

CCSD Graduates of 2017



Custer County High School Graduates of 2017.

by George Gramlich

It was a great graduation weekend for our Custer County Central School graduating class with a beautiful graduation ceremony, various graduation parties and an exceptional Baccalaureate Service.

Please see the center fold for pictures of each graduating senior.

Congratulations to our seniors. We wish them a bright and meaningful future!

Listed are the scholarship recipients and the scholarships each student received. "There

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Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ
Philippians 1:6 NKJV

Human Trafficking U.S.A.

Sheriff Byerly: "To say it simply does not happen would be naive..."

by Fred Hernandez

She is a cute girl between the ages of twelve and seventeen. A typical American teenager who loves pop music (maybe even

only abroad; in the Sudan, Russia, Central America or China you say. Right? You would be dead wrong. Human trafficking is here, alive and well in the United States of America. In New

age of twenty-five and, in some cases, a little older. Because of that, teenagers are unable to readily recognize the dangers they place themselves in when they enter these websites. They freely give their information, sometimes even intimate, and place themselves in grave danger for victimization. In the meantime, the predators may not even be in the same state. They could be sitting miles away trolling the sites from the comfort of their couch seeking their next victim. These depraved criminals have their evil business down to a science. They visit the sites and disguise themselves as normal and friendly people as they search for and identify their next victim; what do

"From January 2012 to December 2016 there have been 412 cases of Human Trafficking (HT) and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) in the State of Colorado."

Rap), fast food, pizza and hanging out with her peers. She is not the most beautiful girl in the world but she has a smile that brightens up your day. She can be really funny and you love her dearly. She is your daughter, your sister, your niece or your granddaughter. She is family. So, what would you do if someone came into your home and invited her out to show her a good time, to buy her presents, take her to shows and win her over? Slowly but surely he takes control of her and before too long she is a victim of human trafficking. You would not let them into your home, you say. And besides, human trafficking is something that happens

York, Texas, California and right here in our very own Colorado. In fact, its far-reaching tentacles are in your town and right there in your home. Ninety-five percent (95%) of all teens in the U.S.A. between the

"Since 2012, 416 children have been recovered in Colorado; 123 last year alone."

ages of 12-17 are active online. Most of them with little or no supervision. They are on social media of all types; Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat and dozens of other websites. Human being's brains are not fully developed until the

they like, what don't they like, do they have problems at home, or problems in school, what are their dreams, their hopes, their fantasies? Once identified

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Photo by Jack Christensen

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Republicans to BOCC: "Shape Up!" See Page 24 for THE Letter

School District Awarded BEST Grant

by Larry Luikart

The Custer County C-1 School District has been awarded a *Building Excellent Schools Today* (BEST) Grant. Superintendent Mark Payler announced the final results of the application process on Friday, May 19, 2017.

The BEST Grant has a total value of \$11,857,222.

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Independence Day Parade!

Tuesday July 4th at 10 a.m.

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Entry applications are available at the Sentinel (601 Main Street, Westcliffe), and the Westcliffe and Silver Cliff Town Halls.

The application and the \$5 entry fee must be turned into the Sentinel by June 27th. Call (719) 783-3360 for more info.

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were over \$300,000 in local/state scholarships," noted School Counselor and Coach Troy Bomgardner.

2017 Scholarship Winners

Serenity Ham

Stana Adler Memorial Scholarship
Hope Peckham Memorial Scholarship
Thomas Carr Memorial Award
Custer County Faculty-Staff Scholarship
Lighthouse Pregnancy Center Scholarship
Custer County Medical Foundation Scholarship
Custer County PTSO Scholarship
Custer County Alumni Scholarship
John and Mary Dilley Memorial Scholarship

Hannah Moulton

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Herman Neiges Memorial Scholarship
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Kristen Benoit

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Kaylee Chase

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Custer County Medical Foundation Scholarship
Custer County Alumni Scholarship

JT Taylor

The Daniels Scholarship
Ann and James Huffman Scholarship
Lighthouse Pregnancy Center Scholarship
Custer County FFA Scholarship

Athena Wisecup

Chet Haga Memorial Scholarship
Cliff Lanes/Ranchers Roost Scholarship
Custer County Faculty-Staff Scholarship

Cody Young

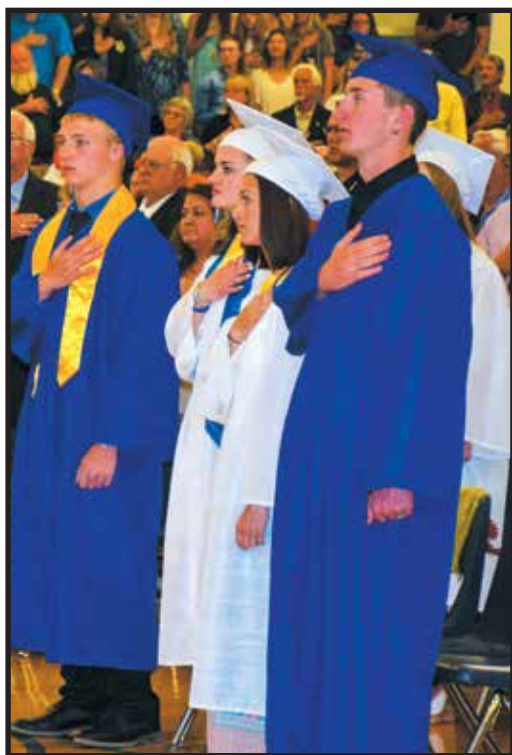
Lighthouse Pregnancy Center Scholarship
Richard and Iris Wilson Memorial Scholarship
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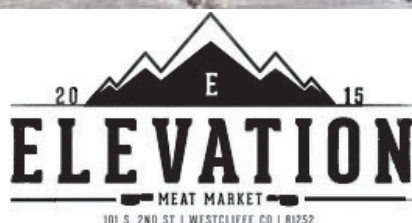
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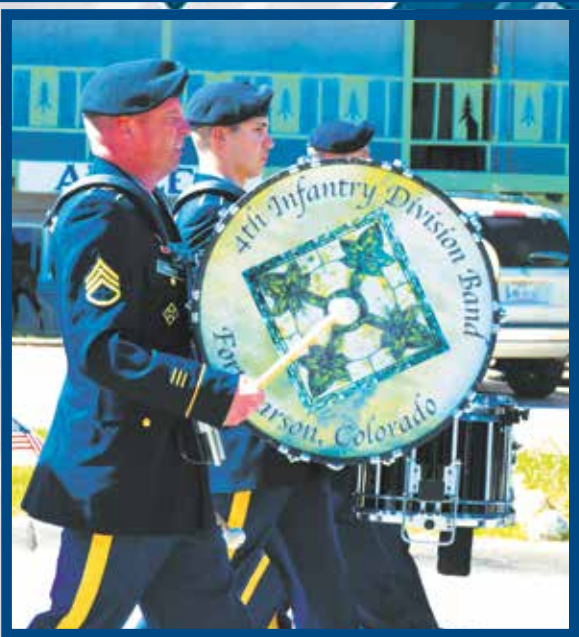
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Memorial Day Weekend Parade

A special thanks to all who participated in the Memorial Weekend Parade. We have many wonderful photos to share with our readers — too many to share here. We'll continue to publish them this month. Clockwise From top left; American Legion Honor Guard from Post # 170, Grand Marshal and WWII veteran Forrest Gompf, Fort Carson Mounted Honor Guard, Fort Carson 4th Infantry Band, First Baptist Church float and a drummer from Fort Carson 4th Infantry Band.

Photos by Jenn Russ, Carol Clemensen, and Sentinel Staff.



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Small Acreage Management Workshop

Press Release

The Custer County Conservation District will host a workshop with ideas on best management practices for landowners of properties under 100 acres. The Small Acreage Management workshop will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday, June 9th at the Custer County Schools Cafeteria, 709 Main Street, Westcliffe.

The workshop will feature presentations on pasture and grazing management, wild-

life issues, weed identification and control, and property inventories. Presenters will be from CSU Extension, Colorado Department of Parks and Wildlife, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

To register, please email custercountycd@gmail.com. If you have questions call 719-783-2481, Ext. 100. The workshop is free and includes materials and lunch, but donations will gladly be accepted. Please register by Monday, June 5th to guarantee materials and a lunch.

Liberty Rocks Robin Young Speaks

by Jackie Bubis

About forty locals turned out for the May meeting of Liberty Rocks. The guest speaker was Robin Young who gave an overview of her time as Custer County Extension Agent. This included a number of her favorite programs in addition to 4-H. She talked about the weed program and the great times she had with weed tours and working with ranchers to benefit their land. She mentioned many

of the areas she expanded during her tenure in Custer County.

And she expressed her great appreciation for all the support she's been shown since her removal as the Custer County extension agent.

She took questions from the audience and while she shared the pain the last few months have brought, she is looking forward to a new adventure in Archuleta County. She expressed her regrets that the Board

of County Commissioners never approached her to work out any issues that they had with her work performance.

About halfway through the evening, former 4-H Coordinator Carlan Cardenas tried to sneak into the room to support her former boss. She got rousing applause of support as well.

After the presentation, there was lively discussion surrounding citizens' options for recourse for a BOCC run amok.

Retirement Celebration



Elementary/Middle School Principal Holly Anderson and PE/Woodshop Teacher and Coach Bruce May retire from Custer County School District 1.

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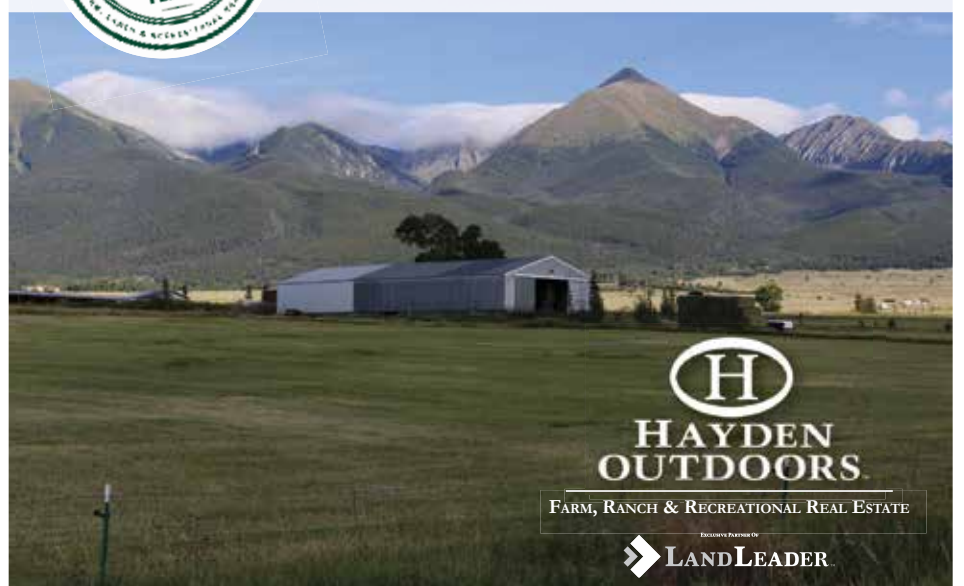
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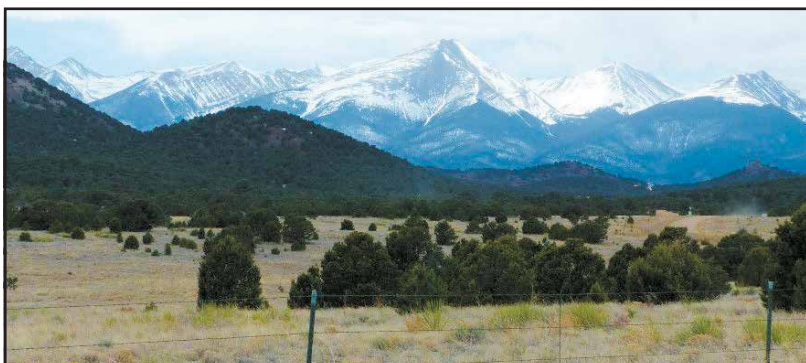
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Photos by George Gramlich



Florence Pioneer Museum Open for Summer

The Florence Pioneer Museum is now open for the summer season, Tuesday-Friday, 1 - 4 p.m.

and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

There are new displays: the parlor, cars, toys, our upstairs with a new Coal Creek pioneers display. We are selling books: "King Coal" \$12, "Boomtown" \$7, a pioneer cookbook \$2 and a deck of Florence playing cards--\$10

a deck, our historical maps of Fremont County \$10 and a map of Florence of the 1800's for \$5.

We have re-dedicated two rooms to our founders: The Braden/Griffith Room to the men who made the building possible in the late 1800's and The Price/Lind-

sey Room who made the museum possible in 1964. The Price/Lindsey Room has new insulation, ceiling and lights. The Museum has a new self-guided tour book and new stands of notebooks for more information on each display. A \$3 donation/admission is



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Club America is seeking interested parties who wish to take a Water Safety/Basic Swim Instructor Course. This course is 32 hours in length. A person needs to be at least 16 years old by the last day of class. To qualify, swimmers pass Learn to Swim Level 4 skill sets. A fee is involved.

To learn more about aquatic programs and/or classes, leave your contact information for Lisa at the club. Register for swim classes at Club America at 50 E. Main St., Silver Cliff. Call 783.0750 with questions.

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awarded. Colorado finally settled on \$6,467,146 which increased the local funding to \$5,390,067.

Superintendent Payler indicated these numbers are preliminary, representing the results of the BEST Grant process. The School Board must meet to determine if they wish to proceed with the BEST Grant. The Board needs to study the options before they can make a decision. Along with the Board studying the results, Mr. Payler indicated there may be some viable ways to reduce the total amount of money needed for the projects in the current plan. There are always ways to cut the proposed plan resulting in reduced costs. However, time limits require decisions to proceed rapidly.

A BEST Grant is primarily an infrastructure or capital improvement / repair grant. The current Custer County C-1 School District physical plant is in dire need of repair / improvement. This grant will allow the District to improve the physical plant, bring the infrastructure up to date and make needed improvements to meet the increasing requirements of a digital world.

The 360 Energy Engineers did a technical analysis which resulted in the proposal submitted to the BEST Grant Committee. Their analysis covered HVAC, electrical, plumbing, roofing and in these dangerous and uncertain times - security and safety for the students, teachers and staff.

The first step in this process was getting approval for the BEST Grant. The funds allocated by Colorado will not be held in reserve indefinitely. If Custer County C-1 cannot fund its portion of this BEST Grant the state will award the money to another applicant. The next few months will be critical to the success or failure of using the allocated State money for our School District.

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The Indy 500

The Indy 500 is an automobile race held every year at the Indianapolis Speedway in Speedway, Indiana. It is typically held on the last weekend in May or Memorial weekend. The speedway complex was built in 1909 and hosted small events. In 1909, breakup of the asphalt led to two fatal accidents in the first two long-distance events. Carl G. Fisher, the principal owner, decided to spend \$155,000 to repave the track with 3.2 million bricks. During the 1910 Decoration Day weekend, as it was known then, 60,000 spectators showed up. However, crowds dwindled during the rest of the season. So the decision was made by the owners to focus on one spectacular race. After much discussion they decided on a 500 mile race with a purse of US \$25,000 equivalent to 37.615 kilograms (82.93 lb.) of pure gold. This allowed the speedway to acquire a privileged status for automobile races.

The inaugural run of the Indianapolis 500 was held on May 30, 1911, with a field of 40 drivers and drew a crowd of 80,000. Ray Harroun was the winner of that race. He was also the first driver to use a rearview mirror, instead of a ride-along mechanic to spot cars behind him. That made his one-man vehicle lighter and helped him to cross the finish line first at an average speed of 74.6 miles per hour.

The 1916 Indy 500 was purposely shortened to only 300 miles due to owners worrying about spectator boredom. The race was then canceled for two years during World War I and returned in 1919 as a 500 mile race again.

In 1936, racer Louis Meyer became the first three-time winner. In celebration, he guzzled down his favorite drink, a bottle of chilled buttermilk. An executive from the milk industry saw a picture of that and arranged to have future winners repeat it and that is how milk became the mainstay in the Indy 500 victory lane. In 1993, Brazilian driver Emerson Fittipaldi chose to drink orange juice instead and he was booed by the spectators.

The Indy 500 carries the reputation as one of the deadliest races in motorsports. The speeds average in excess of 180 mph. The first fatality was a riding mechanic in the inaugural race in 1911. Since then, some 60 drivers, mechanics and spectators have died as a result of on-track accidents and debris.

On, Sunday May 28, 2017, Takumo Sato was the winner of the 101st running of the Indy 500.

by Audrey Slater, Sources: history.com, Wikipedia.org

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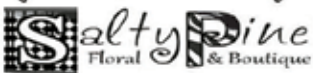
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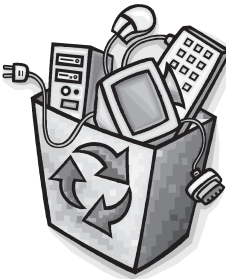


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Throughout her career internationally acclaimed roots/blues/ Americana singer songwriter Kelley Hunt has performed all over the world and all over Colorado, three times at the Telluride Blues and Brews Festival and more. On Saturday, June 3rd, Hunt brings an all-star touring band to A Painted View Ranch, 3115 CR 160, in Westcliffe for a concert event and silent auction to benefit Club America WMV - a community owned and operated nonprofit aquatics and fitness center serving the residents and visitors of Custer County Colorado. Showtime is 7 p.m. and doors open at 6 p.m.

There will be food and adult beverages for sale, a big dance floor and a silent auction. Individual General Admission tickets start at \$20 and reserved seats and complete tables may also be purchased. Admission to a special 5 p.m. Meet and Greet Cocktail Hour with the artist is also available. Get tickets online at www.clubamericawmv.org or

<https://custer2020.thundertix.com/events/98823>.

All proceeds support the many facilities and services Club America WMV provides to all Custer County residents. Club America provides Custer County a heated indoor pool, fully equipped weight room, group exercise studio, functional training area, sauna and cardio equipment with an emphasis on classes and lessons for all ages. Many are served by discounted memberships and all 6th graders receive a free membership for the school year. There are free swim lessons for all 4th, 5th and 6th graders each year as well as an activity-based after school program for pre-school and elementary school children. Proceeds from this benefit concert and fundraising effort will go to support these programs, and to help pay for upgrades to the facility's pool - a new pool deck surface, a new handicapped pool lift, new energy saving pool covers. Club America receives its operating funds from membership and user fees (50%), grant funding

(25 %) and fundraising (25%). This year Club America WMV hopes to raise most of its needed fundraising income from this single event, so supporting this concert is critical to it's mission to teach all Custer County kids to swim and provide a safe, energy-efficient indoor pool for the community.

Hunt's music is a gumbo of roots music styles influenced by blues, roots R&B, gospel, soul, the piano vernaculars of Kansas City, St. Louis and New Orleans - all framed by her unique identity as a songwriter, crossing roots boundaries and at times taking on social and political issues. Her career comprises six releases, a long list of appearances on some of the most significant roots/blues and pan-genre festival stages in North America and Europe, six appearances on American Public Media's award-winning nationally syndicated weekly radio show "A Prairie Home Companion", song placements in major studio and indie feature films and much more.

SILVER CLIFF /WESTCLIFFE

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS

SATURDAY, June 3rd, 2017

7:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

**To ensure pick up please have items out by 7:30 a.m.
We only go through town once.**

ITEMS TO BE PICKED UP AS FOLLOWS:

1. TIRES, separated from rims
2. BATTERIES, IF NOT CRACKED
3. BRUSH AND LIMBS (BUNDLED AND TIED)
4. METAL APPLIANCES & SCRAP METAL
5. MISCELLANEOUS

NO CONSTRUCTION TRASH!
NO LIQUIDS OR HAZARDOUS WASTE
NO HOUSEHOLD TRASH

PLEASE KEEP THE VARIOUS ITEMS SEPARATED
Electronics can be taken to the Dome parking lot and paid for there. See adjoining ad.

All trash items must be bagged. All trash and listed items must be located on the street in front of your home/property.

APPLIANCE & CHARGEABLE ITEM
PICK UPS MUST BE SCHEDULED PRIOR TO PICK UP.

TO HAVE AN APPLIANCE PICKED UP, TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP CLEAN UP OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

SILVER CLIFF: ILEEN SQUIRE AT 783-2615
WESTCLIFFE: KATHY REIS AT 783-2282

Local Mountain News & Notices

Events Calendar

Friday and Saturday, June 2 and 3 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, June 4 at 2 p.m.
“Going in Style”
Comedy | Crime | PG-13
The JONES THEATER \$\$
119 Main St. Westcliffe

Saturday, June 3, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Hardscrabble Mountain Trail Run
San Isabel Land Protection Trust
Bear Basin Ranch, 473 CR 271

Saturday, June 3, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Club America Sneaker Ball
With Kelley Hunt in concert - a benefit
At a Painted View Ranch \$\$ 3115 CR 160

Sunday, June 4, 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Jackpot Barrel Race Buckle Series
Saddle Club - 90 CR 241

Sunday June 4, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Summer in the Park - James Lee Stanley
At the Feed Store, 116 N. 2nd St

Sunday, June 4, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Southern Colorado Community Band
At the Roundwood Pavilion in Hermit Park
Westcliffe FREE

Monday June 5, 5:30 p.m.
Silver Cliff Town Meeting
Silver Cliff Town Hall
612 E. Main St., Silver Cliff

Tuesday June 6, 4:30 p.m.
Board of Education Meeting
School Library

Tuesday June 6, 5:30 p.m.
Westcliffe Town Board Meeting
Westcliffe Town Hall, 305 Main St., Westcliffe

Wednesday, June 7, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
WCPA -A Taste of Shakespeare
The JONES THEATER \$\$
119 Main St., Westcliffe

Thursday June 8, 9 a.m.
BOCC Meeting All Day
Commissioners Boardroom

Friday, June 9, 10 a.m.
Library Board Meeting
West Custer Library Community Room
209 Main St., Westcliffe

Friday, June 9, 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Custer County Historical and Genealogical Society Summer Speaker Series:
Gary Ziegler, History of Bear Basin and the Ute Indian Sacred Grounds
Library Community Room , 209 Main St. FREE

Friday, June 9, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Henna Tattoo Class
At The West Custer County Library

Friday and Saturday, June 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, June 11 at 2 p.m.
“Baywatch”
Action | Comedy | Drama | R
The JONES THEATER \$\$
119 Main St. Westcliffe

Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Sunday, June 11, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Tractor Pull - Arkansas Valley Wheelers
Silver Cliff Town Park \$\$

Sunday, June 11, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Sangre de Cristo Community Band
At the Westcliffe Feed Store
116 N. 2nd St. Westcliffe FREE

Recurring Events

Monday
6 -7 p.m. Closed Step Study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe.
Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emily at (719) 371-5974.

3rd Monday
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Writers group at the Library. If you write or would like to start writing, please join us in the Community Room for peer editing, feedback, ideas, comradery, and more.

Tuesday
12 – 4:30 p.m. Bridge Club meets in the Library Community Room in downtown Westcliffe.
6 p.m. Bible Study at Wild West Cowboy Church. Call 719-783-2676.

1st Tuesday of the Month
4:15 p.m. at 615 Rosita Avenue. Custer County Republican Central Committee meeting. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. See www.CusterGOP.com or Facebook page at https://m.facebook.com/custergop.

6:30 p.m. at Cliff Lanes
American Legion Post 170 monthly meeting.

6:45 p.m. Post 170 Auxiliary monthly meeting (March – October) at the Saddle Club.

Wednesday
9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Line dancers meet at the Methodist Church. Call Clem at (303) 909-7370.

6-7 p.m. Closed Big Book Study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emily at (719) 371-5974.

6:30 p.m. Men’s and Women’s Bible Study. First Baptist Church of Westcliffe Call 719-783-2498.

6:30 - 8 p.m. Custer County Community Band practice in the band room at the high school.

2nd and 4th Wednesdays
3 p.m. Scrabble Group West Custer County Library.

Last Wednesday of the Month
11 a.m. Book Club meeting at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.

Thursdays
Second Thursday of the Month
10 a.m. – 11 a.m. “Ask a Nurse” at the library.

Friday
6 -7 p.m. Open Discussion Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emily at (719) 371-5974.

7 -8 p.m. Bible Talks with Domenic Enrietta and John Hartig. At the Library Community Room. All welcome. No charge.

Third Friday of the Month
Camp Happiness for 0-6 yrs old. 1-2:20 p.m. at West Custer Library.

Saturday
10 a.m. Wet Mountain AI-Anon Family Group meets at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Dee (719) 404-1851 or Jean (719) 371-1229.

2 p.m. Laughter Yoga at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.

3 p.m. Open Drum Circle at the West Custer County Library. All ages welcome! If you have a drum, please bring it. We have a few spares.

3rd Saturday of Month
9 a.m. VFW meeting at Cliff Lanes Conference Room for more info call Commander Randy Knight 783-9340.



Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were **240** calls for service to the Sheriff’s Office, **23** to EMS, and **8** to the Fire Department. As of May 29th, there were 8 males and no females in the county jail.

Between 5/18/17 and 5/29/17 there were the following calls for service:

5/18/17:
Traffic Summons: Shan Moore of Sapulpa, OK, for speeding 20 - 24 over.

5/19/17:
Traffic Summons: Sam Deatherage of Cotopaxi was issued a summons for driving a vehicle with a license under restraint (denied) and displaying fictitious license plates.

Booze Withdrawal: EMS and a Sheriff’s deputy were dispatched to Lea Lane in Westcliffe for an individual suffering from symptoms of alcohol withdrawal. The patient was transported to Parkview Hospital in Pueblo.

5/20/17:
Traffic Summons: Ariana Jopling of Plano, TX, for speeding 20 - 24 over.

Annette Bray of Golden, CO, for speeding 20 - 24 over.

Philip Baker of Parker, CO, for speeding 10 - 19 over.

Assault: A deputy was dispatched to CR 395 in Wetmore in response to a report of a female who was assaulted, made to get out of a vehicle, and left behind. EMS was dispatched to the scene and the victim was transported to a hospital in Cañon City.

5/21/17:
ATV Accident: EMS and a Sheriff’s deputy were dispatched to CR 130 for a male suffering from injuries from a three-wheeler ATV accident. The patient was transported to a hospital in Pueblo.

Jail Seizure: EMS was dispatched to the Sheriff’s Office for a detainee presenting signs of seizure. The Wet Mountain Fire Department was dispatched to establish a landing zone for Flight for Life. The patient was airlifted to a hospital in Pueblo.

5/22/17:
Assault Arrests: Two deputies were dispatched to Elk Lane in Lake DeWeese for an assault in progress. Trenton McEwen of Westcliffe was arrested for menacing, assault in the third degree, prohibited use of weapons, and reckless endangerment. Lloyd McEwen of Westcliffe was arrested for assault in the third degree and criminal mischief.

5/23/17:
Traffic Summons: Aaron Janachovsky of Brighton, CO, for speeding 20 - 24 over.

Domestic Violence Arrest: A deputy was dispatched to Main Street in Silver Cliff to meet a female victim of a reported assault. Patrick Dodge of Silver Cliff was arrested for domestic violence, third degree assault, child abuse, harassment, and criminal mischief.

DUI/Drug Arrest: EMS, the Wet Mountain Fire Department, and a Sheriff’s deputy were dispatched to a single vehicle rollover accident on CR 341 and Highway 96. EMS processed a refusal to transport. Neil Smith of Westminster, CO, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs or both, unlawful possession of a Schedule IV controlled substance, and careless driving.

5/24/17:
Traffic Summons: Forrest Gompf of Westcliffe for speeding 10 - 19 over.

Lake DeWeese Felonies: A deputy responded to the Lake DeWeese area, and is investigating felony trespass and felony criminal mischief.

Bad Dawg and Owner: A deputy responded to Butler Street on a report of a dog bite. Ardith Stewart of Silver Cliff was issued a summons for unlawful ownership of a dangerous dog.

5/25/17:
Possible Child Abuse: A deputy is investigating child abuse on Kildare

SHERIFF
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THE CUSTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS OPENINGS FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS AT ALL LEVELS

Applications are available at the administration office Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. or please visit the district’s webpage at <http://www.custercountyschools.org/#!employment/c17c>; scroll down to the section marked “Applications” to download and complete the “Substitute Application”. Applicants will need to be licensed through the Colorado Department of Education. For more information, please contact Kathy Schickling at (719)783-4950.

In compliance with Titles VI & VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, and Colorado law, Custer County School District C-1 does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, age, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, disability or need for special education services in admissions, access to, treatment or employment in educational programs or activities which it operates. Complaint procedures have been established for students, parents, employees and members of the public. The following person(s) have been identified as the compliance officer for the district: Secondary Principal, 709 Main Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252. (719)783-2291

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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Custer County
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Workshop

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 & WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 2017

ALL DAY

Commissioners traveling to and back from Keystone together for CCI Summer Conference – No business will be conducted.

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Custer County
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Tentative Agenda

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2017

9:00 AM

Meeting Location:
County Courthouse /Commissioners Room

- Call Meeting to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Amend Agenda
Audience Introduction
Public Comment
Approval of Minutes
Commissioner Items
Attorney Items
Executive Session
New/Old Business
Staff Reports:
- Airport
 - Veterans
 - Human Services
 - Road & Bridge
 - Landfill/Recycle
 - HR/Finance
 - Treasure
 - Public Health
 - Planning & Zoning
 - OEM

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Custer County Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on June 7, 2017 at 1:30 P.M. Custer County Courtroom. The following will be considered.

1. Hearing for Westcliffe Supply Company LLC / Special Use Permit, 228 County Road 251, Custer County Colorado.
2. Presentation for Choate storage /Special Use Permit, 1400 County Road 243.

The agenda is posted on the bulletin board located in the hall of the Custer County Courthouse. Copies of the agenda are available in the Custer County Planning and Zoning office.

Anyone wishing to comment may do so at the Hearing or by mail to Custer County Planning and Zoning office, P.O. Box 203 Westcliffe CO 81252; by fax 719-783-9907 or by e-mail Jackie@custercountygov.com

Ordered published by
Vic Barnes, Chairman
Custer County Planning Commission

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COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 10-16

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

On February 28, 2017, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Custer records.

Original Grantor(s) Sean L Halverson and Heidi Halverson
Original Beneficiary(ies) Mortgage Electronic Registration
 Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee
 for Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba
 Veterans United Home Loans

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	Pingora Loan Servicing, LLC
Date of Deed of Trust	April 11, 2014
County of Recording	Custer
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	April 17, 2014
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	223124 Book: 736 Page: 47
Original Principal Amount	\$193,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	\$187,336.84

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Also known by street and number as: 1931 Keepsake Loop, Westcliffe, CO 81252.

THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 06/28/2017, at the office of the Custer County Public Trustee, 205 South 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)’ heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys’ fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;

IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.

Colorado Attorney General 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov	Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 Iowa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372 www.consumerfinance.gov
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DATE: 02/28/2017
Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado

The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

Weldon P. Phillips Jr., Esq. #31827
Barrett, Frappier & Weisserman. LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711
Attorney File # 3850.100274.F01

The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF WESTCLIFFE, COUNTY OF CUSTER, STATE OF COLORADO AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF CUSTER, STATE OF COLORADO, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOT 165, CORRECTION PLAT FOR ROSITA HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. 2, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, CUSTER COUNTY, COLORADO.

TOGETHER WITH ALL WATER AND WATER RIGHTS APPORTIONED TO APPURTENANT TO AND USED ON THE LAND OWNED BY THE SELLER/GRANTOR, IN ANY. TO INCLUDE WATER WELL PERMIT NUMBER 235579.

TOGETHER WITH ALL MINERAL AND MINERAL RIGHTS APPORTIONED TO, APPURTENANT TO AND USED ON THE LAND OWNED BY THE SELLER/GRANTOR, IF ANY.

SUBJECT TO GENERAL TAXES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2007 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS, DISTRIBUTION, UTILITY EASEMENTS, RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES NOT SHOWN BY THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WHICH GRANTEE HAS ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE, INCLUSION OF THE PROPERTY WITHIN ANY SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT, DECLARATIONS AND PARTY WALL AGREEMENTS, AND EASEMENTS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, RESERVATIONS, MINERAL RIGHTS NOT OWNED BY GRANTOR AND GRAZING LEASES OF RECORD.

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Transparency

For Financial
Transparency
information for
Custer County
School District
C-1, please see
link at custercountyschools.org.

The sacrifices of God
are a broken spirit,
A broken and contrite heart-
These, O God, You will not despise.

Psalm 51:17 NKJV



Custer County High Commencement

Class Motto:

“We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we’re curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.”



Hannah Drew Moulton
Class President
& Co-Valedictorian



Kristen Susan Benoit
Class Secretary



Latisha Ann
Class Treasurer



Steven Anthony Bonilla



Jedidiah Daniel Brinkley



Kaylee Brianna Chase



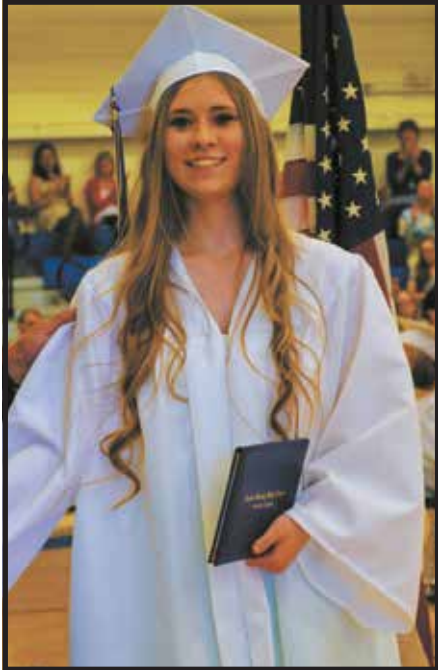
Andrew Peter Feldmann



Bryce Dean Roscoe



Skylor Owen Marie Smith



Brenai Abigail Vidmar



Athena Marie Wisecup

School Class of 2017

May 28, 2017



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Jessy Jaymes Morris
Salutatorian



Serenity Dawn Patsy Ham
Co-Valedictorian

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Burgundy
Gerbera Daisy
Colors
Gold and Burgundy
Song
“My Wish”
by Rascal Flatts
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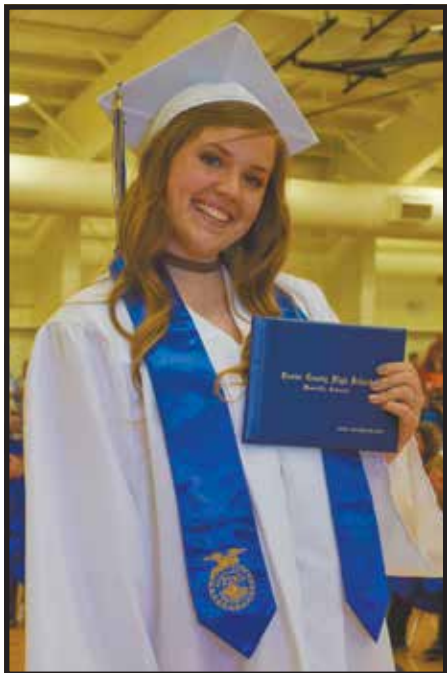
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Ashley Sue Gillum



Tylor William Howdeshell



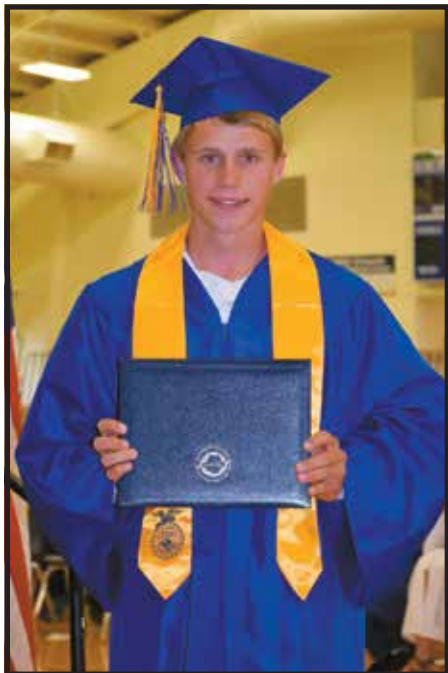
Seani Jayden Millard



Cody Sage Young



Ryan Foster Young



Jerald William Taylor
Receiving
Homeschool Diploma

Daniel Bryce Kennedy
Graduate not
in attendance



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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES



Custer County School District C-1
Regular School Board Meeting: Library – June 6, 2017 – 4:30 pm
Budget Hearing – June 6, 2017 – 6 pm
AGENDA
"For the good of the students of Custer County Schools"

1. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call – Board Attendance
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Correspondence to the Board: Dr. Terre Davis
5. General Public Comment Session Comments will be limited to 3 minutes; Admin Response (If Needed)
6. Bobcat Pride Certificate(s): Mark Payler / Dr. Terre Davis
7. Consent Agenda
 - a. Acceptance: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on May 9, 2017
 - b. Approval: May 11, 2017 as a Snow/Mud Day
8. Reports from Students/Staff
9. District Financial Report – Monthly Overview – Amy Perschbacher
10. Reports from Public: Excellence in Education (Lori Short), Accountability (Shelly Penkoff)
11. Board Committee Reports: Accountability, BOCES, FFA, Legislative, Preschool Advisory Committee
12. Action/Informational Items:
 - a. Approval / Personnel: 2017-18 SY Coaching Staff (attached), Summer Maintenance Help: Madisen Henrich, Nicole Henrich, Billy Berry – Greg Cravens; Resignations: Greg & Rebekah Cravens, Approval: Strategic Plan – SP Master Committee Member Representatives & Board Members
 - b. Approval: Check Vouchers & Financial Reports - Amy Perschbacher
 - c. Approval: Interest Free Loan Program Borrowing Resolution – Amy Pershbacher
 - d. Approval: Worker's Compensation Insurance Renewal - Amy Pershbacher
 - e. Approval: Second Reading – Policy GBGE – Staff Maternity, Paternity, Parental Leave – Mark Payler
 - f. Approval: SCBOCES Operating Agreement Concerning Special Education Programs & Processes – Mark Payler & Dr. Terre Davis
 - g. Approval: IGA – CCSD & CC Public Health Agency (School RN) – Mark Payler
 - h. Informational Item: Teacher Rental Agreement – Mark Payler
 - i. Discussion/Action: Policies GCQA and GCQA-R Board Oversight Committee – Mark Payler
 - j. Discussion: BEST Grant Timeline & Considerations – Mark Payler
 - k. Action: November Election Intent – Amy Perschbacher
 - l. Action: Coaches Handbook – Joy Parrish
 - m. Action: First Reading Policy JICDB - Extracurricular Code of Conduct – Joy Parrish

BUDGET HEARING
6:00 pm – Library
(Regular Meeting will be recessed at 6 pm to conduct the Budget Hearing)
AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call – Board Attendance
 2. Approval of the Agenda
 3. Presentation of the Proposed Budget – Mark Payler & Amy Perschbacher
 4. Public Comment – Must Sign Up to Speak
 5. Approval: Proposed Budget 2017-18 & Appropriation Resolution – Board
 6. Adjournment of Budget Hearing & Return to Regular Board Meeting
13. Principal's Reports:
 - a. Elementary/Middle School: Holly Anderson
 - b. Secondary/AD: Jack Christensen
 14. Superintendent's Report - Mark Payler
 15. Items introduced by Board Members
 16. General Public Comment Session (Comments limited to 3 minutes)
 17. Executive Session: Personnel – Superintendent Quarterly Informal Evaluation, Other Superintendent
 18. Looking Ahead: **No scheduled board meeting in July; Next Regular Board meeting - August 8, 2017**

Notice of General Increase

Sangre de Cristo Electric Association, Inc.
29780 North US Highway 24, P. O. Box 2013, Buena Vista, Colorado 81211

Sangre de Cristo Electric Association proposes to change its tariffs effective July 1, 2017. The changes proposed will result in an overall annual increase of approximately \$710,826 or 3.84% based upon the twelve-month test period ending December 31, 2016. The purpose of these revisions is to recover increased purchased power costs and internal expenses. The proposed changes are listed below.

	Existing Rates	Proposed Rates
<u>GENERAL SERVICE RESIDENTIAL - RATE SCHEDULE NO. 1 – Average Class Increase 3.81%</u>		
Service Availability Charge, per month		
-Single Phase Service	\$ 31.05	\$ 31.83
-Three Phase Service	61.12	62.65
Energy, per kWh per month	0.12400	0.12944

<u>GENERAL SERVICE NONRESIDENTIAL – RATE SCHEDULE NO. 2 – Average Class Increase 4.72%</u>		
Service Availability Charge, per month		
-Single Phase Service	\$ 31.05	\$ 31.83
-Three Phase Service	61.12	62.65
Energy, per kWh per month	0.12486	0.13130

<u>LINE RETENTION RATE – BOARD POLICY C-14</u>		
Single Phase – annually	\$ 160.00	\$ 168.00
Three Phase – annually	288.00	302.00

<u>LARGE POWER SERVICE - RATE SCHEDULE NO. 3 – Average Class Increase 2.84%</u>		
Service Availability Charge, per month	\$ 118.58	\$ 146.99
Demand Charge, per kW per month	31.61	32.87
Energy charge, per kWh per month	0.06419	0.06419

<u>LIGHTING - RATE SCHEDULE NO. 4 – Average Class Increase 5.33%</u>		
Per light per month		
Fixtures previously supported by the Association (not available for new installations)		
100 Watt or equivalent rating, 120 Volt lamp, per light per month	\$ 14.46	\$ 15.23
400 Watt or equivalent rating, 240 Volt lamp, per light per month	34.69	36.55
175 Watt or equivalent rating, 120 Volt lamp for decorative sidewalk lighting, per light per month	17.34	18.27
100 Watt or equivalent rating, 120 Volt lamp for decorative sidewalk lighting, per light per month	15.48	16.31
70 Watt or equivalent, 120 Volt lamp for decorative sidewalk lighting, per light per month	14.31	15.08
175 Watt, 120 Volt mercury vapor lamp, per light per month	14.46	15.23
400 Watt, 240 Volt mercury vapor lamp, per light per month	28.77	30.31
LED Fixtures		
Up to 50 Watt light, per light per month	14.46	15.23
51 to 100 Watt light, per light per month	16.00	16.31
101 to 200 Watt light, per light per month	17.50	18.27
201 to 300 Watt light, per light per month	33.69	35.49

<u>TIME OF USE – RATE SCHEDULE NO. 7* - Average Class Increase 4.87%</u>		
Service Availability Charge, per month		
-Single Phase Service	\$ 34.70	\$ 35.74
-Three Phase Service	61.64	63.49
On Peak energy, per kWh per month	0.19845	0.20948
Off Peak energy, per kWh per month	0.06118	0.06419

<u>LARGE POWER TIME OF USE – RATE SCHEDULE NO. 8* - Average Class Increase 6.54%</u>		
Service Availability Charge, per month	\$ 259.53	200.00
On Peak demand, per kW per month	30.50	32.87
Off Peak demand, per kW per month	4.45	4.45

On Peak energy, per kWh per month	0.05823	0.06419
Off Peak energy, per kWh per month	0.04210	0.05000

*Not available for new installations

<u>ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS – RATE SCHEDULE NO. 9</u>		
Service Availability Charge, per month		
-Single Phase Service	\$31.05	\$31.83
-Three Phase Service	61.12	62.65
Demand Charge	37.52	
On-Peak, per KW		32.87
Off-Peak, per KW		4.45
Energy, per kWh per month	0.08827	0.06419
New off-peak hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 12 midnight to 5 a.m.		

The average class increase for all classes is 3.84 percent.

The proposed and present tariff provisions are available for examination and explanation at the above listed offices of Sangre de Cristo Electric Association. Anyone who desires to comment about the proposed changes may file in writing with Sangre de Cristo Electric Association at P. O. Box 2013, Buena Vista, Colorado 81211.



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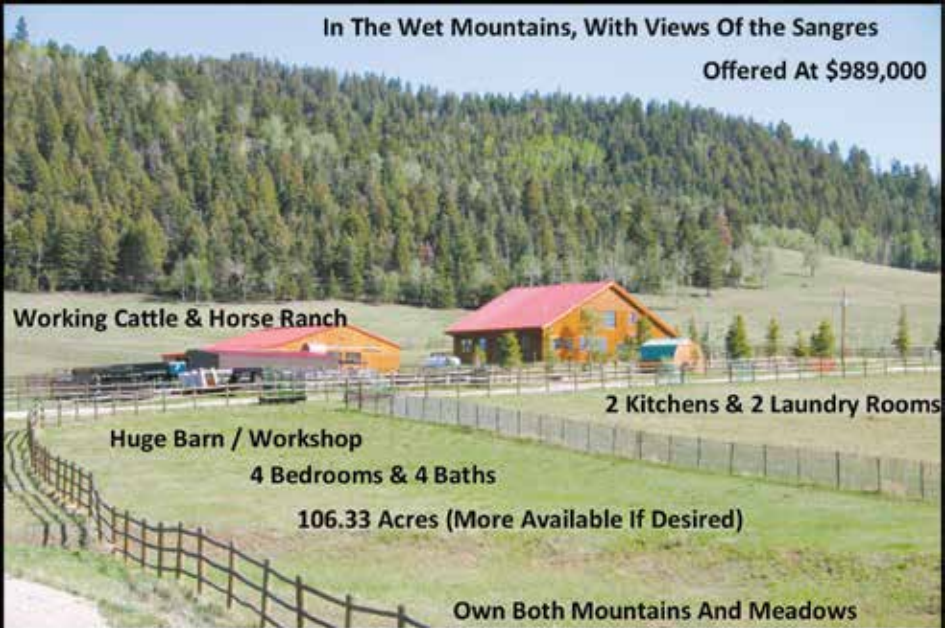
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Events June 2-June 24

- **Kids Camp** will be help for ages 6-12 for kids who have experienced a loss due to death, sponsored by Sangre de Cristo Hospice & Palliative care. For more information or to register, call Debra Weir at 275-1261
- **Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, COG lunch** is served at noon at 100 Railroad St. in Florence. Call 784-6493 before 9:30 a.m. for reservation. Meals cost \$2 for 60 and older and \$6.50 for 59 and younger.
- **Tuesday, Free lunch** is served from **noon-1 p.m.** at Mercy Today Ministries in the back of the First Christian Church at 320 N. 16th St. in Cañon City. For more information, call 276-9242.
- **Tuesday and Thursday, Lunches** are served at **noon at the Penrose Center** at 405 Broadway in Penrose. Everyone is welcome. Meals are \$3 per person. Please call 372-3872 for reservations. Thrift Store is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- **Thursday, Get Your Game On** is offered from **4-5 p.m. in the Penrose Community Library** at 35 Seventh Ave. in Penrose. Board games.
- **First Friday of every month after May 19, Cruise Nights Cañon City Main Street** invites the public to its monthly Cruise Nights from 6-8 p.m. For more information, call 371-3890. Open to all cars and car clubs.
- **Third Saturday of the month, Free lunch** to those in need will be offered from **11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Cañon City First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall** at Ninth and Main Streets.
- **Sundays, VFW Post No. 4061** will serve **break-fast from 7:30-11 a.m.** at 215 Cottonwood Ave. Adults \$7, children 8-12, \$4 and free for children younger than 8. Groups call ahead at 275-9886. The public is welcome.
- **Friends of the Penrose Community Library** hosts its **weekly used book sales** from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. every Wednesday in the shed behind the library at 35 Seventh Ave. in Penrose.

Central Colorado Housing is looking for crafters, food vendors and home party vendors to participate in its third Annual Summer Craft Fair. Booth space is \$40 and one item will be donated to the silent auction. Call Laura Yost at 269-7687, ext. 110 or email her at laura.yost@uaacog.com. The Summer Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. **July 8th** at Veterans Park at 211 S. Third St. in Cañon City.

The Florence Pioneer Museum is open Tuesday-Friday: 1-4:p.m., Saturday: 10 a.m. -3 p.m. There are new displays and new books for sale. The Museum has a new self-guided tour book and new stands of notebooks for more information on each display. A \$3 donation/admission is suggested.

June 3, Bluegrass & BBQ Fundraiser, featuring Grass it Up, will be held from 6-9 p.m. in Penrose Park Pavilion at 401 Fourth Ave. in Penrose. Cost is \$10 per person and includes a BBQ dinner and music. Bring lawn chairs and dancing boots. For tickets, call 372-6017.

June 9-10, Cañon Car Club will host its **Annual Car Show** from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in Centennial Park.

June 17, Odd Fellows will host its **Annual Home-coming with the Flying W Wranglers and Barry Wood** from 5:30-8 p.m. at 1020 N. 15th St. (Friendship House) in Cañon City.

June 23-24, Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival will begin at 1 p.m. June 23 and continue with a plethora of events through 11:15 p.m. June 24. Events include beer garden, food, fun zone, tube races, rafting challenges, music and much more in Centennial Park. Small admission fee will be charged.

June 24-25, Colorado Country Music Association will host its 17th annual statewide talent competition on the third floor of the Gibson Mansion at 907 Greenwood Ave. in Cañon City. For more information, call 372-6280 or check the website at www.coloradocountrymusicassociation.com.

More Evidence Uncovered at Landfill in Penrose

by Barbara Penezic

Once again evidence pertaining to former Fremont County Sheriff’s Detective Robert Dodd has been brought to light.

Thanks to the outstanding work of *Pueblo Chieftain’s* Tracy Harmon, Phantom Canyon Landfill employee Mr. Orton and Cañon City resident Rick Ratzlaff, more evidence was brought to the attention of Richard Wren, the District Attorney investigator.

Landfill employee Mr. Orton, reportedly said he had been instructed by his supervisor to dump the trash and cover it up. Not feeling this was the proper thing to do, Mr. Orton tried but failed to contact the District Attorney. He then called Rick Ratzlaff who then called Tracy Harmon, a *Chieftain* reporter, who was able to photograph the evidence and make contact with the proper authorities.

Harmon’s report in the *Chieftain* said there were “numerous stacks of pa-

perwork, which included un-crime reports...the crime reports were dated 2003 and 2006.”

Harmon said in her report, “*After my friend and I left the landfill, I again called Chilson and she answered her phone. I briefly described what had happened. She immediately said she did not want to hear any more and instead directed me to talk to Richard Wren, the District Attorney investigator....*

Wren contacted me, and my friend and I went to meet with him. Wren called the landfill and asked the workers to not cover any other potential evidence.

After turning over to Wren the items we had collected, he went to the landfill and collected five more videotapes that appear to be linked to other sexual assault investigations, according to Orton.”

Detective Dodd was placed on administrative leave after evidence was found in a storage locker that had been

in his possession was uncovered earlier in the year. Dodd is reported to have collected \$20,000 (give or take) before resigning and moving to Texas last month.

The evidence in the storage locker is connected to a homicide of Candace Hiltz, who was shot to death in her Copper Gulch home in August of 2006. This evidence was turned over to authorities by Mr. Ratzlaff precipitating the ongoing investigation by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. The new evidence found at the landfill is alleged to also have connections to Detective Dodd and may have come from items taken to the dump when he left town.

Detective Dodd is scheduled to appear in court June 6th on two counts of second-degree official misconduct and has been charged with abuse of public records.

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Fremont County Commissioners Meeting

by Barbara Penezic

The regular session of the Fremont County Commissioners was opened with an invocation by Ryan McBride from Catalyst Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3; Assignment and Assumption of Lease for Hanger Number 1, T-Hangers Items 5 and 10; Fremont County Airport was removed from the agenda pending further consideration. All other items on the agenda were approved as read. This included ratification of the Chairman’s signature on an intergovernmental agreement with Custer County and the city of Florence for weed control, each dated May 15, 2017.

County Manger Sunny Bryant gave a report about county business and presented graphs that showed positive figures for the counties Sales and Use Tax.

No citizens requested to address the commissioners on matters not scheduled.

Nancy Bartkowiak, of St. Thomas More, read a letter of proclamation declaring the week of May 29th

through June 4th of 2017, as Family Safety Week in Fremont County. Nancy also invited the public to attend Safety Jam which will be held June 3, 2017, at Rudd Park. The event will begin at 10 a.m. with a ribbon cutting ceremony and ROTC will be on hand to present the colors. Registered participants will be eligible for free hot dogs and a chance to win some great prizes. Registered children will receive free of charge, a fitted bicycle or skateboard helmet. The public is being asked to park at the Cañon City High School and they will be shuttled across the street to the events in Rudd Park.

Adoption of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan for Indian Springs was approved as was a proposal from Armstrong Consulting for Engineering and Planning Services at the Fremont County Airport. This will be for a five-year term with an agreement to follow.

Approval was granted to OPC 14-007 C3 Colorado Springs for renewal of an Optional Premise Cultivation license for an indoor grow at 685 Colorado 115 #B, in Penrose. This will

be the third renewal for this license.

Chairman’s signed on ratification of Change Order #29 for the Fremont County Justice Center Kitchen and Laundry remodel. This change will entail a return of \$14,685 and change due to return items.

Special Review Use was approved for Loco Mountain Outfitters and Deer Mountain Fire and Protection. A 10-year conditional use permit renewal was approved for Yevoli Cobblestone Pit.

Journey Quest was approved for a zone change from Agricultural Forestry to Rural Highway Business. Journey Quest is a non-profit Christian rafting and outdoor wilderness ministry located at the intersection of U.S. 50 and Fremont County Road 27, in the Texas Creek area. The representative was informed that if the road showed excessive wear and tear due to the buses used by the business, they would be expected to join with the other businesses in the area to effect repairs.

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IMPORTANT DATES IN FREMONT

School Board Meetings:

Cañon City Fremont RE-1
2nd and 4th Mon
5:30 p.m.
101 N. 14th St, Cañon City

Florence-Penrose Fremont RE-2
2nd Mon. at 7 p.m.
403 W. 5th St. Florence

Cañon City City Council
1st and 3rd
Mondays at 6 p.m.
City Hall
128 Main St.
Cañon City

County Commissioners
2nd and 4th Tues.
9:30 a.m.
615 Macon, Rm. 105
Cañon City

Royal Gorge Tea Party
2nd Thursday
6:30 p.m.
Core Knowledge School Gymnasium,
890 Fields Ave.
Cañon City
www.royalgorgetea-party.com

Fremont Republican Central Committee
4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
603 Main Street

Southern Colorado Survivors
1st Sat at 10 a.m.
El Alazan Mexican Restaurant
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Which One of These Colorado Politicians Is a Millionaire?

by Dan Njegomir,
ColoradoPolitics.com

In fact, five of them are. How do we know?

While looking up the net worth of Colorado's Democratic senior U.S. Senator Michael Bennet , we stumbled across one of those sites that provides that information and a lot more on our entire Washington delegation — both U.S. Senators and all seven members of the House of Representatives. InsideGov.com not only lists the estimated net worth of each senator and representative as of 2014 but also shows how they compare with one another.

In fairness to Bennet, and, sure, just to sate the curiosity of our readers, here's how all nine of Colorado's elected federal lawmakers stack up — from poorest to richest. For all you data junkies, we've also included InsideGov.com's analysis of each lawmaker's financial standing compared with his/her peers.

And at the bottom of the pile is ...

- **5th Congressional District Republican U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn, of Colorado Springs: \$178,503.** InsideGov: Representative Lamborn has an estimated net worth of \$178,503 as of 2014, making him significantly less wealthy than the average member of Congress and ninth among all members from Colorado. Lamborn's net worth was **83% less** than the average member of Congress and **79% less** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Lamborn had a net worth that was **85% less** than the average.
- **Colorado Republican U.S. Sen. Cory Gardner, of Yuma: \$209,508.** InsideGov: Senator Gardner has an estimated net worth of \$209,508 as of 2014, making him significantly less wealthy than the average member of Congress and eighth among all members from Colorado. Gardner's net worth was **80% less** than the average member of Congress and **92% less** than the average senator. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Gardner had a net worth that was **83% less** than the average.
- **6th Congressional District Republican U.S. Rep. Mike Coffman, of Aurora: \$599,004.** InsideGov: Representative Coffman has an estimated net worth of \$599,004 as of 2014, making him slightly less wealthy than the average member of Congress and seventh among all

members from Colorado. Coffman's net worth was **43% less** than the average member of Congress and **28% less** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Coffman had a net worth that was **50% less** than the average.

- **7th Congressional District Democratic U.S. Rep. Ed Perlmutter, of Lakewood: \$623,509.** InsideGov: Representative Perlmutter has an estimated net worth of \$623,509 as of 2014, making him slightly less wealthy than the average member of Congress and sixth among all members from Colorado. Perlmutter's net worth was **41% less** than the average member of Congress and **25% less** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Perlmutter had a net worth that was **48% less** than the average.
- **4th Congressional District Republican U.S. Rep. Ken Buck, of Greeley: \$1,206,005.** InsideGov: Representative Buck has an estimated net worth of \$1.21M as of 2014, making him close to the average member of Congress in wealth and fifth among all members from Colorado. Buck's net worth was close to that of the average member of Congress and **44% more** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Buck had a net worth that was **0% more** than the average.

- **1st Congressional District Democratic U.S. Rep. Diana DeGette, of Denver: \$2,310,031.** InsideGov: Representative DeGette has an estimated net worth of \$2.31M as of 2014, making her slightly wealthier than the average member of Congress and fourth among all members from Colorado. DeGette's net worth was **119% more** than the average member of Congress and **176% more** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, DeGette had a net worth that was **92% more** than the average.
- **3rd Congressional District Republican U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton, of Cortez: \$6,441,535.** InsideGov: Representative Tipton has an estimated net worth of \$6.44M as of 2014, making him significantly wealthier than the average member of Congress and third among all members from Colorado. Tipton's net worth was **6.1 times more** than the average member of Congress and **7.7 times more** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Tipton had a net worth that

was **434% more** than the average.

- **Colorado Democratic U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet, of Denver: \$13,233,516.** InsideGov: Senator Bennet has an estimated net worth of \$13.2M as of 2014, making him significantly wealthier than the average member of Congress and second among all members from Colorado. Bennet's net worth was **13 times more** than the average member of Congress and **4.8 times more** than the average senator. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Bennet had a net worth that was **11 times more** than the average.
- **2nd Congressional District Democratic U.S. Rep. Jared Polis, of Boulder: \$387,864,231.** InsideGov: Representative Polis has an estimated net worth of \$388M as of 2014, making him one of the wealthiest members of Congress and the richest among all members from Colorado. Polis' net worth was **368 times more** than the average member of Congress and **464 times more** than the average representative. When compared to the Colorado Congressional Delegation, Polis had a net worth that was **322 times more** than the average.

- **Five millionaires, three of whom — including the two richest — are Democrats.**
- **Poorest:** U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn, a Republican (who, by the way, is an attorney; so much for cliches).
- **Richest:** U.S. Rep. Jared Polis, a Democrat.
- **Poorest Democrat:** U.S. Rep. Ed Perlmutter.
- **Richest Republican:** U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton.

There you have it. A recap, for those of you keeping track:

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- Poorest: U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn, a Republican (who, by the way, is an attorney; so much for cliches).
- Richest: U.S. Rep. Jared Polis, a Democrat.
- Poorest Democrat: U.S. Rep. Ed Perlmutter.
- Richest Republican: U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton.

By the way, InsideGov provides this disclaimer on each member's profile:

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Please see: <http://coloradopolitics.com/which-one-of-these-colorado-politicians-is-a-millionaire-gotcha-trick-question/>

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"When the law disarms good guys, bad guys rejoice."

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Colorado State News

Colorado FASTER Training to Arm School Staff

by Sherrie Peif,
CompleteColorado

DENVER — Through a partnership with the Independence Institute and the Weld County Sheriff’s Office, Coloradans for Civil Liberties (CCL) — which describes itself as an organization committed to restoring the Second Amendment freedoms of Colorado citizens — has opened registration for its first advanced training for school staff members who are armed first responders, or who would like to be considered.

The Faculty/Administrator Safety Training and Emergency Response (FASTER) program is making its first appearance in Colorado after much success in Ohio.

According to Laura Carno, founder of Coloradans for Civil Liberties, over the past five years, FASTER has trained more than 900

school staff members in Ohio.

FASTER founders — Buckeye Firearms Foundation and Tactical Defense Institute — built a curriculum that teaches school employees allowed to conceal carry the skills necessary to stop active shooter situations, as well as advanced medical training to deal with related injuries such as gunshot wounds, a news release said.

Independence Institute Executive Vice President Amy Cooke said scholarships are available for the \$1,000 class through II. It includes lodging, if needed, and a trauma kit for personnel to take back to their school.

“We have raised scholarship money, because we never want lack of training budget money to keep any school personnel from having access to this lifesaving training,” Cooke said in the

news release. “We are honored to partner with CCL to help save the lives of Colorado’s school children.”

The first class, which will take place over a three-day period of June 20th, 21st and 22nd, will accept 24 students from across Colorado. It is open to those who already possess a Colorado Concealed Handgun Permit and who have already been approved as a school security officer, or who are in the process of being approved, by their school board or charter school board.

Additionally, all applicants must submit to a background check.

The class will teach the same skills and tactics used by law enforcement, and instructors will include law enforcement personnel with extensive knowledge of active shooter situations.

The training is being facilitated with the help of Weld County Sheriff Steve Reams and will take place at an undisclosed location in Weld County.

Reams said his office is supplying the location for the training. Weld County is not supplying instructors or teaching the course.

“You will leave this class physically and mentally exhausted,” Carno said. “But those who have participated agree that it is a wonderful experience and life changing class.”

For more information, or to register for the FASTER class, please go to FasterColorado.com.

Please see: <http://completecolorado.com/pagetwo/2017/05/22/colorado-faster-training-kicks-off-in-june-armed-school-staff-to-get-skills-in-active-shooter/>

Be Careful What You Wish For: Obamacare Kills Planned Parenthood

by ColoradoPeak
Politics.com

Planned Parenthood clinics in numerous states are closing their doors, and blaming Republicans Obamacare.

It seems they were making a ton of money when customers paid for the services, but a few years under Obamacare and they say the government just isn’t keeping them in business.

Or perhaps it’s due to the fact that abortion rates have declined steadily over the years, and are now at the lowest rate ever since *Roe v. Wade* was passed, according to National Public Radio.

The Longmont Planned Parenthood health center is one of six clinics to close in the region later this summer. **(Editor/llv: Others slated for closure are Planned—**

Parenthood centers in Parker, CO; Casper, WY; Albuquerque, NM.; Rio Rancho, NM, and Farmington, NM.)

Employees locally will be offered jobs at other locations. Or, it’s a severance package and the unemployment line for them.

Cue the sad trombone.

The political organization health clinic acts like they have the only medical staff in the U.S. that can provide medical services to women, despite the fact there are thousands of gynecologists in the U.S.

The fact is, they are not, and women know it.

Please see: <https://coloradopeakpolitics.com/2017/05/22/be-careful-what-you-wish-for-obamacare-kills-planned-parenthood/>

Oh Hail No: Friendly Reminder That Bike Lanes Don’t Work in Hail Storms

by ColoradoPeak
Politics.com

Recently, social media was filled with crazy pictures of Colorado’s hail storm, which arrived just a few hours after a *Denver Post* missive asking whether bike lanes on major thoroughfares will cause strife. It’s not just that the bike lane has swallowed a lane of traffic, but that it’s entirely impractical.

Colorado may have 300-plus days of sunshine per year; however, we also have approximately 150 potential days of snow, if you just count November through March. Of course, this day was in May, so there may be even more days of possible snow/hail. What are bike riders supposed to do on days like this? A day, which by the way, rendered an entire lane of traffic unusable to anyone — cars can’t use it and bikes won’t use it. If Colorado was warm nearly all year round like California, eating an entire lane of traffic might make sense.

Even worse, according to the article, nobody uses the bike lane:

“In September and October, the pilot’s first two months,

city counts showed that five or six dozen cyclists a day used the six-block bikeway in either direction.”

So, we spent hundreds of thousands of dollars for 60 people to ride their bike to work? Unreal. And, September and October are



largely lovely months for weather. It’s tough to imagine the same 60 to 70 riders continuing through December. Then, there’s this ridiculous statement from an academic:

“Schroeppel also noted that large numbers of the poor, the elderly, young people and those with impairments don’t drive. They could use better, more reliable alternatives to get around.”

Call us crazy, but if some-

one is too old or too impaired to drive, surely they are not riding a bicycle.

While encouraging riding a bike to work may sound like a feel-good project, it isn’t practical for the lack of density in the Denver metro area nor the unpre-

dictable weather we experience here.

(Editor/GG: The lunacy of the left and our beloved RINO’s: Wasting millions and millions and millions of dollars on freaking bike lanes as our roads and highways CRUMBLE. What is wrong with these people?)

Please see: <https://coloradopeakpolitics.com/2017/05/09/oh-hail-no-friendly-reminder-that-bike-lanes-dont-work-in-hail-storms/>

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A Challenge to Islam

The Islamic State has claimed responsibility for the Manchester, England bombing of an Ariana Grande concert that killed 22 and maimed another 64. While there is a hunt for accomplices and three suspects have been arrested, the bomber has been identified as Salman Abedi, a British-born Muslim. He is suspected of receiving terror training in Syria while ostensibly visiting his family in Libya. An eight-year-old girl was among the dead as well as many others in their teens and 20s. But the carnage also reaped the lives of parents and relatives who were waiting to pick up their kids after the concert. Muslims blowing up youngsters is the height of cowardice and evil. Muslims around the world need to take responsibility.

While there is no end to the evil that man perpetrates upon mankind, and there are many examples across all cultures, Islam consistently throughout its history has advanced by extreme violence, beginning with its warlord prophet Mohammad. All peace-loving people should challenge members of the Islamic faith to denounce its religion's violence. Peaceful Muslims, who like many Christians and Jews might not even read the Koran or know what it means if they do, should stand up and say "No More." But those that do are labeled infidels and are marked for execution. When Muslims are not killing non-Muslims, they are killing Muslims. They are following the instructions of the Muslim holy book, the Koran, to kill infidels—Muslims who are not complying, non-Muslims, and Christians and Jews specifically.

Here are a few verses from the Koran. They are not taken out of context: Sura 9:5 "...slay the infidels wherever ye find them, and take them (captive), and besiege them, and prepare for them each ambush." Sura 8:12 says, "Verily, I am with you, so keep firm those who have believed. I will cast terror into the hearts of those who have disbelieved, so strike

them over the necks, and smite over all their fingers and toes." Sura 4:55 says, "Lo! Those who disbelieve Our revelations, We shall expose them to the Fire. As often as their skins are consumed We shall exchange them for fresh skins that they may taste the torment. Lo! Allah is ever Mighty, Wise." These are just three of many.

As President Donald Trump said in his Saudi Arabia speech, *"Terrorists do not worship God, they worship death...If we do not stand in uniform condemnation of this killing—then not only will we be judged by our people, not only will we be judged by history, but we will be judged by God. This is not a battle between different faiths, different sects, or different civilizations. This is a battle between barbaric criminals who seek to obliterate human life, and decent people of all religions who seek to protect it. This is a battle between Good and Evil."* All Muslims who believe they are good should stand up and demand that the instructions of violence be denounced and ripped out of their holy book. They should join with the rest of civilization against terror and death and tyranny.

We know, however, that this will not happen. As prophesied of Ishmael, the patriarch of Islam, in Genesis 16:11-12, "Behold, thou art with child, and shall bear a son, and shall call his name Ishmael...And he will be a wild man; his hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren." It is impossible to live in peace with this lineage and these people, for they are the very same who are named as coming against Israel when Christ returns. Muslims, however, should be challenged worldwide to denounce this violence and stand against it. Otherwise, their silence is considered consent.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!

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by Daniel Greenfield,
Sultan Kush

A few months after lefty activists crowded Washington D.C. for the Women's March, activists from many of those same organizations went to bat for a serial rapist and murderer.

Ledell Lee's victims were all women. While he was on trial for the rape and murder of Debra Reese, the testimony of three of his rape victims was presented. Lee had made a habit of knocking on doors and asking to borrow some tools to see whether a woman's husband might be home.

Debra Reese called her mother and told her that a strange man had tried to borrow some tools. A few minutes later, Ledell Lee had beaten her to death with a tire thumper. Marks on her neck showed that the former baby boutique worker had also been strangled.

Then Lee headed out to spend the \$300 he had stolen from her.

Three years earlier, Ledell Lee had attacked a 17-year-old girl while she was rocking her three-month-old niece to sleep. Lee hit her, dragged her out of the house, held her head under water until she lost consciousness and raped her.

A year after that atrocity, Ledell Lee attacked a 50-year-old woman walking home from the grocery store. He strangled her repeatedly, dragged her to the back of a building and raped her.

When Lee was caught after murdering Debra Reese, the evidence tied him to these assaults and two murders. He was convicted of two rapes and sentenced to death for his crimes against Debra Reese. Justice would be done. But first justice had to elbow past the ACLU and the pro-crime lobby.

In a Supreme Court dissent written on April 20, 2017, Justice Breyer whined, "Why now?" "The state is rushing to put him to death," complained Nina Morrison of the badly misnamed Innocence Project.

But it's her client who rushed to put his victims to death. Ledell Lee had committed his crimes in the first years of the nineties. His youngest victim is now in her forties. Arkansas had let him live for decades.

Three other Supreme Court justices, feminist heroines

Ginsburg, Kagan and Sotomayor, also clamored for a serial rapist.

Midazolam, a medication approved for sedating infants, has a "risk of severe pain", Sotomayor wailed. The "wise Latina" failed to clarify whether it's more painful than being beaten to death with a tire thumper, being strangled behind

Justice Neil Gorsuch cast the deciding vote. And a monster died.

The left loved Ledell Lee as it loves all its monsters. The ACLU and Innocence Project filing tenderly dwells on Lee's victimhood. We are told that he repeated eighth grade and his mother smoked when she was pregnant. But despite Lee's sup-

other monsters like him.

"If the six of you had been in that conversation, you would have come away not saying, oh these are some thugs or superpredators that I can't relate to," Obama smugly boasted. The left prides itself on relating to "superpredators". It empathizes with Ledell Lee and not his victims.

That's what Obama's justices did. That's what anyone else he appointed would have done.

Gorsuch's successful appointment to the Supreme Court won justice for the women whom Ledell Lee raped and murdered. Over the objections of the pro-crime Sotomayor, Kagan, Ginsburg and Breyer.

In a small moment, Justice Gorsuch stood up for justice and against the pro-crime lobby. He brought closure to the victims and their families. He made sure that Arkansas was allowed to do the right thing.

"With his first vote, the Supreme Court's newest member sent a man to die," the *New York Times* sneered.

But the *Times*, as usual, is wrong. With his first vote, Justice Gorsuch helped put down a monster.

During his trial, Ledell Lee's lawyer asked who were we to decide when someone dies.

"I will tell you who we are," the prosecutor replied. "We are the hunted."

We are the hunted. The monsters that the left shields, protects and promotes are hunting us on the streets and in our homes. When they are caught, the left frees them. When they are sentenced, the left fights for them. It builds sanctuary cities to protect them and ties the hands of the police who fight them.

Everyone who has been a victim of crime knows what Lee's prosecutor meant. The left stands with the hunters, the robbers, the rapists, the killers and looters. Justice Gorsuch stood with the hunted.

The left stands with them. He stood with us.

Please see: <http://sultanknish.blogspot.com/2017/05/good-vs-evil-in-supreme-court.html>

Good Vs. Evil

In the Supreme Court



Convicted murderer, Ledell Lee.

Photo Courtesy of Daniel Greenfield

a school building or being held underwater until you pass out.

Any and all of these alternative methods of execution should have been offered to Ledell Lee.

Despite the panicked warn-

posed retardation, he was cunning enough to scout houses, contrive a pretext for finding out if women were home alone and then raping and murdering them. Despite his time in special education, he managed to conduct a rape and murder spree for three years.

"Ledell Lee's lawyer asked who were we to decide when someone dies."

ings by agonized human rights activists about the suffering that Ledell Lee might experience if Midazolam were used, it took the left's latest monster two minutes to lose consciousness. There was nothing to show that the murderer and rapist had suffered as he died.

The objections to Midazolam were a sham. The pro-crime lobby has worked to cut off the supply of drugs that might be used to execute murderers. Demanding more tests and filing new appeals was a slimy scheme by the pro-crime lobby to run out the clock until the Midazolam expired.

And then Arkansas wouldn't have been able to execute Lee, no matter the results.

The pro-crime lobby has pursued a cynical game of cutting off the supply of reliable drugs thereby forcing states to use medications not intended for that purpose. And then filing suit to complain that the medications being used are not intended for that purpose. But the Supreme Court didn't bite.

The pro-crime lobby would have us believe that Ledell Lee is smart enough to rape and kill, but too stupid to die.

The stupidity defense has become the new insanity defense. Every killer on death row is suddenly diagnosed with lead poisoning, fetal alcohol syndrome and mental retardation. Once you hear an ACLU lawyer argue that his murderer is too stupid to die, you know that he's guilty as h3!!.

The case of Ledell Lee showed us again what was at stake in the Gorsuch battle. Legal debates sometimes seem abstract. And yet they are as real as a teenage girl being dragged out of her sister's home into the woods, a woman being strangled behind a school and a housewife being beaten to death with the tool that her husband gave her to protect her.

The left is a pro-crime lobby. Behind the empty theater of its sham feminism and pink rallies, it is on the side of the rapists and the murderers. It is on the side of Ledell Lee and all the

Premiums Doubled Once Obamacare Took Full Effect, Report Says

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Obamacare introduced new regulations into the health care marketplace that contributed to premiums doubling after the legislation took full effect in 2014, according to a report the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released Tuesday evening.

HHS compared premiums in the exchange marketplaces in 2013, one year before Obamacare regulations took full effect, to premiums in the exchange marketplace in 2017. The report found that average monthly premiums increased from \$224 in 2013 to \$476 in 2014. That constitutes a 105 percent increase in only four years.

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“With data that shows average premiums doubling nationwide and Americans paying nearly \$3,000 more for health insurance per year, this report is a sobering reminder of why reforming our healthcare system remains a top priority of the Trump Administration,” Alleigh Marré, national spokesman for HHS, said in a statement.

One of the main problems with Obamacare are the skyrocketing premiums. Insurers pull out of marketplaces where it is not cost-efficient for them to provide services, and, as a result, consumers are left with fewer options at higher prices.

Please see: <http://dailycallernewsfoundation.org/2017/05/23/premiums-doubled-once-obamacare-took-full-effect-report-says/>

Worries Escalate Over Lower Marine Corps Fitness Standards

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Worries are beginning to escalate that separate fitness standards for men and women in the Marine Corps will inevitably fuel serious resentment in the ranks.

While the Marine Corps has moved to introduce gender-neutral fitness standards for particular jobs to assuage fears of lowered combat performance, the fact remains that the annual fitness tests still allow for separate standards by gender, one for men and one for women, which is starting to upset some observers, *Marine Corps Times* reports.

The separate standards, once championed as a way to help women succeed and attain promotions in the service, are now being viewed in quite a different light.

“When individuals start out at the recruiting station and they see that women are held to lower standards and have a much lower fitness requirement to max out the PFT, that causes cultural reverberations down the line,” retired Lt. Col. Kate Germano, who formerly trained female recruits at Parris Island, told *Marine Corps Times*.

“We end up letting the institution down because we have an end product that isn’t fit, isn’t strong and can’t compete with the men — and how disappointing is that, from a national security perspective?” she added.

The differences in fitness standards

are stark and obvious.

Males need to perform 20 pull ups to achieve the maximum score. Women, on the other hand, only need to perform seven pull ups.

Marine Corps officials aren’t planning a review of the annual fitness tests.

The issue of respect and resentment has surged to the forefront as of late because of the Marines United scandal, in which male Marines shared nude photos of female service members in private groups, leading to congressional outcry and criminal investigations.

And questions of fitness standards have been an ever-present issue since the Obama administration decided to open all combat roles to women without exceptions.

However, the new gender-neutral standards for combat posts, distinct from the annual fitness tests, have weeded out many of the women in-

terested in combat jobs. Out of 1,500 male Marines, only 40 failed to pass the gender-neutral standards. For women, however, six out of seven of the female recruits could not pass the standards.

“I think that’s made everybody better,” Marine Commandant Gen. Robert Neller told the Associated Press in 2016. “We’re trying to raise everybody’s bar a little bit and we’re trying to figure out how to get closer together, because at the end of the day we’re all going to be on the battlefield and we all have to be able to do our job.”

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WHAT WAS FREEDOM LIKE?



Alinsky spent several chapters espousing that the Activists ends justify the means. Not for the greater good but for the sole benefit of the Activist. Not the activist’s supporters or the activists cause but for the selfish, narcissistic activist. So you have to wonder about the fate of all the pet’s that fall prey to his lying cheating deceptive practices.

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"Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, And my fingers for battle—"

A Psalm of David, Psalm 144:1

British Special Forces Sniper Takes Out ISIS Sniper 1.5 Miles Away

by Thomas Lifson,
The American Thinker

Imagine firing a gun and taking out a sniper so far away that the bullet takes three seconds to arrive, traveling at supersonic speed. With one shot! An unnamed British SAS Special Forces sniper is reported to have done just that.

The UK Daily Star has the story:

The long-range shot took place almost two weeks ago as part of a counter-sniper operation during the battle for the Iraqi city of Mosul.

The SAS soldier, a sergeant who was a veteran of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, hit the Iraqi in the throat as he left a burned-out building.

The Daily Star Sunday understands the sniper was using the CheyTac M200 Intervention gun, said to be the most accurate rifle ever made.

It holds the record for the world's longest shot and can reportedly reach distances of up to 3,000 meters using a special .408 round.

Here is a picture of the CheyTac M200:

The bolt-action rifle is used by US special forces and it is believed the weapon was on loan to the SAS as part of a battlefield trial.

Now, that is what I call an ally! Friends helping out friends.



The terrorist, also operating as a sniper, was equipped with a Russian Dragunov rifle and had killed and wounded several soldiers.

The gunman would open fire, take down his target and wait for up to an hour before shooting again, our source said.

So, on the other side, it was also friends helping friends? ISIS being helped by Russia? Costing lives on our side. I suppose the Russians can claim that this was a black-market purchase.

This guy had to be taken out, and the SAS had the man and the machine for the job.



The [British] trooper only fired one shot during a four-hour game of "cat-and-mouse" with his Islamic State foe.

For obvious reasons we cannot heap praise on this sharpshooter, whoever he is. And even if we knew his name, we could not offer enough praise. But he is an amazing warrior.

Read more: http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2017/05/report_brit_special_forces_sniper_takes_out_isis_sniper_15_miles_away.html#ixzz4hpl2Yy8M

A Common Sense Court Decision!!!

by NRA-ILA,
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The Supreme Court of North Dakota confirmed this week that simply possessing a handgun while on one's own private property cannot support a finding of "disorderly conduct" under the state's disorderly conduct restraining order law. The decision is *Keller v. Keller*, 2017 ND 119 (N.D. May 16, 2017).

Karen Keller is married to Chad Keller. They live together with Chad's children from a previous relationship on a rural property outside of Bantry (pop. 14, as of the 2010 census) in McHenry County, North Dakota.

On August 14, 2016, Nichole, Chad's ex-wife and the mother of the children, had emailed Chad about picking up the kids. Chad responded that the children did not want to go with her. Nonetheless, Nichole and a friend, Rachael, later drove out to the Keller property, stopping short of the driveway. Nichole did not initially get out of the car.

Karen did not recognize the vehicle and came out of the house to see who it was. When Karen turned to go back inside, Rachael and Nichole saw that Karen had been holding a handgun behind her back. The visitors remained some 200 feet away from Karen, and Karen did not leave the residential property. It was undisputed that Karen did not raise or point the gun at anyone, or make any threatening, abusive or violent statements. (It seems Karen and Nichole did not speak to one another at all during the encounter.) After talking with her child, Nichole left with Rachel.

Nichole called the police. A deputy concluded there was no cause to file charges as nothing in Karen's conduct violated statutory limitations relating to firearms. Nichole then sought and obtained a one-year disorderly conduct restraining order against Karen, on the basis that she felt fearful for her life because of the gun.

The court issuing the restraining order ruled that the mere presence of a firearm was enough: "[T]here was a gun. [Karen] brought it out on the property. And it's obvious that Nichole was very scared. And she testified that she is still scared. And to me, that is the definition of gestures that are intended to adversely affect the safety, security, or privacy of another person..."

North Dakota, however, has a statutory definition of "disorderly conduct" in the context of a restraining order. Pursuant to N.D. Cent. Code § 12.1-31.2-01, a judge may grant an order only if there are "reasonable grounds to believe" that a person has engaged in "disorderly conduct," defined as "intrusive or unwanted acts, words, or gestures that are intended to adversely affect the safety, security, or privacy of another person." Significantly, this definition expressly excludes any "constitutionally protected activity."

Karen appealed the issuance of the order, claiming the court was wrong in finding that disorderly conduct existed. She argued that it was not reasonable for someone to be afraid of another person for simply holding a weapon in a non-threatening manner. Further, she pointed to the exception for conduct – like the right to keep and bear arms – protected under federal and state constitutions.

Karen testified she carried a handgun whenever an unknown vehicle arrived at the property. The legal brief she filed with the court indicated she did not know or trust Rachel, and that Nichole had allegedly threatened violence against Karen in the past.

A unanimous, five-member panel of the Supreme Court of North Dakota invalidated the order. The court below had erred in not addressing whether Karen's actions were constitutionally protected and, if they were, by not excluding evidence of the activity as required by state law. In fact, "Karen Keller's conduct ... was constitutionally protected. Nothing in the record suggests

her conduct violated the statutory limitations of possessing a firearm... No evidence exists that the disorderly conduct was anything but possession of the gun, and nothing in the record suggests Karen Keller's actions went beyond her constitutional right to possess a handgun on her private property." The only evidence alleged as "disorderly conduct" was constitutionally protected activity that had to be excluded from the court's consideration, so nothing remained to support the restraining order.

This outcome is entirely consistent with the law, with common sense and with reality. The core of the Second Amendment is the fundamental, individual right to possess and carry a firearm to defend oneself and one's family. Karen Keller lived in a rural area some distance away from the nearest city, and made it a rule to carry a firearm when unfamiliar persons dropped by. In this particular encounter, she made no threats, did not display her weapon in an aggressive or menacing way, and stayed close to her residence at all times. Millions of Americans keep a gun at home for the same reason – because the **police can't always be there** to stop a burglary or home invasion or other crime as it unfolds.

To decide – as the court of first instance did – that possessing a gun on one's own property, without more, amounts to "disorderly conduct" is directly at odds with the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *District of Columbia v. Heller*, and equates mere gun possession with lawlessness. As we know, the **overwhelming majority** of gun owners **are not criminals** and use their lawfully possessed firearms responsibly. Unfortunately for Karen Keller, though, she had to go through a lengthy and likely expensive legal appeal process before her rights were vindicated.

Please see: <https://www.nraa.org/articles/20170519/courts-commonsense-conclusion-there-was-a-gun-isnt-enough-to-justify-issuing-a-restraining-order>



Marx and Freud are the two great destroyers of Christian civilization, the first replacing the gospel of love by the gospel of hate, the other undermining the essential concept of human responsibility.

— Malcolm Muggeridge —

AZ QUOTES

Fed Court Holds Municipal Court Convictions of Domestic Violence Do NOT Eliminate Second Amendment Rights

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The 10th Circuit has issued an opinion that convictions of municipal and local ordinances for domestic violence do not remove a person's rights under the Second Amendment. Current federal law makes a person who has been convicted of domestic violence under "Federal, State, or Tribal law" a prohibited possessor who may not legally purchase or possess firearms or ammunition. In this case, *U.S.A. v. Pauler*, the defendant, Alexander J. Pauler, had been convicted of violating a Wichita, Kansas, municipal ordinance against domestic violence. From hutchnews.com:

WICHITA – A Kansas man convicted of misdemeanor domestic battery under a city ordinance can legally carry a gun, an appeals court found in a ruling that could have broader implications for firearm sales.

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' ruling came in the case of *Alexander Pauler*, a Wichita man who was accused of violating a federal law that prohibits someone from owning a gun if they've been convicted of misdemeanor domestic violence "under federal, state or tribal law."

The opinion is fairly short and well written. It essentially says that the statutory language is clear, and means what is written.

It is unclear if the state will apply for an en banc ruling, appeal the case to the Supreme Court, or elect to accept the 10th Circuit decision. From uscourts.gov:

We interpret "State" to have the same meaning in § 921(a)(33) that it has throughout the rest of §§ 921 and 922 and therefore conclude that "a misdemeanor under Federal, State, or Tribal law" does not include a violation of a municipal ordinance. In these sections, when Congress refers only to "State" law, it does not also include the laws of a state's political subdivisions. Accordingly, because Defendant's prior violation of a Wichita municipal ordinance was not a "misdemeanor crime of domestic

violence" as defined by § 921(a)(33), the government has not demonstrated that he was prohibited from possessing a firearm under § 922(g)(9).

It is unknown how many people have been convicted of domestic violence under municipal or local ordinances. In some areas, large percentages of domestic violence cases are tried in municipal or local courts. Plea bargains where part of the deal is to plead guilty to a municipal ordinance rather than a state statute, are known to occur. From pressofatlanticcity.com:

About 43 percent of new domestic violence cases are heard in municipal court.

The case opens up a new strategy for defendants who are charged with domestic violence. Those who wish to avoid the expense of a trial have an option that may avoid loss of Second Amendment rights, by pleading to a municipal ordinance. Those who have been convicted under municipal or other local ordinances now have a reasonable case to appeal their status as prohibited possessors.

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NY 'Common Sense' Gun Bill Could Get People Killed

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Not satisfied with SAFE Act citizen disarmament measures (because they will never be satisfied), New York tyrannophiles are proposing yet another insidious infringement that will not only result in sweeping gun bans, but will render allowable guns dangerous to their owners as well as to others when the guns are deployed in self-defense. Senate Bill S3444, authored and sponsored wholly by Democrats, will all but ensure more injuries and deaths in the name of protecting children.

The "brainchild" of 29th District State Senator and career public trough feeder José M. Serrano, the bill:

Prohibits persons, firms or corporations engaged in the retail business of selling firearms from selling, delivering or transferring child operated firearms; defines "child operated firearm" to mean a pistol or revolver manufactured [ONE] year after the effective date of these provisions which does not contain a childproofing device or mechanism incorporated into the design of such pistol or revolver to effectively preclude an average five-year-old from firing same; makes violations a class A misdemeanor.

How does Serrano's bill

propose to "childproof" a gun?

The prohibition would apply to pistols or revolvers manufactured twelve or more months after the effective date of the bill. Design features could include the capacity to adjust the trigger resistance of the gun to at least a ten-pound pull, the capacity to alter the firing mechanism so that an average five-year-old child's hand would be too small to operate the gun, or the capacity to require a series of multiple motions in order to fire the gun.

To make the case that this can be done, the bill reminds us of what even NRA characterized as "the Smith & Wesson sellout," showing that old "compromises" can have far reaching consequences.

Calling it "critical to the safety of all New Yorkers," Serrano says "one would think that this should be common sense."

One might if one had zero knowledge of guns, of gun design and of defensive gun uses. Left unacknowledged are inconvenient realities like the fact that the harder the trigger pull, the more inaccurate the gun, a problem the New York Police Department (and those they shoot and/or miss) has experienced since the bureaucrats imposed a 12-lb. trigger pull requirement (resulting in a 15%

hit ratio). Serrano has not offered how making a gun less accurate makes it safer.

Nor has he accounted for elderly gun owners and/or those with disabilities like arthritis who could be rendered defenseless if the only thing available to them was also unusable. Then there's the matter of liability, both for hitting the wrong target and for ensuring that an owned gun remains compliant with the law. And manufacturer liability should the pull weaken over time. And the "need" to test guns every so often to make sure...

And no, of course the criminals underclass, and those most likely to pass out in an altered state with their guns lying in reach of unsupervised children, won't be affected one bit. What it might do is increase black market demand, so "progressive" politicians can scream about the "iron pipeline," and demand freer states adopt New York rules.

It goes without saying that

Serrano has never worked in the firearms industry to understand gun design, nor does he have any qualifications regarding defensive gun usage. He's the son of a career politician. He got a BA in government and became a career politician himself. But then again, he doesn't need to understand those things.

His goal in this case is gun owner control, and if he can inflict another cut and disenfranchise another group, that's another incremental "win," as well as another in-your-face harassment of gun owners. Serrano can get away with being criminally incompetent because he's got a constituency dumb enough to vote for him and a machine corrupt enough to support apparatchiks who prove useful, as opposed to representatives who take their oath to the Constitution seriously.

Please see: <https://www.oathkeepers.org/new-york-common-sense-gun-bill-get-people-killed/>

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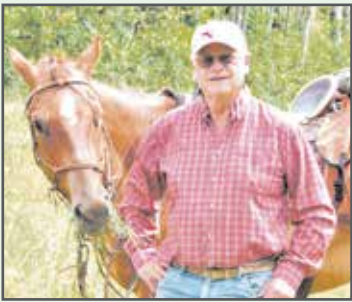
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Politics & The Bible

From Pastor Jim



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All Scripture taken from the King James Version.



A Presumptuous Sin

President Trump is proposing a budget that is causing many of the rats to flee the ship. The plan proposes \$3.6 trillion in cuts to domestic agencies, food stamps, Medicaid, highway funding, subsidies to farmers, crop insurance, and the reduction of pension benefits for federal workers by \$63 billion by eliminating cost-of-living adjustments for most. Just that number with the addition of \$70 billion annually for food stamps is \$133 billion which Congress seems to be willing to tolerate, but they reject \$1.6 billion for a wall on our southern border.

Is it possible to maintain so many debt incurring programs in view of a \$20 trillion national liability? A significant number of Democrats and Republicans are whining about these proposed cuts calling them draconian, but not one of the complainers have submitted a serious suggestion about reducing our unsustainable accumulating debt. Congress has not demonstrated the will to tackle the elephant in the living room; one day the sofa will collapse under a weight which it cannot bear. While the liberal media continues to focus on Russia conjectures, we are reminded that it is not always necessary to destroy a country with a flood of armies or misinformation when a deluge of debt can accomplish the same thing.

A Pharisee named Simon invited Jesus to his house for a meal. Somewhere between the appetizers and dessert a woman who was known as a sinner in the community crashed the party for the purpose of washing with her tears, wiping with her hair and anointing with ointment the feet of Jesus. Simon was put off by the intrusion using the occasion to question the deity of the Saviour: "Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him; for she is a sinner." (Luke 7:39)

The Lord received the telegraphed thought instantly and responded with: "Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on. There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him the most? Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged." The intent of the story is obvious...the greater the sinner, the greater the gratitude for forgiveness. Jesus then puts the principle in motion by telling the sinner "Thy sins are forgiven...And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath

saved thee; go in peace."

The depth of in incident is more than a curious spectator can grasp. The Master Teacher has made a comparison classifying debt and sin in the same can of worms. Lest we be tempted to think this is an isolated coincidence, the "Lord's Prayer" delivers the same resemblance; "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." (Matthew 6:12) The same prayer as recorded in Luke 11:4 reads: "And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us." The word "forgive" is generally associated with sin but even modern secular language utilizes the word in reference to debt. The doctrine is clear; the sinner ("for all have sinned" Romans 3:23) has accumulated a debt that no amount of money can satisfy: "For as much as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold...But with the precious blood of Christ." (I Peter 1:18, 19)

The question that begs an answer is when does the national debt cease to be an economic inconvenience and become a national sin? This can only be understood when one allows the Scriptures to explain the many tentacles of iniquity. The Psalmist sheds light... "Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression." (Psalm 19:13) Is it not presumptuous to incur debt with no distinctive plan of repayment? If there were such an effort in place, the debt would not have doubled during the Obama administration. Sin works in similar fashion; it continues to compound itself with no plan for pardon. Roget's thesaurus describes "presumptuous" as bold, nervy, confident, audacious, forward, rude, brazen, lordly, arrogant, egotistical, insolent, and pompous. Is it not all of these things when long term consequences are never considered? The permanent is gladly sacrificed on the altar of the immediate. An unbearable burden is passed to future generations to pacify ignorant special interests.

Gerry Spence, the flamboyant western attorney, told the story of ants destroying Wyoming rangeland. Scientists devised a number of remedies to eradicate the pesky critters...all to no avail. Eventually, a poison was developed that had no visible effect for several days. When the hammer of reality finally came down, the ants had lost the ability to make the connection between cause and effect and continued on the same path of self-destruction. The ant hill of Washington seems to be afflicted with the same malady.

A Sheepdog Barks!

Here is a recent headline that brought a smile to my face: "Merkel Furious with Trump!!!" It seems lil' Angela, the German Chancellor, was upset that the G-7 failed to reach consensus on Climate Change. I loved it! Thank you Mr. President. I hope you stand strong on withdrawing from the Paris Climate Agreement. Another stupid and harmful deal, which Barack Obama threw the U.S. into. WOOF!

There were several other "headlines" from the G-7 Conference that gave me renewed hope that President Trump (PT) is doing exactly what we "deplorables" elected him to do. Here are a few of them: "Trump underscored his determination to break the global mold." "In an unprecedented step the final G-7 communique gave the U.S. its own section to say that it is undergoing a review process." "The whole discussion about climate has been difficult..." "Six against One." "Trump put America First." "Trump administration breaks with the established order honed over decades." WOW. I love the whole theme. PT put them on notice just like he did at the NATO meeting. There's not a "new" sheriff in town because there never was a sheriff. Now there is finally "A" sheriff in town. WOOF! PT told the other six leaders that he had campaigned on a platform of protecting U.S. jobs and would act accordingly. How refreshing. He made it perfectly clear that the old trade practices, which always hurt America, were not going to be tolerated. Finally, a president that stands up for the United States. I'm still smiling. By last Sunday Merkel was wailing that Europe might have to take care of themselves. Really? What a unique concept! WOOF!

And back to climate change for a moment. Last Sunday's comics had a great strip about this false and costly hoax. I'm paraphrasing and plagiarizing a Dilbert strip by Scott Adams:

Climate Scientist: "Human activity is warming the earth and will lead to a global catastrophe."

Dilbert: "How do scientists know that?"

Climate Scientist: "It's easy. We start with the basic science of physics or chemistry. Then we measure changes in tem-

perature and CO₂ over time. Then we put that data into dozens of different climate models and ignore the ones that look wrong to us. Then we take that output and run it through long-term economic models of the sort that have never been right."

Dilbert: "What if I don't trust the economic models?"

Climate Scientist: "Then you, and those like you, are science deniers."

Sheepdog: "Really, then you are a dishonest buffoon that chooses to deny the historical cycles of the earth warming and cooling. Go to h3!!!" My ending makes the story better I think. WOOF!

Overall the president's first overseas trip has been a "yuuuge" success. Although you wouldn't know it from the coverage by the liberal media and the Dems. They are obsessed only with Russia. PT also told the Muslims they need to "take care of business" and help drive the terrorists from the earth. Is there an Arab "NATO" in the future? That would be a great accomplishment. And the president made a bold and historic statement when he publicly used the phrase "Islamic Terrorism" and uttered these memorable words: "Terrorists do not worship God, they worship death." Powerful and direct. WOOF!

A few thoughts on the meeting with Pope Francis. A bit more fake news happened when it was reported that the Pope remained silent and didn't smile when he greeted PT. Absolutely false! The Pope smiled and said several things. Another media attempt to trash PT. I was not happy that the Pope gave PT a gift - a book on Climate Change. Really? I'm sorry but I think the Pope is way off base here. He needs to stick with saving souls and improving his own house. He shouldn't get caught up with the other social justice warriors around the globe. WOOF!

Another major terrorist attack; this time in Manchester, England. Some saying that we have to expect this kind of thing; that it is the new normal. I'm not buying that. It is a massive lack of proper effort. It's not enough to call them cowards and it's ineffective to say "our hearts go out..." or "we stand in solidarity with..." These kinds of



words don't solve anything. Turning the lights off on the Eiffel Tower to "show sympathy" won't stop any new attacks either. These kinds of weak and feckless words instead of deeds will NOT stop terrorism. Just a few short months ago there were citizens in Manchester marching in support of immigration. They carried signs that said vetting Middle Eastern immigrants was racist and that they welcomed Muslim immigrants. Wonder how those people are feeling today? This is what you get when you believe in open borders and no sovereignty. I'm disturbed by these trends which we see over and over. Seems like the terrorists are always known to the authorities. Many have been on a so-called "watch-list." What good has that done? NONE! Are we really supposed to be comforted that the police are out in full force in Manchester now? Or that they are finally arresting some of the bombers buddies and associates? I'm not. Why in the h3!! are they not rounding up these "suspects" BEFORE they do something? Err on the side of safety and security. Most of the killers are not "home grown." They have no rights to remain in these countries. And quit calling them lone wolves! They are never alone. They are all connected to at least one thing in common - Islam. The U.S. should be doing more, being more proactive. We shouldn't wait until there are a lot of dead and injured "innocents." Do something now. Round up the non-citizens and deport them. Then watch the "home grown" ones very carefully. Yes, it's called profiling and it works. It seems like in every terrorist incident in America there have been warning signs. Take protective actions first. When something walks like a duck and quacks like a duck it's probably a fanatical extremist duck. The Western world needs to close the barn doors BEFORE the horses are gone. WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH





