

BOCC: Ex District Attorney to Be Sued, OEM Empire Building Expense Shot Down, New Human Services Director Hired

by George Gramlich, News and Commentary

The November 11, 2024 regular meeting of the Custer County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) started at 9 a.m. in their regally appointed den in the Annex across from the courthouse. All three County Commissioners were present: Bill Canda, Lucas Epp and Kevin Day.

In Commissioner Items, Epp said he is working on the budget, “whittling it down as much as possible”. (See below for comments regarding the huge deficit and optional county spending.) He said the budget must be approved at the December 11 BOCC meeting.

Canda then dropped a bombshell saying that Fremont County and Chaffee County are suing the fired and disbarred ex 11th Judicial District Attorney, Linda Stanley, to attempt to recoup money she used from her DA budget to defend herself in the complaint that eventually caused her demise. (He elaborated on this later in the meeting, but the following is the sum of both comments.) The two counties contend that Stanley, using some of the 11th Judicial District DA budget money to defend herself personally in the legal matter, was wrong. Canda said he was asked to see if Custer County would join the lawsuit. (It has not been filed yet.) The Fremont County Attorney is

doing the lawsuit and absorbing all the costs. If they succeed in getting some compensation from Stanley, the money would first go to cover the Fremont Attorney’s costs and if there is any left over, it would go to the counties participating in the lawsuit. The Commissioners agreed to join the lawsuit. (The *Sentinel* will keep you posted on this.)

In New Business, the Commissioners approved the Accounts Payable disbursement of \$92, 075. They left out an invoice from the Sheriff’s Office for \$3,075 that they said needed additional documentation.

The next Agenda Item was a request by our Office of Emergency Management Director, Robyn

Knappe, to buy a “dump trailer” so some citizens who are mitigating their private property can move logs from the mitigation to the proposed Veterans Firewood Bank. This trailer would cost \$14, 085. Also, it could be used by these private citizens to move slash to the landfill. This is part of Ms. Knappe’s county mitigation effort. She has previously requested that the county spend \$100k (\$50k in county tax money and \$50k in “grants”) to buy a humongous woodchipper that PRIVATE landowners could use to chip their slash when they are mitigating. This would take work

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Denver Spends More Than \$350 Million on Illegals

by Derek Draplin,
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(The Center Square) – Spending on migrants in Denver has ballooned to an estimated \$356 million, an updated analysis by the Common Sense Institute says.

The estimate, which amounts to \$7,900 per foreign national in the city, includes spending from the city, schools, and health care systems.

Denver has seen an influx of almost 43,000 migrants since 2022. The city has received significant federal funding for migrant response.

According to CSI’s previous update from May, the city received federal funding for migrant response from the Head Start Program (\$13 million), Federal Emergency Management Agency (\$8.6 million), U.S. Department of Local Affairs (\$1.5 million), and the National Board for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (\$909,000). Overall spending was estimated to be up to \$340 million in May.

The analysis comes as Denver Mayor Mike Johnston and incoming Trump administration officials continue a public feud over the role of government and the handling of the ongoing migrant crisis.

Trump has taken aim at so-called sanctuary cities like Denver as part

of his broader plan to crack down on illegal immigration and crime and deport an untold number of criminal aliens in the U.S. illegally. In Colorado, state law bars state and local agencies from arresting individuals based on detainer requests from ICE.

Johnston said in an interview with Denverite last week that the Denver Police Department would be “stationed at the county line to keep [federal immigration agencies] out” and “you would have 50,000 Denverites there” protesting.

He walked back those comments in an interview last Friday with 9News.

“Would I have taken it back if I could? Yes, I probably wouldn’t have used that image,” the mayor told 9News. “That’s the image I hope we can avoid. What I was trying to say is this is an outcome I hope we can avoid in this country. I think none of us want that.”

Johnston added that he would join protests if he felt the Trump administration was violating rights and said he’s not afraid to go to jail.

Tom Homan, the former head of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement who Trump tapped to be the new border czar, told Fox News’ Sean Hannity this week:

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Op-Ed—OPINION

Liar in Chief: Biden Cloaks His Legacy in Infamy with the Hunter Biden Pardon

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President Joe Biden's decision to use his presidential powers to pardon his own son will be a decision that lives in infamy in presidential politics. It is not just that the President used his constitutional powers to benefit his family. It is because the action culminates years of lying to the public about his knowledge and intentions in the influence-peddling scandal surrounding his family. Even among past scandals in the abuse of the pardon power, Biden has cemented his legacy for many as not the Commander in Chief but the Liar in Chief.

Despite its noble origins and purpose, the pardon power historically has not been a pristine power used by past presidents. As I have previously written, it was used to benefit the political cronies of past presidents. President Warren Harding was even accused of selling pardons, including to mob enforcer Ignacio Lupo, known as "Lupo the Wolf." Former president William Clinton waited for the final days of his presidency to pardon his own brother as well as a major democratic donor.

In 2023, I wrote that Biden might follow this same pattern and pardon his son as a lame-duck president. The column suggested that Biden might withdraw as a candidate for office and then take the action as a father: "The pardon-and-apology approach might appeal to Biden not only as an effort to convert vice into virtue but to justify his withdrawal

from the election as a selfless act."

In the 2020 election and throughout his presidential term, Biden repeatedly lied to the American public with an ease and impunity that shocked even many political veterans in Washington. He was repeatedly asked if he knew about Hunter's foreign dealings, including millions in alleged deals with Russians, Ukrainians, Chinese, and other clients. President Biden lied and denied such knowledge. As I detailed in my testimony in the Biden impeachment hearing, he had repeated discussions of these dealings. He is even on tape discussing news stories on the dealings.

President Biden was also repeatedly asked if he met any of his son's clients. He repeatedly lied. We have pictures and records of dinners and meetings with these clients. Hunter Biden was expressly thanked for his arranging such access to his father.

Few reporters pressed Biden on the corruption scandal, but they were often met not only with denials but angry retorts from the president. When Fox reporter Peter Doocy raised it, the President steamed "Yes, yes, yes. God love you, man — you're a one-horse pony, I tell you."

When CBS's Bo Erickson broke ranks and raised the scandal and drew a rebuke from Biden "I know you'd ask it. I have no response, it's another smear campaign, right up your alley, those are the questions you always ask."

The President continued to lie throughout the election, the presidential debates, and his term.

Then, the press repeatedly asked him whether he would pardon his son. The President was now running for reelection and again lied. He and the White House said over and over again that no such pardon would occur and was not being contemplated. That was also a lie. NBC is reporting that, while issuing these denials last June, there were discussions about the pardon.

The pardon power was written in absolute terms, and a president can even, in my view, pardon himself. However, what is constitutional is not necessarily ethical or right. This is one of the most disgraceful pardons even in the checkered history of presidential pardons. President Biden has lied to cover up a corruption scandal that reportedly brought his family millions in raw influence peddling. His portrayal of his son as

a victim stands in sharp contrast to the sense of immunity and power conveyed by Hunter in his dealings.

There were diamonds as gifts, lavish expense accounts, and a sports car, in addition to massive payments that Hunter claimed were "loans." There are messages where Hunter belies the President's portrayal of a political witch hunt, including messages like the one to a Chinese businessman openly threatening the displeasure of Joe Biden if money is not sent to them immediately. In the WhatsApp message, Hunter stated:

"I am sitting here with my father, and we would like to understand why the commitment made has not been fulfilled. Tell the director that I would like to resolve this now before it gets out of hand, and now means tonight. And, Z, if I get a call or text from anyone involved in this other than you, Zhang, or the Chairman, I will make certain that between the

man sitting next to me and every person he knows and my ability to forever hold a grudge that you will regret not following my direction. I am sitting here waiting for the call with my father."

The President has now pardoned Hunter for his convicted felonies and any crimes he may have committed from "Januray 1, 2014, to December 1, 2024."

It is all now being buried under a sweeping immunity deal and a pack of presidential lies.

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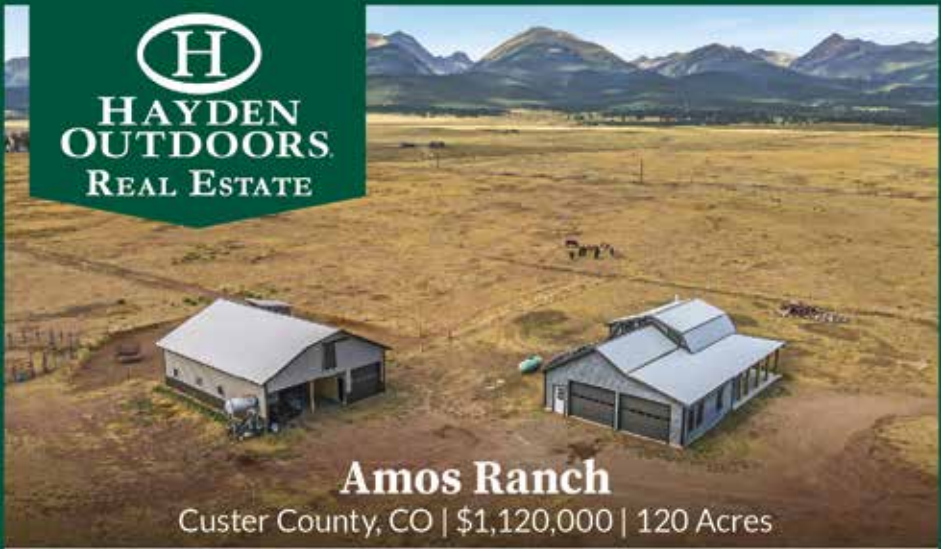
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Custer County Sheriff's Office Introduces Deputy Lane Abercrombie, K-9 Unit

by Fred Hernandez

One of the first things young cops learn on the job is to heed the warnings of adrenaline rush symptoms, the flight or fight hormone released in response to stressful, exciting and dangerous or threatening situations. Also known as epinephrine, it helps the body react more quickly to threats. The heart beats faster, there is an increase in blood flow, the body is stimulated to produce more sugar to use as fuel in the event it becomes necessary to run from danger.

One of our newest deputies learned all that one night when he made a routine traffic stop. As soon as the car in question came to a halt on the side of the road, the driver and the passenger were seen switching positions. The man who was driving moved to the passenger side and the female took position behind the steering wheel. Not a good sign.

A more experienced deputy soon arrived on scene to assist and he moved to the passenger side and requested

the male to step out, which he did. However, when the deputy started to pat him down in case he had a weapon the man bolted and started running down the road.

Immediately the younger deputy instinctively took off behind him in a fast foot pursuit. With warning bells ringing internally, the young deputy realized the man bolted because he may have had a concealed weapon. That's when he ceased the pursuit and immediately felt the symptoms surging through him. A good lesson learned: ensure your safety first at all times.

A native Coloradoan, our young deputy is Lane Abercrombie who was born in Pueblo in 1999 and raised in Cañon City. After grade school he attended Cañon City High School then moved on to University of Colorado—Co. Springs (UCCS) where he earned a degree in Criminal Justice. He hopes to continue his studies towards a Master's Degree. During his four years of college in the Springs he interned at the El Paso County Sheriff's Office working in the detention department doing booking and processing.



Left: Deputy Lane Abercrombie.....K-9 Unit. Courtesy of CCSO
Right: The 1965 Chevy C10 pickup Lane is working on.

Police Academy where he earned his certification. agencies in the surrounding areas in detecting drugs in various locations.

Coincidentally, there was a need for a K-9 officer and he was chosen for further training at Altitude K-9 Services in Colorado Springs and got certified through the National Police Canine Association. The canine, Zara, is a four-year-old Dutch Shepherd, an "expert" in detection of all types of drugs from cocaine and fentanyl to meth. Many times they are called to assist other law enforcement

When not working, Lane, who likes working with his hands, is rebuilding a 1965 Chevy C-10 truck. "I love it here in Custer. Beautiful scenery and the Sheriff's Office is a great place to work. I love my job and I am quite happy to be here," Deputy Abercrombie said.

Next time you see Deputy Lane on the road or around town say hi and be sure to have a little treat for Zara who is technically also an employee of the Sheriff's Office.

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Silver Cliff May Get Their Zip Code Back!!!

Press Release

—November 20, 2024

WASHINGTON D.C.

U.S. Congresswoman Lauren Boebert (CO-03) applauded the passage of her bipartisan Zip Code bill, H.R. 8753, through the House Oversight Committee. This bipartisan bill benefits communities throughout the country by providing unique Zip Codes for cities and towns including the Colorado communities of Silver Cliff, Lone Tree, Castle Pines, Centennial, Severance, Greenwood Village, and Superior.

“I am thrilled to see my bipartisan Zip Code bill pass through the House Oversight Committee with unanimous bipartisan support, which addresses the needs of small communities in Colorado and across the country by authorizing unique Zip Codes for these cities and towns,” said Congresswoman Lauren Boebert (CO-03). “By receiving a unique Zip Code, these communities will hold on to more of their tax revenue, improve the response times of first responders, and minimize issues with postal deliveries to incorrect addresses. I’ve been honored to lead on this bill for small towns and cities throughout America and will not yield on my efforts until this legislation is signed into law.”

“We are excited to see Congresswoman Boebert’s Zip Code bill move through Committee, as this will be a huge benefit to our town and the residents of Severance,” said Severance Mayor Matt Fries. “From helping our first responders get to locations in a timely fashion to bringing in more tax revenue to fund critical projects, a unique Zip Code is a major help for the future of our community. We are grateful for Congresswoman Boebert’s work on this bill and we completely support it being signed into law in the coming weeks.”

“The City of Lone Tree continues to strongly support the proposed Zip Code bill for the communities of Colorado,” said Lone Tree Mayor Marissa Harmon. “This essential federal legislation will enable Lone Tree and our neighboring cities to more effectively service our residents and businesses, streamline our services, and enhance the unique identity of our community.”

Silver Cliff Mayor Buck Wenzel stated, “This bill would restore the Town of Silver Cliff’s rightful identity and will guarantee that sales tax is properly distributed and received by our town and not by others. Silver Cliff’s Zip Code was arbitrarily and

capriciously removed from use in 1991 and our town was forced to use another town’s Zip Code. As such, the identity of our town was stolen and to date we have suffered hundreds of thousands of dollars in lost sales taxes from online, out of county, and out of state sales. The citizens of Silver Cliff deserve for their taxes to be spent on the roads and other necessities that they use on a daily basis.”

“The creation of a unique Zip Code would ensure sales tax is properly collected and reinvested into our community’s critical infrastructure and services,” said Castle Pines Mayor Tracy Engerman. “It would also help alleviate resident concerns about inconsistent postal deliveries.”

Centennial Mayor Stephanie Pikostated, “Establishing a single Zip Code for communities would enhance their community identities and address challenges such as emergency management, public safety, business attraction and retention, insurance coverage, andmail delivery, which are beyond the communities’ control.”

Background:

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert introduced H.R. 8753, to direct the United States Postal Service to designate single, unique Zip Codes for certain communities. Read the full text of the bill [HERE](#).

The Zip Code system was instituted in America in the 1960s. The Postal Service utilizes the Zip Code system to deliver mail, but it is also heavily used and relied on by economic developers, insurers and emergency personnel amongst others.

Communities that do not have a unique Zip Code often experience associated problems that include: loss of economic development, loss of sales tax, unjustifiably high insurance rates, tax remittance and commercial licensing issues, diminished public safety and reduced emergency response times, identity issues, and efficiency issues.

For example, first responders often go to the wrong streets and people needing help experience delays due to Zip Code issues that would be addressed by this legislation.

Small towns and cities can petition the Postal Service for a new Zip Code but it is rarely approved and if it is denied they cannot appeal this decision for up to 10 years. Congress has intervened on these matters and last passed a law enacting four new Zip Codes through the Post Accountability and Enhancement Act of 2006.

New Human Services Director Hired

Press Release

Custer County Commissioners

—December 3,, 2024

The Custer County Commissioners are proud to announce the new Department of Human Services Director, Vicki White. Vicki has been a Custer County Resident for 9 years. Vicki has worked in the human services fields in Fremont County for the past 6 years and looks to continue

her career in the county that she calls home. She has an extensive background in human services, management, insurance, real estate and more that has allowed her to obtain a large skill set to aid her with any challenges.

This new hire comes with the retirement of current DHS Director, Laura Lockhart in mid January. Laura has been with Custer County Human Services

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Living Nativity December 14

Saturday, December 14th, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church will continue its traditional re-creation of the birth of Christ as a Living Nativity presentation.

Visiting the Living Nativity has become a tradition for many viewers, as well as the participants. New visitors are invited to join in the tradition at 801 N. Sheridan Avenue in Cañon City to help celebrate the Christmas season. Visitors are invited to stop in the Church to warm up and enjoy soups, hot drinks and cookies.

The cast, consisting of members of Shepherd of the Hills and Christ Episcopal Churches and other volunteers from the community, includes the Holy Family, angels, shepherds and wise men, all outdoors. Many others are involved as support staff behind the scenes. The live

animals this year are provided by the Juan and Marissa Gonzalez family from Wetmore, who have been involved since 2018. Donations of nonperishable food and cash will be accepted and given to Loaves & Fishes Ministries of Cañon City, which distributes food boxes to Fremont County families in addition to other services it provides.

Upon arriving at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 801 N. Sheridan, Cañon City, visitors may either drive through and observe the Nativity from their vehicles, or they can park their vehicles and walk along the changing scenes as the story is told through Bible readings and music. Either way, visitors will be participants in the reason for the season, the story of the birth of Christ the Savior in Bethlehem over 2,000 years ago.

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“Me and the Denver mayor, we agree on one thing. He’s willing to go to jail; I’m willing to put him in jail.”

U.S. Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene, a Georgia Republican set to lead a subcommittee that will work with the Trump administration’s Department of Government Efficiency, also told Fox News on Sunday she plans to look into federal funding for sanctuary cities and states.

“I’d like to talk to the governors of sanctuary states and the mayors of sanctuary cities and have them come before our committee and explain why they deserve federal dollars if they’re

going to harbor illegal criminal aliens in their states and their cities,” she said.

Data shows migrant arrivals to Denver have slowed to less than a dozen a day this month, CSI noted, down from a peak of over 5,000 one day in January.

“As the national conversation continues around migrants, Denver’s daily arrivals of asylum seekers from the southern border has slowed significantly, but taxpayer costs have continued,” the think tank said.

(Editor/GG: Hey Happy Valley taxpayers, how much do you want to spend on illegals when they show up here?)

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Obituary

Lucy Gaide

Jan. 29, 1925 - Nov. 28, 2024

In the spirit of gratitude, Lucy Gaide peacefully made her transition on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2024, at Brookdale Monument Valley in Colorado Springs.

Lucille (Copelin) Gaide was born in Pueblo, Colorado, on January 29, 1925, and enjoyed a full and productive life of nearly 100 years. Other than ten years spent in California as a child, she lived in Colorado. In 1941, Lucy married Art Gaide and went on to have two children. As a young, married mother she held several professional positions: telephone switchboard operator, beautician, and State Hospital attendant. She then earned her Practical Nursing degree and her Psychiatric Technician certification. She pursued her passion working for years as Charge Nurse on the night shift at the Colorado State Mental Hospital in Pueblo. Later she kept books at the Standard Oil Bulk Plant that she and Art owned in Pueblo before retiring to Westcliffe.

Once in Westcliffe, she designed and had her dream home, a gingerbread house adorned with hearts, built on Granada Court. For a time, she lived with her husband and grandchildren, Mike and Shawn, and was an active participant in the community. She was

called to the ministry and graduated from Unity School of Christianity in 1985. Her prayer ministry was part of her daily practice, and she provided guest sermons at multiple Sunday services and readings at weddings and funerals. She held a special place in her heart for all animals and provided loving care for many dogs and cats over the years. Lucy and Art divorced after 42 years of marriage and she lived quietly in her home in Westcliffe, taking care of herself until she was 98.

Lucy is survived by her children: Michael (Midori) Morgan-Gaide of Seattle, WA, and Dove Cogen of West Brookfield, VT; grandchildren: Michelle (Claude) Kerno, Mike (Robin) Gaide, Shawn (Brenda) Gaide, Idania (Christian) Mathews, Mark (Samantha) Morgan, Kent (Sharon) Bulloch, Kristali (William) Cameron; daughter-in-law Sandi Gaide; her dear niece Cheryl (Don) Breeding; 19 great-grandchildren; 6 great-great-grandchildren; 10 nieces and



nephews; and many loving friends. She was predeceased by her parents, Charles and Lucille Copelin, her brother, Charles Copelin, Jr., son-in-law David Cogen, grandchild Jef Cameron and former husband Art Gaide.

There will be an intimate graveside service Saturday, December 14th at noon at Ula Cemetery, Westcliffe, Colorado.

"In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Humane Society at <https://www.hspr.org/donate>."

Obituary

James Roland Bishop

Feb. 24, 1944 - Nov. 21, 2024

James Roland Bishop, Castle Builder, was born in Honolulu, Hawaii, on February 24, 1944, to Willard and Pauline (Perse) Bishop, they and his sister Johanna Trimble, precede him in passing. His surviving siblings are Susie (Charles) Steigerwalt, Will (Jim Kearney) Bishop and Otis Trimble.

He lived a passionate life and although his work would never be done, he was freed from the bonds of this earth on November 21, 2024. A survivor, renegade, visionary, humanitarian and at times a madman genius, Jim's determination to create an evolving legacy tested every limit and literally moved mountains.

Jim and Phoebe Noakes crossed paths many time prior to a bodybuilding workout at a friend's gym in 1966 where they ultimately fell in love. She was his one and only and their lives intertwined for 51 years. Jim and Phoebe were blessed with children Daniel, Valerie, Roy and Donita. The family was devastated by Roy's death in 1988 and Phoebe's passing in 2018. Through grief, Jim reshaped the castle to honor their unfinished lives and catch his unending tears.

Jim counted the thousands



of guests who visited Bishop Castle among those friends. Every rock was placed by his hand with the intention of creating a monument to be witnessed and enjoyed by all, without restriction, and free from government rule. His talent was unmatched and his storytelling will be deeply missed. Giving even after death, he donated his body to Science Care.

Memorial service will be Friday, December 6th, 10 a.m., at St. Mary Catholic Church, 217 E. Mesa Ave, Pueblo, CO 81006. Everyone who loved Jim and his work is welcome to attend.

The family welcomes cards and donations sent to Bishop Castle, 12705 State Hwy 165, Rye, CO 81068.

There will be a public memorial at the Castle, Summer 2025. Those details will be posted on the Bishop Castle website when finalized.



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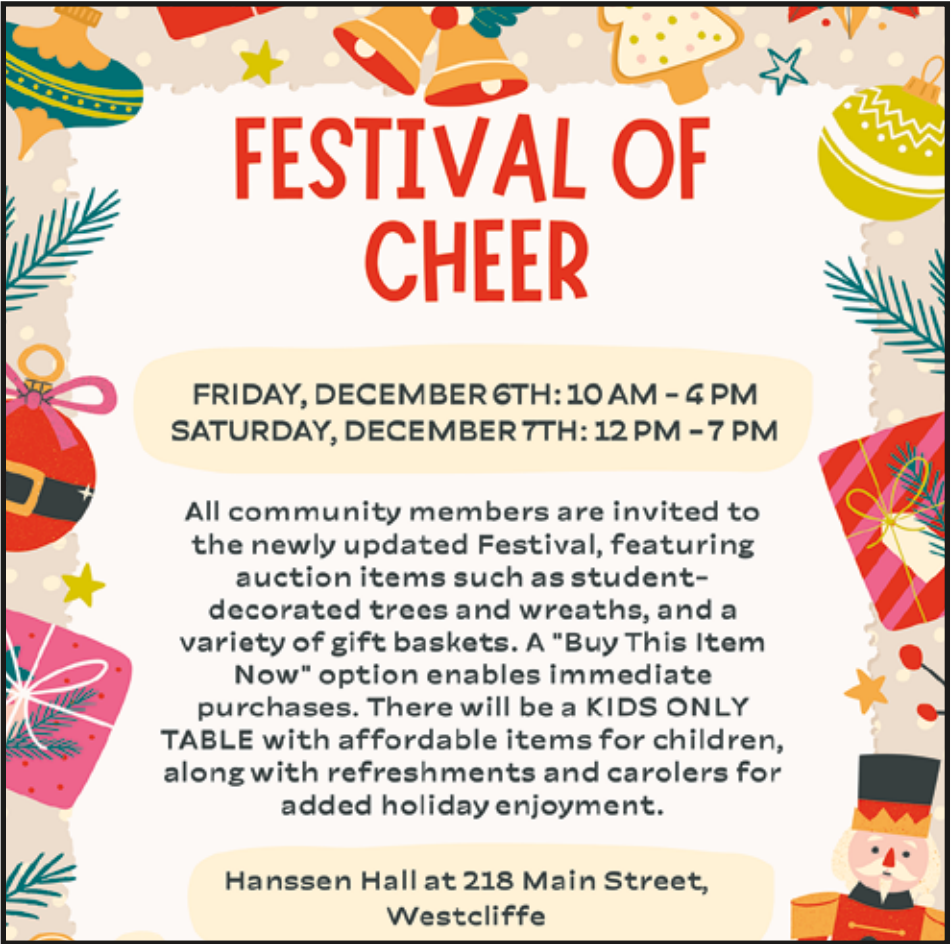
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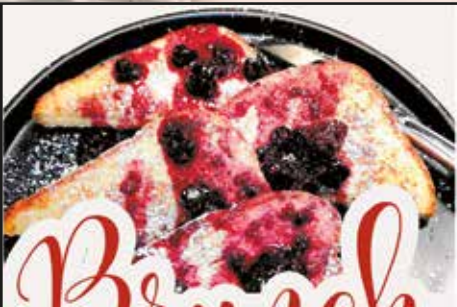
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INTRODUCING THE BOBCA

by Troy Bomgardner, 6-12 Counselor
Custer County High School

The new culinary program at Custer County High School has student's smiling as they depart class with tasty fresh baked goods in hand. The program is led by Brett Bowdish, a retired chef who lives in the valley. "I was blessed with some great mentors that provided direction for my career, and I feel this program is a way for me to mentor students and kind of pay it forward," said Bowdish. Bowdish brings a wealth of knowledge to the program with an extensive resume from around the United States, from lead chef at the Broadmoor, the Peabody in Memphis, and the Epcot Center in Florida.

All this knowledge comes to life in a full production kitchen in the science hallway. "The culinary program is new to our district and we are very lucky to have Brett aboard to lead the program," said Custer County Superintendent Thom Peck. "The toughest part of starting a program is the front loading of equipment and the South Central BOCES stepped in with money from a rural grant for the culinary classroom that helped to jumpstart this program," noted Peck. Students will learn safety skills in the kitchen that will lead to a Serve Safe certification that students can use to enter the food services industry. In addition, students get practical experience preparing food from recipes that Bowdish has used in some of the finest kitchens across the country. "Culinary class makes me excited to come to school," said senior Chris Mullett. "I love cooking and Chef Brett is teaching a ton in the kitchen!" Currently, there are 2 sections of Culinary Fundamentals offered at CCHS with plans to expand the program depending on student interest. "My goal is for 80% of CCHS students to participate in the culinary program and to leave the classroom with a real world culinary experience, execute a meal, become a better consumer of food, and understand that a clean kitchen is a happy kitchen," said Bowdish. As another student leaves the culinary class with a plate of homemade goodies, it appears the Culinary program is on its way to achieving this goal.



CAT CULINARY PROGRAM!



Courtesy photos; Layout by Katherine Brenchley

Local Mountain News & Notices

KIDS December 6, 2024

The Night of Radishes

Noche de Rábanos

Here is another Holiday tradition. Again, I have never heard of this one so let's learn together. It's called the "Night of Radishes" in Oaxaca, Mexico. It is a 125-year-old tradition.



First let's look at a little history on this tradition. Radishes are not native to Mexico but were brought over in the colonial period. It is a well-known belief that two Dominican monks encouraged local farmers — Zapotec and Mixtec people along with other indigenous groups — to grow the radishes, along with other fruits and vegetables they brought.

Oaxaca is situated in a very fertile valley. The local farms were so plentiful that the farmers would bring some of their crops to the local market to sell. Sounds kind of like our farmers markets. One year in the mid 1800's the radish crop was so abundant that a portion of the crop of radishes was left unharvested. Later in December the two monks went and pulled up some of the radishes only to be astonished with what they saw. The radishes had grown into massive odd-shaped blobs. The monks brought these odd, shaped radishes to the Christmas market on the day before Christmas. Oaxaca was full of all sorts of artists and it also had a long-standing wood carving tradition. The local wood carvers took a fancy to the radishes and decided to carve them into Nativity scenes to further entice Christmas market shoppers.

In 1897, Mexico President Francisco Vasconcelos, decided to start a new tradition and he created the radish carving Nativity Scene competition. This competition was to be held on December 23rd. From there, the annual event grew to include all sorts of different carvings. Some of these grew to be as big as a human head. They are not very tasty but they are now only used for the carving competition.

As the city and the carving competition has grown, the government has dedicated land to the growing of the radishes used for the event. The event has become very popular, attracting over 100 contestants and thousands of visitors. However, after radishes are cut and carved, they begin to wilt. So, the works can only be displayed for a number of hours. Hundreds of participants from Oaxaca and neighboring communities compete yearly. In 2014, 94 competed in the adult categories, along with 61 youth and 50 children.

by Audrey Slater. Sources: <https://people.howstuffworks.com/culture-traditions/holidays-christmas/mexicos-night-of-radishes.htm>, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Night_of_the_Radishes

PHOTO: Joseph, Mary and the baby Jesus, vegetable-style, are presented during the Night of the Radishes. Wikimedia Commons (CC BY SA 2.0).

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Invite in Fowler (away)

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Wet Mountain Wildlife

Lily in the Valley

Dear Editor:

It's [time for] the annual Custer County Spirit program, and I would once again like to plead and encourage all of you to consider making a contribution to the WET MOUNTAIN WILDLIFE Animal Rehabilitation Facility in Wetmore, CO.

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height of the summer on average 200 pounds of food a day. Feeding these bears at least twice daily is not only incredibly demanding, it's also dangerous. And yes, after consuming hundreds of pounds of food, there is a lot of cleanup work. Once again that's all done by hand by Cec and Tom. They have no helpers, no volunteers, and they receive zero compensation. Sadly, the state of Colorado does not and will not contribute one thin dime, when it is the state itself that receives all the benefits of their hard work. Thus, 100% of the veterinarian bills, thousands of pounds of purchased food (not surprisingly bears love dog food), medications, facility repairs, blankets, towels, etc. comes from contributions such as the donation by the Custer County Spirit Program and the wonderful citizens of Custer County. Cec and Tom would love to invite you to the facility, but it is off limits by state law. Under their

licensing with Colorado state, all of these animals must be kept wild because they must all be returned to their natural habitat. And that is exactly what happens. But, Cec and Tom would love to thank all of you from the bottom of their hearts, and more importantly, thanks from all those animals you have saved. It is approximated that they have saved over 1,000 animals over the last 40 years. Those animals are alive today and living a healthy life because of your wonderful generosity. You can receive their annual newsletter by writing or calling them. And you can send donations to Wet Mountain Wildlife, Cec & Tom Sanders, 743 Crestview Drive, Florence, CO 81226, Phone: 719-784-3214 (or even better, make a donation through the Custer County Spirit program, and they will receive a little extra matching money)

*Douglas Schulz and Tracy Stoneman,
Rural Custer County*



Hello. May I first start out saying" Thank God answered our prayers and Trump won! He will make America great once again. We got a text from family living there in Westcliffe with a picture of your newspaper with the rock my granddaughter and I made. We were so ecstatic and my 9 yr. old granddaughter was jumping with excitement. Once we came upon the beautiful tree with the other rock collections we vowed if Trump won on election day, we would paint a rock for our love for Trump from Ohio and leave it. After almost 30 inches of snow, we returned and dug out the other stones and left ours to join as well. Hopefully better times will be with us all for the near future and we will all unify and come together as the America we once were. Many Blessings to you all. We can't wait to return again in May. Westcliffe is absolutely beautiful and everyone we meet is amazing! Here is our Lily we have been raising since she was 1 year old. She was so proud to lay this rock and even prouder that she was acknowledged in the paper about it. ;)

Trina Morris, Ohio, U.S.A.

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Jab the Kids! Colorado Charter School Vaccine Exemption Legislation in 2025

by Pam Long, KimMonson.com

With ten years of experience in Colorado health politics, I can discern the media-pharma lobbyist partnership which primes the public to believe that Colorado has a vaccination compliance problem in advance of draconian legislation to mandate vaccine compliance, using your child's legal right to access to a free and public education as coercion.

In October 2024, *The Coloradoan* published "Vaccination rates at some local schools concern state, county health officials." This is a Fort Collins publication, in a Democrat stronghold in local government. If you have read my other articles, you already know the Larimer County commissioners, board of health, and state representatives are pharma shills. Nevertheless, these people will sponsor statewide legislation under false pretenses which will affect your right to exempt your child from one or more vaccines. Now that you know the players, let's discuss the deceitful tactics quoted from this *Coloradoan* article and subsequent articles leading up to the introduction of legislation in the upcoming session. I predict that legislation in 2025 will target charter schools, and I offer advice on how to prepare for this attack on parental rights to exempt from vaccines.

The Deceitful Data Spin

"Four in 10 students at one charter school in Windsor, and as many as 1 in 3 of the students at another charter school in Fort

Collins, have not received the required vaccinations for their age when they enrolled last fall, according to the CDPHE."

This tactic typically alludes to many parents who choose to delay the MMR vaccine in kindergarten to first grade, depending on

"Colorado SB20-163 mandated for schools to report vaccine rates to a CDPHE public dashboard so that schools falling below 95% compliance criteria could be publicly shamed in media. Then pharma lobbyists could demand more exemptions restricting legislation, which is a long-term strategy playing out now in 2024."

the age of the child, and these students are still in compliance with CDC recommendations. Students enter kindergarten at age 5, but the CDC recommendation for the second dose of the MMR is age 4 to 6. The issue is one vaccine, and a very small cohort of students. The pharma lobbyists who ghostwrite these talking points for media and bill sponsors would like you to think that 4 in 10 students or 1 in 3 students are completely unvaccinated from all vaccines. In reality, 93.7% of pre-K-12 Colorado students have the MMR vaccine.

Weaponization of the Word "Outbreak"

"And that's a huge concern to medical professionals and public health officials who fear a localized outbreak of measles, polio, and hepatitis B or other highly contagious diseases."

The CDC defines an outbreak as an illness (contagious or non-contagious) which affects 7% of the population, which is a threshold which would justify measures to investigate and limit the spread of the virus, bacteria, or toxin. A school with 1,000 students would need 70 students

afflicted by an illness to declare a true "outbreak." A few cases of measles or pertussis are not an "outbreak" by definition. Vaccines have varying rates of effectiveness, and do not prevent 100% cases of viruses, nor do vaccines eradicate various strains of viruses. In other words, getting vaccinated for one strain of a virus, does not protect everyone from every strain of the virus. Nevertheless, one of the tactics to sell vaccines and to sponsor draconian legislation is to refer to a few cases of measles as an "outbreak" and then blame the unvaccinated, even if the measles cases are in vaccinated students.

The False Belief in 100% Vaccine Efficacy and Safety

"Every single hospitalization and death, every child that's affected by vaccine-preventable disease is a tragedy, because these

outbreaks, these diseases, the consequences of these diseases; they're preventable," said Dr. David Higgins, a pediatrician and public health and preventative medicine specialist with Children's Hospital Colorado and UHealth."

Public health uses the term "vaccine preventable diseases" to sell vaccines and draconian legislation. The intent behind this term is to imply that alleged "outbreaks" could be 100% eradicated by vaccines, when this is patently false. This term is used to convey that students should not have the right to exempt from vaccines, which are portrayed as 100% effective with zero adverse reactions. In reality, the risk-benefit analysis of every vaccine should include the risk of a temporary, mild illness (not a disease) compared to the risk of an adverse reaction which causes chronic autoimmune disease or disability.

Parents can access federal vaccine injury data at Open VAERS.

The Denial of Vaccine Failure

"Larimer County officials are particularly concerned about a recent uptick in reported cases of pertussis (whooping cough), said Kori Wilford, a spokesperson for the Larimer County Department of Health and Environment. There have been 29 cases reported so far in 2024, including 17 since July, she wrote in a Sept. 25 email to *The Coloradoan*." "Cases have occurred among both unvaccinated and vaccinated individuals."

This is an embarrassing statement from Larimer County, as the CDC has reported for many years that "Immunity to pertussis following Tdap vaccination wanes after a few years." In other words, the vaccine does not protect people from pertussis long-term, and yet Larimer County officials choose to either pretend the pertussis cases are a mystery or the unvaccinated are to blame. Larimer County tacitly admits that the vaccine is ineffective against preventing pertussis infection.

Herd Immunity Threshold Redefined by Pharma Lobbyists

"Overall, 92.1% of students in K-12 schools in Colorado were up to date on vaccinations" for 2023-24 school year."

Public health aims to create a perception of a vaccine exemption crisis that we are "below the pre-pandemic rate at 95%" in the 2019-20 school year. Herd immunity was established at 60% of middle-aged populations with naturally acquired immunity, to protect the vulnerable in infants and the elderly (on the tails of the bell curve.) Lobbyists who promote vaccine compliance insist that 95% of people need to be vaccinated to protect the herd. If this were true, true outbreaks would be occurring annually as most adults have not had boosters for childhood vaccines in decades.

Exemption rights were established in 1978 and exist to current

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date without any outbreaks, per the CDC definition. Pharma ghostwriters will imply that any school with a rate below 95% vaccine compliance in any vaccine is putting the herd at risk. In 2020, pharma written legislation in Colorado SB20-163 mandated for schools to report vaccine rates to a CDPHE public dashboard so that schools falling below 95% compliance criteria could be publicly shamed in media. Then pharma lobbyists could demand more exemptions restricting legislation, which is a long-term strategy playing out now in 2024.

Tom Gonzalez, Larimer County’s public health director, made a very unscientific statement to *The Coloradoan*, which hints of ethnic and class biases of yesteryear which openly believed that some groups of people were disease spreaders: “When you do have larger groups of unvaccinated folks, their risk for an outbreak is much higher.” Gonzalez fails to mention that a population with 60% naturally acquired immunity will protect the herd. Gonzalez should educate the public that an outbreak threshold is 7% of the population, not a few cases

of endemic illnesses which will always occur every year, even with 100% vaccination rate. Instead, Gonzalez blames the unvaccinated for outbreaks, when recent cases have been documented in the vaccinated, unvaccinated, and unknown vaccination status.

Gonzalez communicates what others say more bluntly in Colorado politics. Diane Carman, wrote in advance of draconian legislation in 2019 in *The Colorado Sun*, “Time to kick the deliberately reckless disease vectors out of the herd.” Carman’s predictions that a few unvaccinated kindergarten children would kill people with a measles outbreak was unhinged, but here we are again in 2024.

Homeschools and Charter Schools

Colorado Homeschools have successfully advocated to protect both their exemption rights and the privacy of these decisions over the past ten years. However, Colorado Charter Schools appear to me to be in the cross hairs of CDPHE and pharma shills.

The Coloradoan reported that vaccination rates at one charter school are 55.4% to 60.4%. This is an outlier as vaccination rates at Colorado charter schools range from 77.6% to 84.6%, per official

state data. Lobbyists in Colorado have previously reported outlier schools with low rates without explaining the administration lag that has historically accounted for these alleged low rates at outlier schools. In other words, parents have not turned in the vaccine records to the school. To truly know if this school has a “low rate” of vaccination, the public would need to know what percentage of parents have turned in vaccine records.

Should we be surprised that charter schools have slightly lower vaccination rates than traditional public schools? Parents who choose charter schools reject many aspects of public schools, including public health recommendations or what some people refer to as the “nanny state.” Charter school parents tend to be very engaged and educated on the health and education of their children. Media would like you to believe these parents are misinformed or uneducated. Meanwhile, their children thrive.

Homeschool parents were able to protect their exemption rights with a full-time legislative liaison with CHEC and the legal defense of HSLDA. Charter Schools should organize now before session for a legislative battle with

a Democratic majority and 70 medical association lobbyists.

Polis Tweets Excitement for RFK Jr. As HHS Secretary

On November 14, 2024, Governor Polis tweeted out his excitement for Robert F Kennedy, Jr.’s nomination as HHS Secretary under President Trump’s second term.

“I’m excited by the news that the President-Elect will appoint Robert Kennedy Jr. to HHSGov. He helped us defeat vaccine mandates in Colorado in 2019 and will help make America healthy again by shaking up HHS and FDA. I hope he leans into personal choice on vaccines rather than bans (which I think are terrible, just like mandates) but what I’m most optimistic about is taking on big pharma and the corporate ag oligopoly to improve our health...”

Generally, I like to see this support for RFK Jr. as health czar (which trended on twitter with 650,000 celebratory tweets) and removing toxins from our food, water, and medicine. However, Gov. Polis is a hypocrite. He signed SB20-163, which restricted access to vaccine exemptions for students in unprecedented ways and resulted in many families leaving Colorado and public schools. While Polis

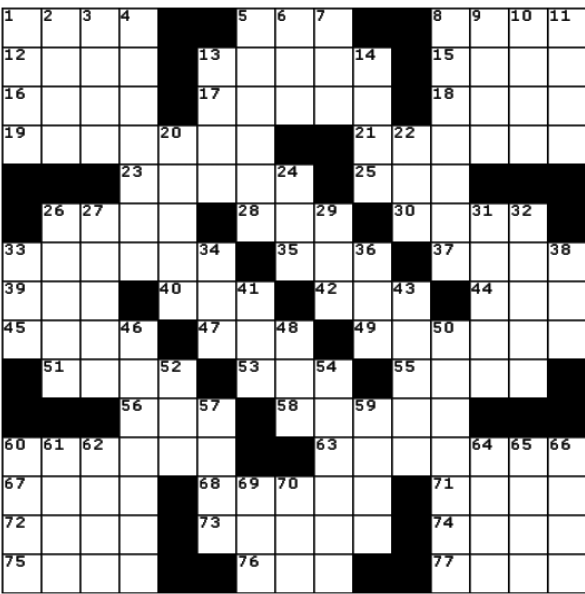
now claims vaccine mandates are “terrible,” he mandated the experimental EUACOVID vaccine for healthcare workers, resulting in 5,290 healthcare workers being fired and not given the “personal choice” that Polis now allegedly supports. An additional unknown number of healthcare workers quit and retired to avoid sanctions under the EUA COVID vaccine mandate under Polis. There is so much I could further expound on Polis’ policies differing from his public statements claiming to support freedom, but I will simply conclude that Colorado charter schools cannot trust Polis to protect vaccine exemptions. Parents must organize and prepare to engage with elected state legislators to prevent any bill that restricts vaccine exemptions from reaching Polis’ desk. The time to start this engagement is now, before session starts in January.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- 1 Daddy
 - 5 Circuit
 - 8 Note ____ (plr.)
 - 12 Scan
 - 13 Bodily cavity
 - 15 Western state
 - 16 Dry
 - 17 Seasonal greeting beginning
 - 18 Additional
 - 19 Sang from themountain top
 - 21 Took a small bite
 - 23 Widow'sproperty
 - 25 Noah's boat
 - 26 Scat!
 - 28 Stamping tool
 - 30 How Judas betrayed Jesus
 - 33 Seasonal greeting part 2
 - 35 Globe
 - 37 Memo
 - 39 Dawdle
 - 40 Pouch
 - 42 Feel sick
 - 44 Record
 - 45 Stuff
 - 47 Precious stone
 - 49 Seasonal greeting end
 - 51 Let fall
 - 53 Lout
 - 55 This is my ____ given for you
 - 56 Zilch
 - 58 Hard to pass through a needle?
 - 60 Seasonal entree
 - 63 Smelt (2 wds.)
 - 67 Northern Canal
 - 68 Tree product
 - 71 Competition at the Greek games
 - 72 Catch sight of (KJV)
 - 73 Cast out
 - 74 Power system
 - 75 Catholic worship service



- 76 Attempt
 - 77 Snaky fish
- DOWN**
- 1 Give thanks
 - 2 Air (prefix)
 - 3 Compensated
 - 4 Supplemented (2 wds.)
 - 5 Former gasoline choice
 - 6 American College of Physicians(abbr.)
 - 7 Baby dog
 - 8 With 52D, seasonal dessert
 - 9 Above
 - 10 Challenge
 - 11 Cast off
 - 13 Chomp
 - 14 Asian bird
 - 20 Glances at
 - 22 Make angry
 - 24 Rio de Janeiro
 - 26 Splinter of glass
 - 27 Sarah's handmaid
 - 29 Time period
 - 31 Congealed
 - 32 Cold
 - 33 What a nurse gives
 - 34 Droop
 - 36 Large
 - 38 Hard boiled food
 - 41 Executive director
 - 43 Defame
 - 46 Baboons
 - 48 McDonald's "Big ____"
 - 50 Electrical measure
 - 52 See 8 Down
 - 54 Seasonal visitors
 - 57 Greek stringed instrument
 - 59 Word interpreted by Daniel
 - 60 Swarm
 - 61 ____ Minor (Little Dipper)
 - 62 Tears
 - 64 Giant
 - 65 Churn
 - 66 Ceases
 - 69 Extension (abbr.)
 - 70 Title of respect

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In the Beginning

There is a lot of controversy over the creation story. Theologists to scientists theorize on timing, methods, even evolution. But there is much we can learn from the Hebrew context starting with Genesis 1:1, “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” From the first verse in the omniscient voice, the narrative says that God created, “bara” in Hebrew which in context with scripture elsewhere means to organize or to give function. In other words, this is not a record of material creation, “the earth was unformed and void,”(1:2a), in Hebrew the word is tohu v’ vohu, which translates into something like “chaos”. Light and dark are already existing, but God is dividing them into time, day and night.

In verses 6-10 of chapter 1, the water also is already existing, God causes the waters to be gathered together into “seas” to organize and make them functional. At some place in primordial time God had brought these materials into existence, explaining the aged dating of fossils, etc. Each day, God organizes His creation, the lights in the sky are to be “for signs, seasons, days and years” (1:14a). He assigns living creatures to fill the sky, sea and land, God saw that all was good, and then He blessed them telling them to “be fruitful and multiply” (1:22), that was their function. Then God Himself says in verse 23 of chapter 1, “Let us make humankind in our image, in the likeness of ourselves...” Who is He speaking of?

Made in the image and likeness--God has no image because He is spirit, but this is speaking of His nature. The Hebrew word for image is tzelem, the root means “shadow,” which is an imperfect likeness of the original. God then forms the man from the ground, adamah (Hebrew) and that’s how Adam gets his name. God breathes the breath of life into Adam’s nostrils and he becomes a living being. God created a wife for Adam from his own body, “a companion suitable for helping him” (2:20). Unfortunately, that didn’t go so well when Eve was deceived by the serpent into partaking of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Adam also ate from the tree that God had commanded them not to eat, and that was the beginning of the fall of man.

However, God had a plan from the foundation of the world to redeem mankind through His Son Jesus, the Seed of the woman referred to in Genesis 3:15, which is called the Gospel in the Garden. Through His foreknowledge of the weakness of humans, God would make His glory manifest in that weakness through the work of His Son. John 1:1 says, “In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” Jesus is the source of all life, as told in John 1:3: “All things came to be through Him, and without Him nothing made had being.” And this is only in the beginning. There is so much more to the story, so many levels, that inform, guide and transform our lives by the redemption plan of God.

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Crime of the Century?

Harrowing Facts About the Pfizer Jab

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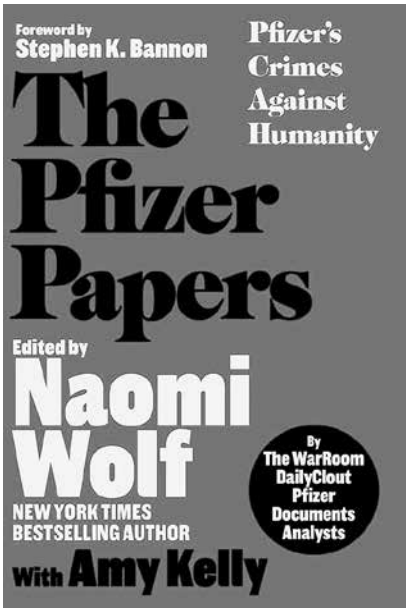
If my father had been alive, I wouldn’t have done it. He was a doctor who had a diverse background in medical research, medical writing and editing, both private and hospital practice, and pharmaceutical advertising, and he was always exceedingly wary about treatments that he considered unnecessarily dangerous or insufficiently tested. When my pediatrician wanted to have my adenoids taken out, he said no, and whenever I went to the dentist he wouldn’t let the guy give me Novocain.

But my father wasn’t alive when COVID came along, and so I got the da**ed Pfizer jab – twice – without giving it much thought at all. In retrospect I feel like a fool. I’ve long since been aware of just how much political propaganda we’re fed by the legacy media. And my dad, who worked closely with drug companies, taught me not to have any illusions about them. But even though I recognized the idiocy of the mask mandates and the six-foot distancing rule and other elements of COVID theater, it didn’t occur to me, I guess, that the corporate media and Big Pharma might team up with the Deep State to push life-threatening drugs on the whole world, and to impose severe punishments upon those relatively few brave souls who dared to turn them down.

Anyway, we went through the pandemic, and then it ended, and now it can seem almost as if none of it ever happened – the enforced long-term isolation, the destruction of small business and jobs and interruption of schooling, the mass violation of individual rights, and the mass demonization of vaccine skeptics. Anthony Fauci and countless others at the NIH and WHO and elsewhere should be behind bars, but I can’t remember the last time I even heard Fauci’s name. It’s as if even many of the people who were put through hell during the COVID years would prefer to try to forget about it and move on.

Fortunately, Naomi Wolf is not inclined to think that way. Wolf, a perennially controversial feminist whose bestselling first book was *The Beauty Myth: How Images of Beauty Are Used against Women* (1991), has long been a leading figure on the left, serving as an advisor to both Bill Clinton and Al Gore during their presidential campaigns in 1996 and 2000 respectively. To be sure, she was always very much an independent spirit, ready to butt heads with sacred cows across the political spectrum.

And when, during the COVID-19 pandemic, she found her view of lockdown measures as “totalitarian” unwelcome in the legacy media – which accused her of spreading “conspiracy theories” – she gave interviews on the subject to the likes of Tucker Carlson and Charlie Kirk as well as to the conservative TV networks Sky News Australia and GB News in Britain. She also appeared frequently on Steve Bannon’s WarRoom podcast – which helped make possible her eye-opening new book *“The Pfizer Papers: Pfizer’s*



Crimes against Humanity”, edited by Wolf with Amy Kelly and published by WarRoom.

The Pfizer Papers is nothing less than a tour de force. As Bannon says in his foreword, it’s a searing indictment of Big Pharma, the legacy media, and the D.C. swamp, not to mention a definitive account of how both Pfizer and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) perpetrated a massive fraud upon not just the American public but the entire world, and not just for a day or two but for a period of years. In her introduction, Wolf explains that lawyer Adam Siri sued the FDA to gain access to Pfizer’s internal records relating to the results of clinical testing of its mRNA injection for COVID-19 as well as to adverse events reported after the jab began to be administered to the public. The result was the release of 450,000 pages of documents that the FDA had unsuccessfully – and inexplicably – asked a judge to keep secret for 75 years. But what to do with such a massive archive, especially given that it included so much information that could only be made sense of by a range of medical and scientific specialists?

The answer: Wolf recruited some 3,250 professionals around the world – immunologists, oncologists, obstetricians, pharmacologists, biologists, chemists, and so on, not to mention lawyers – to study the documents and explain their significance. The “bought-off media,” as she puts it, had called the Pfizer jab “safe and effective.” But where did the truth lie? The truth – the somber truth – was that the top brass at Pfizer had known by April 2021 that their injections “damaged the hearts” of young people. They knew that the jab had a myriad of other side effects – and that it was especially unsafe for pregnant women, young mothers, fetuses, and infants. Yet Pfizer withheld this and other vital information from the public, and government officials in the U.S., the UK, the EU, and Australia sought to suppress it.

Given the scale of the material collected in this book, It’s impossible to do it justice in even a lengthy review. So allow me to mention just a few of the findings. An alarming number of people who’d received the Pfizer jab experienced liver damage (50% of them within 3 days of getting the shot), cardiac problems

(50% within one day), neurological disorders such as multiple sclerosis and Guillain-Barre syndrome (50% within one day), or kidney injuries and renal failure (50% within 4 days). People perished from anaphylaxis, autoimmune disorders, blood vessel inflammation, and vasculitis, among other complaints. Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) appeared for the first time in the world since 2004.

Pathologists routinely told the families of people who died from these ailments that they were the result of natural causes; when the families asked for autopsies by other pathologists, those pathologists refused even to look at micrographs of the deceased individuals’ cells. Finally Arne Burkhardt, a pathologist in Germany, agreed to look at the slides, and shared them with specialists in relevant fields – biology, chemistry, physics, etc. Burkhardt and his colleagues determined that the Pfizer shot had played a role in more than 80% of the deaths. So widespread were these deaths during the pandemic that Burkhardt found it necessary to coin a new term – Sudden Adult Death Syndrome (SADS) – to describe a phenomenon that had, until then, been entirely unknown in all of human history.

As noted, pregnant women, new mothers, fetuses, and infants suffered disproportionately. Birth rates dropped. In many places, infants and children under twelve were given the jab seven months before it was approved for pediatric patients. During a period when it wasn’t approved for children under twelve, injections gave rise to such anomalies as “Bell’s palsy in a 1-yr-old, stroke in a 7-yr-old, and renal failure in an infant.” Meanwhile, over 54% of the pregnant women who were exposed to the vaccine had adverse effects; 19% of babies exposed via breast milk had adverse effects; and 23% of vaccinated mothers’ fetuses or newborns died. “In one section of the documents,” we read, “over 80 percent of the pregnancies followed resulted in miscarriage or spontaneous abortion.” And yet, according to *The Pfizer Papers* one Pfizer document reported, beyond all logic, “that mRNA in breast milk was safe.”

The crucial point here is that not only did the Pfizer shot imperil fetuses, babies, and their mothers – Pfizer and the FDA knew it. For whatever reason, however, they made an “aggressive effort” to inject pregnant women anyway, with CDC director Rachel Walensky explicitly urging at a White House briefing that pregnant women get the jab. Burkhardt’s recommendation was diametrically opposed to Walensky’s: “If I were a woman in fertile age, I would not plan a motherhood from a person, from a man, who has been vaccinated....Stop this vaccination at once.”

The Pfizer shot posed a threat not just to babies but to minors generally – a cohort that, of course, faced a very small likelihood of getting ill as a result of

Judge Allows Male to Compete in Women’s Volleyball Tournament

by Dan Hart,
The Washington Stand

A Biden-appointed federal judge has ruled that a male who identifies as a transgender woman can compete in a women’s college volleyball tournament, in a dismissal of a lawsuit by women on five different teams.

On Monday, U.S. District Judge Kato Crews, who was appointed by President Joe Biden in January, denied a motion for an emergency delay in a lawsuit filed by a group of female volleyball players in the NCAA Mountain West Conference, which requested that San Jose State University’s (SJSU) male player Blaire Fleming, who identifies as a transgender woman, be barred from playing in the conference tournament, and that the forfeits that the teams took instead of playing against Fleming be reversed.

The controversy began in October when Southern Utah University forfeited a match against SJSU. Since then, four other teams also forfeited matches against SJSU out of concern over the safety of the players and fairness. In a statement from the University of Nevada Reno women’s team regarding their decision to forfeit, they remarked, “We demand that our right to safety and fair competition on the court be upheld. We refuse to participate in any match that advances injustice against female athletes.”

Numerous instances of females being injured by male players have occurred in recent years, including high school volleyball player Payton McNabb, who suffered “a concussion, vision problems, and partial paralysis to the right side of her body” after she was struck in the head by a

spiked ball from a male player.

Despite these concerns and the lawsuit’s citing of First Amendment and Title IX violations, Crews wrote that the plaintiffs’ appeal for an emergency delay “was not reasonable” and “would risk confusion and upend months of planning and would prejudice, at a minimum, (San Jose State) and other teams participating in the tournament.”

As a result of the ruling, one of the four teams that forfeited to SJSU in the regular season is guaranteed to play against them in the upcoming semifinal match in the Mountain West tournament. SJSU has gained a clear advantage as a result of the forfeits, as it helped the Spartans to a #2 seed and a first-round bye in the tournament. Meanwhile, despite not playing in seven forfeited matches, Fleming is “third in the conference

in average kills per serve with 3.86 and amassed 297 total kills on the year.”

The ruling comes as an overwhelming majority of Americans say they want fairness in women’s sports. Polls show that three-quarters of U.S. voters oppose men who identify as women competing in women’s sports.

President-elect Donald Trump has vowed to “keep men out of women’s sports,” and experts say that when he takes office, he can pursue this campaign promise by rescinding Biden-era guidance on gender identity in Title IX, pursuing an agreement with the NCAA, asking for a Supreme Court review of related cases, and other measures.

Mary Szoch, a former NCAA Division I athlete who serves as director of the Center for Human

Dignity at Family Research Council, encouraged the incoming Trump administration to take action to protect girls’ sports.

“Men should not be able to play women’s sports. This is not rocket science — it’s basic biology,” she told *The Washington Stand*. “Men are generally stronger than women, faster than women, and can jump higher than women. Men playing women’s sports — especially a sport like volleyball — makes no sense. It’s not only unfair, it’s unsafe. I look forward to the day when the Trump administration reverses every Biden rule that embraced a woke ideology over the health and safety of human beings.”

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Gallup poll on Guns Reflects Manipulation, Ignorance and Denial

by David Codrea, ammoland.com

“Majorities Still Back Stricter Gun Laws, Assault Weapons Ban,” Gallup claimed Monday in a synopsis of its October 1-12 Crime poll. “Support for a ban on handguns in the U.S. has dropped to a near-record low.”

56% want more gun control. 52% want an “assault weapon” ban. But only 20% want a handgun ban.

That last bit sounds like a bright spot, and we’ll get back to it. But before we do, we ought to look at who the respondents were and what they were being asked — and also examine if the questions were fair ones that considered what those polled actually knew as opposed to what they believed because it’s what they’ve been told by political, media, and activist influencers with a vested interest.

To begin that process, there’s a “View complete question responses and trends” link at the end of the article where readers can [download a pdf of the poll](#).

“Results are based on telephone interviews ... with a random sample of –1,023—adults, ages 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia,” we are told. Results are based on a sample of 930 registered voters and 367 gun owners, with sampling error margins of +4% and + 6% respectively. They’re “weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity,

education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly),” and include “interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking.” Not mentioned in the abstract is political party affiliation, although that is tabulated in the detailed data breakdowns.

What’s unclear is how many people had to be called before Gallup found the people willing to submit to its survey, and, importantly, how many are willing to truthfully admit to a stranger that they have a gun, especially if living in a state that threatens gun owners. Also not factored into the poll — and never mentioned when such results are used to influence public policy — is respondent knowledge and qualifications to provide informed answers. That makes using resulting data to “inform” legislation demonstrably irresponsible and dangerous.

Let’s look at the questions.

“In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of firearms should be made more strict, less strict or kept as they are now?”

What does that respondent know about laws that already exist at federal, state, and local levels? Has that person considered arguments for and against the laws, including whether or not they will produce the results proponents claim, and if they’re consistent with the Second Amendment and with settled law?

“Do you think there should or should not be a ban on the

manufacture, possession and sale of semiautomatic guns, known as assault rifles?”

The flawed question presupposes that “semi-automatic guns” are “assault rifles.” Does the respondent even know what either is? Does he or she know that according to the government’s own statistics, more people are killed with fists and feet than with all rifles, of which semi-autos with politically disfavored features are but a fraction?

“Do you think there should or should not be a law that would ban the possession of handguns, except by the police and other authorized persons?”

Yes, some still buy into the “Only Ones” fallacy. One can only wonder at the 20% who answered in the affirmative, and if it’s safe to assume that no amount of warnings about the futility of prohibition at doing anything but incentivizing crime, and the greater danger of a state that has the power to impose this, would make a dent in their “thinking.”

The overwhelming majority rejecting the idea is encouraging, especially considering that banning handguns was the ultimate goal of the modern “gun control” movement. Per Nelson “Pete” Shields, back when Brady was still called Handgun Control, Inc.:

“The final problem is to make possession of all handguns and all handgun ammunition—except for the military, police, licensed security guards, licensed sporting clubs, and licensed gun collectors-totally illegal.”

“A majority of Americans have an appetite for stricter gun laws in the U.S., and that includes an assault weapons ban — but not a ban on handguns,” Gallup concludes it its “Botton Line,” and even that simple summation is false. Nowhere in the poll is it indicated if all of the respondents are citizens, an issue exemplified by the last census including foreign nationals and affecting the assignment of Congressional districts and the political power shift that arises from that.

“For now, gun policy does not rank highly among the most important problems on Americans’ minds,” the summary concludes, disregarding that the topic won’t show up in polls where such questions aren’t asked, that none measure the intensity of gun owner commitment, and ignoring what the world has just seen in Donald Trump’s landslide electoral victory rejecting the Harris/Walz disarmament agenda.

Democrat prognosticators whose careers are based on “lies, da**ed lies, and statistics,” are now licking their wounds, making excuses, and doubling down on further alienating Americans who rejected their intolerant identity politics and undisguised lust for control.

While much of this latest poll can be seen as equivalent to one of YouTuber Mark Dice’s comedic “Man on the Street” interviews highlighting the stunning (conditioned) ignorance of random Americans, it’s nonetheless useful in showing gun owners where we have work to do.

We need to continue our efforts in educating our countrymen on why THEIR right to keep and bear arms is important, and why attempts to infringe on it via political choices, laws, and lawfare threatens them and their children. We can do this as individuals, by sharing information to those within our spheres of influence, and by supporting “gun rights” groups with outreach efforts. And there’s one other thing we can do:

Let politicians who we supported know we expect them to use their bully pulpits to promote the Second Amendment, that it’s not just something to campaign on and then put back on the shelf until next time. And that includes Donald Trump. (I have a *Firearms News* article coming out soon that expands on that idea and I’ll update this column with a link when it is posted.)

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10mm Ammunition: Seven Things You Need to Know

by Tom McHale, ammoland.com

For the past month or so I’ve been tinkering with a 10mm pistol, the Springfield Armory 1911 Range Officer Elite. It’s a beautiful hand-gun that’s made special by its caliber choice of 10mm. Roughly equivalent in ballistics to the lower end of .41 Magnum, and more powerful than the tried and true .357, it’s an interesting option for a carry gun.

The 10mm shares case diameter with the .40 Smith & Wesson, so in theory, pistol capacity can be the same in a double-stack design. The 10mm is a bit longer, so grip size circumference has to be bigger than that for other calibers like 9mm and .40.

10 mm Ammo Boom Factor

For carry or home defense use, the most common loading for 10mm ammunition will be a 180-grain projectile. I tested a pile of the excellent Sig Sauer V-Crown from a Springfield Armory 1911 Range Officer Elite and measured average actual velocity of 1,186.3

feet per second. That translates to muzzle energy of an impressive 562.6 foot-pounds — a good 150% more than most 9mm or .45 ACP loads.

Of course, if you want to go with different bullet weights, you can find some interesting options too. For example, the Doubletap Ammunition 135-grain Controlled-Expansion bullet left the same Range Officer Elite pistol at near warp speed of 1,494.3 feet per second. That speed cranked up muzzle energy to 669.5 foot-pounds.

If you’re in the more is better crowd, Doubletap also makes 190-grain Equalizer load that fires two projectiles from each case: a 135-grain JHP and a 95-grain lead ball. Ouch.

Combo Carry and Outdoors Caliber

If you are worried about grizzlies, like Dean Weingarten is, I’d choose an MK-19 Automatic Grenade Launcher over any pistol caliber. However, I’ve not yet

found a comfortable holster for that beast. If you plan to carry a pistol in town and out in the woods, 10mm isn’t a bad option.

For outdoor use, consider some of the more interesting ammo from Doubletap Ammunition. They make a 10mm round that packs a wallop with a 200-grain hardcast lead bullet; When I tested it, it chronographed at an average of 1,132 feet per second. That’s 569.84 foot-pounds of kinetic energy and serious penetration considering the hardcast bullet ballistics.

Recoil

Pondering the recoil factor subjectively, I don’t notice much difference between the .45 ACP and the 10mm when fired in similar pistols. Neither are causing temporary PTSD, but then again, I’m shooting both calibers from full-size, all steel pistols. For the .45 ACP, I shoot a Springfield Armory 1911 TRP which weighs in at 2.63 pounds empty. For 10mm, I’ve been testing a Springfield Armory 1911

Range Officer Elite which tips the scales at 2.56 pounds empty. Obviously, these are weighty pistols so perceived recoil is mitigated — a lot.

If we do some quick recoil math and run the numbers for each using an “average” load and the weight of each pistol, the 10mm shows a bit more energy. The .45 ACP TRP firing a 230-grain bullet at 880 feet per second generates 5.43 foot-pounds of energy. The 10mm Range Officer Elite firing a 180-grain bullet at 1,181 feet per second delivers 6.28 foot-pounds. It’s more, but not a night and day comparison. To put those numbers in perspective, a lighter pistol like the .45 ACP Springfield Armory XD-S socks you with 8.15 foot-pounds of recoil energy. So, taken in context, if you’re cool with a .45, a 10mm isn’t going to make you run for your safe space.

Just for kicks, I ran the recoil math on a couple of 9mm pistols too. Since the lighter weight polymer pistols increase the felt recoil number, the results are a bit

surprising. When firing a Glock 26 Gen 4 with 124-grain 9mm bullets moving at 1,151.5 feet per second, you’ll catch 5.43 foot-pounds of recoil energy. Even the larger and heavier Glock 17 Gen 4 will deliver 5.65 foot-pounds of recoil energy thanks in part to higher velocity generated from its longer barrel.

Invention: A Cartridge and Pistol Pairing

Back in 1979, two guys, Thomas Dornaus and Michael Dixon, wanted to make a bigger semi-auto pistol that exceeded the performance of the .357 Magnum while offering the capacity and fast reload benefits of semi-automatic pistols.

Around the same time, Colonel Jeff Cooper was jonesing for a new pistol and cartridge combination, which he called the .40 Special. A working partnership led to

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Pistol Red Dots for Home Defense: Reliable Picks

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For years, I have relied on iron sights for my pistols, especially the XS Big Dot sights. Reliable and battery-free, they served me well on my Glock 17 and Glock 26 as “analog red dots.”

However, my perspective on red dots changed completely after attending a training course with Achilles Heel Tactical, led by Rick Crawley. I quickly realized how much easier it was to stay focused on the target while shooting quickly and accurately with a red dot.

Unlike iron sights, which demand switching focus between the sights and the target, a red dot lets you stay target-focused—something invaluable in high-stress situations, such as home defense.

Red dots on home defense pistols offer unmatched speed, target acquisition, and precision, especially at close-range defensive distances. In this article, we’ll look at why red dots are advantageous for home defense and explore some of the most reliable options available for defensive use.



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The Advantages of Red Dots for Home Defense Pistols

Switching from iron sights to a red dot sight on a home defense pistol brings several notable advantages that make it an ideal choice for defensive scenarios. Here are some key reasons why red dots have become essential for many looking to protect their home and loved ones:

• **Enhanced Target Focus:** Traditional iron sights require you to shift focus from the sights to the target, which can be time-consuming and challenging under pressure. With a red dot, however, you can keep both eyes open and stay

locked onto the target. This feature improves accuracy and reduces the time it takes to get rounds on target—critical in fast-paced, high-stress encounters.

• **Speed and Accuracy:** Red dots allow for faster target acquisition, making you more likely to place accurate shots quickly. This is especially valuable in home defense situations where every second counts. During my training at Achilles Heel Tactical, I consistently hit a C-zone steel target at 25 yards, which would have been more challenging with iron sights alone.

• **Low-Light Visibility:** Home defense scenarios

often occur in low-light conditions, where iron sights may be hard to see. Some red dots have larger windows, allowing for better situational awareness down range. Some, like the Holosun 507C, have multiple reticle patterns to choose from, whether you want a traditional dot or a ring reticle similar to an EOTech holographic sight.

• **Reliability and Battery Life:** Modern red dots have largely addressed early concerns about battery life. The Holosun 507C, for example, has a battery-saving solar panel and “shake-awake” technology, while the C&H Precision Duty Optic boasts a 50,000-hour battery life. These optics offer years of reliable performance with minimal maintenance if properly maintained.

These advantages not only make red dots practical but also contribute to a significant improvement in your defensive capabilities. With the right training and practice, the red dot will always be there when you need it, even in critical moments.

Recommended Red Dots for Home Defense Pistols

Choosing the right red dot for a home defense pistol

means prioritizing reliability, durability, and ease of use. Here are some of the top red dots that stand out for defensive use, each with features that make them ideal for protecting your home.

Trijicon RMR – Proven Durability and Reliability

The Trijicon RMR (Ruggedized Miniature Reflex) is widely considered the gold standard for pistol red dots. Its robust design and field-tested durability make it a top choice for law enforcement and civilian users. The RMR is engineered to withstand impacts and recoil, making it highly reliable for defensive use. Additionally, it offers long battery life (up to 4 years on a single CR2032 battery) and features a crisp, clear dot that remains visible in various lighting conditions.



Photo: Trijicon

Key Features

• **Battery Life:** Up to 4 years with Duracell or Sony batteries for optimal performance.

• **Durability:** Built to endure extreme conditions; virtually “bombproof.”

• **Brightness Settings:** Adjustable to suit low-light conditions common in home defense situations.

Holosun 507C – Versatile and Affordable



Photo: Holosun 507c Solar Panel

While newer to the market, the Holosun 507C has quickly become a favorite among firearm enthusiasts due to its affordability and impressive feature set. This optic includes a solar panel for extended battery life, shake-awake technology that activates the reticle on movement, and multiple reticle options to suit your preference. It’s a practical option that doesn’t compromise on reliability, making it an excellent choice for home defense setups.

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Key Features:

- Solar Backup: Ensures extended battery life with a built-in solar panel.
- Shake-Awake Technology: Activates instantly when the pistol is drawn.
- Reticle Options: Choose from a 2 MOA dot, 32 MOA circle, or both combined for enhanced versatility.

Trijicon SRO – Expansive Field of View

The Trijicon SRO (Specialized Reflex Optic) offers a larger window than most red dots, making target acquisition easier and faster—ideal for high-stress situations. Although it’s not specifically a “duty-grade” optic like the RMR, it is built with quality components and is highly functional for home defense. Its top-loading battery compartment allows for quick battery changes without removing the optic from the pistol.



Photo: Trijicon

Key Features:

- Field of View: Larger sight window for enhanced situational awareness.
- Battery Compartment: Top-loading for easy access and replacement.
- Precision Adjustments: Easy windage and elevation adjustments for quick zeroing.

Aimpoint Acro P-2 – Durable Closed Emitter Option

The Aimpoint Acro P-2 offers the benefit of a closed emitter, which protects the optic’s internals from dust, debris and moisture. This design feature, along with its rugged construction, makes it highly reliable for home defense. The Acro P-2 also provides an impressive battery life of up to 50,000 hours, making it ideal for

long-term use without frequent battery changes.



Photo: Aimpoint USA

Key Features:

- Closed Emitter Design: Protects from debris and moisture for added reliability.
- Long Battery Life: Up to 5 years of continuous use on a single battery.
- Durability: Built to withstand rough handling and recoil.

Steiner MPS – Rugged and Compact

The Steiner MPS (Micro Pistol Sight) is another closed emitter optic that has gained popularity for its ruggedness. Designed to endure harsh conditions, the MPS is compact enough for use on a carry pistol while still providing the reliability needed for home defense. Although it’s slightly bulkier than open emitters, it remains manageable with the right holster and belt setup.



Photo: Steiner Optics

Key Features:

- Compact Size: Fits well on both full-size and compact pistols.
- Closed Emitter Durability: Adds protection from the elements.
- Battery Life: Reliable performance with a long-lasting battery and easy adjustments.

These red dots offer a mix of durability, battery efficiency, and performance, making them all excellent options for those serious about optimizing their home defense pistol. Each has been vetted in the field and proven to provide dependable performance, helping ensure you’re prepared for any potential defensive situation.

Red Dots are the Way

Red dots have transformed the way we approach home defense pistols. Moving from iron sights to red dots enhances target focus and brings speed, precision, and reliability to a new level.

While iron sights will always have their place, red dots offer undeniable advantages in situations where every second counts. A quality red dot lets you focus fully on the target and ensures rapid, accurate shot placement, which can be invaluable in a home defense scenario.

Selecting a reliable optic, such as the Trijicon RMR or Aimpoint Acro, guarantees durability and performance when it matters most. Models like the Holosun 507C and Trijicon SRO provide additional features like solar power, shake-awake technology, and large viewing windows for enhanced versatility. No matter which red dot you choose, remember that consistent practice and proper training are crucial to fully harnessing the benefits these optics bring.

If you’re considering a red dot for your home defense pistol, it’s a worthwhile investment.

Pair it with professional training to improve your defensive skills, and you’ll be well-prepared to confidently handle any situation.

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COVID infection. Nonetheless, there was a “\$1 billion campaign to scare and cajole parents into having their children injected to keep them safe.” Schools around the world forced kids to get the jab. And because so many children and teenagers were unnecessarily injected, there were innumerable deaths that could easily have been avoided. Sample cases: a 15-year-old girl died of cardiac arrest; four days after receiving a second dose of the Pfizer jab, a 15-year-old boy “developed multifocal hemorrhagic lesions in his brain,” rendering him “permanently disabled”; a 13-year-old girl died three weeks after her third Pfizer jab. The *Pfizer Papers* makes clear that among children between 5 and 11, even a jab far safer than Pfizer’s would have “posed as much risk or more risk than the disease itself.”

Ute Krüger, a Swedish pathologist, observed spikes in breast cancer, but her findings were even worse than that: the tumors were larger and more numerous than usual, grew “more aggressively and faster,” and occurred more frequently among younger patients than is usually the case. She also encountered a number of breast cancer recurrences among patients who had been considered cured. Yet when Krüger presented her findings at a pathology conference in 2021, few of the attendees were interested in helping her look further into the disturbing facts.

Why? Most likely, because her colleagues knew that Pfizer, like other major pharmaceutical companies, was in bed with its purported regulators at the FDA, and that the medical establishment was on board with all of it; hence most of the doctors who might be inclined to question the establishment’s messaging about the virus and the so-called vaccines didn’t dare do so for fear of career backlash and outright demonization. Witness the fury directed at the distinguished Stanford physician Jay Bhattacharya and his fellow signers of the Great Barrington Declaration, which courageously criticized Fauci’s severe lockdown measures and spoke up for the efficacy of “herd immunity.”

In any event, one thing is clear now: “Pfizer knew by November 2020 that its mRNA Covid vaccine was neither safe nor effective.” In early 2021, Pfizer found “significant harms and deaths” among those who got the jab. But instead of protecting the public from it, Pfizer played with the statistics: “investigators used very small numbers to determine that efficacy was high. Then they ignored the same small numbers to determine safety, which included dismissal of adverse effects that occurred within a short time after doses. The methods that were good enough for efficacy were suddenly not good enough for safety.” In short, “investigators used a test for efficacy that they knew was not valid.”

The FDA was aware to at least some extent of the jab’s adverse effects. But the researchers for *The Pfizer Papers* found no

evidence that the FDA did anything about them. It certainly didn’t tell the public. Pfizer, for its part, appears to have hidden 97% of the jab’s negative outcomes, categorizing some deaths as “non-serious” and radically downplaying the mortality figures for fetuses and infants. Pfizer’s habitual delays in reporting on injection-related deaths, meanwhile, led the FDA to overstate the jab’s safety. In short, the FDA approval of the Pfizer shot was awarded partly in spite of things the FDA knew about its dangers and partly because it had been given “inaccurate data” by Pfizer.

Which leaves one question: why did Pfizer and the FDA deceive the public? *The Pfizer Papers* deliberately confines itself to the known scientific facts, and consequently doesn’t speculate about motives. But in a recent podcast interview, Wolf shared some of her thoughts on the subject. To her, the Pfizer injection was part of a deliberate assault on world health, and especially on the ability of women to reproduce. In short, the jab’s failings don’t seem to have been caused by a pharmaceutical establishment that speeded up formulation, testing, and production because it was desperate to save lives; it seems, rather, that Pfizer was out to do damage – to do damage, in particular, to the reproductive system, and to babies. As my friend Peter “Fjordman” Jensen” put it on Facebook, reading this book is like perusing Dr. Mengele’s diaries.

But why would Pfizer want to do damage? Wolf’s personal hypothesis is that Pfizer, and perhaps the other producers of mRNA injections for COVID (her book about Moderna is coming out in April), was engaged with the Chinese Communist Party – and, presumably, with key figures in the Western Deep State and legacy media – in a deliberate scheme to depopulate the planet while eroding Western freedoms with an eye to nurturing a Marxist orthodoxy with a “compliant, fearful workforce.” (Wolf notes that China and Australia both established concentration camps for those who refused to get the jab – and that New York governor Kathy Hochul was eager to do so as well, but was blocked by opponents.)

Is Wolf right about Pfizer’s and the FDA’s motives? The whole business is profoundly sobering – indeed, terrifying – to contemplate. And it’s perfectly consistent with the objectives of the World Economic Forum and its toadies around the globe, who give every indication of longing for the good old days of serfdom. Until the last few years, when the Deep State in Washington, D.C., went to colossal extremes in its efforts to destroy Donald Trump, cripple his administration, and steal the 2020 election, a nefarious plot on such a scale would have seemed like a paranoid fantasy. In 2024, however, it’s not really all that hard to believe that the powers that be at Pfizer and the FDA, far from being our friends and saviors, are, not to put too fine a point on it, utterly inhuman merchants of sheer, unvarnished evil.

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Cooper providing insight and design ideas and Dornaus and Dixon handling engineering and manufacturing. The prototype pistol from this effort, based on a beefed up and redesigned CZ-75 was called the Combat Service Pistol (CSP) 80. One thing led to another, and before long the new pistol was deemed the Bren Ten and the cartridge the 10mm Auto. The pair manufactured the pistols from 1983 to 1986, but rush-to-market quality issues doomed the effort.

FBI

After the infamous 1986 Miami Shootout, the FBI embarked on a search for a more powerful handgun alternative that would penetrate more consistently to incapacitation depth.

After lots of bickering and testing, the agency standardized on the 10mm in 1989. Sort of. The final ammo product was issued to Special Agents carrying the Smith & Wesson 1076 pistol. The 10mm Fed affair didn't last long as the recoil was a bit stiff and the pistol size too large to meet the agency objective of standardizing on a single handgun for everyone. Oh, and the 10mm ammo was more like a 10mm minus. The FBI wanted

the cartridges downloaded to fire a 180-grain bullet at 950 feet per second instead of the full 10mm velocity spec.

Before too long, someone noticed that a downloaded 10mm case had extra interior space for rent and the shorter .40 S&W was born.



A family of Sig Sauer V-Crowns, left to right: 9mm 124-grain, .40 S&W 180-grain, 10mm 180-grain, .45 ACP 230-grain.



Left to right: Sig Sauer 180-grain FMJ, Sig Sauer 180-grain V-Crown, and Doubletap 200-grain hardcast.

The rest is history. We should note that the movement to .40 S&W wasn't entirely because of recoil. The longer 10mm case requires a larger pistol, and those with smaller hands had trouble reaching the trigger with proper leverage to fire in double action mode.

Reloading

Reloading for the 10mm is easy. Reloading for the 10mm is a royal pain in the @ss. It's easy because both cases and bullets are large and easy to handle. There are plenty of projectile options in .40 caliber, so it's easy to find components. Reloading is a royal pain because the brass is so similar to .40 S&W. Actually, it's virtually identical except for the length. Try sorting through a pile of mixed range pickups and see how much fun it is to find the 10mm cases.

Size

The 10mm shares bullet and case diameter with the .40 S&W. Both use a .400-inch diameter projectile. The case is also nearly identical with the exception of length. The 10mm parent case is a .30 Remington while the .40 S&W parent case is a... 10mm. No big surprise there. Both have diameters that start at .425 inches at the base and narrow to .423 inches at the case mouth. The big difference is that the 10mm case is .992 inches long while the

.40 S&W empty case measures .850 inches. When loaded with a projectile, those figures translate to maximum overall cartridge lengths of 1.250 inches for 10mm and 1.135 inches for .40 S&W. It doesn't sound like much, but when you're trying to design a pistol grip [that] fits all hand sizes, that extra distance required makes things tricky.

Is it Better Than...?

Guess what? Whether it's better than 9mm, .40 S&W, 45 ACP, .357 Sig, or .38 Super is irrelevant. It would be a boring world, indeed if we were all limited to the one "best" choice. How utterly miserable life would be if we only had one type of pickup truck, lawn tractor, 80s band, or Chia Pet character? Do you like it? Does it do the job you want it to? If so, go for it.

(Editor/GG: Not a big Glock fan, but the easiest way to get into the wonderful world of 10mm is probably the Glock 20. Ammo wise, Underwood and Buffalo Bore make some screaming rounds. Make sure to try some hardcast loads, when they hit a steel target it is all business. Custer County Supply in Westcliffe can hook you up with all you need.)

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