

“Trump Street Team” Gets It Done

Grass Roots Effort Turns Blue Pueblo Red for Trump

by Becky Mizel

Election night showed an unprecedented sea of states going from Blue to Red. All against the predictions of “experts” in main stream media and political establishment status quo pundits from the Democrat and GOP elite. Looks of horror and dismay could not be hidden on the faces of those who predicted a Trump win would never happen— in fact Trump would certainly bring ruination and disaster upon the GOP according to “experts” such as *National Review* globalist William Kristol, Red State’s Erick Erickson, the Bush family, Romney, Lindsey and our own Colorado legislators Cory Gardner and Mike Coffman. The sea of now Red states was spread across the country in states such as Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan.

states of California, Washington and Oregon and a few east coast states such as New York, we see Colorado. Blue. Sticking out like a sore thumb. Colorado should have, like so many other states, gone Trump. Our voter numbers are almost equally divided between Democrat and Republicans. We lost by a narrow margin. However, nowhere else was the #nevertrump movement more virulent regarding Trump. The Colorado State GOP Chairman, Steve House, stated in a public meeting that “Trump’s candidacy was a joke and he couldn’t wait for Carly Fiorina to wipe the floor with him in a debate.” No reprimand came his way, despite the fact party officers are bound by bylaws to stay neutral in the primary. After the Colorado State Convention, the tweet, “We did it.” #nevertrump appeared on



Becky Mizel, part of the “Trump Street Team”, getting it done in Pueblo County. Courtesy photo

Viewing the United States ‘sea of red’ map, minus the usual

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Passing Emergency Vehicles: The Law Explained

by Sheriff Shannon K. Byerly

November 25th, 2016 was another sad day for law enforcement, and specifically the Colorado State Patrol when Trooper Cody Dougherty was killed while conducting a traffic accident investigation on Interstate 25 near Castle Rock. As law enforcement officers continue to be under attack across America, this tragedy is more concerning because it could have been prevented by a basic understanding of traffic safety and the dangers associated with emergency vehicles on the roadways. Because of this tragedy and the several close calls your deputies and I have encountered over the past few months, I wanted to take a moment to explain the laws regarding your responsibility to yield to emergency vehicles.

the driver of every other vehicle SHALL yield the right of way, and where possible shall immediately clear the farthest left hand lane lawfully available to through traffic and shall drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right hand edge or curb of a roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in that position until the emergency vehicle has passed.” Additionally, the statute states: “A driver in a vehicle that is approaching or passing a stationary authorized emergency vehicle that is giving visual signal by means of flashing, rotating, or oscillating red, blue, or white lights or a stationary towing carrier vehicle that is giving visual signal by means of flashing, rotating, oscillating yellow lights shall exhibit due care and caution and proceed by – on a highway with at least two adjacent lanes proceeding in the same direction on the same side of the highway, the driver of an approaching or passing vehicle shall yield the right of way by moving into a lane at least one moving lane apart from the stationary emergency vehicle. If movement to an adjacent moving lane is not possible due to weather, road conditions, or the

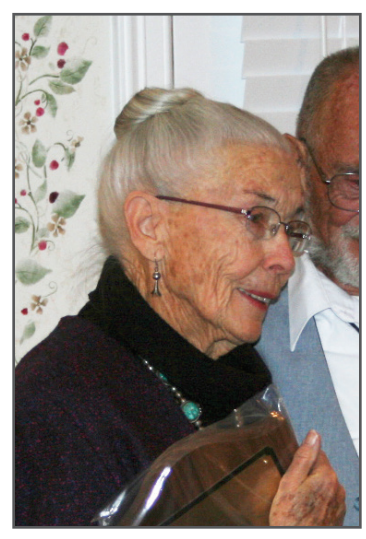
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Colorado Revised Statute 42-4-705, Operation of vehicle approached by emergency vehicle – operation of vehicle approaching stationary emergency vehicle or stationary towing carrier vehicle is quite lengthy but requires specific actions by drivers encountering emergency vehicles on the roadways. As outlined in the statute, “Upon immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle making use of audible or visual signals,

Obituary

Jeanne Schmutzler

Savolia Mae “Jeanne” Schmutzler passed away at home on November 27th, 2016. She was born in Sulphur Springs, TX, on October 17, 1925. Jeanne was a member of America’s “Greatest Generation” and for those who knew her, she certainly exemplified that title. Women of that generation were tough, resourceful and smart. Jeanne never said “no” to a challenge, and gave her full effort to whatever she took on.



Jeanne married Robin Schmutzler on November 28, 1958, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. They moved to Westcliffe upon retiring. Along with her husband, Jeanne served in so many ways here in Custer County, including All Aboard Westcliffe, the Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club, and the Sheriff’s Posse. For nearly 40 years, Jeanne was also a certified Red Cross first aid instructor and an emergency medical technician.

Jeanne was a charter member of the Custer County Sheriff’s Posse and served tirelessly alongside Robin, who was the Captain of the Posse for 10 years. Despite her small stature, she was

a person to be reckoned with. Many times she could be seen helping out at the annual rodeo as a volunteer in her Posse uniform doing double duty. It was important in maintaining order at local events to provide a uniformed presence. Jeanne had the grit to do it.

Custer County had some pretty bad wild land fire years. The Posse supported first responders at road blocks and providing security for evacuated houses. It was

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Turn us back to You, O Lord, and we will be restored; Renew our days as of old.

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the Colorado State GOP website. Three weeks before election only 19 out of 49 Colorado legislators had signed the letter of support for Mr. Trump. In comparison, all 51 Democratic Colorado legislators signed a similar letter to support their candidate Hillary, in spite of her email debacle, pay for play and other blatant scandals affecting her campaign. The Colorado delegation led the walk-out shunning Mr. Trump at the National Convention in the “Conscience Movement”. After Trump won the primary the RNC/Colorado GOP ground game was missing in many counties or weak. Dollars spent by the RNC to help Romney vs. Trump was in the million dollar range. Positive messaging for President Trump was driven by PAC dollars - not the GOP calling and door knocking effort. Calling or knocking doors consisted of “Who are you voting for Trump or Hillary?” An attitude of embarrassment that Trump was our candidate prevailed. In Pueblo County, the GOP field director in-

pecially those of us living in or born and raised in Pueblo, Colorado. Pueblo was once a thriving middle-class blue collar, steel community. Pueblo was home to the third largest steel producing mill in the country. In 1971, Pueblo’s population was the second largest in Colorado, larger than Colorado Springs. Schools competed in every aspect with those in Denver. Low crime and a sense of community were strong, a great place to raise a family. NAFTA changed manufacturing nationwide, and brought about the ruination of the steel industry. Ross Perot said it best— NAFTA would bring about the “Great Sucking sound of lost jobs to America.” Pueblo, Pittsburgh, Detroit and Ohio are poster children of the devastation brought about by NAFTA. Crushing anti-business regulations brought in the closures of coal mines, farming and lumbering. Politician’s promises to bring back prosperity and jobs especially in former blue collar cities didn’t happen. Politicians from both parties began pushing TPP and open borders threatening more jobs and the economic security and

want to believe the line of Obama that America is in decline and we’d better get used to a globalist “New World Order”, a theme coined by

physical threats. Many, many people thanked the wavers profusely for being out there. The positives kept us going and were

up with solicitations can cause irritation if called over and over. Door knocking, while effective and needed, can be counterpro-

ther’s ballot to the election department. I met a man who was also walking in to vote. He said, “I saw you early this morning waving your signs. I wasn’t going to vote. I didn’t think Trump has a chance to win. But when I saw your group out waving, I felt I needed to do my part and go vote.” That said it all for us. The Trump Street Team did its part. The win in Pueblo for Trump in a Democrat bastion was indeed historic.

(Editor/GG: An outstanding effort by THE PEOPLE. An inspirational story of how to get it down at the street level. We only had two Trump sign wavers here in Westcliffe - should have had a hundred. The apathy of the republican base is appalling. Fox News, email and Facebook do NOT cut it folks if you want to save America. Get off your bu. Thank God for people like Becky and The Trump Street Team. The Pueblo County results were Clinton, 35,875 and Trump 36,265. Wow.)**

Becky Mizel’s Bio:

Becky Mizel is the former Pueblo County GOP chairman. Her county was the only local county party to openly support the grassroots efforts in the historic recall effort of Angela Giron in 2013. Pueblo County had the highest percent of GOP Get out the Vote in Colorado in 2014. Becky openly exposed voting irregularities that occurred in Pueblo County in the elections of 2012 and 2014. Becky was Tom Tancredo’s Pueblo Campaign Director in 2010, garnering over 19,000 votes vs. the Pueblo GOP numbers of 9800. Much of the outreach used in Pueblo in 2010 were used in the Pueblo Trump Street Team to help elect Mr. Trump in Pueblo County. She was a board member of Southern Colorado Tea Party and Liberty Action Group. She has been an active Republican for over 40 years in Colorado and Texas. Becky was responsible along with Council Woman Vera Orregon, to have Pueblo officially recognize Constitution Day. She taught hundreds of students the Constitution through Liberty Day in the schools and through the Center for American Values.

Becky is widowed and has one son Max, who is attending UC Davis, working on his Doctorate in Environmental Engineering and Water,

Becky is semi- retired from a 34-year career in nursing and health care administration.



Pueblo Trump organizers distributed 5,000 yards signs to Pueblo and neighboring counties.

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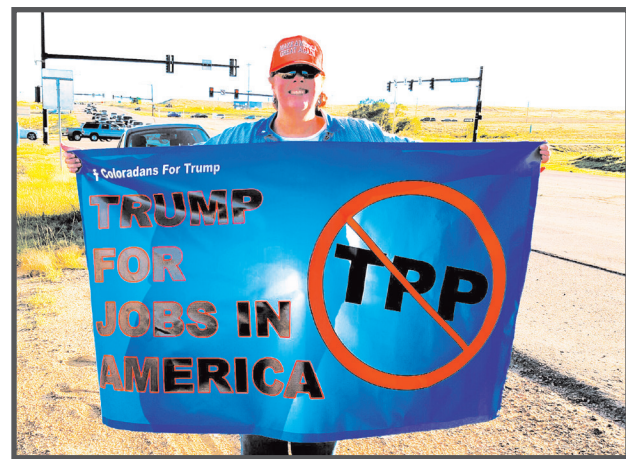
George H.W. Bush.

Pueblo Trump organizers Becky Mizel, Jennifer and Dr. Keith Lorensen, along with others, Susan Carr, Roxie McNames Paine, Jack Roberts, Joseph Santoro, Hal and Elaine Bowen, Dr. Bruce and Debbie Johnson, Bernice Rivera, Jennifer Krutshke, Marla and Steve Reichert, Carole Morenz, Dr. Chuck and Barb Schneider, Mary Tonne and many others organized early on with a mix of GOP, Tea Party activists, unaffiliated voters and former GOP party chairs Frances Mathews and Tom Ready. Before the primary, an early social media presence was formed on Facebook; Coloradans for Trump.

The Pueblo group decided to approach campaigning and get out the vote effort with an outside out of the box in your face but friendly method. This effort was not coordinated with the Colorado GOP/ RNC or the Colorado Trump campaign which made the decision to let the Colorado GOP and RNC guide and direct the campaigns efforts. After the primary, the “Pueblo Trump Street Team” was developed and deployed. This team literally hit the streets on corners in the busiest times with positive messaging for Trump that would resonate with local Puebloans. Being on corners engaged in eye to eye direct contact, reaching thousands daily, we encountered drivers who were about 5:1 positive for Trump. We also encountered nasty anti-Trump vitriol, resulting in being sworn at with the worst possible language, things thrown at us and a few

contagious. The National Trump campaign heard of our efforts and designated 5,000 yard signs and eighteen 4x8 signs the team put together and distributed to smaller counties such as,

ductive without a positive convincing message-to-go along with the face to face contact. “Who do you hate less, Trump or Hillary?” is hardly positive messaging and was used for a time



Pueblo Trump Street Team Patriot, Jennifer Lorensen, gets the word out with their own signs before the Trump campaign heard of their efforts.

Courtesy photo

Custer, Teller and Fremont. The team wore Trump hats to local bars, coffee shops, grocery stores and restaurants talking to all who would listen. Colorful eye catching banners were developed by Carl Lorensen with themes and messaging that resonate with Puebloans, such as, “Trump Loves Steel”, “Trump Digs Coal”, “Trump for Borders”, “Trump for Safety”, “Save our Guns - Vote Trump” and “Americans for Trump”. Endless hours were spent on street corners talking with drivers face to face and passing out yard signs. Phone calls and door knocking by the GOP also occurred. Telephone banks, though necessary, result in most recipients of the calls either not answering or hanging up. Hang ups by people who are fed

with the Trump get out the vote effort in Pueblo. Nor does it help down ballot candidates by setting negative messaging at the top of the ticket.

Many days the Trump Street Team was discouraged. We persevered due to the energy of the driver’s honking and waving in encouragement. And the hope Trump could win and possibly we could play a part. Many said our street waving and outreach efforts were worthless, even discouraged us from doing it. Pundits and media said Trump had no chance.

Election Day the Pueblo Trump Street Team began waving early, until dark, talking to people and reminding drivers to vote. That day, I hand delivered my ballot and my aging fa-



Trump Street Team members Joseph Santoro, Becky Mizel and Jack Roberts bringing Trump signs to the people.

Courtesy Photo

structed paid and volunteer door knockers to say, “Who do you hate least - Trump or Hillary?” – hardly an inspirational message to convince people to vote Trump.

While those in Colorado GOP power held their noses about the crass, brash, populist Trump, one completely unexpected county in Colorado voted and won for Trump, in a 3:1 Democrat majority: Pueblo County.

Trump’s candidacy rang true with a few activists in Colorado early on. Es-

specially those of us living in or born and raised in Pueblo, Colorado. Pueblo was once a thriving middle-class blue collar, steel community. Pueblo was home to the third largest steel producing mill in the country. In 1971, Pueblo’s population was the second largest in Colorado, larger than Colorado Springs. Schools competed in every aspect with those in Denver. Low crime and a sense of community were strong, a great place to raise a family. NAFTA changed manufacturing nationwide, and brought about the ruination of the steel industry. Ross Perot said it best— NAFTA would bring about the “Great Sucking sound of lost jobs to America.” Pueblo, Pittsburgh, Detroit and Ohio are poster children of the devastation brought about by NAFTA. Crushing anti-business regulations brought in the closures of coal mines, farming and lumbering. Politician’s promises to bring back prosperity and jobs especially in former blue collar cities didn’t happen. Politicians from both parties began pushing TPP and open borders threatening more jobs and the economic security and

Then Trump came on the scene. Trump brought the average citizen an air of optimism with his theme “Make America Great Again”. Americans didn’t



If you want to know what vile despicable acts the left is up to you only have to look as far as what they are accusing the right of. If you study 1938 Germany and the Nazi takeover and propaganda machine, this is

abundantly apparent. Their old tried and true method of if they don’t like anything claims racism is so overused and tired and worn now, it’s almost laughable; when in fact it is the left that is moving minorities back towards slavery and dependence on the government as the slave owner.

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