

## NEW IN BUSINESS



It's always a great day in Carson City when the Chamber and the City are able to cut the ceremonial ribbon to launch a new business. Mayor Lori Bagwell, Supervisor Maurice White, and Chamber Chair Rob Joiner welcomed Tami and Larry Jacobs as new business owners of Minuteman Press located at 444 William Street, Ste 1 (behind the Cracker Box). Phone: 350-7606 or stop by for all printing and promotional needs.



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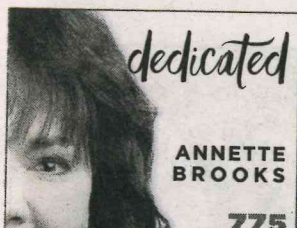
As of July 14, Grifols Biomaterials USA opened their third Northern Nevada location at 915 Jacks Valley Road located beside Target. Their mission is to improve the health and well-being of people around the world and pay donors for their life-saving plasma. Their logo is "Your Plasma is a light. Share it and shine." Following the ribbon cutting, general manager Juvenal Mojarro presented the Carson City School Foundation with a check for \$1,000 for the Jump Start Program. Since the medical center is located in Douglas County just over the Carson City border, the ribbon cutting was presided by both the Carson City Mayor Lori Bagwell and Douglas County District 3 Commissioner Mark Gardner.

Pictured from left: Grifols Assistant Manager David Guess, Commissioner Gardner, Mayor Bagwell, Grifols manager Juvenal Mojarro, and Carson City Chamber Chair Rob Joiner

## State's hospitality jobs drive increased employment in June

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In a strong sign for the Las Vegas area, job growth



in leisure and hospitality doubled in June compared to the previous month.

Dave Schmidt, chief economist for the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, said the food service sector is now nearly fully recovered to pre-pandemic levels with more than 131,000 workers. Food service and drinking plac-

es primarily seasonal reductions in education over the summer.

Altogether, the state added 15,400 jobs in June for a total employment of 1.336 million. That leaves 58,900 people still looking for work.

Carson City remained flat with 30,200 employed workers while Las Vegas increased total employ-

## Fallon murder suspect ruled incompetent to stand trial

By Steve Ranson  
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A Fallon man charged with the July 2018 murder of a fellow church member was ruled Tuesday incompetent to stand trial because of the inability to assist his attorney with his defense.



John O'Connor, now 51, pleaded not guilty to four charges in 2019 to the murder of Charles

stand trial. Psychologists Amy Patterson and Debbie Fletcher also reached the conclusion O'Connor wouldn't be able to assist his counsel.

Maddox then vacated the trial for O'Connor, which was expected to begin in March.

Also at issue are several recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings that focused on a defendant's competency.

O'Connor will return to Lakes Crossing in Sparks to undergo a risk assessment