natural Resources Manager, with the idea to map some of the trails in hopes of spurring tourism on Main Street.

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Using the GIS application created in 2004 by the committee, the local committee approached Kevin Dose with Great Basin Institute (GBI), whose mission is to promote research and conservation via community partnerships.

GBI successfully garnered a grant on behalf of ERE through the Nevada State Parks and Recreation Division

to promote and create a trail system in Eureka.

A small group met last fall and determined an initial three-step process for development: 1) inventory and map the existing and possible new trails in the surrounding area, 2) create signage, maps, and a trail headquarters for the trail system, along with development of the new trails, and 3) continue development of trails and implement an event centered around the trail system such as a mountain bike competition.

The first step in the process is set to begin this summer and run through August. During this time two interns, hired by GBI using grant money, will be on the ground collecting trail attribute data. This data will be used to generate maps and signage.

The data is to include level of difficulty, slope grade, length of trail, and soil characteristics. The group will determine the condition of the roads and maintenance needs.

Other ideas include a parcourse with varying fitness stations, and developing a loop from Eureka to Raine's Market that would provide a path other than along the Highway 50 corridor.

The purpose of the May meeting is to gather input, suggestions and ideas from the public and then apply these ideas to the project goals this summer. ●

Free DUMP Days in May

Eureka County is offering FREE DUMP DAYS for all residents every SATURDAY in May during normal operating hours. ONLY organic yard waste, appliances, scrap metal, tires, car bodies, construction debris, and furniture will be accepted FREE at the Landfill on these days. All Items MUST Be Separated.

No Household Waste, No Dead Animals, No Hazardous Waste

Dates: May 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2018

Eureka Landfill & Crescent Valley Laydown Yard
8am-12pm & 1pm-4pm.

Questions:
(775) 237-5372



FIREWISE COMMUNITY DAY!!



EUREKA

When: Friday, May 4th

Where: Eureka Fairgrounds

Time: 10:30 a.m. — 1 p.m.

FREE BBQ LUNCH

ENTER TO WIN **FREE** RAFFLE ITEMS!!

**KIDS CAN ENTER TO WIN A BIKE!!*

**Learn about defensible space & wildfire awareness!*

Take home **FREE fire resistant plants!*

CRESCENT VALLEY

When: Saturday, May 5th

Where: C.V. Fairgrounds

Time: 11:00 a.m. — 1 p.m.

FREE BBQ LUNCH

ENTER TO WIN **FREE** RAFFLE ITEMS!!

**KIDS CAN ENTER TO WIN A BIKE!!*

**Learn about defensible space & wildfire awareness!*

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Eureka Firewise Committee & FFA host:

May the 4th Be With You... 5K Race

When: Friday, May 4, 2018

Where: Eureka Fairgrounds

Who: All ages are invited to participate

***Questions:**

(775) 237-6010



Plain Talk

News and Views from the Eureka County Commissioners

2018 Events Calendar May—September

- May 2— Trails Project Meeting, Eureka Opera House, 5:30 pm
May 4 — Eureka Firewise and 5K Event at Eureka Fairgrounds, 10:30 am-1 pm
May 5 — Crescent Valley Firewise Event at Crescent Valley Fairgrounds, 11 am-1 pm
May 5 — Hick'ry Switch Band, alternative bluegrass at the Opera House, 7 pm
May 18 & 19 — Nevada Old-Time Fiddler's Contest, at the Opera House, info: 775/237-5347
May 22— Crescent Valley Candidates Night, Community Center, 5—7 pm
May 24 — Eureka HS Zach Garcia Band, at the Opera House , 7 pm
May 25-27 — Eureka Car Show, Historic Downtown Eureka
May 31 — Eureka HS Disco Confetti Band, Eureka Fairgrounds, 7pm
June 12 — Primary Election Day — see page 5 for details
June 15 — Mary Kaye & the Kaye Sisters, at the Opera House, 7 pm
June 23 — VFW Ride'em and Wreck'em Demolition Derby in Diamond Valley. Info: 775/385-4029
July 16-21 — Missoula Children's Theatre, The Princess and the Pea, at the Opera House
August 3 — Royal Wade Kimes Concert, at the Opera House, 7 pm
August 9-12—Eureka County Fair. Info: 775/237-6026 or check the County website
August 18 —Crescent Valley Emergency Fund BBQ
August 25 — Tylor & The Train Robbers Concert, at the Opera House, 7 pm
September 15 — Wine Walk in historic downtown Eureka sponsored by Eureka Restoration Enterprise



Deadlines for the Primary Election including voter registration, absent ballot requests, and early voting are on page 5.



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