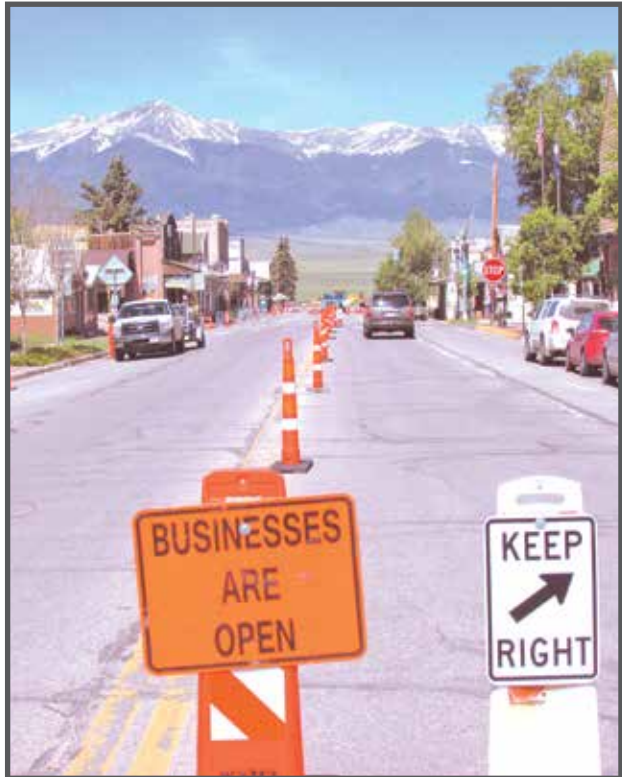


Under Construction:

Waterline and Sidewalk Project on Westcliffe's Main Street



Water main construction replacement and repair along with sidewalk, gutter and curb replacement, will last all summer on downtown Main Street in Westcliffe. Rosita Avenue construction will commence on August 14th. See page 24 for the detailed schedule issued by the Town of Westcliffe.

Photos by George Gramlich

The Sentinel Has Moved



by George Gramlich

Yup. We had to move. About six weeks ago the *Sentinel* got a new landlady at our beloved log cabin headquarters and a big rent increase. A rent we couldn't afford on an ongoing basis. So after a few cold beers that night, it was decided we had to get our own place for a secure future. After much looking, we purchased the beautiful office building across the street at 601 Main Street, Westcliffe (with the expert

assistance of Bob Senderhauf of Custer County Reality). It is the old office building of Attorney Michelson and stock market Consultant Hedburg. And gooooolllly, it is nice. A classy stone building (think, bullet proof) redone in the 1980's into an office building. Almost too upscale for us rednecks. We even got ourselves an honest to goodness conference room (which will double as the *Sentinel* Saloon and

Dance Hall at appropriate times). So come on down and check out the new digs fellow patriots. We're here for the long haul. Thanks to the crew that made the move including Scott Clemenson (who got a Purple Heart), Carol Clemenson, Gaylen "Bubbles" Studebaker, Dave "White Boy" Bandish, Larry "Lockdown" Lui-kart, "Wild" Bill Bailey, Laura Vass and Yvonne "Honest Injun" Phillips.

"Take That Off Our Table..."

by George Gramlich,
News and Commentary

As you can see from the transcript below, our newly elected County Commissioner Jay Printz ordered our reporter, Jackie Bubis, to remove the tiny recorder we use to record the Commissioner's meetings from the Commissioner's table. If you hear the audio recording (go to the YouTube site noted below),

he said it in an angry and threatening manner. Why would a grown man be so mad over a little recorder? The *Sentinel* has been placing a recorder on that table since we started the paper four years ago. News agencies around the country use these all the time. It's less than the size of a pack of

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He is God;
It is He who has made us,
and not we ourselves,
We are His people
and the sheep of His pasture.
Psalm 100:3 NKJV

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Building Trades Class Project Completed on Time

by Jim Silver

On Wednesday afternoon, May 31st, Mr. Bruce May and his wife, Lynn, hosted an open house to display the product of the labors of his crew of seven students and a whole host of local volunteers who pitched in regularly throughout the school year. The students and their parents, many of those volunteers, some faculty and administration, school board members, a commissioner, and other interested citizens were there to admire what had been accomplished.

Two units of the fourplex are ready for occupancy, and under budget, just as projected. Mr. May is to be commended for his years of teaching

this class and wood shop (as well as coaching), bringing many projects to completion in like manner throughout those years. The lower two units are to be the project for next year's Building Trades class with Mr. May's replacement as its instructor. These seven students (shown in photo feature, this issue) are planning to enroll in next school year's class, and could be joined by several others who are eager to learn skills of the construction trade. In the meantime, we wish Mr. May well in his retirement, as he hones all the skills involved in fly fishing.

See pages 12-13, for photos of the of this year's students working on the project.

Our New Deputy: Eric James Dunston

by George Gramlich

Nothing better than having a person who grew up and knows the lay of the land coming home to be our new Custer County Sheriff's deputy. That is exactly what has happened with the swearing in last week of our new deputy, Eric James Dunston, who grew up in

Florence and spend a lot of time in Custer County as a child and young adult visiting his grandparents (congratulations Jim and Paulette Shapland) who live here.

Deputy Dunston is a recent graduate of the Pueblo Community College Law Enforcement Academy and

prior to that served five years in the United States Air Force in the security/base security field. He is still in the Air Force National Guard. He is married and just had their first newborn, a son.

Welcome aboard and God Bless, Deputy Dunston.



Deputy Eric James Dunston swearing in ceremony with Sheriff Shannon Byerly at the Custer County Courthouse.

Photo by Paulette Shapland

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Republican Lincoln’s Day Dinner: New Colorado Luminaries Speak



Top: Clockwise: Victor Mitchell Governor Candidate 2018, Vice Chair of Custer County Republican Committee Jackie Bubis and Sheriff Shannon Byerly, main speaker for the evening; Rep Jim Wilson, Fremont County Republican Chair Gregory Carlson, and Vice Chair of Colorado’s Republican Party Sherrie Gibson. Not pictured; Chair of Custer County Republican Committee Sheron Berry.

Photos by Fred Hernandez

History Made: Not One “Republican” Commissioner Attends!

by Sentinel Staff

On Saturday, June 10th, 5:30 p.m. at the Lange Hall of the Hope Lutheran Church in Westcliffe, members of the Republican Party of Custer County got together for their Annual Lincoln Day’s Dinner and to “rally the troops”.

Some rally! It must be said at the outset; the attendance was sad and dismal - thirty-five people out of a county that could easily boast more than two thousand registered Republicans. In fact, even sadder, is that not even one of the three “republican” commissioners (Bob Kattmig, Jay Printz, Donna Hood) was in attendance. A very poor showing, given that when they needed the Republican Party to run under the party banner during the last election (and the prior one for Kattmig) they seemed to be able to make the meetings, but can’t now seem to make it to the premier Republican event of the year. (*Editor/GG: We’re sure it was “scheduling conflicts”.*)

Other than the poor attendance, the affair itself was a warm, enjoyable gathering of likeminded patriots. A delicious dinner of brisket and fixin’s plus a silent auction were main features. Mrs. Sandra Attebery was

the EMCEE aided ably by Mrs. Jackie Bubis. Sheriff and Mrs. Shannon Byerly also helped with the auction itself.

Visitors from out of town included Mr. Victor Mitchell, a successful businessman who has led more than six companies and is currently CEO of Lead Funding, a specialty real estate lender. He announced that he would be running for Governor of the State in the coming 2018 midterm elections on a platform of no new taxes, cost controls on the State’s Medicaid program, reducing the number of standardized achievement tests for kids which tend to be repetitive and unnecessary and more public transparency. Then, a fresh new face to politics; in the person of Gregory Carlson, who said a few words in his turn. The mid-twenties young man, who heads the Republican Party in Fremont County spoke energetically about bringing millennials into the party. His strategy is showing them the value of work and the self-satisfaction which results from personal achievement.

Also on hand from Colorado Springs was the Vice Chair for the Colorado Republican Party, Sherrie

Gibson. Vivacious and energetic, she spoke passionately about winning in the midterm elections and how she will work ceaselessly towards that goal. The main guest speaker was our district representative, the Honorable Jim Wilson, who, unbeknownst to many, is quite the accomplished auctioneer. His message was simple; there is a need to win the Hispanic vote. That sector of voters, he said, have three main values: Faith, Family and strong work ethic, the very platform of the Republican Party and he sees no reason why Republicans could not win their support. At present he said, the party does not have a majority in the State House, the Senate or the Governorship and the party needs to work hard to win control of at least one of those levels of government if it is to, at the very least, stop any legislation which the party might be opposed to. Representative Wilson conducted the two sessions of the auction during the evening like a professional auctioneer, smoothly and gracefully driving bids up, up and up. Speaking of UP, the Republicans will have to step up, organize, and make sure that the next meeting is a ‘Standing Room Only’ affair.

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Cowgirls Visit State Capitol

by Fred Hernandez

The Cowgirls paid a courtesy call on Lieutenant Governor Donna Lynne at her office at the State Capitol in Denver on Monday, June 5th. During the visit, the Cowgirls presented the Lt. Governor with a lam-

inated map of the Colorado Trail showing the four hundred eighty-six miles the Cowgirls will ride on horseback from Denver to Durango on the forty-five-day adventure designed to bring awareness and raise funds for Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource, a 501(C)3

in Westcliffe, Colorado.

Lt. Governor Lynne was most cordial and graceful as she happily "blessed" the riders and wished them all the best.

For information on the Ride for Life go to <http://www.cowgirlsrideforlife.com/>



Photo above shows: Lt. Governor Donna Lynne, Alternate LiAne Schmidt, Executive Director of Colorado Trail Foundation; Bill Manning, Riders Debbie Thompson and Jean White, and Darrell Cobb, the Outrider for the Ride for Life Team.

Photo by Fred Hernandez

CCSO Dispatch Gets an Update



The new Communications Center at the Custer County Sheriff's Office is a much needed improvement for the personnel who serve the community. This improvement will enable the Sheriff's Office to better serve the community and those who call for emergency services. The center itself is significantly bigger, and the new consoles (donated to the county from the Cañon City Police Department) allow the dispatchers to stand or sit, and can be ergonomically adjusted to suite each person. The individuals who are there to answer 911 calls, and relay critical information to the responders are thrilled with the new accommodations and are always here to serve the community.

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Coffee with Silver Cliff Mayor Silver Mining Looks Promising

by Fred Hernandez

On Wednesday, May 31st, at the Silver Cliff Town Hall, the meeting was called to order by Custer County Chamber of Commerce President Wilson Jarvis who conceived the series of informative get-togethers with county officials as an opportunity to interact with county residents. This meeting, organized and hosted by the Chamber featured Silver Cliff Mayor Steve Lasswell who was introduced by Mr. Jarvis shortly after calling the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The Mayor started his interesting presentation, to an audience of almost two dozen, with a few historical facts which many residents will find fascinating.

The Town of Silver Cliff was founded in 1879, only three years after Colorado became a state in 1876. In the early to mid-1880's Silver Cliff was a boom town with a population of about 10,000 residents and was a prime contender, along with Golden, Aspen and Denver to become state capital. It was also during that epoch that the railroad companies had a penchant for starting their own towns. So it was that in 1881, the railroad came to the area and started a town just west of Silver Cliff which became present day Westcliffe. Not too long after that, Silver Cliff town either ran out of its only industry, silver, or it was no longer economical-

ly viable. With no means of income, the population started to move out and the logical direction was west to Westcliffe driven by whatever opportunities may have been imagined by

The Mayor's presentation included slides showing the town's layout and limits, pictures circa 1880's and other relevant information such as the current site where mining claims

in full cooperation between Silver Cliff and Westcliffe and the County government, calling for better utilization of assets including the Museum which, he mused, should probably be the County Museum since the history of one is the same as that of the other. Another asset is the beautiful town park for which he gives credit to former Mayor Larry Weber. In addition to the spectacular view of the Sangres, the park has several amenities and features which are noteworthy. For starters, WIFI is accessible throughout the park. In an area formerly designated for an ice skating rink, which did not turn out to be viable, popular pickle ball courts are in place with more to be installed as a result of their high demand. A "nine-hole" dish golf course is about to be ready for use. Camping, very popular among bicycle riders, is allowed in certain parts of the park. There is also a designated area for Tractor Pull which, this year, will take place on June 10th and 11th. More events are foreseen for the future as the town has an active planning and zoning committee that meets on a monthly basis.

More specifically on the topic of the planning and zoning committees, the Mayor cited some projections for

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St. Cloud Hotel after the reconstruction in Cañon City.

Photo from St. Cloud Hotel's FB page

the presence of the railroad. In 1890, Silver Cliff's most prominent building, St. Cloud Hotel, was moved, brick by brick, to Cañon City where it stands to day on Main Street. Two years after the Town of Silver Cliff burned down, one of the few buildings to survive the devastating fire was the building which today houses the Museum and which, at that time, also served as the town hall. Silver Cliff, rich in history and lore, has a land area of *fifteen and a half square miles*. To put that size in context, Westcliffe has one square mile.

are being explored called KATE, a forty-acre parcel owned by the town. The town also owns 20 percent of the mineral rights below the surface.

The Mayor then spoke candidly about his plans and ideas going forward from here on, one year after his election in April of 2016. The town has a budget of \$ 287 thousand dollars and every effort is made to live within it. He called for more citizen involvement in any of the fifteen active committees currently serving the town. He believes

June 8th BOCC Meeting: Hood, Printz, Want Increased Landfill Fees and Increased Fees/Revenues In Other Areas

Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)

—June 8, 2017

WESTCLIFFE, CO

by Jackie Bubis

The meeting started at 9 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call. Commissioner Kattnig was not in attendance so the meeting was chaired by Commissioner Hood. Introductions of the public in attendance followed as well as a small kerfuffle regarding this reporter's recorder being on the Commissioners' table (*see page 1 for RecorderGate*).

Commissioner Items:

Mr. Printz remarked at the great CCI (Colorado Counties, Inc) conference that he and Mrs. Hood attended. (Mr. Kattnig was planning to attend but did not.) Printz said he especially saw value in the workshop

on how to deal with the public better.

He reported that things looked positive for more affordable housing in the county. The Wetmore Community Center is essentially complete and the keys are ready to be turned over.

Mrs. Hood is not happy with the job CenturyLink did of installing phone lines at the Wetmore Community Center and reported that there were wires hung in trees. She too found the conference beneficial and handed out Colorado State Ethics Handbooks to Printz and Attorney Smith. She also stated that the recent policy workshop with the elected officials went well.

Attorney items:

Attorney Smith announced that former County Attorney John Naylor will

be attending the Wetmore Community Center grand opening. He has also been working with Dr. Hamilton and Mike Halpin hammering out details for the resolution to put in cattle guards.

Mr. Printz suggested that the Commissioners should not be the "judge" in this cattle guard decision, that it could cause more litigation.

Mr. Printz announced that he wanted an Executive Session at the end of the regular meeting to deal with a "personnel issue".

Old Business:

The discussion of engineered septic was addressed later in the meeting. The meeting proceeded with Staff reports from the Airport Advisory Board—Dallas Anderson, Veterans Office—Tim Swartz and Road & Bridge—Gary Hyde.

Landfill — Rusty Christensen. Mrs. Hood and Mr. Printz agreed that, after three years, it is time for a price increase at the landfill. Mr. Christensen will check with surrounding landfills to compare pricing. The proposed increased fees will be discussed at the next meeting. (*Readers might remember that it was only two months ago that Commissioner Kattnig was bragging about the costs of running the landfill being so low.*)

The meeting was recessed for lunch.

After lunch, the staff reports continued:

HR/Finance — Dawna Hobby — the new Purchasing and Personnel Policies are ready to go and will on the June 30th agenda for approval.

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Cotopaxi High School Band takes Gold!

by Christina Schoch

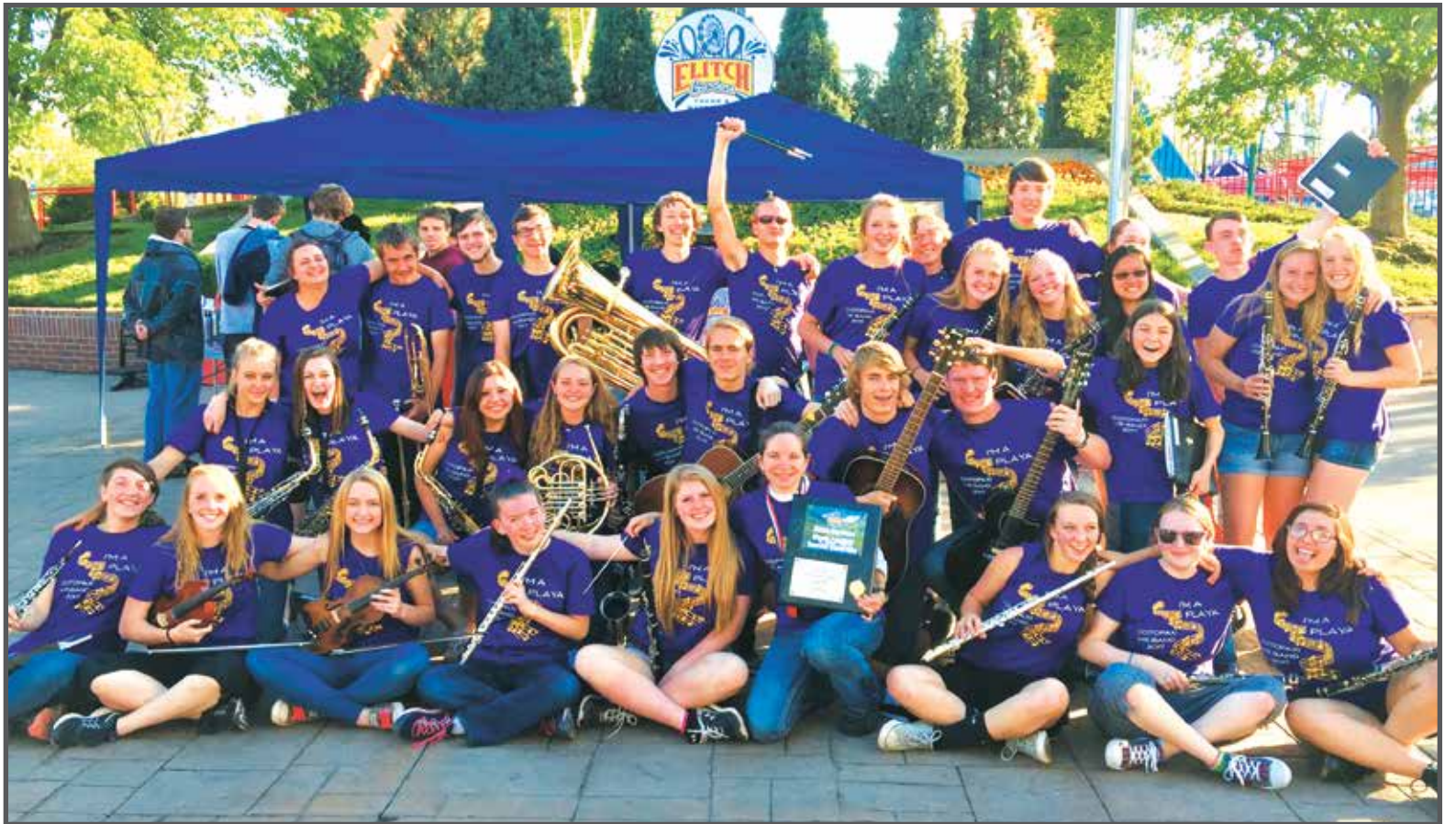
The Cotopaxi High School Band competed at the Elitch Gardens Band Competition on Thursday, May 11th, in Denver. The Band received a Gold Medal, the highest award given to a band. They performed “Blue Ridge Reel”, by Brian Balmages and “Cave You Fear”, by Michael Markowski. Ms. Fritz was awarded Music Festival Outstanding Director.

The students had a fantastic experience. Jasen Wing said “The competition inspires us and shows us that all of our hard work isn’t for naught. There is a purpose behind every piece of music and inspiration behind every player.”

Hailey Plante thought it was “a really great experience hearing what the judges had to say about our great performance and earning the Gold Medal.”

Jamie Sanchez noted, “We rode the roller coaster to success!”

Congratulations to this talented group of students!



Cotopaxi Band members pose at Elitches gate after the competition. Pictured from left to right:

Back: Kimmie Harris, Noah Jamerson, Nolan Dotter, Jonah Bertolino, Joel Karg, Arlo Garner, Koylynn Gulliford, Amelia Tonnesen, Shealee Coleman, Alexandra Cole, Abby McNeal, Chance Gulliford, Savannah Serfoss, Jasen Wing.

Middle: Danne Ogden, Hannah Karg, Hailey Plante, Taylor Key, Tyler Sawyer, Owen Voll, Kurt Voll, Ethan Cauthron, Clayton Dresser, Claire Carlson, Jamie Sanchez.

Front: Lydia Tonnesen, Aspen Serfoss, Annie Frost, Morgan Halem, Brooke Cooper, Jennifer Fritz, Sage Laymon, Briana Carey, Cassie Brill.

Photo courtesy of Cotopaxi High School

Food, Stress and Productivity: A Seminar with Dr. Ron

Press Release

Your mom was right when she said, “You are what you eat!” The public is invited to a free seminar called “Food, Stress and Productivity 101” on Thursday, June 29th, at 5:30 p.m. in the West Custer County Library’s Community Room.

According to session coach Ron Miller D.C., “Poor nutrition choices are like driving around with the emergency brake in your car on; you’ll get there, but you’ll waste energy, be more

tired, and react less constructively to stress. This causes wear and tear on other systems and leads to breakdowns. Think of food as your fuel, stress as your engine and productivity as your miles per gallon.” He laments, “I’ve seen many folks who take better care of their cars than of their bodies. My mission is to give them the information to improve that.”

The seminar will cover how diet profoundly affects how people feel and respond to life’s challenges or changes in their envi-

ronment. According to Dr. Ron, nutrition determines people’s energy levels, and timing and conditions of eating contribute mightily to our moods, lethargy and productivity. Attendees of the seminar will explore the healing properties of nutrition, and discuss strategies to lessen food cravings, balance blood sugar levels and handle common food allergies. “These issues can interfere with sleep thus increasing stress and decreasing productivity,” said Dr. Ron.

Between school, seminars,

mentorship and independent study and research, Dr. Ron has logged nearly 10,000 hours of study in the disciplines of chiropractic, anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, biomechanics, neurology, nutrition, athletic performance, sports injuries and the mind/body connection. He said all of this study is in pursuit of helping the body attain and maintain optimal function.

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Celebration of Life Mandy Lynene (Wood) Tryon



The family of Mandy Lynene (Wood) Tryon invites you to a Celebration of Life Service to share her wonderful spirit, joy and love. It will be held on **Saturday, June 17th at 2 p.m.** at Lange Memorial Hall adjacent to Hope Lutheran Church in Westcliffe, Colorado.

It is requested that it be an informal service with colorful attire to reflect her infectious laugh and bright spirit. Flower donations for her celebration service may be sent to #8 Crestone Court in Westcliffe, Colorado, on June 16th or donations may be made to a memorial account for her children. Please contact First State Bank of Colorado, Colorado Mountain Branch in Westcliffe for more information.

Celebration of Life Lonnie Leroy Lasha

Lonnie Leroy Lasha, age 65, of Florence, Colorado, has travelled to his eternal hunting camp on the 8th of June, 2017. Lonnie was born November 6th, 1951, to Leo and Martha Lasha of Florence. Born and raised in Florence, Lonnie graduated from Florence High School in 1970. After graduating Lonnie travelled the world, working the oil fields of Saudi Arabia, fishing off the coasts of Greece, travelling to Paris, Italy, Vietnam, and many other foreign lands.

Lonnie came back home to Colorado where he started a career building and remodeling several homes throughout the state with his brother Larry with their business Lasha Brothers Construction. Lonnie ultimately settled down and married the love of his life, Suzanne DeAngelo, on January 20, 1996, and sought out to raise his new family in the Florence area. Lonnie

and Suzanne opened and operated multiple local businesses in the Florence area including Pioneer Liquor, Zach's Storage and Mantiques Gun Room. The gun store was a personal favorite and passion of Lonnie's, where he cultivated many lasting friendships.

Lonnie was an avid outdoorsman, fisherman and hunter. Lonnie loved the outdoors, his family, his dogs Lucky, Zach, Ike, Sara, Mollie and Lucy, as well as his many many friends.

He will be severely missed by his loved ones and the many souls his life touched and imprinted upon. Lonnie was preceded in death by his parents Leo and Martha Lasha, sister Joann Lasha, brother Leon Lasha, sister-in-law Dorothy Lasha and niece Tandee Lasha. Lonnie is survived by his wife Suzanne Lasha, sons Jeff (and Sebrina) Mares, Steven Mares, Brandon Mares,



grandchildren Trent and Taylor Mares and in-laws Jerri and Ed Westwater. His brother Larry Lasha, nephew Chad (and Sybil) Lasha, sister-in-law Kay Lasha, nephew Raymond Lasha, niece Laura (and Avery) Scott. As well as numerous great nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at Florence High School on **Friday, June 16th that 11 a.m.** Please bring your loving stories and memories of Lonnie. Arrangements entrusted to Harwood Funeral Home. Online condolences at harwoodfunerals.com.

KIDS

Friday, June 16, 2017

The Roller Coaster

Most of us have had the experience of riding a roller coaster. It's a thrill. The cars slowly move up the hill until it gets to the top and then the ride careens down and around curves at breakneck speeds. There are many variations to the ride; looped coasters, water coasters, some have a long trail of cars while others may only one car. The question today is - who started the roller coaster?

Historians agree that the origin of roller coasters started with the Russian ice slides. As we all know Russia's winters can be very cold and long. The first Russian ice slides were built in 1650. A Russian ice slide is exactly that, a slide of ice. These were wooden slides, some as tall as seventy or eighty feet tall, with a sloping ramp and frozen over with ice. The riders climbed the staircase leading to the ramp and mounted a sled and headed down the icy slope. They were very popular in their day and even Catherine the Great was known to enjoy the thrill of the ice slides and had a few built on her property.

A few Frenchmen brought the Russian ice slides to their country and soon found out that France wasn't quite cold enough to keep the slides totally frozen. This inspired wheels to be placed on the sleds. In 1817, Les Montagues Russes a Bellevilles was the first roller coaster that featured cars that locked the sleds' wheels into a track and became the world's first roller coaster.

La Marcus Adna Thompson is known as the Father of the American roller coaster. He was a very inventive man. In his younger years, he created many things; butter churns, ox carts and numerous toys and devices. As he grew older he ran many profitable businesses, all of which were successful. However, his success put quite a strain on him so he stepped back to find less stressful ventures. He then created his own version of the roller coaster. For unknown reasons, Thompson decided to go into the amusement park business.

On June 16, 1884, Thompson's switchback railway opened at Coney Island, Brooklyn N.Y. He charged a nickel a ride and his creation made him hundreds of dollars per day, making the success of the switchback railway nothing short of astonishing. This success helped dub Thompson the Father of Gravity.

by Audrey Slater, Sources: : history.com, entertainmentdesigner.com, ultimaterollercoaster.com, science.howstuffworks.com.

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The Communications Dispatcher is responsible for gathering information, dispatching the appropriate emergency response, and providing information to ensure the safety of county personnel, including: Sheriff's Office (Deputies, Detention staff, Posse members, and Search and Rescue); Custer County EMS and Flight for Life; the Wetmore and Wet Mountain Fire Departments; the County Coroner, and the

Colorado Parks and Wildlife officers.

Pick up an application at the Sheriff's Office, 702 Rosita Avenue, Westcliffe, CO 81252, or applications can be found at custercountygov.com. Applications should be sent or dropped off in care of Undersheriff Chris Barr. If you have any questions contact Undersheriff Chris Barr cbarr@custercountygov.com or 719-783-2270

Help Wanted: Custer County Assessor's Office is seeking applicants for the **full-time position of Data Entry/Transfer Clerk**. Duties include filing, copying, computer work, and overseeing of property transfer records. Some lifting of up to 20 pounds may be required, and applicants must be able to climb stairs and remove record books from tall shelves. Ideal candidate would have a background in real property Title Work as well as familiarity with Microsoft Office. If not title work experience, knowledge and/or an understanding of legal descriptions would be extremely helpful. Applicants should be self-motivated and able to work with little supervision after an initial training period. Accuracy and ability to interact with the public are essential.

A pre-employment physical and drug and alcohol screen (at County expense) are required.

Custer County is an equal opportunity employer. Applications may be picked up at the Custer County Assessor's Office in the County Courthouse,

and must be returned by the close of business June 16, 2017.

The Town of Silver Cliff is accepting applications for the position of a seasonal Public Works Employee. The applicant must be at least 17 years of age and possess a valid Colorado driver's license. A complete job description and applications are available at the Silver Cliff Town Hall, 612 E. Main Street, Silver Cliff, Monday – Thursday 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The completed application and resume with references must be submitted by 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, June 20, 2017. Salary will be determined based on experience. For more information contact Town Clerk, Ileen Squire at 783-2615. Silver Cliff is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Custer County Board of County Commissioners are seeking applicants for a full time (40 hours per week with benefits) position for the **Extension Office Secretary/Office Manager**. Duties include all facets of secretarial/clerical support for the County Extension Office as well as extension programming and educational programs. The successful candidate must be self-motivated and able to work with little supervision after an initial training period. Accuracy and an ability to interact with the public are essential. A pre-employment drug and alcohol screening and background check (at county's expense) are required.

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Applications may be picked up at the Human Resource/Finance Office at 205 South 6th Street between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM and must be returned by the close of business on June 19, 2017.

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- All positions are open until filled
- Applications available at the District Office or online at custercountyschools.org (classified or certified applications)
- For more information contact Mark A. Payler during normal business hours (M-TH) at 783-4951.

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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Events Calendar

Friday, Saturday, June 16 – 17, 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, June 18, 2 p.m. Shakespeare in the Park “Romeo and Juliet” At the Feed Store Park 116 N. 2nd St., Westcliffe \$\$	Call 719-371-1230 for more info
Friday, June 16, 4:30 p.m. Garden Brothers Circus At the Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club Showtimes: 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. 90 CR 241, Westcliffe \$\$	Wednesday June 21, 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. BOCC Meeting Wetmore Community Center
Saturday, June 17, 2:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Rock N Soul Jam ‘17 - KLZR 91.7 FM At A Painted View Ranch 3115 CR 160 Westcliffe \$\$	Wednesday June 21, 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. Wetmore Community Center Grand Opening
Sunday, June 18, 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. Saddle Club - <i>Jackpot Barrel Race Buckle Series</i> 90 CR 241, Westcliffe \$\$ Sunday June 18 ALL DAY Father’s Day	Thursday June 22 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Community Meeting at the Bowling Alley Community Room 25 Main St. Westcliffe
Monday – Thursday June 19 – 22, 9 a.m. – 12 noon Vacation Bible School No pre-registration required 5 year olds – 6th Graders “BOOT” Camp At the First Baptist Church 417 S. 6th St. Westcliffe FREE	Thursday, Friday, Saturday, June 22, 23, 24 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday June 25, 2 p.m. Shakespeare in the Park “Romeo and Juliet” At the Feed Store Park 116 N. 2nd St Westcliffe \$\$
Monday – Friday June 19 – 23, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School No pre-registration required Ages 4 to teenagers Theme “God’s Design” Lunch served on Friday at 11:30 a.m. At the Wetmore Baptist Church Hwy 96 and 67, Wetmore FREE	Saturday, June 24, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. 29th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament Wet Mountain Valley Rotary At the Holydot Golf Course 55 North Parkway Dr. Colorado City. For more info http://www.wetmountainvalleyrotary.org
	30 June 30, 10 a.m – 12 noon VSO Q & A Update on legislation affecting veterans with John Griego, Veterans Constituent Advocate from Sen, Bennet’s Colorado Springs office Annex /VSO in Westcliffe
	Friday and Saturday, June 30 and July 1 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 2 at 2 p.m. “Guardians of the Galaxy, Vol. 2” Action Adventure Sci-Fi PG-13 At THE JONES THEATER \$\$ 119 Main St. Westcliffe

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.	6:30 - 8 p.m. Custer County Community Band practice in the band room at the high school.
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.	2nd and 4th Wednesdays 3 p.m. Scrabble Group West Custer County Library.
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.	Last Wednesday of the Month 11 a.m. Book Club meeting at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.
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 .	Thursdays Second Thursday of the Month 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. “Ask a Nurse” at the library.
6:30 p.m. at Cliff Lanes American Legion Post 170 monthly meeting.	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.
6:45 p.m. Post 170 Auxiliary monthly meeting (March – October) at the Saddle Club.	7 -8 p.m. Bible Talks with Domenic Enrietta and John Hartig. At the Library Community Room. All welcome. No charge.
Wednesday 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Line dancers meet at the Methodist Church. Call Clem at (303) 909-7370.	Third Friday of the Month Camp Happiness for 0-6 yrs old. 1-2:20 p.m. at West Custer Library.
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.	Saturday 10 a.m. Wet Mountain Al-Anon Family Group meets at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Dee (719) 404-1851 or Jean (719) 371-1229.
6:30 p.m. Men’s and Women’s Bible Study. First Baptist Church of West-cliffe Call 719-783-2498.	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.

Custer County Library Summer Events

Reading Program

This year’s Summer Reading Program, “Build a Better World,” is all about inspiring and motivating youth to get hands on and engage in the world around them. The West Custer County Library in Westcliffe will be offering a variety of free events for children, teens and caregivers of young children during the month of June. Also, youth can sign up to earn prizes by keeping up with their reading this summer from June 1st to July 28th. Kids ages 0-17 are eligible to participate whether they live here in the valley or are just staying for a while.

Registration for children and teens can be done in the library during normal business hours or anytime online at www.westcusterlibrary.org. For more information on summer reading, contact the library at 783-9138.

CHILDREN’S EVENT SCHEDULE (Birth – 10 years)

Thursday, June 22, 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. ESCAPE FROM LEMONCELLO’S PARK
Location: Hermit Park, Hermit Road and 4th Street, Westcliffe
Children can play games, solve puzzles and find clues in order to find the key to escape from the park. This event is based on the books *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello’s Library* and *Mr. Lemoncello’s Library Olympics* by Chris Grabenstein. The event is co-sponsored by the High Altitude Garden Club of Westcliffe.

Thursday, June 29, 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. BRAIN BLAST
Location: Custer County School Multi-Purpose Room, 709 Main Street, Westcliffe
Kids will discover the science behind Dippin’ Dots, then make the icy-cold treat for themselves. That and more excellent experiments to be done at this event led by Cool Science from Colorado Springs

TEEN EVENT SCHEDULE (ages 11-17)

Friday, June 16, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. BUILD A BETTER PARK
Location: The Bluff Park, west end of Main Street, Westcliffe
The theme of this year’s Summer Reading Program is “Build a Better World,” and teens will start in Westcliffe by building a better park. Specifically, they will help build a StoryWalk® for the community’s youngest residents. Participants will receive a community service certificate of appreciation. All building materials will be provided. It is recommended that participants wear old clothes and bring work gloves. This event is co-sponsored by the Town of Westcliffe and the Bluff Committee.

Friday, June 23, 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. RIP, TEAR, CUT: CLOTHING REV’D UP
Location: West Custer County Library Community Room, 209 Main Street, Westcliffe
Teens to transform t-shirts into something they’ll want to use or wear again with up-cycling. Local costume and clothing guru, Rachael Simmons, will be teaching, hands-on, how to level up a wardrobe. T-shirts for workshop projects will be provided.

CAREGIVER EVENT SCHEDULE

(For those who care for children under the age of 6)

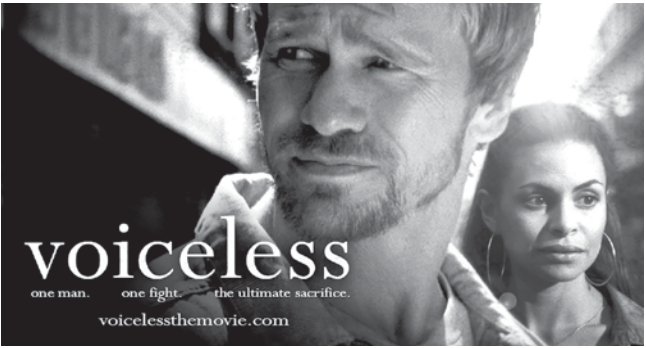
Monday, June 19, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
GROWING READERS TOGETHER: GET READY TO READ
Location: West Custer County Library Community Room, 209 Main Street, Westcliffe
Caregivers can learn how to help their little ones grasp pre-reading skills in a fun way. This free workshop is geared for caregivers with children under the age of six. Childcare will be provided in the library’s kids area during the workshop.

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Custer County Senior Center 612 Main St. Silver Cliff, CO 81252 (719) 783-9508 Lunch; Mon., Tues. & Thur. at Noon. RSVP by 9:30 a.m.	West Custer County Library 209 Main Street Westcliffe, CO 81252 (719) 783-9138 Tue. – Fri.: 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Sat.: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	(TEFAP) Commodities 2nd Wednesday AFTER the 2nd Monday at 8 a.m. <i>Clients should bring ID showing they live in Custer County.</i> <i>Distribution takes place at the south end of the scale house behind the court house.</i>
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Town of Westcliffe Meeting

Greed or Fairness:
Should Yard Sales Pay Taxes?

**Board of Trustees
Town of Westcliffe
Regular Meeting**

—June 6, 2017

by Mike Kienbusch

This month's meeting lasted almost 2 ½ hours, longer than most, due to numerous New Business agenda items. Under Old Business, a personnel matter was discussed in Executive Session, the audience was asked to excuse themselves for about 15 minutes. Upon our return, these New Business items had the following noteworthy discussions;

- A mule deer foundation representative requested approval for a special event permit for Wet Mountain Valley Chapter of the Mule Deer Foundation to conduct a fundraising activity at the Saddle Club on July 1, 2017. The special permit was approved by the Board.
- The Board approved the 2016 audit as presented by the retained audit firm. No issues were reported, other than the need for the Board to complete procedures that document how bids are released, awarded and

monitored. The audit was accepted and approved by the Board.

- To avoid competing with a very busy Westcliffe activity schedule in early July, the July Town Hall meeting has been rescheduled to June 27, at 5:30 p.m.
- The Board approved the motion to table the consideration of a request to approve a mural at the Antler Liquor establishment.
- The Board approved a motion to have two lots appraised. These lots are of interest to a buyer. The Board is considering opening the lots up for bid, pending the appraisal results.
- The Board approved a bid to repair 10 pillars in the Hermit Park Pavilion. The Board required the water sprinklers be adjusted to avoid future damage to new pillars.
- The Board approved a motion to have Westcliffe represented at the Regional Planning Commission for Transportation Planning. There are four meetings per year.
- The Board asked the Town Hall staff to study the “garage” or “yard” sale

events happening within or near the Westcliffe Main Street businesses. The concern being these events do not pay taxes on their sales. Should they be discontinued? The staff are to return their recommendation on how to proceed.

- The Board was briefed on the status of the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP). Budgets were handed out to Town Hall members. Town Hall staff will monitor progress of the project.
- CART reported to the Board that they are planning to install a “Welcome to Westcliffe” sign for travelers to see as they approach Westcliffe on HWY 96, just prior to entering the Westcliffe town boundary.
- Town Hall member, Paul Wenke attended a meeting on the Westcliffe community assessment. He stated that Westcliffe should continue being involved in these meetings, for the benefit of our community. He is planning to hold a workshop on this topic sometime in August. More on this will be reported as it develops.

Town Hall member, Paul Wenke will champion the broadband issue that Westcliffe is facing. He will be holding a workshop at a date TBD sometime in August. Once a date is known, Westcliffe Town Hall will reach out to Silver Cliff Town Hall for interest/participation.

The Westcliffe Mayor, under Additions to the Agenda, stated her concern about a proposal to establish a storage facility near the Shadow Ridge community. She solicited the interest from the Board to join with Shadow Ridge residents to not allow such a facility to impact the community. The proposed idea will undergo a Public Hearing in July. This item will be carried over to the August Town Hall meeting.

Lastly, it was announced that on June 16th, a circus will be in town providing two shows at the Saddle Club. The organizers anticipate some protestors from animal rights oriented individuals. Free tickets for children with a paying adult are available at the Westcliffe Town Hall.

Howard-Cotopaxi Christian Women's Connection Luncheon

Press Release

All ladies are invited to a catered luncheon in Coaldale. The June program “Give a Leg Up!” features Sandy Jackson, a licensed psychotherapist from Cañon City telling of her work using “Equine Assisted Psychotherapy”.

Inspirational speaker and vocalist Adrian Miller, a young mother from Thornton, CO, will sing and share her winning attitude and hope in dealing with struggles common to all

as she suggests “Isn’t it amazing what we do for love?”

The date is June 21, 2017, from noon to 1:45 pm, at the Coaldale Community Building, an historic brick schoolhouse ¼ mile south of US Hwy 50 on Hayden Creek Rd., in Coaldale. Ticket price of \$10 includes a delicious catered hot lunch. For reservations and information, call Kathryn 275-3588 or Teri at 942-3337, or email howardcotopaxicwc@gmail.com

Coffee with Commissioner Hood

Press Release

The Custer County Chamber of Commerce announces the third in a series of informational seminars for the Custer County community. “Coffee with Commissioner Donna Hood” will be held on Thursday, June 22, at 8:30 a.m. at A Painted View Ranch (3115 CR 160). Commissioner Hood will discuss a variety of topics

affecting Custer County residents and businesses. A question/answer period will follow.

All citizens of the county are invited to attend. Coffee, juice and pastries will be provided.

RSVP to the Chamber Office at 719-783-9163.

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Worship Services



Christian Science
9:30 a.m. Worship
8 Bassick Place
Westcliffe

Church of Christ
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship
818 Ohio Street
Silver Cliff
719/783-4601

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
10 a.m. Sacrament Mtg.
12:10 p.m. Sunday School
240 Ridgeline Drive
Westcliffe
719/404-4585

Community United Methodist Church
8 a.m. Worship
10 a.m. Worship
202 S. 6th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2511

Cody Park Community Church
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
Tuesday, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Mtg.
Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible Study
0157 County Rd. 27A
Cotopaxi
719/942-3526

Cotopaxi Community Church
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Wedn. Bible Study
20326 Hwy. 50
Cotopaxi
719/942-4339

First Baptist Church of Westcliffe
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
417 S. 6th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2498

High Country Mennonite Church
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School
110 Rosita Avenue
All Aboard Westcliffe Bldg.
Westcliffe
719/783-9045

Huerfano Community Bible Church
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
7 p.m.: Thursday Bible Study
603 Leon Street
Walsenburg
(719) 251-9053

Hope Lutheran Church
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Worship
3rd & Powell Streets
Westcliffe
719/783-9773

Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church
Diocese of Pueblo
11 a.m. Sunday Mass
10 a.m. Wednesday Mass

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Wedn. Adoration
109 S. 5th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-3507

Our Lady of Mt. Zion Catholic Church
11 a.m. Mass, 3rd Sunday of month
210 S. 2nd Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2491

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
10:30 a.m. Worship & Eucharist
11:30 a.m. Fellowship
3rd & Rosita Streets
Westcliffe
719/783-2477

St. Patrick's Anglican Church
11 a.m. Worship
401 South Second Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2500

Sangre de Cristo Fellowship
Sundays, 9 a.m. Meet and Greet
Sundays, 9:15 a.m. Service
120 Jerry Court
Westcliffe
719/783-0903

Sangre de Cristo Seminary Chapel
10 a.m. Worship
6160 County Rd. 130
Westcliffe
719/783-2447

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Diocese of Pueblo
Saturday Mass 4 p.m.
Highway 69, Gardner
719/738-1204

Valley Bible Fellowship
10 a.m. Worship
116 Hermit Lane
Silver Cliff
719/783-9050

Westcliffe Community Church
10 a.m. Worship
103 N. Adams St.
Westcliffe
719/783-2545

Wetmore Baptist Church
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
Junction of Hwy 96 & 67
Wetmore
719/371-1230

Wetmore Community Church
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship
699 County Rd. 395
Wetmore
719/784-0596

Wild West Cowboy Church
4 p.m. Worship
Followed by Potluck
Tuesdays 6 p.m.: Bible Study
60260 Hwy. 69 North
Westcliffe
719/783-2676

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Wetmore Community Center Open House

An Open House celebrating the Grand Opening of the newly renovated Wetmore Community Center and Library will be held on Wednesday, June 21st from 2 p.m.to 6 p.m. at the Wetmore Community Center, 95 County Road 393, Wetmore, CO. The public is invited to stop in and look through the building. Questions can be directed to Brenda Gaide, (719) 783-2552 or brenda@custercountygov.com.

Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 52 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 8 to EMS, and 2 to the Fire Department. As of June 11th, there were seven males and no females in the county jail.

6/6/17:
Theft: Deputies responded to Silver Cliff on a report of a theft. No report or charges filed by company.

6/7/17:
Traffic Summons: Curtis Stauffer of South Carolina, for speeding 20 - 24 over on CR 241.

Learner's Permit: A deputy conducted a traffic stop on CR 241. Party was a juvenile who was given a summons for violating the guidelines of a learner's permit.

Body Paint: A deputy

responded to Veterans Park on a report of kids possibly vandalizing a building with paint. The deputy spoke with some kids in the park who were painting their own bodies, not any of the structures.

6/8/17:
Traffic Summons: Gloria Gagney of Santa Fe, NM, for speeding 20 - 24 over on Highway 69 S.

Heart Attack: Deputies, EMS and WMFPD responded to the clinic on the report of a male having a heart attack. Flight for Life was called but stood down enroute. County Coroner was notified.

6/10/17:
Traffic Stop: Frank Searight of Westcliffe for speeding.

Weapon Found: A deputy took a suspicious report

when a handgun was found in the ceiling of a residence during a remodel.

Death: Deputies, EMS and Coroner responded to CR 129 for an unattended death.

6/11/17:
Lost Hiker: A deputy was dispatched to a call for service involving a male teenager who broke off from his hiking group and could not be located. Search and Rescue was activated to participate in locating the teen. The subject was found in town in good condition.

Trespass: A deputy was dispatched to a private residence on Highway 96 in Wetmore regarding a report of an intoxicated individual trespassing. Matthew Harkness of Pueblo was issued a summons for criminal trespass.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Custer County Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on June 26, 2017 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. In the Custer County Courtroom. The purpose is to discuss a Building Code for the unincorporated portion of Custer County.

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

- Roll Call
Amend agenda
Audience introduction
Approval of minutes
Public Comment
Commissioner Items
Attorney Items
Executive Session
New/Old Business
- CCI Report – Chip Taylor, Director
- Hamilton/Halpin cattle guards
- OEM Report
Staff Reports

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Tentative Agenda**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2017

**9:00 AM
Meeting Location:
Wetmore Community Center**

**Custer County
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THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017
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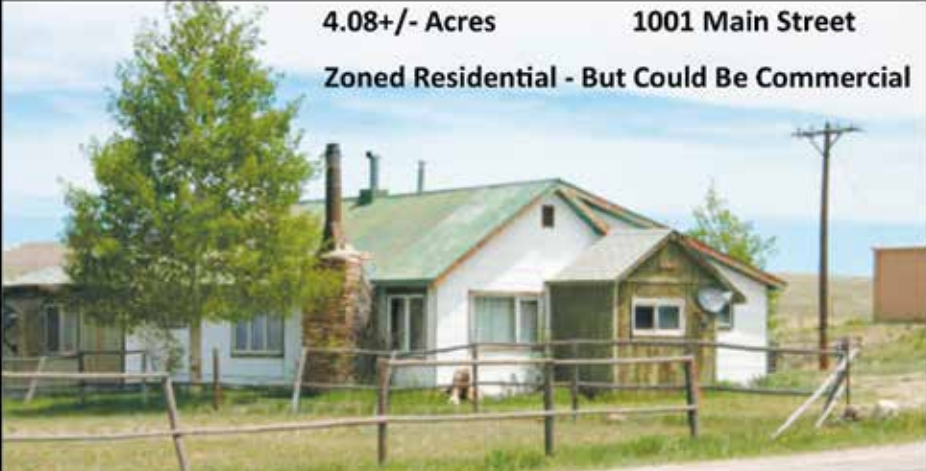
Community Discussion

To solicit public input about a proposed amendment to the Custer County Zoning Resolution relating to existing language regarding “light pollution” in the county.

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Fremont County Bulletin

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Events

June 16—July 29

- **Tuesdays, Cañon City Farmers Market** will offer produce, crafts, arts and much more from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. in Veterans Park.
- **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.
- **Tuesdays and Thursdays, 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.
- **Thursdays, Florence Farmers Market** will offer fresh produce, arts, fun, music, food and more from 8 a.m.- 2 p.m. in Pioneer Park.
- **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, 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.
- **Sundays, VFW Post No. 4061** will serve breakfast from 7:30-11 a.m. at 215 Cottonwood Ave. Adults \$7, children 8-12, \$4 and free for children younger than eight. 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.

The Florence Pioneer Museum is open Tuesday-Friday: 1-4:p.m., Saturday: 10 a.m. -3 p.m. A \$3 donation/admission is suggested..

June 21, Howard-Cotopaxi Christian Women’s Connection Luncheon from 12 to 1:45 p.m., at the Coaldale Community Building, a historic brick schoolhouse ¼ mile south of US Hwy 50 on Hayden Creek Rd., in Coaldale.

June 23-24, Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival will begin at 1 p.m. June 23rd and continue with a plethora of events through 11:15 p.m. June 24th. 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.

June 25, Odd Fellows IOOF will host its Sixth Annual Homecoming Concert, featuring the Flying W Wranglers and Barry Ward from 5:30-8 p.m. at 1020 N. 15th St. in Cañon City. Crowning of King and Queen will also take place at the concert. For more information, call Rockey Wells at 429-0316 or Kathy Wells at 429-0317.

July 1-4, The City of Florence will hosts its Annual Fourth of July festivities in downtown Florence. Vendors, music, art, a parade on July 4 along with fireworks at dusk. Come one, come all. The fun is just beginning. For more information, call 784-4848.

July 4, The City of Cañon City will host its annual fireworks display off of Skyline Drive at dusk.

July 29, Fremont Motorsports 9th Annual 100 Mile for St. Jude Children’s Hospital. Registration at 9 a.m. and kickstands up at 10 a.m. The cost is \$20 per person and includes breakfast, lunch, Coors beer and the ride. All proceeds go to St. Jude. Sponsors include Fremont Motorsports, The Daily Record, Miller-Coors , Star Country 104.5, Comcast and Big D Super Foods. Any questions stop by or call Fremont Motorsports at 784-9633.

Former Fremont County Sheriff’s Detective Robert Dodd : No-show at Court Hearing

by Barbara Penezic

Former Detective Robert Dodd did not appear in court for his first scheduled appearance for entry of counsel.

District Attorney Molly Chilson filed two counts of second-degree official misconduct and abuse of public records against Dodd May 4, 2017.

The complaint states that between December 25, 2016 and December 30, 2016, Dodd knowingly altered a public record even though he had not been authorized as a custodian of the record. Details of said alteration were not disclosed.

The complaint further states that between and including August 15, 2006, and December 20, 2016, “Dodd, a public servant, unlawfully, knowingly, arbitrarily and capriciously refrained from performing a duty imposed upon him by law.”

The charges date back to the discovery of a bloody rope, an axe and other evidence found in a storage locker

that belonged to then Detective Dodd. The items have been linked to the unsolved murder of Candace Hiltz. Candace was 17-years old at the time of her murder in 2006.

Dodd’s attorney, Randy Jorgensen, appearing for him, set the next court date, which will be a pre-trial conference set for 2:30 p.m. July 17, 2017.

Meanwhile, DA Chilson issued a protection order in the case, as discovery in the case includes evidence from an open homicide investigation. The protection order means that Attorney Jorgensen will only be able to review and use and discovery to assist in his defense of the case. It also ensures that no one else would be granted the ability to see the evidence the DA’s Office has gathered.

The Hiltz family was present at the hearing and understandably unhappy that former Det. Dodd did not put in an appearance.

Dolores Hiltz said she was

not surprised by Dodd’s failure to appear. She repeated again that all evidence surrounding the death of her daughter has been destroyed and she believes authorities are covering for someone.

As DA Chilson walked toward her office she was greeted with shouts of “You should be fired” from the Hiltz family members. Heather Hiltz said the last few months have been a mess and family members have been followed by law enforcement.

“It’s scary and crazy,” she said, “but I’m not afraid to be the mouthpiece and speak out against it.” Candace did not deserve any of this and we just want justice for her and closure for our family, she said.

Dolores Hiltz said, “They rushed through Dodd’s retirement. He should have been here.” The family wants answers; they want to know what happened to Candace, who did it and why.

Be Informed...Get Involved

Florence City Council Appoints Longtime Resident Allen Knisley

by Charlotte Burrous

During a meeting Monday, the Florence City Council appointed Allen Knisley to replace Charlette Henager, who recently resigned. Knisley will serve the remainder of Henager’s term, which expires in November.

The Council members appointed Knisley with a 4-2 vote. Those voting for him included Councilmembers Paul Villagrana, Mike Vendetti, Dick Upton and Larry Baker. Councilmember Pat Smith and Mayor Keith Ore voted no.

A longtime resident of Flor-

ence, Knisley said he was not looking to work for councilmembers during his introduction.

“(Instead) I’m here to work for the citizens of Ward 3,” he told the Council. “I want to get along with you all. Being able to take either side of the issue and being able to shake hands when we’re done and agree we tried to make a resolution on whatever idea we’re discussing. I hope you’ll appoint me, but being from Coal Creek, I’m no stranger to disappointment.”

“I hope to bring a level of enthusiasm,” Knisley said. “I feel so deeply for this com-

munity. There’s not much I wouldn’t do for anybody in this room. It’s for self-satisfaction and knowing that as I grow older I’ve put back into this community that has treated me so well through life. I’ve made an income out of this community and these people for a very long time and the pulse is very close. I know what bothers them. I also know through my experience with the Chamber of Commerce, I was so dedicated in making 100 percent of the people happy. The best I could do was maybe 51 percent.”

Knisley took the oath of office, administrated by City Attorney Matthew Krob.

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
1925 Fremont Dr.
Cañon City

Please let us know about an upcoming event or meeting you would like to see printed here, or covered in an upcoming issue.

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Cañon City
Tuesdays
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Veteran’s Park
First Tuesday of June -
last Tuesday of September

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Westcliffe
Wednesdays
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Jess Price Park
Starts June 14th
Corner of Main and 4th St.

Florence
Thursdays
8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Pioneer Park
Starts on June 8th
at Third and Pioneer Streets



Colorado State News



Organic Chicken Farmer Defends Property Rights in Bizarre Colorado Case



by Marjorie Haun,
Free Range Report

The case of the organic chicken farm vs. 'sensitive' neighbors is currently being tried in Delta County Court, and what should be a clear-cut property rights issue has become a tale of paranoia, bizarre claims and dubious evidence. The trial could go on for two weeks, longer than most murder trials, and will involve testimony from the primary 'sensitive' neighbor whose complaints have dogged a family-owned organic chicken house for years, and cost the family three-quarters of a million dollars in legal fees.

Olen Lund, President of the Delta Farm & Livestock Bureau, briefly detailed the case in a letter to Forrest Lucas of Protect the Harvest:

The first lawsuit, alleging inappropriate land use, culminated with a favorable ruling by the Colorado Court of Appeals when the Colorado Supreme Court refused to hear the case. But unfortunately, a subsequent suit alleging civil trespass was filed. The trial of that case has been postponed several times and is now scheduled for May of 2017.

The legal battle began on July 20, 2012, when the Delta County Commissioners approved a land use change application for an organic, free-range, chicken egg laying facility to be located just north of Hotchkiss, Colorado. A group of neighbors immediately, with the apparent backing of a national animal rights group, filed a lawsuit against the owners of the chicken house and the Delta County Commissioners making several allegations, basically centered around the idea that the facility was not agricultural, but really a "factory farm".

After much legal wrangling the Colorado Court of Appeals overturned the Colorado 7th Judicial District verdict against Delta County and the chicken house owners. Subsequently the Colorado Supreme Court refused to hear the case. The definition of agriculture and validity of the Right to Farm Ordinances and Statutes of Delta County and the State of Colorado were ratified. The facility was repopulated with chickens in October of 2014.

The main opponent of the chicken house has stated that she doubts that she can win, so is trying to bankrupt the private property holder. Even before the conclusion of the appeal of the first lawsuit a second suit was filed ac-

curring the chicken house of civil trespass (the plaintiffs held that dust was escaping from the chicken house and damaging their health). The trial of that lawsuit is now scheduled for May of 2017 after having been postponed several times. The civil trespass lawsuit has proved costlier for the defendants as it has involved more fact finding, depositions gathering and expert witnesses.

Lund sought the help of Protect the Harvest, a group which defends farmers and ranchers against the actions of 'animal rights' groups such as those cited in his letter. He expresses great concern about the precedent that could be set if the plaintiff should prevail in this case, not to mention the intimidation resulting from crushing legal costs incurred by the defendants. The letter continued:

Some \$750,000 in legal fees have accrued so far in this legal battle to preserve private property rights and the rights of a family to raise chickens on their property. Their employment of best management practices seems to be irrelevant as the legal case continues to drag on and the legal bills pile up.

If the plaintiff's position prevails, the precedent set for agriculture, and private property rights in general, could be disastrous. A disgruntled neighbor, or purposeful activist group, would have precedent to single out a single operator and legally "hound" them to their demise. The primary allegation in this case is that the defendant's chicken house raises dust, and we all know that every ag operation, in fact every action of even the wind, raises dust. If the use of best management practices is not acceptable, the future for family farm agriculture is grim indeed.

In August of 2011, the Hostetler family sought approval from Delta County for their chicken farm.

In September of 2011, before the farm was operational, a group of neighbors, apparently with Susan Raymond in the lead, filed the first lawsuit. Despite the opposition, Hostetler got approval from the County to continue building the facility.

Shortly thereafter, in March of 2012, Raymond, filed an injunction to cease operations at the chicken house. The first injunction was denied. Delta County District Judge, Steven Patrick, then remanded the case back to the Board of County Commissioners for further review, which again gave a thumbs up to the operation.

In November of 2012, Raymond filed a second lawsuit against

Hostetler and the County. After a series of legal maneuvers and hearings, Delta County again gave the go-ahead for the chicken house in May of 2013.

In September, Judge Patrick ruled against the County's approval process, and ordered operations at the farm to cease.

In October, the Hostetlers along with Delta County, appealed the judge's decision.

In December of 2013, operations ceased, and strangely, neighbors filed a complaint with the County Sheriff that too much noise was being made as the chickens were

tiff's attorneys issued a subpoena to the defense demanding a long list of documents potentially exposing private conversations and the identities of private citizens, including; all documentation, financial records and correspondence, agreements, receipts and checks related to legal expenses; all documents related to communications between the defendants and their attorneys; all documents related to the planning and execution of fundraiser and charity events held to assist with legal costs; identification of 'all attendees, volunteers, and staff present' at fundraisers in 2013 and 2015; records of all donations

injurious to their health) and is scheduled for a hearing in May 2017.

According to Delta County Farm Bureau, one of the plaintiffs has stated she doubts she'll win the case in court, so she's trying to bankrupt the farmer. \$750,000 in legal fees have accrued.

If the plaintiffs prevail, it would set precedent to single out farmers to end their business in producing eggs, meat or milk.

If the 'animal rights' movement's objectives of ending animal agriculture and crushing this family-owned chicken farm to make an example of them are indeed driving this protracted and costly case, the plaintiffs may have already won their victory. Despite the outcome of the trial, punishing a quiet family of farmers who have acted in good faith, followed the law, and complied with all court dictates, by taking them to court at a cost of \$750,000 over the last few years, is a h3!! of a deterrent to others looking at opening their own operations.

The trial of the family-owned, organic, free-range chicken farm vs. animal rights activist neighbors with a radical agenda [was] scheduled through June 2nd, at the Delta County Courthouse.

SDC Sentinel Update: According to the *Delta County Independent*, the case ended in District Court with the jury siding for the chicken farming Hostetlers. Lund, the President of Delta County Farm Bureau told reporters,

"Our job is far from over. Hostetler's outstanding legal fees stand at half a million dollars, even though they've been paid down quite a bit. Because of the precedent this case sets for agriculture nationwide, Lund said the Delta County Farm Bureau is reaching out to the American Farm Bureau, Protect the Harvest and the National Association of Egg Farmers for help. "We've done a couple of fundraisers in Delta County, but this is beyond us," Lund said.

[Editor:/GG: Another case of liberals trying to destroy our ranching/farming industry. Property rights issues like this (including the liberal attempt to establish an onerous building code in Custer County) are where the rich, liberal establishment often win, with the outright collusion of corrupt, liberal judges. We must fight this fight on all fronts. Think local, folks.]

Please see: <http://freerangereport.com/index.php/2017/05/21/organic-chicken-farmer-defends-property-rights-in-bizarre-colorado-case/>

"One of the plaintiffs has stated she doubts she'll win the case in court, so she's trying to bankrupt the farmer."

removed from the facility.

Despite the closure of the chicken farm in April 2014, Susan Raymond filed a complaint of trespass suit alleging that her nearby property had been contaminated with hay, dust, feathers, bacteria and mold from the chicken farm. The court ordered mediation on the trespass complaint, but no resolution was met.

By that time, the case had captured the attention of Colorado's Governor, John Hickenlooper, who, in spite of vague 'health concerns' cited by the complainants, issued an amicus brief in support of the chicken farm. The Governor's

Office asserted that Judge Patrick's ruling 'contradicts the state's "Right to Farm law." In February of 2014, the *Daily Sentinel* reported:

In an amicus brief filed Friday with the Colorado Court of Appeals, Gov. Hickenlooper, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, and the Colorado Department of Agriculture all lend their weight to supporting the pending appeal filed by Delta County commissioners and the Hostetler family.

The Governor's Office and the state agencies' defense of the farms' multiple approvals by Delta County Commissioners is whittled down to two key arguments: That the operating farm did enough to neutralize environmental impacts, and that Judge Patrick's district court ruling contradicts the state's Right to Farm law.

Then, in an act that can only be described as paranoid, the plain-

including names of donors and amounts collected in the 2013 and 2015 fundraisers; all records of conversations relating to communications regarding Hostetler, Western Slope Layers, LLC/ and/or Susan Raymond; and on, and on.

Despite the fact that in October of 2014, the appeals court overturned the decision against the chicken farm, and a year later in October of 2015, Delta County and the Hostetlers won a victory when the Colorado Supreme Court declined to hear the case brought by Raymond's attorneys, the 'sensitive' neighbor pressed on. The trial now taking place in Delta County stems from the previous lawsuit citing 'trespass' by mold, bacteria, dust and chicken feathers. Further complicating the case are assertions from the plaintiffs that the Hostetler's or-



ganic, free-range chicken operation is actually a factory farm. Political agendas, not evidence, appear to be driving the 'trespass by chicken feathers and factory farm accusations. The National Association of Egg Farmers posted the following on their website:

The Colorado 7th Judicial District ruled in favor of the plaintiffs, but the Colorado Court of Appeals overruled the verdict against the farmer and Delta County Commissioners. A subsequent lawsuit was filed alleging civil trespass (the plaintiffs claim that dust from the farm was

**Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,
knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward.
You are serving the Lord Christ.**

Colossians 3:23-24 ESV



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Human Trafficking U.S.A. Part II

by Fred Hernandez

The Sentinel published Part I on June 2, 2017. Part I covered the characteristics of predator and prey and statistics on Colorado. As noted in Part I, “In Colorado, the FBI created the Rocky Mountain Innocence Lost Task Force (RMILTF) in 2012. Throughout the country there are 78 such task forces who share information with each other and maintain extensive files of all cases worked on. Their number one mission: the recovery of the kids. Their top priority is not the arrest of offenders and their conviction, it is always and primarily the quick recovery of the children or adult victim. 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. In that period of time the local task force, Rocky Mountain Innocence Lost Task Force has not only arrested 128 suspects, it has also managed to train approximately 28,000 individuals, law enforcement employees, justice system personnel and private persons in their efforts to educate the public about the pernicious problem with all its horrors. Since 2012, 416 children have been recovered in Colorado; 123 last year alone.”

Prostitution

In the crime of prostitution, the person performing the act is usually the one blamed. However, the legal explanation is more complete in its blanket description of potential perpetrators paraphrased as follows: *Human trafficking for sexual servitude is committed by any person who knowingly sells, recruits, harbors, transports, transfers, isolates, entices, provides, receives or obtains by any means, another person for the purpose of coercing the person to engage in commercial sexual activity.* It is a Class 2 Felony, and a person does not need to receive any money

or proceeds from the commercial activity to commit such an offense. The word coerce applies only to adults who are able to understand what is transpiring. In the case of a child it is automatically an assault.

In the sordid world of human trafficking, prostitution and the commercial sexual exploitation of children, the majority of victims are girls and white girls are preferred. Each girl is “sold” or trafficked an average of fifteen (15) times a day. **Statistics show that these victims have an average of 868 sex partners per year and their average life span is five (5) years.** In that time, many are either killed, commit suicide or develop a disease. In that life span of five years, that young girl will have an average of 4,340 male sex partners.

This brings us to the big, BIG,

“Prostitution in this country is under the control of pimps up to 80 - 85% of the time...”

business of human trafficking, a thriving industry which generates thirty-two billion dollars (US \$32 billion) and growing at a steady rate. To put that in context, the firearms industry generated about forty-nine billion dollars in 2015 (US \$49 Billion). It is a criminal activity that occurs right in front of the public eye. For the uninitiated, it is not readily detectable. It happens in hotels and motels, in massage parlors, brothels, on the street, in public parks, and most deviously online: in Facebook, Snapchat, Twitter, Google and other well known, and not so well known, websites. Some predators can get a kid in as fast as thirty seconds. It is not only difficult to detect, it is even more difficult to prosecute. Law enforcement has to get all three individuals involved in the com-

mission of this dastardly crime: the victim, the seller and the buyer. Trafficking in sex is about manipulation, slavery, victimization and exploitation. A trauma bond is formed. This is the control aspect of the relationship between the victim and the pimp who threatens violence on the

“In Colorado...[pimps are] averaging an income of about \$56K a week...”

victim themselves or, on others whom the victim loves (or do not want to see harmed) such as the parents of the victim, or siblings or close friends. The pimp will also alternate violence with acts of kindness leaving the victim mentally confused.

This brings us to the study of “pimpology 101”. To begin with, the word pimp is really an acro-

about \$56,000 a week with a “stable” of four to six girls, each of whom produces between \$1,500 to 2,000 per night. **Speaking psychologically, the similarity between a pimp and a psychopath is that both have no empathy and no ability to own up to any responsibility.** They are

quite ruthless, to say the least, and the general public is admonished by law enforcement to refrain from making any attempt to contact them in any way. The stakes are very high for them as evidenced by the amounts of revenue they produce so quickly and easily. They will not hesitate to eliminate anyone or anything that gets between them and their profitable enterprise. Always call law enforcement immediately at the numbers indicated at the end of this report.

Gang Complicity

As difficult as it is to contain this wide spread criminal activity the business of HT and CSEC becomes even more complex when gangs are factored in. Whereas rival gangs were just that; rivals, today they connect with each other and cooperate for mutual benefit because the business is so lucrative. They now divide their tasks and are able to progress their criminal enterprise to higher, more profitable levels. For instance, one gang takes charge of the recruitment, another sells the “merchandise”, yet another gang acts as the enforcement arm and so on. Better organization and better planning means better profits and more difficulty by law enforcement to detect and apprehend them.

Slang Terms

In this industry devoid of humanity, the players have their own

jargon: Some of the words they use to communicate with each other might have already leached into the vocabulary of the general population such as: *stable* which means a group of prostitutes or victims under one pimp; *outcall* when a victim is sent to a client; *incall* when a client comes to where the provider is located; *quota* or *trap*; the amount of money a girl/victim is required to produce for the pimp in a certain time frame like a night’s work; *circuit* is the route traveled in the course of selling their wares (a route can be Texas to Nevada to California); *the game* is what their business is known as; *ho* is a sex worker; *square* is anybody who is not in the game.

Tell-tail Signs

In seeking to identify the “players” when out in public, take note of a male in the company of several women. Take note of bruises, black eyes, cuts of any kind. These are the tell-tale signs of victim-hood. Tattoos, dermal piercings are also “brands” that the pimp imposes on his “property” (especially if the kid does not know how, where or when they acquired it). The general public can be of tremendous help to law enforcement and assist in the recovery of these children. Always remember that it is about the children first and foremost. It is not about interrogating the children to find out information in order to arrest the perpetrator. It is simply about helping the child, giving them hope, helping in their rehabilitation; volunteering to assist with clothing, medical attention, maybe they have not eaten in a few days and other such necessities. Among the many other problems, this one is a very serious one. At risk are the children some of whom might even be from your own family. Supervision is important at all times in this digital age.

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The Damage Wolves Are Inflicting on America: Part 3

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One morning back in early September 2011, I was up early ... several hours before the first signs of the new day were even slightly evident on the Eastern horizon. I loaded up with my two favorite trail buddies, my dogs Bob and Tully, and we headed for the south end of Montana’s great Bob Marshall Wilderness Area ... 80 miles from where I live in Missoula. About an hour later, we turned off the paved highway at the small town of Ovando, and headed due north. The farther we drove on the gravel Forest Service road, the rougher it got ... to the point where 15 m.p.h. was as fast as one dared to drive. Nearly 20 miles and a half-

hour later, we pulled into a “turn around” parking area. I jumped out of the pickup, slipped on a large pack

light nylon tarp for making a quick lean to ... a military surplus cold-weather sleeping system ... and a

knowing it was a near continuous climb for close to six miles, to the pass that also makes up part of the



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with plenty of easily accessible snacks and water ... enough food for three days (for me and the dogs) ... a flashlight, hatchet and a few other essentials ... a

reserve supply of ammo for the Winchester Model 70 I would also be carrying in with me.

We headed up the trail,

southern border of what the locals fondly call “The Bob”. The first mile or two of the hike in the faint light of the coming day went kind of slow, but as the

light grew stronger...so did my desire to “top out” ... and head down into one of the Lower 48’s true wilderness areas – the 1,000,000+ acre Bob Marshall Wilderness ... to do a little scouting for an upcoming early season backcountry elk and deer hunt.

In September 2008, I had gone into the Bob Marshall with three friends who were going to hunt elk and deer ... and I had gone in to do some trout fishing and photography. During the twelve days we spent in the wilderness, we had seen deer and elk every day, along with a few mountain goats and a handful of bighorn sheep, plus several black bears. During three full days of scouting for the planned 2011 hunt,

putting on 10 to 12 miles each day, in the very same basin hunted just three years earlier, I never saw one fresh set of elk tracks ... and could have counted the number of fresh deer tracks encountered on one hand. The only tracks in abundance were those of wolves.

Early each morning, I put in several hours “covering a lot of ground” with a pair of binoculars – glassing ridge after ridge, point after point, and every visible meadow from a good vantage point. Other than a few grouse and squirrels ... not another living thing was spotted.

On the way back to the

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"All That Is Necessary for the Triumph of Evil Is That Good Men Do Nothing"

Edmund Burke

The Daily Jot

Daily reporting and analysis of current events from a biblical and prophetic perspective.

NOTE: When writing about God and Jesus, The Daily Jot means YHVH as God and Yeshua Ha Mashiach as Jesus--the actual original names and the true nature and character of them.

Comey, C'mon Man!

Comey this, Comey that, Comey, Com-ey, Comey—the news reports on the James Comey testimony before the Senate Intelligence Committee are beginning to sound like some sort of rock and roll song. I wasn't going to write any more on this, but there is no choice. This whole thing with Comey and his testimony is a dog and pony show on the biggest stage in the world showing how hypocritical and petty the Washington, D.C. political machine has become. It never was wonderfully honorable, but the hype aimed at destroying reputations and providing high-drama for political gain is held at the public expense of taxpayers over the insinuation and innuendo of political hack James Comey. It's embarrassing.

The one new revelation that came from the testimony of this Democratic Party operative and 5th Estate power monger is that Comey revealed just how underhanded the political tactics become when someone feels their power is threatened. He gave America insight into the shenanigans by admitting that he used a close friend of his—Columbia law professor Daniel Richman—to leak the content of his memos to himself to the *New York Times* in hope of triggering the appointment of a special counsel. What he did was write up his own (biased or politically motivated opinion) account of his private meetings with President Donald Trump and leaked them through a second party to the *New York Times* with hopes of undermining Trump's presidency.

That's the motive. It is not what the leftist news media will report, but it is—take it from a former

political operative—how hardball is played. At the same time Comey is admitting to this underhanded chicanery, he also testified that he couldn't say whether Trump's request to shut down the investigation of former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn was an obstruction of justice. He said this issue was for a special counsel to determine. This is another political tactic to undermine Trump's presidency—answer a leading question without saying a law was broken, but imply that it was. The news picks up on it, and the reputation of the target suffers in the public irrespective of whether it is true or false.

So far, the Democrats are winning in their media war against Trump. They have a special counsel appointed. An investigation is underway even though top Democrats say there is no evidence of wrong doing. The witch hunt is aired in the public daily, undermining the public confidence in the presidency. And that is the goal—to make it so Trump cannot implement his agenda. It's a strategy of the coup. As long as the notion of wrongdoing is pounded into the public's minds, the strategy of this revolution is succeeding.

As Ephesians 6:12 says, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Don't forget it. This spiritual wickedness is very persuasive and can cause even the elect to misstep.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!

Bill Wilson

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Caterwauls on Paris

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You can't possibly be serious.

The screamfest over Trump's withdrawal from the Paris accord is amusing beyond words. Among the complainers is Tim Cook who I remind you makes his iPhones in China which was immune from mandatory carbon emission cuts. If Tim Cook cared about carbon emissions he would make them somewhere else.

But he hasn't and he doesn't.

Then there's Elon Musk, who stomped off in "indignation" when the announcement was made. The truth is a bit more complex; Musk is a welfare queen and Tesla, including all that it produces (batteries, solar panels and roofs and of course cars) is utterly dependent on both government subsidy and force to make you buy them under penalty of paying more. Tesla loses money on every car it sells and without both government subsidies and a belief these will continue, the company is literally at risk of collapse.

Don't take my word for that, by the way -- if you're too lazy to read the company financials for yourself Musk himself has said so.

"I do believe this market cap is higher than we have any right to deserve," Musk said to *The Guardian*. "This is not some situation where, for example, we are just greedy capitalists who decided to skimp on safety in order to have more profits and dividends and

that kind of thing. It's just a question of how much money we lose. And how do we survive? How do we not die and have everyone lose their jobs?"

Got it folks? Tesla is a money-losing firm. It always has been. There are no profits. It exists be-

as India. You don't really think they'll just wait for the money, do you? Oh no, here comes Goldman with the "opportunity" to get that money now -- for a price, of course. That just went "poof" like a fart in the wind.

The list goes on, of course.

"Tesla is a money-losing firm... It exists because it can steal from the taxpayer and Wall Street believes it will be able to continue to do so"

cause it can steal from the taxpayer and Wall Street believes it will be able to continue to do so and thus lets Tesla float bond issues in the market.

So is Musk truly indignant for the future of the planet or is the real problem that

The truth about the Paris Accord is that it was a scam from the outset, just like Kyoto. I wrote on it at the time. The fundamental scam is that it did not impose hard caps on the plurality of the population of the world -- specifically, India and China. Neither had

"Today, the scam went down in flames -- and so did the pipe dreams of quite a few CEOs and banksters, ..."

he smells brimstone and the end of his charade? It's not like you have to guess as Musk has told you in plain English (both in interviews and in his quarterly filings) what the truth is.

Then there's Goldman's Blankfein. He, of course, was looking forward to financing "opportunities" (underwriting bonds and similar) for the trillions of dollars that America was going to be forced to give to other nations such

hard caps nor requirements to spend. India, for example, only had to make "reforms" if they were paid to do it by the United States and others. Otherwise, no obligation. China -- same deal.

Of course India and China are the two most-populous nations. Between them they're over a third of the world's count of people and India's population continues to rapidly expand. Both China and India will

eventually start to see population declines, but not for a good long while, and in any event they'll still be about a third of the planet by 2100.

Exempting either of these nations from any so-called "carbon limits" makes the entire exercise a joke.

I maintain that none of the people backing this c**p actually believe that (1) the climate is warming and (2) humans are responsible for it. Remember that you have to believe both; if you believe the first but not the second then nothing we do matters, so both are essential.

If you believe both and you also believe the impact will be catastrophic you have to be flat-out nuts to exclude from carbon limits the fastest-growing nation and between it and the next-largest the two that comprise more than a third of all the people on the planet.

It's clear that if that block of people continue to rapidly emit more CO₂ rather than cut it back you will fail.

Therefore any support of such a pact is obviously a scam.

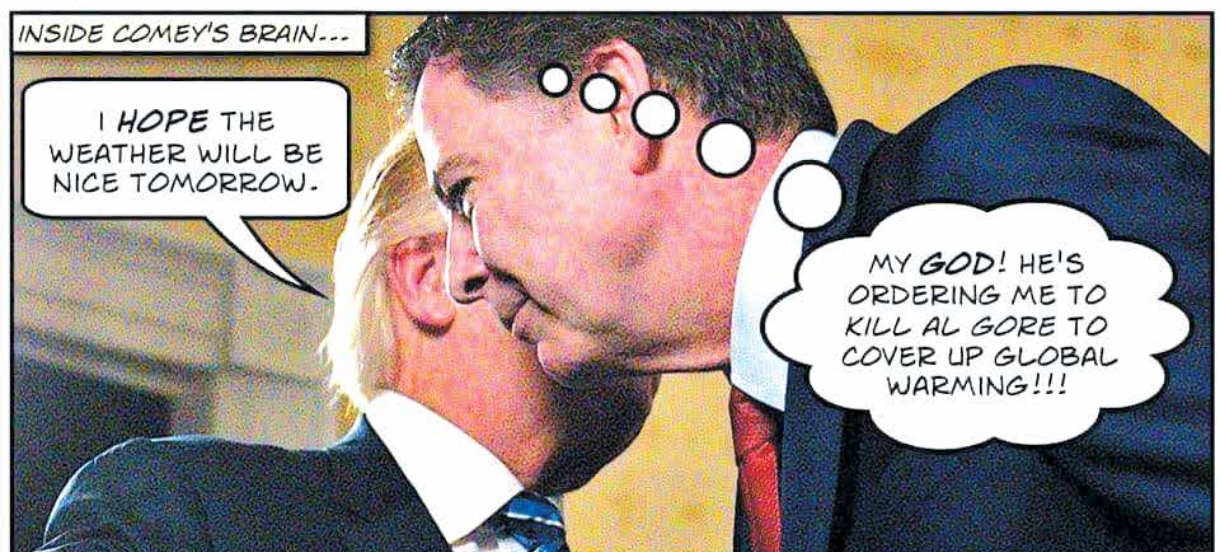
Today, the scam went down in flames -- and so did the pipe dreams of quite a few CEOs and banksters, among them Blankfein and Musk.

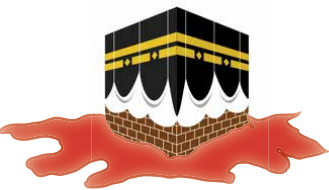
You're going to Hell, boys, and you might need some kegs down there; I understand there are no taps.

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Stilton's Place

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by Bruce Bawer,
Front Page Magazine

Yet again it has returned, the sublime and hallowed month of Ramadan – a beautiful and particularly sacred period that was an original part of the magnificent revelation handed down by Allah to the Prophet himself (peace be upon him) in the Holy Quran. Indeed, it has been widely postulated by many of our holiest of men that the precious text of that sacred volume was revealed to the Prophet himself (even more peace be upon him) during the very first Ramadan.

Needless to say, this is an exceedingly special and sanctified period of the year, a period of grace and majesty as well as of prayer and charity – a time during which the

eternally beloved people of Allah are encouraged to demonstrate the depth and strength of their faith by engaging in *sawm*, or fasting, from dawn until sunset, as well as by strictly avoiding the intake of food and beverages, the use of tobacco, and any kind of carnal activity, although the standard acts of incestuous intercourse with minors and, naturally, the brutal sexual violation of the wives and offspring of infidels can be safely pursued per usual. Furthermore, it is to be hoped that the faithful will manifest the great extent of their self-restraint during this period by scheduling such activities as female genital mutilation, wife-beating, and the theologically obligatory honor killing of wives, sisters, and daughters for the hours following sundown – that is to say, after the *iftar*, the solemn supper taken in the wake of the sinking of the sun below the horizon, and before the *suhur*, the

consecrated common meal that is directed to take place just prior to the rising of the sun.

It is particularly vital that the people of God make a special effort during the holy month of Ramadan not to engage in any act of unkindness, injustice or insensitivity directed at their fellow believers – although, of course, the tossing of homosexuals from the roofs of buildings, the remorseless stoning to death of rape victims and the violent execution of apostates may proceed as usual, preferably during the hours of darkness. It is crucial, moreover, to underscore that Ramadan is a time during which the followers of the Prophet are enjoined to take part in even a more extensive and profound degree of spiritual reflection than is their usual practice during the remainder of the year: they are, for instance, called upon to recite the special Ramadan prayers,

known as the *Tarawih*, during the nights of this dearest of months, and even, if they are capable of such an accomplishment, to read prayerfully through the entire Holy Quran from start to finish. All of this contemplative and devout activity, to be sure, should not be permitted to distract the children of Allah from such equally urgent and virtuous tasks as mowing down infidels with cars, trucks and other vehicles, shooting deadly rockets into the heart of urban areas where civilian non-believers are wont to gather, and committing sundry acts of mass annihilation and bloodshed involving such handy implements as machetes and Kalashnikovs.

Most important of all, the consummate lessons of self-control that the people of the Holy Quran are expected to take to heart during Ramadan should not be misconstrued in such a way as

to prevent them from setting off bombs at major sporting events, high-profile musical performances, and other large public events at which there is a good chance of reducing large numbers of infidels, especially the small and helpless children of the infidels, to random splatters of blood and to charred, unidentifiable bits and pieces of flesh and bone. On the contrary, the followers of Allah and disciples of the Prophet (peace, yet again, be upon him) should never lose sight of the fact that it is during Ramadan, above all times, that acts of righteous slaughter and virtuous extirpation – those blessed sanguinary proofs of Islamic piety and allegiance – bring even more joy to Allah in His Heaven than they do during the remainder of the year.

Please see: <http://www.front-pagemag.com/fpm/266884/ramadan-london-bruce-bawer>

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trailhead where I had parked my pickup a few days earlier, the dogs and I encountered a young outfitter and his wife – bringing out their hunting camp on mules, even though it was only the second day of archery season. I asked why they were pulling out so early, with the backcountry rifle hunt less than two weeks away. They shared with me that their camp had been 12 to 14 miles into “The Bob”, and they had been in for a week to scout...and had found nothing, and in a week had seen only a couple of sets of fresh tracks, other than wolf tracks.

The young outfitter shared in anguish, “It’s not good. It’s really bad...The Bob has been lost!”

This is the same degree of wildlife losses that have been felt up and down the western half of Montana, across much of Idaho, as well as in and around Yellowstone National Park in Northwest Wyoming. In “Part 1” and “Part 2” of “The Damage Wolves Are Inflicting On America”, we’ve shared the lies, deceit, collusion and outright theft behind the Northern Rockies Wolf Recovery Project. Here, in “Part 3”, we’ll look at one federal judge who has allowed this destruction to take place and very likely, Why.

Back when the Northern Rockies Wolf Recovery Plan was accepted as “The Plan” for wolf recovery in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming ... and an excuse for dumping non-native Canadian wolves into a rich and thriving wildlife ecosystem, the so-called “experts” putting that plan together agreed that when the wolf population in one of these three states exceeded 100 wolves, with a minimum of 10 breeding pairs, the management of those wolves would be turned over to the wildlife agency of that state. But, that didn’t happened, thanks to the legal intervention by a coalition of environmental groups

which filed lawsuit after lawsuit to keep the wolf issue tied up in federal court. They had found themselves a Federal Judge in Missoula, MT, who was sympathetic to their cause or could be “influenced”.

Those organizations that kept wolf management tied up in court had learned to use the “wolf issue” and other “environmental issues” as “cash cows” and generally had a dozen or more cases being actively pursued, to stop this or that, all at the same time. Thanks to a flawed legal act, known as the Equal Access to Justice Act, those groups learned how to bilk the American public out of billions of dollars by filing lawsuits against U.S. government agencies. Through the 2000s, these organizations banked somewhere in the neighborhood of five BILLION taxpayer dollars – giving them a lot of clout.

Thanks to Molloy’s decisions in the U.S. District Court in Missoula, MT, over a five or six-year period, several hundred thousand elk were lost to non-native, non-indigenous Alberta wolves that should not have ever been transplanted into the Greater Yellowstone Area in the first place. By the time Molloy could no longer defend the demands of his radically green benefactors to keep wolves under the protection of the Endangered Species Act, and was forced by public demand to allow management hunting of wolves in 2009, the damage had already been done and wolves had been deeply implanted throughout the Northern Rockies. That year, in Montana there were at least 600 wolves, or 600 percent of the “planned recovery goal” for the state and next door in Idaho there were at least 800 wolves, or 800 percent of the “planned recovery goal” for that state. In reality, these wolf numbers were being down played by Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, which were working hand-in-hand with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The true

number of wolves in those two states, by 2009, was likely more like 2,500 to 3,000, not 1,400 to 1,500!

It has been “those extra wolves” which these agencies have not been either “professional enough” to determine or were directed to not admit which have overly contributed to the loss of 80 percent of the elk herds in many areas.

To keep wolf numbers somewhat in check, many countries have had to employ stringent control measures such as aggressive aerial gunning and eliminating litters of pups in their dens. The result of federally mandated use of sport hunting methods has been that wolves continue to decimate big game herds – especially elk and moose populations. Up and down the western half of Montana and most of the upper two-thirds of Idaho, elk and moose populations have been destroyed by 80+ percent and in many areas deer populations are down more than 50 percent. This devastation has taken place since the first of those Canadian wolves were released in Yellowstone back in 1995.

Each wolf will kill 24 or 25 elk (or equivalent) every year for sustenance. Likewise, many now realize that each wolf will also kill 10 to 20 big game animals each year as well just for the sake of killing. With wolf populations at least six to eight times the recovery goals established in the Northern Rockies Wolf Recovery Plan, big game herds are doomed unless some very serious, very stringent wolf control is quickly put into action.

(Editor/GG: We skipped printing the Part 2 column and went directly to this one as Part 2 was all about the politics behind the non-native wolf introductions. See BowHunting.net to read it.)

Please see: <http://www.bowhunting.net/2017/04/the-damage-wolves-are-inflicting-on-america-part-3/>

Are You Done Yet?

by Karl Denninger,
Market-Ticker.Org

So we have another one. *This, being no big surprise, didn't require guns or bombs. Knives and cars were fine.*

You can prattle on all you want about restricting weapons, but that’s idiotic. One man with a gun would have made short work of Mr. Machete getting out of that van. But, of course, in Britain there is no such thing as *Constitutional Carry* because there is no Constitution.

We had better pull our heads out of our a***s folks because this c**p is going to come here. It is going to do so in dramatic and unmistakable fashion, and when (not if) *it does you will get mowed down or stabbed* unless you cut the c**p on *Constitutional Carry* right here, right now, today.

You say you don’t want to impose a “religious” test on people? A test, I remind you, that is *not* really about religion perse -- **it is a test to determine whether you believe that the Constitution as written is law of the land, or whether you support making some magical book or the proclamations of a pedophile “prophet” the law of the land.**

The latter position is incompatible with a free society. The utter refusal to *insist* that those who wish to immigrate or visit western, civilized nations **accede to the premise that you’re free to pray but not to demand others live by**

your magical beliefs is the reason these attacks keep happening.

Those who wish to live under 10th century belief systems and yes, this includes certain nations that have a lot of oil, must be excluded from trade, from commerce, from access to western technology, finance and we the people of the western world until and unless they cut that cp out and prove they have done so by resolving all of their own civil rights issues on a durable and verifiable basis.**

They must be excluded because a not-insignificant percentage of them choose to abuse those who do not believe as they do, up to and including murdering those who disagree with them. They can live by their own rules in their own lands but not imperil anyone else nor enjoy the fruits of civilized society until and unless they reform and become civilized themselves.

It’s not complicated but on this point there can be no compromise -- *if you “compromise” you’re going to get shot, blown up, run over by a van or stabbed.*

You decide.

Life, and defense of life, or death -- yours.

That’s all.

Please see: <http://market-ticker.org/akcs-ww-w?post=232103>

“Our talks with the infidel West and our conflict with them ultimately revolve around one issue; one that demands our total support, with power and determination, with one voice, and it is: Does Islam, or does it not, force people by the power of the sword to submit to its authority corporeally if not spiritually? Yes. There are only three choices in Islam: [1] either willing submission [conversion]; or [2] payment of the jizya, through physical, though not spiritual, submission to the authority of Islam; or [3] the sword, for it is not right to let him [an infidel] live. The matter is summed up for every person alive: Either submit, or live under the suzerainty of Islam, or die.”

–Osama Bin Laden (*The Al Qaeda Reader*, p. 42)



The Second Amendment Corner

Liberty's Line in the Sand



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

A Psalm of David, Psalm 144:1

Bella Twin

The .22 Used to Take the 1953 World Record Grizzly, and More

by Dean Weingarten,
GunWatch.Blogspot.com

On May 10, 1953, Bella Twin was hunting small game with her partner, Dave Auger, along an oil exploration cutline south of Slave Lake. She was 63 years old. They saw a large grizzly bear coming toward them. Wishing to avoid an encounter, they hid off the side of the cut.

But the bear kept coming closer and closer. The bear got so close that Bella Twin thought it less risky to shoot the bear than to not shoot it. It was probably only a few yards away. Some accounts say 30 feet. Perhaps she saw it stop and start to sniff, as if it had caught their scent. We may never know. She shot at the side of the bears head. Knowing animal anatomy very well (she was an experienced trapper, and had skinned hundreds, perhaps thousands of animals) she knew exactly where to aim to penetrate the skull at its weakest point.

She shot, the bear dropped. It was huge. She went to the bear and fired the rest of the .22 long cartridges that she had, loading the single shot rifle repeatedly, to "pay the insurance" as Peter Hathaway Capstick said. She made sure the bear was dead, and not just stunned. My father taught me the same lesson when I was 13.

For those curious about how to place that shot on a live bear, the place to aim is half way on a line from the center of the eye to the ear hole.

From the front, you would aim directly up the nose. If the bear's mouth is open, aim for the back of the roof of the mouth. Aiming above the nose



Above: Bella's rifle. Below: a picture of the bear's skull and the .22 caliber holes in the left side.

will likely miss the brain.

What rifle did Bella use to shoot the world record grizzly in 1953?

One reader was able to track down the current location of the rifle and send me pictures taken by the curator of the museum. The rifle is a Cooney Ace 1 single shot .22 rimfire.

Bella Twin used the rifle for many years on her trapline. The rifle was produced between 1929 and 1934. From a commenter at Ammoland:

Here is a quote from the curator of the museum about the gun when I talked to him via email:

"I can tell you that the rifle is a .22 caliber single shot Cooney Ace 1. I can also tell you that the rifle's condition, which has remained as it was when Bella Twin shot the bear, leaves a lot to be desired. There is corrosion on the receiver and barrel, the front screw that holds the stock to the barrel is missing and has been replaced with hockey tape. There is a piece of rubber under the barrel



— probably as a method of "free floating" the barrel. There is no finish left on the wood. The stock is missing a part by the receiver and there is a wood screw reinforcing a crack in the stock."

Bella Twin was a Cree woman. She had a reputation for being a deadly shot. Her grandson, Larry Loyie became an award winning writer. He wrote a fictionalized account of the bear shooting to include his grandmother in his prize winning children's book, *"As Long as the Rivers Flow"*. From smokyriverexpress.com:

Kokom Bella Twin is a highlight of the adventures in "As Long as the Rivers Flow". The tiny 63-year-old Cree woman, who lived on Rabbit Hill overlooking Slave Lake, shot the biggest



Bella Twin with her Trophy Bear and .22. The photo by Engler Photography is circa 1960s.

Photos courtesy of Dean Weingarten

grizzly bear in North America.

"I had to put Bella into the book. She was being forgotten. The only people who remembered her were readers of hunting magazines," said Larry.

In *"As Long as the Rivers Flow"*, Larry wrote that he was with his grandmother when she shot the bear. It made sense to put the story into the book, but Larry was not with his grandmother when she shot the bear. In 1953, Larry had been gone from Slave Lake for five years. I suspect his grandfather, Edward Twin, had died. Bella was 63 and was spending time with another man. Larry refers to Dave Auger as Bella's partner in a family picture. Dave Auger was with Bella when she shot the bear.

Bella Twin and her partner Dave Auger, family photo by Larry Loyie. The photo was likely taken in the 1960's or later, because it is in color.

In Bruno Engler Photography, the famous photographer has pictures of Bella in front of the bear skin. When Bruno told her that he wanted to take the picture, she insisted on going home and sprucing up, and changing into nicer clothes. Engler writes:

She was dressed very simply. When she thought I was going to take a picture of her she said "No, I have to go home first." And she came back with a dress and put some cornstarch on her face for makeup. I said "Bella Twin, you looked much better before."

Women want to look their best in a photograph that will be shown to the world. This explains the somewhat awkward grip on the Cooney Ace 1 in the Engler photograph. Her left hand covers up the repair to the rifle.

What ammunition did Bella Twin use? The written accounts say .22 Long.

Bella Twin is specifically recorded as reporting that she shot it with .22 Longs, not Shorts, not Long Rifles. I recall that into the 1960s Longs were more expensive than Sshorts, but cheaper than Long Rifle ammunition.

The High Velocity .22 Long dates back to the 1930s and uses a 29 grain bullet at 1240 fps. The High Velocity .22 Short dates to about the same period, with the same bullet as the Long, but a velocity of 1125. The difference in velocity is 1240 - 1125 or 115 fps. That amounts to a 21% increase in energy for the Long, but far short of the Long Rifle, which is almost double that of the .22 Short.

We know the date the bear was shot, because it is recorded on the top of the skull. Most written accounts only say it was the spring of 1953. It was on May 10th of that year.

Bella Twin was only a name for most of the time I knew of her.

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Kokom (grandmother). Bella Twin and partner Dave Auger, on Rabbit Hill.

This Is What Happens When You Don't Have A Gun

THE DAILY CALLER NEWS FOUNDATION
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Multiple eyewitnesses said that community police officers fled from Borough Market in London after seeing two men with knives stabbing people as part of a terror attack Saturday.

These eyewitnesses told *The Guardian's* Lisa O'Carroll that two men started stabbing people outside a restaurant in Borough Market, close to where the first terror attack took place on London Bridge, resulting

in multiple fatalities.

"I saw two guys with big knives downstairs outside Roast. They were stabbing people," the eyewitnesses said.

Perhaps the most jarring part of the testimony was a report that, instead of running to the stabbing to stop it, the police turned around and ran the other way.

"The police were running away, they were community police. They were normal officers, they were running away," the eyewitnesses said.

With the police out of sight, onlookers began yelling

"stop, stop" and throwing chairs.

But then police arrived at the scene and "shot straight away."

Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) operate usually in a paid, full-time role, and while "PCSOs do not have the same powers as regular police officers, they still carry a lot of responsibility, and are a critical part of the police service."

More than 90 percent of police officers in London do not carry guns and instead carry mace, handcuffs, batons and on occasion, a stun gun.

Mere hours after the events took place on London Bridge and at Borough Market, Metropolitan Police labeled them as terror attacks.

Please see: <http://daily-caller.com/2017/06/03/multiple-eyewitnesses-say-community-police-ran-away-from-scene-of-terror-stabbings-at-borough-market/>

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Mantiques Owner

Rest In Peace
Lonnie Lasha

Our heartfelt prayers go out for Lonnie's family and friends on this saddest of occasions.

He will be missed.

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I wondered about this famous huntress for many years. Now we know that she was an expert trapper, hunter, and a crack shot. She was a beloved grandmother who taught her grandchildren well and knew the Cree traditional folkways. She lost one man and found another. She was shrewd enough

to parlay the world record grizzly into cash. She sold the skin and skull separately, and sold the old, beat up rifle as well.

Bella Twin, I salute you. I would have liked to know you. Born in the Canadian wilderness in 1890, your life stretched between worlds.

May your memory and deeds live long, told around many campfires. I will tell my grandchildren about you.



This style of box was produced by CIL in Canada from 1950 to 1956. It is probably the type of ammunition Bella Twin used to shoot the world record grizzly.

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COFFEE from page 5

population growth which will necessarily impact Custer County either because new arrivals will settle here or, even if they don't, they are potential tourists to the area. It is therefore important to plan ahead so we are in the best position to balance economic growth, which the town and county needs, while maintaining a balance with the quality of life cherished by local residents.

Looking into the future, the town needs additional tax revenues and developing new businesses will contribute towards that need. In fact, it is necessary to have a business center not to compete with Westcliffe but because it only makes sense to have a designated commercial area where light industry can be situated. That would

create the jobs needed.

Affordable housing is another part of the overall vision being looked at and different approaches are being considered as a clearer understanding of the needs of the community become evident. Whatever it is, the Mayor wants to do it right.

One thing Mayor Steve Lasswell feels strongly about is the absolute need for broadband. Without it businesses and light industry will not consider an area that lacks it. As part of any tourism development effort a plan is forming to build multipurpose trails for hikers, bicycle riders, ATV's and horse-back riders from downtown to Silver Cliff ranches in the east and the adjoining areas which will later connect with trails that will loop around the two towns. Grants will be sought to fund this project.

In his closing remarks, the Mayor gave a brief report about the potential silver mining operations within town limits. According to Viscount Mining, the company that has been conducting exploratory activities for the past year, the latest conclusions from their tests indicate a silver content of about 200 grams (approximately 8 ounces) per ton of silver in the area known as KATE.

The town is currently negotiating with Viscount for a ten-year contract to do further exploration that may eventually lead to full blown mining operations. Town officials and staff are working diligently and closely with the federal and state authorities to ensure that at all times there is no negative environmental impact to the town or its residents and that the mining company adheres to all agreements entered into including all fees, payment to those who own mineral

rights and other conditions that guarantee the quality of life is not adversely altered. Also, of paramount importance is the issue of water quality. To this end a formal test of the water will be made to establish a baseline. Water will then be tested periodically and measured against the baseline to ensure the quality does not deteriorate. In the event the mining activity proceeds to full production, the Mayor estimates an investment in the vicinity of between ten to twenty million dollars for the mining company. With that, the Mayor expressed his gratitude to Mr Jarvis, the Chamber of Commerce and all those who took part in making this meeting possible. A short question and answer period ensued after which the meeting was adjourned. We look forward to The Chamber and Mr. Jarvis announcing the next meeting to be held.

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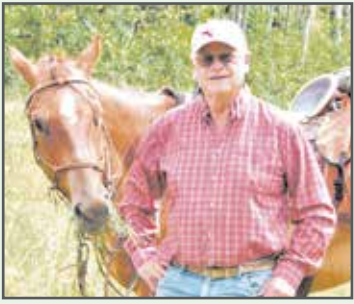
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“Guard against the impostures of pretended patriotism.”

- George Washington, Farewell Address, September 19, 1796

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Politics & The Bible From Pastor Jim



Jim Modlish has been in ministry 50 years, pastoring churches from upstate New York to Washington. He holds a doctorate in theology, but frequently states: "I have education, but I got over it."

Southern Colorado natives, Jim and his wife, Linda, happily returned to their home state in 2006. He is currently the founding pastor of Huerfano Community Bible Church in

Walsenburg. Pastor Modlish believes the Bible is the greatest political science textbook on earth, and that all current events should be examined under the searchlight of Scripture.

All Scripture taken from the King James Version.



A Man of Action

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the generally recognized beginning of the Protestant Reformation when, on October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg. The purpose of the 95 Theses was to invite local scholars to a disputation on indulgences and was intended to be an academic exercise.

Luther was prompted to write the Theses as a result of a special jubilee indulgence instituted by Pope Leo X. The purpose of this particular indulgence was to build St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome. This was a plenary indulgence which meant that all sin and eternal and temporal punishment would be forgiven to those who purchased them. Luther was not the only one to question indulgences. Many throughout Europe had complained about them which explains in part why the Theses spread so rapidly and found such enthusiastic support. Luther was the first to think through a Scriptural response to indulgences so thoroughly. Prior to this, Luther was only known locally, but the Theses catapulted him to international fame.

The main topics of the Theses are repentance and good works. However, Luther made several startling statements about the Pope, which later brought him into conflict with the Roman Church. This contention drove Martin into an incessant search of the Scriptures which resulted in the formulation of a theology that was often contradictory to official Roman doctrine. In medieval Europe the church and state were so thoroughly intertwined that to speak out against one was to criticize the other. Consequently, in time Luther was outlawed by the church and state, condemned by the Pope, the emperor, the universities and cast out of human society. In spite of the venomous rhetoric and hatred that was hurled at Luther, the appellation of "popular preacher" was his as well. Heinrich Heine, a pro-Catholic writer, says of Luther: "He was a dreamy mystic and a practical man of action...a cold stickler for words and an inspired, divinely intoxicated prophet...full of the most awful fear of God...full of consecration to the Holy Spirit...a complete man; I might say an absolute man."

In answer to anyone who might be seeking for the cause of the upheaval that followed his tracks, Luther said: "I simply taught, preached, wrote God's Word; otherwise, I did nothing....the Word did it all." "Do not think," he said at another time, "that the Gospel can be advanced without tumult, trouble and uproar." As a practical theologian Luther excelled all men of his day. He had full command over the vocabulary of his times. He used common sense, irony, vituperation and abuse, resorting at times to coarse and vulgar

expressions which even in that age offended men of culture and taste and set "a bad example for his admirers." He could express the deepest thought in the clearest and strongest language, and he had abundant resources of juicy and forcible epithets which he used constantly. He employed the proof-text method to a large extent in preaching. "Scripture itself is its own best interpreter" according to Luther. He felt that Scripture alone "should reign." He spoke of the Bible as "the Holy Spirit's own peculiar book with God in every syllable."

Luther's strong suit was his preaching, not his theology. At Erfurt, on the way to the Diet at Worms, his preaching "melted the hearts as the vernal sun melts the snow...neither Demosthenes nor Cicero nor Paul so stirred their audiences as Luther's sermon." (Schaff, VII, p.297) Luther was absolutely without fear in the face of all opponents, ecclesiastical or political. He roared against Henry VIII: "...he openly and deliberately lies...now that damnable rottenness and worm deliberately and consciously concocts lies against the majesty of my King in Heaven. Granted that he is the defender of the church, yet it is of the purple-clad harlot, drunken and mother of abominations." (Newman, p.67)

Luther's preaching against unfaithful preachers is as contemporaneous as though written yesterday morning. He combined exposition with application in his preaching. When he preached Luther hit the nail on the head...he was bold and brave and spared neither the Devil, Kings nor the Pope. He was never dull nor tedious, and you couldn't possibly remain neutral after hearing him.

This year thousands of Protestant pulpits will eulogize Martin Luther in glowing terms, heaping praise on him as the guiding light of the Reformation, but precious few would dare to emulate his courage or convictions. A desire for denominational prestige, fear of offending prominent church members, or the loss of a comfortable salary inhibits many clerical voices.

Could it be that today's silence is due to a lack of head-on collisions with the Scriptures? Martin Luther's personal conversion experience was the result of his inability to circumvent Romans 3:28: "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." The obvious conclusion was that no amount of good works were sufficient to accomplish justification. Complete faith in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ is the only critical ingredient for salvation from sins. A faith that saves is a faith that motivates, even compels the beneficiary to action. "The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion." (Proverbs 28:1)

A Sheepdog Barks!

This ole sheepdog is in the process of moving from Colorado to Arizona. Tired of shoveling snow and having difficulty with breathing the thin air. Haven't had much time to pay attention to the insanity in Washington D.C. or listen to the lying, deceitful and dirty politicians that we have all sent to represent us. I do, however, have some thoughts on a few things I caught wind of.

Shame on the U.S. Navy! It boggles my old mind and pains my heart that they would name a warship after Gabby Giffords. Really? And where were the others in positions of authority to stop such a stupid act. Where was the SECDEF? Where was Congress? Where was the POTUS? Anything can be changed and I mean anything. This obviously started under Obama but could have and should have been stopped under Trump and Mattis. No one in their right mind would name an American warship (maybe a tugboat or oil tender but not a warship) after a relatively unknown congresswoman that became a household name only because she was shot in the head. Now that certainly was a tragedy and a terrible thing. But it does NOT qualify her for such recognition. It is totally underserved. There are literally thousands of deserving real military heroes that should have been so honored. Name a school after her in Arizona or something like that. Look, the woman and her husband, a Navy astronaut, spent the next SIX years going after our guns. It is despicable what our senior military leaders have done here. It is a disgrace and cheapens the honor of all previous recipients. Shame on them all. This is an America I hardly recognize and an America I don't like. WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!

The next thing I caught wind of was the demonstrations AGAINST the demonstrations against Sharia Law in our country. I cannot fathom that ANY real American would not be against Sharia Law. Yet thousands came out to protest against Americans that don't want Islamic rules and its terri-

ble practices to be accepted in America. And let me answer the critics now. That thought is not Islamophobic or racist or bigoted or any darn thing at all. It is just plain good old American common sense and patriotism. How in the world can Americans march in support of a system (Sharia Law) that condones stoning women to death and abusing young children? That is completely wrong and against all the principles and values this country was actually founded on. The LPSDs are out of control in this country. They are committing anarchy and terrorism. The "Antifa" idiots are going to go too far and "awaken the bear." Once they do that they will be very sorry. They dress in black; cover their faces and burn American flags. Who do they remind you of? There is no doubt in my mind. I consider them enemies of the state. An internal war is brewing in America and I am NOT too old to get involved. Stay alert my friends. We may still be needed. WOOF!

I really don't understand what is wrong with the Republicans in Congress. They seem to play slow pitch softball in a fast pitch hardball game. I think there is nothing but trouble in the days ahead. Why in the world did Jeff Sessions recuse himself from all things Russian? Did he collude? I don't think he did. So now he cannot help the situation. I'm writing this before he testifies. Maybe he will explain himself. I don't trust Mueller and the special investigation. From all I can tell it seems Mueller and Comey are "frat brothers." I don't for one minute think this will be a fair and impartial investigation. This special counsel was not needed and I believe the Republicans will live to regret it. The Democrats never worry about perception. They play hardball and rally around their own. The Republicans seem to organize a circular firing squad. And let me bark a little bit about Jim Comey. He was indeed the head of the snake. From the very first I thought that President Trump (PT) might be overdoing it in his praise for Comey. I lost all respect for the man in his handling of the Clinton de-



bacle. There is no doubt he caved in to save his own snake skin. He is the ultimate and consummate swamp creature in Washington D.C. He is a political drama queen out to save his own rear end. What a dishonest man. By his own account he admitted he pledged "honest loyalty." A strange term at best but by his testimony I believe he is providing neither. There is no doubt that he is on a revenge quest to harm PT and is exhibiting all the behavior of a woman scorned. Comey is not to be trusted, is a self-admitted leaker and needs prosecuted himself! After his "bombshell" testimony it's the Dems that should be worried. WOOF!

This whole "obstruction of Justice" charge is a sham. The Democrats know full well that there is nothing to it. Two respected liberal constitutional scholars, Dershowitz and Turley, have both said there is nothing here. Hope is not a directive. I think back to my military days. A direct order had to be very clear. Can you imagine a commanding officer saying something like this: I "HOPE" you will attack up this hill and close with and kill the enemy on top, pretty please? What nonsense. You don't convict someone based on hope. You don't convict someone for being rude or even stupid. Yes it's all a sham. The Democrat's mission is to obstruct and their intent is to impeach. I hope the Republicans will rally around PT and support his agenda and beat down these ridiculous attempts to create distrust. Jim Comey is the one who needs to be prosecuted by his own admissions. Jonathan Turley said it best - "Comey certainly violated government policy and may have committed a federal offense." No doubt in my mind. Sic 'em. WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



TAKE THAT...
from page 1

cigarettes. NOT ONE Commissioner has every objected to it. Not one. *The Sentinel*, and every citizen, has a Constitutional and statutory right to record these sessions. The Commissioner’s room has no microphone amplification so it is often difficult to hear people who speak when they approach the table with their back to the audience. It also allows our reporters to start working on the articles right after the meeting instead of waiting for the Commissioners recorded tape to be available (which could be days).

You can see that it, in no way, impedes the Commissioners work. Zero.

What we have here, folks, is a petty, childish, vindictive, retaliation against our reporter, Jackie Bubis and *The Sentinel*, for simply repeating Printz’s OWN WORDS and actions in *The Sentinel* and on YouTube! Printz’s liberal supporters argue that we cherry pick Printz’s dialogue to make him look bad (which is easy from a political viewpoint) but we don’t. (He also might be a wee bit mad that we printed the Republican Central Committee’s BOCC “admonishment” letter.)

We find the phrases in Mr. Printz’s speech and writings that epitomize his views and points and highlight those. As we do with all politicians. If you don’t like that, you are hiding from the truth. It’s called First Amendment rights and it looks like Printz doesn’t like that particular right when the subject is him.

What we might have here, is a person with a very thin skin, which is not a very desirable traits for a rural, small-county Commissioner. Look at his threats to sue multiple Custer County citizens over trivial talk, and his thin-skinned rants on Facebook over folks criticizing his words or actions. Not the actions of a mature individual.

A politician needs to take criticism as an adult. Bury some of that ego Mr. Printz, you’re an elected official now. A lot of us here in the county don’t agree with SOME of your (and the BOCC as a whole) actions and statements to date. That’s how things work in America. That’s American politics. Deal with it like a man and represent ALL of the people. (And yes, Jay, please stop by *The Sentinel* and talk about this, “man to man” (as you often say on Facebook), if you want.

(We won’t record it.)
Exchange between Jackie Bubis, a reporter for The Sentinel, and Commissioner Jay Printz just as the June 8, 2017 Commissioners meeting was about to begin at the Commissioners room at the County Courthouse. Mrs. Bubis had just placed her small recorder on the Commissioner’s table as our Sentinel reporters have been doing for four years without incident:

Printz: Excuse me, that’s our table. We don’t want it on here.

Bubis: *(Thinking he was joking)* Okay, I’ll put it right here.

Printz: Take it off our table please.

Bubis: Oh, you’re serious. Nice. I love that.

Printz: You can put it anywhere you like.

Bubis: *(As Bubis turns to sit in a front row chair.):* I will. Is this your chair too, Jay?

Printz: Ma’am

Bubis: Is this your chair too.

(Withering look from Printz towards Bubis.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4H2XZxrF5vM>

BOCC
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Mrs. Hood wants to incorporate budget challenges and projections 5-10 years out, quarterly budget adjustment meetings. She also wants to have a look at fee schedules and put together a committee for ways to increase revenues. Dawna Hobby replied that there could not be amendments to the budget – that the budget is set in stone. The auditors must do the supplementals and they are not even finished until into the next year. Mrs. Hood also wants a committee made up of some of the elected officials and local business people to do strategic planning and prioritizing for the budget.

Mrs.Hood also discussed some topics from CCI that she found interesting, including line items for broadband and the boon for counties that have taxes coming in from marijuana.

Treasurer report from Virginia Trujillo – The Board approved the contract extending the term for the software used by the Treasurer, Finance, and the As-

essor. When asked by Mrs. Hood about raising her fees, Trujillo answered that her fees (as well as those of Clerk Kelley Camper) were set by mandate of the state.

Public Health – Elisa Magnuson – The VAXCare system has been installed and there are now five more vaccines available that were not available in the county previously.

Extension – Sara Shields – She has been very busy focusing on the fair. She reported that there is a lot of fear and anxiety out there that has to be eased over time. Concrete is being poured at the show barn, the concrete and work both donated. Mrs. Hood stated that the county will need the certificates of insurance from the donors. She also announced her own donation to the fair board.

Planning and Zoning – Jackie Hobby

The BOCC put on their Health Department caps to hear a discussion of the issues of engineered septic and requiring soil analysts to have insurance. Brad Baltzly and Jason Coleman were present for the discussion. Mr. Printz stated

several times that his only concern was liability for the county. He realized that the engineered systems could cost citizens up to \$10K more for their system but wanted to remove liability from the county.

Batzly and Coleman assured the Board that the percentage of septic that now need to be engineered is low.

Mrs. Hobby suggested that this was a trust issue and suggested that we carry on the way we have.

After much discussion, Mr. Printz admitted that the liability issues might not be as high as he first thought.

All previous votes on the matter were then retracted unanimously and things have returned to the way they have been.

The OEM Report was postponed until Wetmore meeting.

The Board went into Executive Session for [a] “personnel issue I’d like to discuss with the board.” (*Mr. Printz*)

After Executive Session, the Board returned without making any decisions and the meeting was adjourned.

HUMAN
TRAFFICKING
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In Custer County, we recently had a conference organized by the Sheriff Office, State Law Enforcement and the First Baptist Church to bring awareness to this growing problem. We thank them for this effort to educate the general public. In fact, there is a plan to have another similar session for a wider reach into our community. We will keep you informed and hope attendance will be high. Sheriff Shannon

Byerly was asked for his own thoughts on the matter. His response: “The training and information session the Sheriff’s Office and First Baptist Church conducted was primarily to increase awareness of how prevalent human trafficking is in the state and country. For the most part, this is an issue that gets very little media attention and people do not understand”. In addition, Sheriff Byerly said:

“I do not believe HWY 69 is a corridor for trafficking

but I will say we are seeing a pretty big increase in the amount of traffic now. With this increase, the issues that arise from higher traffic numbers are more widespread. To say it simply does not happen would be naive and we definitely know it is a possibility. In today’s climate, we just can’t rule much out anymore.”

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Main Street and Rosita Avenue Project Schedule

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For more information, call the Westcliffe Town Hall at 783-2282.

Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish		Duration	Start	Finish
Westcliffe TAPS M352-002	99 days	Wed 5/24/17	Fri 10/13/17	Bid Alt #4-Main & 6th North side	3 days	Wed 7/5/17	Fri 7/7/17
Preconstruction	1 day	Tue 5/30/17	Tue 5/30/17	Demo	1 day	Wed 7/5/17	Wed 7/5/17
Submittals, Bond, Contract, CDOT	3 days	Wed 5/31/17	Fri 6/2/17	ADA Ramps	2 days	Thu 7/6/17	Fri 7/7/17
Forms				Bid Alt #6 & #7-6th St. Main to Rosita	50 day	Mon 7/31/17	Mon 10/9/17
SWMP Permits/BMPs	10 days	Wed 5/24/17	Wed 6/7/17	Demo/Saw Cut	3 days	Mon 7/31/17	Wed 8/2/17
Survey	3 days	Sun 6/4/17	Tue 6/6/17	Curb & Gutter	2 days	Wed 8/2/17	Thu 8/3/17
				Sidewalk	4 days	Fri 8/4/17	Wed 8/9/17
				ADA Ramps	2 days	Tue 8/8/17	Wed 8/9/17
COMPLETED-Bid Alt #3-West end of Main-South side-Lowes to Adams	7 days	Mon 6/5/17	Tues 6/13/17	Pave Prep	1 day	Mon 9/25/17	Mon 9/25/17
Demo/Saw Cut	1 day	Mon 6/5/17	Mon 6/5/17	Landscape Improvements	1 day	Mon 10/9/17	Mon 10/9/17
Subgrade Prep	2 days	Tue 6/6/17	Wed 6/7/17				
Curb & Gutter	1 day	Thu 6/8/17	Thu 6/8/17	Bid Alt #5-5th St. South side of Main to Rosita Avenue	42 days	Thu 8/10/17	Mon 10/9/17
ADA Ramps	2 days	Fri 6/9/17	Mon 6/12/17	Demo/ Saw Cut	1 day	Thu 8/10/17	Thu 8/10/17
Sidewalk	2 days	Fri 6/9/17	Mon 6/12/17	Curb & Gutter	1 day	Fri 8/11/17	Fri 8/11/17
Backfill	1 day	Tue 6/13/17	Tue 6/13/17	Sidewalk	2 days	Fri 8/11/17	Mon 8/14/17
				Pave Prep	1 day	Tue 9/26/17	Tue 9/26/17
COMPLETED-Bid Alt #2-Main to Town parking lot between Lowe's and Greenstone Gallery	3 days	Tue 6/6/17	Thu 6/8/17	Landscape Improvements	1 day	Mon 10/9/17	Mon 10/9/17
Demo/Prep	1 day	Tue 6/6/17	Tue 6/6/17				
Sidewalk	2 days	Wed 6/7/17	Thu 6/8/17	Rosita Avenue	44 days	Mon 8/14/17	Fri 10/13/17
				Demo 2 to 4 St. S. Side	4 days	Mon 8/14/17	Thu 8/17/17
Base Bid-Main Street-2nd St. to 5th St.	36 days	Mon 6/12/17	Wed 8/2/17	Storm Pipe	2 days	Fri 8/18/17	Mon 8/21/17
Install Conduit S. Main 2-5 St.	5 days	Mon 6/12/17	Fri 6/16/17	Curb & Gutter 2 to 4 St. S. Side	3 days	Fri 8/18/17	Tue 8/22/17
Demo/Prep S. Main 2-5 St.	3 days	Mon 6/19/17	Wed 6/21/17	Sidewalk/Drive Pans 2 to 4 St. S. Side	5 days	Mon 8/21/17	Fri 8/25/17
Curb & Gutter S. Main 2-5 St.	4 days	Thu 6/22/17	Tue 6/27/17	ADA Ramps 2 to 4 St. S. Side	2 days	Thu 8/24/17	Fri 8/25/17
ADA Ramps S. Main 2-5 St.	3 days	Wed 6/28/17	Fri 6/30/17	Demo 4 to 6 St. S. Side	3 days	Wed 8/23/17	Fri 8/25/17
Brick Pavers S. Main 2-5 St.	5 days	Mon 6/26/17	Fri 6/30/17	Curb & Gutter 4 to 6 St S. Side	3 days	Mon 8/28/17	Wed 8/30/17
Pave Prep S. Main 2-5 St.	4 days	Fri 6/23/17	Wed 6/28/17	Sidewalk/Drive Pans 4 to 6 St. S. Side	4 days	Wed 8/30/17	Tue 9/5/17
Pave S. Main 2nd to 5th	2 days	Thu 6/29/17	Fri 6/30/17	ADA Ramps 4 to 6 St. S. Side	2 days	Tue 9/5/17	Wed 9/6/17
Install Conduit N. Main 2-5 St.	5 days	Wed 7/5/17	Tue 7/11/17	Demo 2 to 4 St. N. Side	4 days	Tue 9/5/17	Fri 9/8/17
Demo/Prep N. Main 2-5 St.	4 days	Wed 7/5/17	Mon 7/10/17	Curb & Gutter 2 to 4 St. N. Side	3 days	Mon 9/11/17	Wed 9/13/17
Curb & Gutter N. Main 2-5 St.	4 days	Tue 7/11/17	Fri 7/14/17	Sidewalk/Drive Pans 2 to 4 St. N. Side	5 days	Tue 9/12/17	Mon 9/18/17
ADA Ramps N. Main 2-5 St.	3 days	Mon 7/17/17	Wed 7/19/17	ADA Ramps 2 to 4 St. N. Side	2 days	Fri 9/15/17	Mon 9/18/17
Brick Paver N. Main 2-5 St.	8 days	Mon 7/17/17	Wed 7/26/17	Demo 4 to 6 St. N. Side	3 days	Wed 9/13/17	Fri 9/15/17
Pave Prep N. Main 2-5 St.	4 days	Fri 7/21/17	Wed 7/26/17	Curb & Gutter 4 to 6 St. N. Side	3 days	Mon 9/18/17	Wed 9/20/17
Pave N. Main 2-5 St.	2 days	Thu 7/27/17	Fri 7/28/17	Sidewalk/Drive Pans 4 to 6 St. N. Side	4 days	Wed 9/20/17	Mon 9/25/17
Install 24" RCP/Inlets/Rip Rap	13 days	Wed 7/5/17	Fri 7/21/17	ADA Ramps 4 to 6 St. N. Side	2 days	Mon 9/25/17	Tue 9/26/17
Install Pavement Markings	2 days	Mon 7/31/17	Tue 8/1/17	Pave Prep	7 days	Wed 9/27/17	Thu 10/5/17
Landscape Improvements	3 days	Mon 7/31/17	Wed 8/2/17	Pave All Rosita	3 days	Mon 10/9/17	Wed 10/11/17
				Landscape Improvements	4 days	Mon 10/9/17	Thu 10/12/17
				Clean Up- Punch List	5 days	Mon 10/9/17	Fri 10/13/17

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