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CSU-PUEBLO

All contractors OK to bid



Mike Rounph



Ken West

School officials explain after two more foundation members resign

BY ANTHONY A. MESTAS
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Officials at Colorado State University-Pueblo said Wednesday that at no time has the university prevented a local contractor from submitting a proposal and participating in the selection process for projects on campus.

The statement sent in

an email to The Chieftain came after questions arose following the resignations of three members of the CSU-Pueblo Foundation.

Mike Rounph, vice president of DD Marketing and Ken West, owner of Houston Construction Co., resigned Wednesday making them the third and

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COURTESY ILLUSTRATION

This artist's rendition shows the future Ochiato University Center, which will be remodeled for \$35 million from the 'On the Move' campaign.

FLYING HIGH



AP PHOTO/BRENNAN LINSLEY

Air Force Academy graduates throw their caps into the air as F-16 jets from the Thunderbirds make a flyover, at the completion of the graduation ceremony for the Class of 2014 at the U.S. Air Force Academy on Wednesday.

D70 BUDGET

Board agrees to cut \$500K

BY GAYLE PEREZ
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

Pueblo County District 70's school board made a move Wednesday night toward balancing the 2014-15 budget by agreeing to cut nearly \$500,000 in transportation costs.

The board unanimously approved the cuts in transportation as it continues to look for ways to trim an anticipated \$2.1 million from the 2014-15 budget without impacting the classroom.

Ryan Elarton, director of business services, told the board the preliminary general fund budget for next year is \$56.4 million, an \$870,000 increase from the current budget.

The increase, however,

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OBITUARY

Maya Angelou dies at 86

Poet, author revered for commitment to civil rights

BY HILLEL ITALIE
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Maya Angelou, a modern Renaissance woman who survived the harshest of childhoods to become a force on stage, screen, the printed page and the inaugural dais, died Wednesday, her son said. She was 86.

Angelou's son, Guy B. Johnson, said the writer died at her home in Winston-Salem, N.C., where she had been a professor of American studies at Wake Forest University



CHIEFTAIN PHOTO/FILE

Internationally renowned poet Maya Angelou delivers a poem at Colorado State University-Pueblo in 2003.

since 1982.

Tall and regal, with a deep, majestic voice, Angelou defied all probability and category,

becoming one of the first black women to enjoy mainstream success as an author and thriving in

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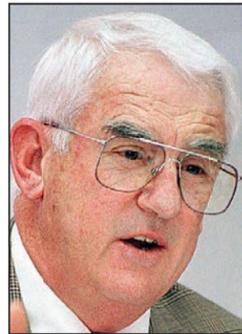
ANGELOU IN PUEBLO

A frequent visitor to Pueblo, Maya Angelou made three major appearances in the community.

In 1989, Angelou delivered the keynote speech at the then-University of Southern Colorado commencement. She received a standing ovation as she challenged that year's graduates to "go out and compose a better world."

Angelou also appeared at the 1990 Pueblo Business Women's Network Celebration of Women before returning in 2003 to CSU-Pueblo to recite her poetry and writings before a large audience at Massari Arena. As she arrived on stage, she sang "When it looked like the sun wasn't going to shine anymore, God put a rainbow in the clouds," which set the tone for one of the most memorable distinguished speakers events in CSU-Pueblo's history.

— Anthony Sandstrom



Lew Quigley



Mark Carmel

PUEBLO WEST

Carmel: Negotiate SDS terms in public

BY CHRIS WOODKA
THE PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN

A new Pueblo West Metropolitan District board member didn't wait long before dipping his toes into political hot water.

A proposed memorandum of understand-

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