



## From Receptionist to Accountant: A 48-Year Career Rooted in Nevada Values



Kathy Barger

In 1978, a young woman walked into the front office of a Nevada mine site, nervous but determined, ready to start work as a receptionist. Nearly five decades later, she is closing the chapter on a career defined by loyalty, adaptability, and deep connections to both her workplace and her community.

Over the course of 48 years, her role evolved alongside the operation itself. What began at the front desk grew into administrative work, payroll, supervision, and eventually a full-time role in accounting. Along the way, she learned new systems, navigated major technological shifts, and quietly became one of the institutional anchors of the site.

“I didn’t start in accounting,” she recalled. “But people moved on, jobs changed, and I just kept stepping in where I was needed.” That willingness to adapt became a hallmark of her career. In the early years, payroll was handwritten, calculations were made with calculators, and there was a single computer shared by an entire department. Today, systems are digital, web-based, and increasingly automated. She was there for all of it.

### KINROSS VALUES

Putting People First

Outstanding Corporate Citizenship

High Performance Culture

Rigorous Financial Discipline

---

### Contents

Kathy Barger- pg 1-2

Andrew Sweeney State Champ- pg 3-4

From the Stacks - pg 5-6

Community News - pg 7

Blast from the Past - pg 8

Calendar - pg 9

Big Smoky Valley & Beyond - pg 10-12

Classifieds - pg 13

Churches - pg 14

Business Directory - pg 15

Snapshot - pg 16

---

Dore Diary  
as of 4-8-2026

AU \$4,657.10

Ag \$45.87

KGC \$33.13

“We did everything by hand,” she said. “Checks, entries, all of it. Now it’s paperless, outsourced, computerized. The change has been incredible.”

One of her proudest accomplishments came during a major payroll system conversion, long weeks, weekend work, and extensive coordination to transition systems without disrupting employees’ pay. The effort paid off. The system launched smoothly, something she now looks back on as a major legacy contribution that many may not even realize she helped make happen.

But her career wasn’t just about systems and numbers.

When she first started, the mining world looked very different. It was smaller, more personal, and far more male-dominated. Most women worked in clerical roles, and leadership positions were few. Still, there was a strong sense of community—managers lived locally, raised their families in town, and were deeply involved in schools, sports, and town events.

“Everybody knew everybody,” she said. “The company felt more like a family back then.”

Company picnics filled canyon areas, Fourth of July barbecues brought employees and families together, and it wasn’t unusual to find site leadership grilling food or cheering from the high school gym bleachers. Over the years, as operations expanded and management structures changed, that close-knit feeling evolved, but the impact of those early years stuck with her.

Throughout her time, she trained new hires, worked with interns, and supported coworkers as systems and expectations changed. While she jokes that training wasn’t her favorite task, she valued helping others learn, grow, and find their footing, just as she once had.

Looking back, she says one of the hardest lessons was learning not to take change personally.

“Change is hard,” she said. “But you realize it’s not about you. It’s about the job, the direction things are moving. You learn to adapt.”

What kept her there for nearly five decades? The answer comes easily.

“The pay was competitive, the benefits were good, and my family was here,” she said. “This job helped me raise my family. It gave me stability.”

That stability also allowed her to support a spouse in military service, travel when possible, and still remain rooted in Nevada, something she never wanted to leave behind.

“You can take the girl out of Nevada,” she joked, “but you can’t take Nevada out of the girl.”

As retirement approaches, what she says she’ll miss most isn’t the work itself, but the people, the small group of coworkers who became more like family. She hopes she’ll be remembered as someone who was loyal, dependable, helpful, and kind.

Her advice to the next generation is simple, and hard-earned: Work hard. Be loyal. Finish what you start, and keep learning. Treat people the way you want to be treated.

“Nothing just comes to you,” she said. “You have to show up.”

After 48 years of showing up, for her job, her coworkers, and her community, that legacy is already firmly in place.



## Round Mountain is home to Nevada State Champ: Andrew Sweeney!!



When Andrew first stepped onto a wrestling mat as a sixth grader, he was a kid with heart but heavy feet. Coaches remember those early practices, how he struggled to move his legs, how his footwork lagged behind his effort, and how nerves often got the best of him. Anxiety made matches feel bigger than they were, and the pressure sometimes froze him in place. But even then, he showed something more important than natural skill. He kept showing up, kept listening, and kept trying to get better.

Over the next three years, that determination shaped everything he became. While most students were still asleep, Andrew was outside at 6 a.m. running two miles before school to build the stamina and toughness wrestling demands. After practice, when the room emptied out, he stayed behind with Chase Diller, who invested extra time into him, drilling technique, correcting details, and pushing Andrew to trust his movement and believe in his progress. Chase's commitment helped Andrew turn weaknesses into strengths. Alongside that, coaches Brian Cates and Josh Yost provided the technical foundation, steady encouragement, and unwavering belief that kept him growing. Their guidance helped him stay focused, stay confident, and stay determined through every challenge. At home, he practiced hand fighting, sprawls, and takedowns with his sisters and family, turning living rooms and backyards into training spaces. Those early mornings, late nights, and family sessions became the backbone of his development.

Wrestling's short six week season meant there was no time to ease into things. Andrew had to improve quickly, adapt constantly, and make every practice count. That pressure helped him sharpen the very skill that once held him back. By eighth grade, the kid who once struggled to move his feet had turned footwork into one of his greatest strengths. He was lighter, quicker, and more confident on the mat, able to stay active and control matches in ways that once felt out of reach. Just as importantly, he learned how to steady his breathing, calm his nerves, and trust his preparation. The anxiety that once held him back became something he could manage, even on the biggest stage.

All of that work came together at the Middle School Tournament. Entering as the 4 seed, Andrew was not expected to dominate the bracket, but he wrestled like someone who had prepared for this moment for years. He beat the 1 seed in a hard fought match that showed his composure and conditioning. That win sent him to the finals, where he faced the 2 seed with the same calm focus he had been building toward for years.

The defining moment came in that championship match, where he secured a second round pin with a cradle. The move had first been introduced to him by Chuck Diller, a respected member of the Nevada High School Wrestling Hall of Fame, who showed Andrew the cradle a handful of times and gave him the foundation to understand it. From there, Chase Diller stayed after practice with him to sharpen it, while coaches Brian Cates and Josh Yost helped refine the technique through countless repetitions and reinforced the confidence to use it under pressure. When Andrew locked it in during the finals and turned his opponent, the entire gym felt the momentum shift. Seconds later, the referee slapped the mat, and Andrew stood as the tournament champion.

But the season was never about one wrestler. The Round Mountain wrestling program, elementary, middle school, and high school together, built its success on shared effort, encouragement, and a culture that stretched across age groups. Younger wrestlers looked up to the older ones, high school athletes mentored the middle schoolers, and the elementary kids brought energy and excitement into the room. That sense of unity made every practice feel bigger than a single season.

Within the middle school team, wrestlers like Able Rumker, Matthias Oridaniza, Zoey Harrell, Emerson Delamora, Kimberlynn Paulick, Tristyn Gleave, Andrew Ames, Payton Diller, Killian Hampton, and Orion Lafkas all contributed to a room where hard work was expected and support was constant. They pushed each other through tough drills, celebrated each other's progress, and created an environment where every athlete felt valued. Andrew's growth happened inside that culture, surrounded by teammates who showed up, battled through long practices, and lifted one another up. Their collective effort shaped the team's identity and made every individual accomplishment possible.

His coaches praised not just the win, but the journey behind it, the early struggles, the steady improvement, the humility, and the relentless effort. What began as a challenge with basic movement and nerves ended as a strength that helped carry him to a championship. As Andrew heads into high school athletics, he leaves middle school with more than a title. He leaves with a reputation for grit, a deep respect for the sport, and a work ethic that will carry him far beyond the wrestling mat.





# From the Stacks : News from your Library



## Round Mountain Public Library Supports Autism Awareness Month



April is Autism Awareness Month, and here at the Round Mountain Public Library, we are proud to support, celebrate, and stand with individuals on the autism spectrum and their families. We believe in creating a space where everyone feels welcome, included, and supported—no matter their needs.

Throughout the month, we are committed to:  
Promoting understanding and acceptance  
Providing inclusive programs and resources  
Offering a safe, calm environment for all

Be sure to check out our Sensory Room and Silent Hour Fridays—just a few of the ways we’re working to make our library accessible for everyone

Together, we can build a more inclusive and compassionate community.



# Manhattan Public Library and Museum Opening for the Season Soon!



The historic Manhattan Public Library and Museum is set to welcome the community once again as it reopens for the season on Wednesday, April 15, 2026. After its winter closure, this beloved local treasure will once again open its doors from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., inviting residents and visitors alike to step inside and reconnect with the rich history and resources it offers.

Located in the heart of the historic mining town of Manhattan, the library and museum provide a unique experience that blends learning, history, and community. Visitors can explore fascinating exhibits, including preserved artifacts, schoolhouse memorabilia, and local collections that highlight the area's past. The space offers more than just books—it's a place where history comes alive and where patrons of all ages can discover something new.

Following reopening day, the regular hours for the Manhattan Public Library and Museum will be:

- Wednesdays – Fridays: 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Closed Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays

As part of the Smoky Valley Library District, the Manhattan Public Library and Museum is dedicated to serving the informational, educational, and cultural needs of the community while providing a welcoming space for all.

Community members are encouraged to stop by, explore the exhibits, check out materials, and enjoy the charm of this historic building. With new programs and activities on the horizon, the reopening marks the beginning of another exciting season for learning, discovery, and community connection in Manhattan.

# Community News

## A Successful Town Egg Hunt

The town was filled with laughter, excitement, and springtime cheer on Saturday, April 4, 2026, as families gathered to celebrate a successful all-ages egg hunt in honor of Easter.

Children and adults alike spread out across designated hunt areas, eagerly searching for brightly colored eggs hidden throughout the grounds. With sections thoughtfully organized by age group, everyone—from toddlers to teens and even adults—had the chance to join in the fun and excitement.

One of the day’s biggest highlights was the grand arrival of the Easter Bunny, who made a memorable entrance aboard a fire truck. The festive escort brought smiles to faces of all ages, as sirens and waving firefighters added an extra dose of community spirit to the celebration. The Easter Bunny spent time greeting families, posing for photos, and spreading holiday cheer throughout the event.

The atmosphere was lively and welcoming, with neighbors catching up, children proudly showing off their egg collections, and volunteers ensuring everything ran smoothly. The event truly showcased the strong sense of community, bringing people together for a day of simple joy and shared traditions.

By the end of the hunt, baskets were full, hearts were happy, and the town once again proved that events like these are what make small communities so special. It was, without a doubt, a fun-filled day for all who attended



Happy Easter!



# Blast from the Past:

## Bristol Wells



Bristol Wells, also known as National City, Bristol City and Tempest, is a ghost town in Lincoln County, Nevada. The mining town was located on the west side of Bristol Mountain, 14 miles (23 km) northwest of Pioche, Nevada.

The first mining claims were staked in 1870. The district was organized the next year when the settlement of National City grew around the National Mine. In 1872 a furnace was built to treat silver-lead ore from the Bristol Mine, 4 miles (6.4 km) to the east. In 1878 a richer deposit was found, resulting in the construction of a stamp mill. The settlement was renamed Bristol City the same year. The stamp mill expanded in 1880 and a smelter was built, while stone ovens were built to provide charcoal for the smelter. The town's wells provided water to the mines. By 1890 a new smelter was built to treat copper ore, and the town's population reached 400.<sup>[2][3]</sup>

Activity declined after 1893. A leach-recovery plant built in 1900 operated for two years, recovering copper. In 1913 an aerial tramway was built to Jackrabbit, Nevada, 2 miles (3.2 km) to the northeast, where ore could be loaded on the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad. Mining activity continued intermittently, sharply declining after 1918. The town was briefly renamed Tempest after the Tempest Mine in 1922, returning to Bristol in 1929. The post office continued until 1950.<sup>[3]</sup>

# April



# 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> S.T.E.M 3:45 pm RMPL  Bible Study 6:30 pm MVC	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Story Time 1 pm RMPL  HOP 2 pm RMPL	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 	<b>6</b> Games and Challenges all day-RMPL Relay Races- 1- 2 pm RMPL	<b>7</b> Library Board meeting 5 pm RMPL Town Board Meeting 5:30 pm HFS Games and Challenges all day- RMPL Relay Races- 1-2 pm RMPL	<b>8</b> Games and Challenges all day-RMPL Relay Races- 1- 2 pm RMPL Bible Study 6:30 pm MVC	<b>9</b> Games and Challenges all day-RMPL Relay Races- 1- 2 pm RMPL	<b>10</b> Games and Challenges all day-RMPL Relay Races- 1- 2 pm RMPL	<b>11</b> Opening Day Starting - 8:30 am Town softball/baseball fields
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Girl Talk 3:45 pm LCW  Boy Basics 3:45 pm RMPL	<b>15</b> S.T.E.M 3:45 pm RMPL  Bible Study 6:30 pm MVC	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Story Time 1 pm  HOP 2 pm -RMPL	<b>18</b> Manhattan Story Time 1-2pm MPL
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Girl Talk 3:45 pm RMPL  Boy Basics 3:45 pm RMPL	<b>22</b> S.T.E.M 3:45 pm RMPL  Bible Study 6:30 pm MVC	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Story Time 1 pm RMPL  HOP 2 pm RMPL S.T.E.M Activity 3 pm RMPL	<b>25</b> Manhattan Story Time 1-2pm MPL
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Girl Talk 3:45 pm RMPL Boy Basics 3:45 pm RMPL  Town Board Meeting 5:30 pm HFS	<b>29</b> S.T.E.M 3:45 pm RMPL	<b>30</b> Bingo- 5:30pm SC 		

**HFS - Hadley Fire Station**  
**SCG - Simpson Center Gym**  
**SC - Simpson Center**  
**SVCA - Smoky Valley Community Arena**  
**RMPL- Round Mountain Public Library**  
**MPL - Manhattan Public Library**

**BC - Baptist Church**  
**MVC - Mountain Valley Church**  
**GS - General Store**  
**TC - Teen Center**  
**CAB - Carvers Ambulance Barn**  
**DSSB - Daniel R. Sweeney Public Safety Building**

**Important Phone Numbers**  
**Nye County Sheriff 377-2488**  
**Clinic 377-3267**  
**R.M. Elementary School 377-2236**  
**R.M. High School 377-2690**  
**Smoky Valley Library 377-2215**  
**Simpson Center 377-1166**

# Big Smoky Valley & Beyond

# SAVE the DATE



**SAVE THE DATE!**

# SPRING FLING

**Colvin Town Square  
Goldfield, Nevada  
Saturday, May 2nd**

**-Community yard sale**

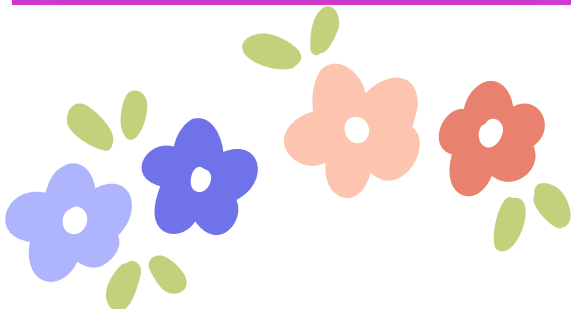
**-Hot Dogs**

**-Children's craft projects for Mother's Day**

**-Followed by historic building booze walk for adults**



Organized by Goldfield Main Street



**NEVADA SECTION**  
SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT

# Nevada Youth Range Camp

June 21 – June 27, 2026

Berry Creek, NE. of McGill, NV



Scholarships available, information below

Nevada Division of Forestry has scholarships available!

<https://forestry.nv.gov/happening-now/news/Nevada-youth-range-camp>



Nevada Department of Agriculture



High school youth are invited to enjoy a week of fun, camping and learning about rangelands and natural resource management in Nevada. Camp will be held in the Schell Creek Range providing a beautiful setting for learning. The purpose of this camp is to provide youth with the knowledge and understanding of how decisions are made about natural resources on Nevada's rangelands



This is a weeklong primitive camp, food is provided. Camping gear is required, see application for details!



- Learning Modules Include:
- Soils
  - Pinyon-Juniper Management
  - Wildlife Management
  - Riparian Interactions
  - The Sagebrush Environment
  - Coordinated Resource Management
  - Orienteering
  - Conservation project implementation

This camp is sponsored by the Nevada Section of the Society for Range Management. Registration is \$250 per camper if application is accepted. See <https://nevada.rangelands.org/youth-range-camp/> for more details and application materials. Contact camp director for information about potential scholarships. Questions? Camp Director Ethan Mower - [emower@parks.nv.gov](mailto:emower@parks.nv.gov) 775-726-3564





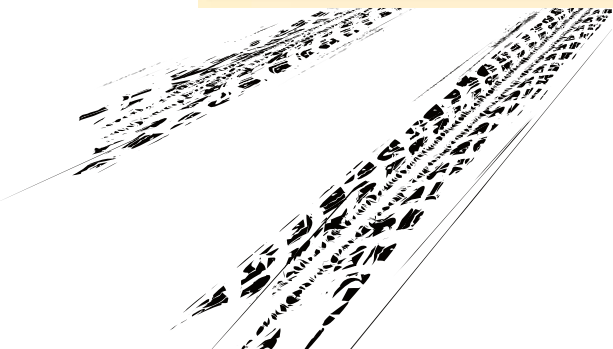
**FRIDAY | JUNE 12TH**  
**7 PM - 10 PM**  
**REGISTRATION**  
**STREET DANCE**  
**LIVE MUSIC**  
 SPONSORED BY "MUSIC IN THE MINE"  
**FOOD TRUCKS**  
**UNION PLAZA**

**SATURDAY | JUNE 13TH**  
**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
**7:30-10 AM \$10**  
**REGISTRATION \$40**  
**8- 10 AM**  
**\*LAST RIG OUT AT 10 AM\***  
**TONOPAH OHV**  
**\*OFF HWY 6**  
**(RODEO GROUNDS)**

**TONOPAH TO GOLDFIELD & BACK!**  
**FREE! POKER RUN IN GOLDFIELD**

**AFTER PARTY AWARDS & RAFFLE**  
**7 PM- 10 PM**  
**UNION PLAZA**

**\$500 BEST HAND**  
**\$300 2<sup>ND</sup> HAND**  
**\$100 3<sup>RD</sup> HAND**



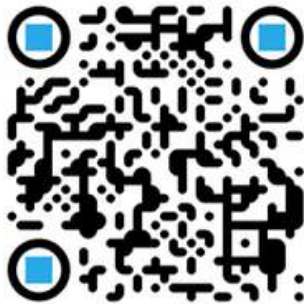
# Community Announcements Classifieds

## Homes & Land For Sale



451 Manley Ranch Road – Carvers  
3 bed, 2 bath, 1,728sf home with financing options available. 2.5 acres with full fence, shop, stalls, and other outbuildings.

Home has been upgraded with new furnace including central air throughout the home. New well pump installed. MOVE IN READY!  
Sellers are motivated, bring all offers.  
Sale Price only: \$335,000.



**JOE BROWN, REALTOR®**  
**COLDWELL BANKER EXCEL**  
NV. LIC. # S.0195641 BUSB 7174

(775) 451-3905 |(775) 777-5311

---

Willow Creek ranch site. 80 fenced acres with mountain stream, springs and meadow grass. Incredible valley and mountain views. 30 minute drive from Hadley. Owner/licensee  
Contact Linda 775-777-5506

## For Rent

RV spaces available in Kingston on a monthly basis. Large spaces, quiet, and beautiful views. \$400/month. Call Robert at 775-501-1747

---

Jumping Jack Motel  
775-377-2566  
Located on Hwy 376, mm54  
Offers Daily & Weekly Rates  
Ask about our contractor and locals special rates

---

Mountain View Trailer Park in Tonopah, NV has a limited amount of spaces available at the very affordable rate of \$200/month. Spaces are large enough to accommodate large travel trailers or doublewide mobile homes with room to spare. Call the Park Manager at 775-277-0637 to reserve your space today.

# Community Announcements Local Churches

## Mountain Valley Church

Mountain Valley Church is located at 89 Hadley Circle

Church starts at 10:30 am on Sun. with fellowship and coffee afterwards.

Children's Church for all ages - Nursery for younger children.

Parents are welcome to drop their children off for church/Sunday school. Please send a good contact number and information on any allergies your children might have.

Sermons are on Facebook Live starting around 11:15 am.

Tues. Women's Bible study/breakfast at 10:00 am in the annex.

Wed. Bible study at 6:30 pm in the annex.

Sat. Men's Bible study/breakfast at 8:30 am in the annex.

After school Bible Club once a month - 5-yr- olds to 8th grade - call Destiny Norton 775-346-0910.

Food Pantry call 775-346-0480, 775-346-1115.

Closet Pantry with new and gently used clothes call Haley 775-346-1176.

Call 775-771-2353 for more info.

We are a non-denominational church like no other. We follow God's Word only, which is the Bible. Come join us for love, laughter and learning about our heavenly Father and His son, Jesus Christ.

---

## The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Located at 7 Jefferson Drive in Carvers. Worship services are held every Sunday at 10:00 am and Sunday School is at 11:15 am. All visitors are welcome. For more information contact Branch President Nate Collier at 435-840-5611, or Executive Secretary Aaron Lambson at 775-560-1139.



## Desert Oasis Christian Center

Desert Oasis Christian Center is located at 76 Hadley Circle. Across from the General Store. Saturday services @ 11:00 am Youth program is Friday @ 6:00 pm for ages 13-18 still in high school. If you have questions, please call Pastor Jared at 315-801-1050.

---

## St. Barbara's Catholic Mission

Come join us at Mass or Communion service every Saturday @ 5:00 pm with confession and adoration @ 4:30 pm located at 91 Hadley Circle. The number to St. Patrick's Church in Tonopah is 775-482-6746.

St. Barbara's Mission  
WhatsApp group



---

## Kingston Village Baptist Church

Sunday worship at 10:00 am with fellowship to follow. Everyone is welcome.

---

## Belmont Church

The Belmont Church begins its seasonal services for 2026 on Easter Sunday, April 5 at 10:30 AM. Potluck to follow on Easter at the Belmont Saloon and Community Center. Church services will continue at 10:30 AM on April 19 and every other week following. Pastor Mike Brown Sr will be teaching. For more information contact Diana at 775-240-1252.

## Meetings

### No To Abuse

Nevada Outreach Training Organization/No To Abuse, located at 1120 Globemallow Lane in Tonopah

Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Advocacy

For more information please call 775-482-3016 between 10 am - 2 pm.

---

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held every Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday at 6:30 pm at 89 Hadley Circle. For more information contact Chip at 702-308-1428.

# Business Directory

*Western Sky*  
**RADIANCE**

Facials  
Waxing  
Skincare  
Permanent Jewelry  
Custom Western  
Hats

Sarah Madsen  
(208)680-6549  
87 Hadley Circle  
Round Mountain, NV



775-346-0417

**This N' That**  
Repairs and Maintenance

Austin McCall

775-217-3344

Round Mountain, NV  
and surrounding communities

**MASSAGE**

Kathy Quas, L.M.T. (NVMT. 3712)  
Licensed Massage Therapist

(775) 771-7709

Therapeutic Integrative Massage

Gift Certificates      Flexible Hours  
By Appointment Only

**BEA'S  
HARDWARE**

Hardware  
Lumber  
Animal Feed  
Text your order 24/7  
Delivered to your Door.

775-346-0100

**High Desert  
Floral & Gifts**

775-385-5521

*cheyenne anderson*  
PHOTOGRAPHY

Scan for my pricing guide!

instagram @caphotography | facebook: cheyenne anderson photography |  
email: caphotography@gmail.com | phone: (775) 277-1128

**God's Food & Clothes  
Pantry**

God's Food Pantry is open to all who are in need.  
Located at Mountain Valley Church  
89 Hadley Circle

Please call Clarice @ 775-346-0480  
Myra @ 775-346-115  
to request some good fixins!  
Closet Pantry with new and gently used  
clothes - call Haley 775-346-1176  
Call 775-771-2353 for more info

# Glow Party



Next Issue Release: April 24, 2026!



IF YOU WOULD LIKE AN AD FEATURED IN THE VALLEY VIEW PLEASE SEND YOUR INFO TO

INFO@SVLD.NET

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE A DIGITAL COPY OF THE VALLEY VIEW PLEASE EMAIL "SUBSCRIBE" TO INFO@SVLD.NET