

Piñon Elementary installs new track



Piñon Elementary now has a new running track that is planned to be used for community use, physical education courses and the Mileage Club. Courtesy

MONITOR STAFF REPORT

After seven years of planning, Piñon Elementary's new track became a reality on Friday thanks to the partnership of Piñon's Parent-Teacher Organization, Los Alamos Public Schools Facilities, the District Administration, the School Board and the Los Alamos community.

PTO and our school for so long, it is wonderful to see it come to fruition! Our students will be so excited to use their new track on the first day of school. I can't wait to see their reaction," Piñon Principal Jill Gonzales said.

The original track (estimated to have been built in the 1980s) needed to be replaced in order to provide a safe, fun

education classes, the Mileage Club, student recess and community use.

Efforts to replace the original track began over seven years ago when the Triatomics Multisport Club in Los Alamos generously donated seed money and the Piñon PTO launched a fundraising campaign. That monetary support, in addition to referendum mon-