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After the yard sale attend the Blue Sage Regatta at Azura that afternoon.

PROGRAM:

In Alexis Halbert's absence. DORIS DANIIELSON presented a program on the Paonia Chamber of Commerce. Doris is currently vice chairman. In 2013, the Chamber conducted a survey of its members. The results were that members were interested in marketing and advertising, networking and economic development. In response, the Chamber has been doing a lot of advertising, both locally and statewide, promoting Paonia as a destination. The Chamber has a website that people go to to learn about the area. There is also a FaceBook page and Pinterest. The Chamber has an office in the Hive (130 Grand Avenue) and will be open longer hours this summer. There are 97 members and they are looking for more!

Doris and other noted that there are already a lot of tourists here. They should be sent to the Chamber office to collect brochures about activities and businesses in town.

There will be a business to business symposium soon. A major fundraising activity is the Paonia Cookbook. Everyone is encouraged to submit a recipe for a \$10 fee. The book will be available for sale.

The Chamber will also sell cobbler at Cherry Days.

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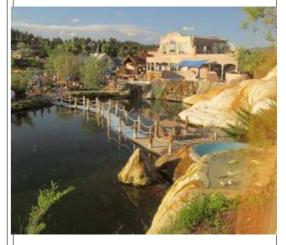
Whether we live just a few years or a whole century, it would be truly regrettable and sad if we were to spend that time aggravating the problems that afflict other people, animals and the



environment. The most important thing is to be a good human being." The Dalai lama

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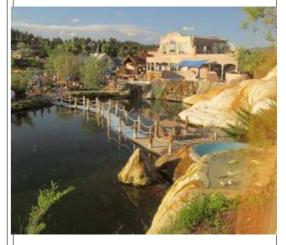
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