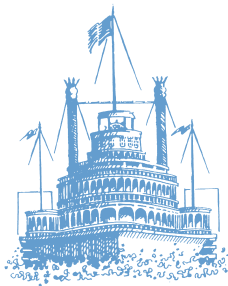


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Steamboat Springs High School skier **Hanna Berglund** competes in the state high school giant slalom skiing championship race at the Steamboat Ski Area in Steamboat Springs on Friday. See page 19 for more coverage.

Theft total rises to \$1.2M

Bank tellers released on \$20K bond, could face up to 15 years if convicted

Melinda Dudley
PILOT & TODAY STAFF

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Steamboat Springs police now say as much as \$1.2 million was stolen from Alpine Bank account holders during a 2 1/2-year period in what is being called the largest local theft in

recent memory.

The two Routt County women arrested in connection with the case, Terri Dawn Moody Fatka and Pamela Jean Williams, were released from Routt County Jail on \$20,000 bond Thursday night.

Williams, a Milner resident, and Fatka, who lives on Routt

County Road 41A south of Steamboat Springs, were arrested Thursday morning at the downtown Steamboat Springs branch of Bank of the West, where both were employed as tellers.

The women are accused of stealing \$1.2 million from multiple account holders at Alpine Bank, where they previously worked.

Williams and Fatka are charged with theft more than \$20,000, a Class 3 felony, and forgery, a Class 5 felony. They face up to 15 years in jail if convicted on both charges.

Steamboat Springs police Capt. Joel Rae would not say

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SKI TOWN USA SNOW REPORT

Steamboat Ski Area

New snow — Mid-mountain*	0 in.	Total snow†	382 in.
New snow — Summit	0 in.	Trails open	165/165
Base — Mid-mountain	67 in.	Lifts open	16/18
Base — Summit	85 in.	Conditions	Packed powder

*24-hour snowfall as of 12:30 p.m. previous day; † total snow beginning Oct. 18 as measured at mid-mountain FOR UP-TO-DATE ROAD CONDITIONS, INCLUDING RABBIT EARS PASS, call 511 or visit: www.cotrip.org



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