

Gone Fish'n:

Fun Times at Lake DeWeese

Second Annual Westcliffe Ice Fishing Tournament

by Jim Silver

It couldn't have been a more beautiful day than last Saturday, January 16th for the Ice Fishing Tournament out at Lake DeWeese. At 7:00 a.m. when the competition kicked off, the temperature noted by most was -5 to 0 degrees—not bad for out at the lake. Through the day, the temperature stayed at about 20 degrees. The wind was calm most of the morning, and the fishermen encountered were appreciative of that. The only downside reported by many was that the fish weren't biting like they had been a year ago, or even a couple weeks ago, according to some. This survey was not scientific, having a relatively short time-line in only one small area of the lake. Hopefully, things would get better for these folks, as well as for others, scattered from one end of Lake DeWeese to the other.

The American flag flown by Jim Marcen and his fishing partner Lanny Moore, both from Pueblo, served as a wind indicator for others in the vicinity. By noon the flag showed some activity, and wind-chill quickly set in. As we discussed the state of the union (with nary the sign of a nibble meanwhile), locals Johnnie Z. and Jason Carr graciously offered their shelter and heater to warm my hands enough to scribble their names.

Marilyn Stodola, Main Street Manager, Cliffs Commercial District, provided the following informa-

tion for a bigger picture of this event: "There were 145 registrations with many being family registrations, so it is estimated that there were close to 200 participants. The tournament was far-reaching, with participants from Broomfield, Boulder, Denver, Center, and Bailey. Glad to know the word is getting out."

Her recap of the conclusion of the event follows, no longer at the lake but now back in town: "The measuring, awards, and after-party held at Nacho Mama's was very well attended. All seemed to be enjoying the party and the live music of 'Montana.' CART (Cliffs Action Revitalization Team) and Valley Ace Hardware sponsored the event. Valley Ace provided many give-aways, which kept participants engaged and excited."

Awards given were as follows:

(No Grand Slam this year, with no Cutthroat being caught)



Keegan (8) and Sydney (5) Rohrich from Salida show off their hard-earned trout. They were just two of the dozens of kids who participated.

Sentinel photo by Jim Silver

"Slam Combo Winner:" (Largest Rainbow and Small Mouth Bass): Ryan Mullett, from Westcliffe

First Place Bass: Alan Paxton, from Silver Cliff

Second Place Bass: Willis Miller, from Westcliffe

Third Place Bass: David Purnell, from Westcliffe

First Place Rainbow: Donald Evans, from Cañon City

Second Place Rainbow: Matthew McDowell, from Pueblo West

Third Place Rainbow: Randy Mascarenas, from Pueblo West

The Feed Store Burglarized

by George Gramlich

The Custer County Sheriff's Office has reported that two juvenile males allegedly broke into the Feed Store Restaurant on North Second Street in Westcliffe in the early morning of Sunday, January 17th.

The two juveniles will be charged with 2nd Degree Burglary, Possession of Burglary Tools, Theft, Criminal Mischief,

Criminal Trespassing, Illegal Possession/Consumption of Ethyl Alcohol or marijuana By an Underage Person and a Westcliffe Ordinance regarding Violation of Curfew.

In addition, there will be six additional juvenile males charged with Illegal Possession/Consumption of Ethyl Alcohol or marijuana by an underage person.

Local Food Entrepreneur on Food Network Show

Food Network's Guy Fieri rolls out to visit America's favorite diners, drive-ins and dives, interviewing the owners of the food establishments and sampling items on their menus. On Friday, January 22nd at 8:00 p.m. MST one of Westcliffe's own will be featured on the popular Food Network show Diners, Drive-ins and Dives. Elin Ganschow of Sangres Best will be featured at the Colorado Springs restaurant Skirted Heifer that serves Sangres Best Grass Finished Beef Burgers.

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2 Corinthians 12:9, NKJV



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Our Opinion...

From the Editorial Board

THE TRAGEDY OF TERRORISM HITS TOO CLOSE TO HOME

The Wayne Riddering family lived here for many years. All who knew them loved and respected this wonderful family. Wayne was the Pastor of the Lutheran Church for many years and he and his wife Deanna were very active in the community. We know they still have many friends and colleagues in the area. They have five great kids; all with their own families now and spread all over the place. Their oldest son, Aaron, and his wife, Faith, live in South Carolina with their four children; son Andrew lives with his wife, Hannah, and their two sons in Alabama; son Ben lives with his wife, Shannon, and their four sons in California; daughter Bethel, is married to Derek Pearl and recently returned to live in Westcliffe with their two young sons; and youngest son, Abe, was just recently married to Hannah and will be living near Seattle, Washington.

The Ridderings built and remodeled several houses in the area. Wayne helped form the Southern Colorado Patriots Club and was always available to assist anyone in need. The Ridderings are great American citizens and serve God faithfully and tirelessly. Wayne and Deanna left here to minister to those in Costa Rica and are now living and serving in California.

Most of you probably heard about a

terrorist attack this last week in Burkina Faso (a country in the Western part of North Africa) and that an American missionary was killed in that attack. Turns out it was Wayne's cousin Mike Riddering.

Mike Riddering and his family became members of the Hollywood Community Church, in Hollywood Florida. In 2011 Mike, his wife Amy, and their daughter Delaney moved to Yako, Burkina Faso to do mission work. Another daughter, Haley, put her education on hold for a year to help serve with her family there before returning to the United States to continue her education. Eventually Delaney also moved back to the U.S. to continue her education as well. Since their arrival in Burkina Faso, Mike and Amy had been actively doing their part to fulfill the great commission, by proclaiming and demonstrating the Gospel. The Ridderings' and their team cared for about 400 orphaned children, provided direct assistance to disenfranchised



Missionary Mike Riddering, killed in the terrorist attack this last week in Burkina Faso.

Courtesy photo

widows, and helped to direct the operations of schools. Funding for these programs came from the generous support of people of good will who sponsor children, and donate funds to carry out God's work.

The Ridderings adopted two children since their arrival in Burkina Faso; Biba age 15, and Moise age 4. They were looking forward to continuing their work in Burkina Faso and raising their children together. Tragically and unexpectedly, Mike's life was cut short at age 45 by Islamic terrorists.

As individuals and community, it is sometimes difficult to know how to respond. That is why the Michael James Riddering Memorial Fund has been set up. This fund is established to help ensure that Amy and her family face fewer financial challenges in the future. You can find the donation link at Sheltering Wings website: <http://sheltering-wings.org>. Please keep Amy and her family in your prayers, as well as the entire Riddering family.

Islamic terrorists are a threat to all Christians around the world. They detest all infidels, especially Christians. Sadly they killed one this last week that is connected to a family in and from our community. If you know the Ridderings you can contact Wayne and Deanna on Facebook. Bethel lives in Westcliffe and can be contacted on Facebook as well.

On behalf of the entire community we send our prayers and condolences to the entire Riddering family, especially to the immediate family of Michael. Michael was serving our Lord by helping orphans and widows that were in desperate need. We believe there is a special place reserved for those kinds of "giving souls" and are confident Michael is reaping great rewards as he waits for his loved ones to join him. RIP, and May God Bless Michael's family.

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What Kind of Nation Are We?

by Candi Sage

Forty three years later and still hundreds of thousands are losing their lives! January 22, 1973, the life defeating decision comes down from the Supreme Court in a 7-2 vote. Roe vs Wade is in favor of Roe, which is not her real name, but a pseudo name given by two lady attorneys who moved forward without her. By the way she did have the baby - a human life - she was previously attempting to abort and has since become a staunch believer in the Maker of ALL life and a follower of the Catholic faith.

Due to that fateful Supreme Court decision, bringing the Sanctity of Life to the forefront sadly happens only once a year, for the month of January. Thankfully it does happen and this past Sunday, January 17th, was "Sanctity of Life Sunday". A reported 57,762,169 gone....dead... via abortion, nearly 10 times as many as lost their lives in the Holocaust. The 57 million and increasing lives are many generations of "unwanted" taken from our society; brothers, sisters, mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents and friends, all gone - never to have lived or have the chance of life outside of the womb. Google it for yourself, it's all there. The thing is people don't want to look at it, face it, or even think about it. Shh, let's all pretend it isn't

happening. Yet.....

Many commercials pull on our heartstrings for support of unwanted and abused, innocent animals. What would happen if there was a campaign of commercials showing the unwanted yet to be born growing, moving, making faces, smiling, sucking their thumbs, with the heartbeat beginning on day 21, and by day 52 (just over 7 weeks) spontaneous movement such as breathing, hiccupping, frowning, squinting, pursing the lips, stretching, moving the arms and legs, yawning, and sucking begins? Would people be any more convinced that this tiny human life needs their support, the mother of this human life needs support, the father may be affected, the extended family? It is for the very health of the mother physical, emotional, and psychological, that ALL alternatives must be considered to work through the crisis, and not exterminate or 'terminate' it as if a conception of life never happened in the first place.

As far as that commercial, how would it end, the same way "termination" of a pregnancy...or death... does? The uproar would be deafening, or would it? What kind of nation and people are we if we don't support the value of any human life above any and all animals? What message are we sending to the following generations that have been

watching the value of life dwindle from various media surrounding them in movies, books, games, and even the Planned Parenthood mantra saying about human life in the womb, "it's only tissue"?

What kind of nation are we to allow the slow etching away of our moral responsibility to accept the truth and then tell the truth to others? Hats off to Abby Johnson, Planned Parenthood employee and clinic director said, "I remember the day I watched a 13 week old fetus fight for its life during an abortion procedure. How did I justify my work for so long?.... I think I tried to really believe that I was doing the right thing". You will find her whole story on abbyjohnson.org.

What kind of a nation are we? All those lives taken, taken while in the womb in gruesome ways no one wants to talk about, much less take responsibility for. Isn't that just as abusive as the unwanted animal? What kind of a nation are we if we value animals over humans? What kind of nation are we if we don't fight for the innocent life of our own kind? May God forgive us!

Just Plain Crazy

The state government in Colorado has slowly and quietly, over the last 20 or so years, put in place more and more legislation that requires property owners to pay more and more to live in rural areas. In the past 10 years the cost of plumbing and electrical wiring alone has doubled in some cases. The cost to install a Septic & Leach system, in some counties, is up from \$7K a year ago to \$25K+. Graciously, some counties have yet to fully implement these rules; however, they ALL must comply by this summer. Now the Colorado Division of Water Resources is trying to force down our throats new rules and regulations that could increase the cost of some wells from \$10K to \$50-\$100K, and cause some wells to be impossible to construct by the vast majority of the well drillers in the state who do not

have drill rigs with the capacity to drill the wells as proposed. These new rules will also put a lot of small well drillers out of business as it will be too expensive to upgrade equipment to be compliant with the rules. This will eliminate choices for property owners and further drive the cost up. In areas such as ours, property owners may have to go to Denver to find a well driller. This will have a major impact on the economy, specifically in the areas of Real Estate, Construction and other contractors in rural areas. Add to this the governing agency can be required to do a cost-benefit analysis, but they get to do the cost-benefit analysis THEMSELVES! Government at its finest!

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The Sentinel Interviews The Printz: Commissioner Candidate

by Fred Hernandez

It was a most special experience witnessing the interview of Mr. Jay Printz running for District 2 County Commissioner by Mr. George Gramlich, Managing Editor of the *Sangre de Cristo Sentinel*. For over an hour the engaging exchange, between two of the main movers of the Wet Mountain Valley area, was a fascinating display of open and honest dialogue. With no holds barred, it was an eye opening conversation that revealed a shared interest in the long term well-being and advancement of Custer County as a whole. It started with a bang as Mr. Printz stepped into the office of the *Sentinel* and, with a rap on Mr. Gramlich desk, asked "What can I do for you and the readers of your paper". With that, the discourse was on.

Describing himself as a "conservative Republican" Mr. Printz expressed his deep respect and high regard for The Constitution referring to it as an "unbelievably fabulous doc-

ument" which has been changed, by amendments, only twenty-seven times since 1787. By following it, he continues, you have a good and orderly government. To a series of queries from *Sentinel's* editor, many of which were called in or sent by *Sentinel* readers, he acknowledges that he may have been tagged as too liberal due to some positions he has taken as a lawyer for certain Custer County businesses/entities. He defends himself effectively by citing the fact that his profession, as attorney at law, obliges him to defend client's positions which he might not personally espouse, but, to do a good job for the client, needs to present convincingly. However, he is careful to make sure that he is understood that, while being a Republican, he is not going too far to the right either, reiterating his preference to remain, strictly, within the tenets of The Constitution and quickly establishing his support of the Second Amendment and not for Obamacare. However, he feels that af-

fordable healthcare is absolutely essential for all American citizens. He also said he was opposed to the unconstitutional gun laws passed two years ago by Colorado democrats (especially the 15 round magazine limit). Responding to a question from the Editor concerning national politics, Mr. Printz responded that his favorite Republican candidate for President is Ted Cruz.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, and raised in Connecticut, Mr. Printz did his undergraduate studies at the University of Oklahoma where he took up political science. He spent some time in New Orleans, Louisiana, before ending up in the Lone Star State of Texas in both Houston and Fort Worth. With an MBA from the University of Dallas he ventured into the oil and gas industry successfully running a company for twenty years. He became a lawyer as he says "late in life". Actually, he was a young man of fifty when he got his degree at Texas A & M. He has been in Westcliffe not

quite ten years, owns and operates the pawn shop, Loan-A-Ranger, on Main Street, Westcliffe, and lives in nearby Rosita.

As far as running for County Commissioner is concerned, Mr. Printz is very clear in his mind as to what his vision is. In fact, it is quite simple. As he sees it, the job is to manage efficiently many real or perceived needs on a modest budget. With the extensive experience of running successful and profitable companies over long periods of time, he confidently approaches the commissioner position with a clear concept of what needs to be done for the county to, not only operate efficiently, but to thrive and prosper. After more solicitations from the editor, Mr. Printz offhandedly ventured some ideas that may be considered such as, giving incentives to businesses (local or from out of the county) to operate in the area, short term SBA type loans from the local bank to induce new ventures and productivity, maybe a much needed phar-



Jay Printz, Candidate for Commissioner for District 2

Sentinel photo by George Gramlich

macy which could be part of the new management of the supermarket, expansion of the health center into a larger facility to ensure the needs of the growing elder population. He goes on to say that he wants to have, and very much looks forward to regular (quarterly) dialogues with the community. He wants to assure everyone that he is a hundred percent approachable anytime; in person, by phone or by email. With the many years of experience

and the service he has provided in the communities in which he has lived and worked, Mr. Printz is convinced he can do a stand up job for the people of Custer County. Regarding the current controversy of pay raises for county employees, Mr. Printz said he is legally bound to take the salary but will refund to the county the new 30% raise.

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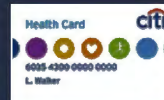
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family gatherings, or any other occasion.

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by Carol Clemenson

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Adrian moved here from Denver six years ago. He has taught this art since 1994. He is married and has a four-year-old son, Gabriel.

Adrian can be reached at atompkins.3211@gmail.com or at the Cowboy Church on Monday evenings.

Charges of Animal Cruelty in Westcliffe? Not Exactly...

On Tuesday, the Westcliffe Municipal Court was called to order by Judge Rebecca Casey to hear the case of the defendants who had been arraigned on charges of having failed to adhere to town ordinances regarding their five dogs. While the actual citations regarded barking dogs, the town authorities have received numerous complaints alleging animal abuse and neglect.

The actual defendant was the lady who was seated front and center at the packed room: Ms. Darlene Schuetz. In fact, all seats

were taken and there were at least a dozen people standing along the walls and in the hallway to hear about this emotionally charged issue.

The judge started off by explaining the proceedings and reminding people that this is a court of law and not a public forum. At the end of her opening statement, the judge asked if the defendant wanted to continue the hearing or if she would like to postpone. She was also advised that she could get her own lawyer. In this particular case, since it was not a criminal

trial with the possibility of a jail sentence, the court could not appoint legal counsel. At that point the defendant stated that she wanted to have the hearing immediately and pleaded "Not Guilty".

Mr. Jay Printz, the town attorney for Westcliffe represented the Town.

After nearly four hours, the defendant was found guilty and ordered to pay fines totaling \$900, which may be suspended if they rehome four of the five dogs by next Tuesday. Ms. Schuetz stated her intentions for appealing the decision.

Other topics touched on in the discussion were the current attempted end run around TABOR by Colorado democrats (trying to prevent a tax refund for us), the Custer County Clinic's management, future and finances, and the possibility of having a county administrator to help centralize purchases and services and lower the cost thereof.

As the interview was wrapping up, Mr. Printz reiterated that he is running for ALL the residents of Custer County.

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He also said he would have voted "No" on any raise although he felt that some of other elected officials deserved some raise. As for the health benefits he would not accept that either which would be additional savings for the county. He stands firmly on strict fiscal accountability as far as public money is concerned; money from taxpayers hard earned work should never fund any private enterprise.

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Obituary

Roberta (Bert) Kraehenbuehl

On January 2nd, 2016 we said goodbye to our beloved Roberta (Bert) Kraehenbuehl. Bert's peaceful passing was far from how she lived her life. Bert savored all that life had to offer. Be it food and drink, travel, or being with family and friends. Roberta was a daughter, sister, Mother, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, Great, Great Grandmother, restaurateur, travel enthusiast, and knew what a perfect margarita should taste like.

Roberta was born in Laramie Wyoming May 2, 1932 and often spoke of fond memories of her young childhood in nearby Rock River. She grew up in Western Colorado near Grand Junction and graduated High School there. She then married Jay L. Beach May 27, 1951 in Delta, CO and gave birth to her three children, Len, Lori, and Marla. She would

later marry Roger G. Kraehenbuehl in Phoenix, AZ March 7, 1966.

She lived many years in Westcliffe, CO, with husband, Roger as owner/operator of Alpine Lodge and later Twin R Vocational Center, a group home for adjudicated delinquent teenage boys. They also lived several years in Chickamauga, GA owning a screen printing and advertising company where in they traveled the United States extensively as professional RVers. Bert and Rog spent early retirement years in Tucson, Arizona, and Bert eventually moved back to Phoenix where she would spend much of the rest of her life when she wasn't traveling the country and visiting her extensive family in Georgia, Oregon, North Dakota and Colorado.

Roberta was preceded in

death by Husband, Roger Kraehenbuehl; Parents, Glen R (Bob) and Kathryn Irene Kerns; her brothers, Buzz and Tom Kerns and granddaughter, Kathryn Irene Beach.

Roberta is survived by her sister, Doris Elaine (Kerns) McComb and her Brother-In-Law Wayne McComb, as well as her sister Susan Marie (Kerns) Whiteman and Brother-In-Law Steve Whiteman and numerous nieces and nephews. She is survived by her children including her son, Robert L. Beach, Daughter-In-Law Debra Beach of Chickamauga, GA, her daughter, Loralyn J. (Beach) Kastendieck and Son-In-Law, Michael

L. Kastendieck of Westcliffe, CO and her Daughter, Marla K. (Beach) Woods of Phoenix, AZ.

Grandma Bert, also known as Bert Grandma, is also



survived by her eight grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and two great- great grandchildren.

All who knew Roberta knew that she marched to the beat of her own drum and appreciated that her drummer was a little more fun than the rest of ours. She will be mourned deeply, remembered fondly and spoken of for decades to come.

The family will later announce a memorial service to be held this summer in Westcliffe, Colorado.

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Local Mountain News & Notices

Gun Club Annual Meeting

by George Gramlich

The 2016 Annual meeting of the Sangre Shooting Sports Club (SSSC) took place last Saturday, January 16th at 1 p.m. at the community room of the bowling alley. As usual, the meeting was very well attended.



The Sangre Shooting Sports Club Board at the Club's annual meeting. Board President Grant Lewinski is standing.

Sentinel photo by George Gramlich

Board President Grant Lewinski opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silent prayer for our armed forces.

Old Business included the following items:

1. The Board completed a Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U.) with the Custer County Sheriff's Department regarding the Department's exclusive use of the shooting range two mornings a month. They are also working on another M.O.U. with them on allowing the Department the use of the grounds for emergency situations.

2. Vice President Mike Allen reviewed the two very successful Appleseed Marksmanship events held at the range last year. He commented on the excellence of the instructors provided by the Appleseed organization. He is looking for ways to try to get more children involved. He will be attempting to schedule at least one event for 2016.

3. President Lewinski noted that the annual range cleanup went real well last spring. This year's range cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th, at 9 a.m.

4. Director Regis Frank

talked about the very successful N.R.A. sponsored "America's Rifle Challenge" one day event held last year. This self-defense, battle/service competition drew 20 participants and went off without a hitch. It was very well received by all attendees. Regis is planning on running another one this year.

5. Mr. Allen noted that attendance was down a bit on last year's fall Sight In Days with only five people showing. The attendance the prior year was around 20.

6. The Concealed Carry Weapons (CCW) certificate training class taught by Mr. Franks drew 32 people, a sizable increase over the previous year. Another one will be scheduled for this year.

7. The new member required Range Safety Course had 41 participants last year. There are currently 23 on the waiting list now.

8. Mr. Frank discussed the project of getting electricity to the property and the club house in detail. He, with much effort, applied for a grant from Colorado Parks and Wildlife to assist

in the project. His effort was extremely successful with a grant of \$34,200 being awarded to SSSC. It appears that the project can be completed in the first half of 2016. This would allow the building and operation of an automated trap range.

Under New Business:

1. President Lewinski discussed the possibility of having a club barbecue and flea market this summer at the range. One member commented that opening it up to the public might help with membership.

2. Secretary Peggi Collins is working on renewing the club's membership in the Civilian Marksmanship Program.

3. President Lewinski was up for election as well as various other Board members. After some humorous banter and a question of whether anybody else wanted to be president or join the Board, a motion was made to re-elect Mr. Lewinski and the Board members. The motion was passed by acclamation.

For more information on the SSSC please see their excellent website at www.sangreshooting.com

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John Adams - Second President of the United States



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Colorado State News

Here They Come! Colorado In the Crosshairs For Gitmo Transfer

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

CNN reporter Jake Tapper reports that the Obama administration is actively pursuing a transfer of Gitmo prisoners to the U.S., “obviously exploring some in Colorado,” in spite of the law he just signed forbidding him to do such a thing.

“Colorado is looking like the place the Pentagon wants to send them,” confirmed Barbara Starr, Pentagon reporter for CNN.

Starr said the Pentagon will try and empty the Guantanamo Bay holding cells by releasing a few dozen more prisoners overseas to whichever countries will have them, leaving the “really hard core” to move into Colorado.

At last count, there were about 100 prisoners in Gitmo, about 17 of them considered high-level detainees.

U.S. Sen. Cory Gardner was on Fox News this week warning against such a plan, and threatened that if Obama moved forward with the Colorado relocation, he would face legal action.

“The people of Colorado have rejected this, they don’t want it, the sheriffs have said no, the president should abide by the law,” Gardner said. “This isn’t going to change the hearts and minds of al Qaeda. They’re not going to all of a sudden give up their fight against Western values and Western civilization because Guantanamo Bay is closed.”

If Obama decides to move the prisoners to state prison that we built, but never opened, it would cost millions to retrofit it to hold the terrorists, and perhaps make the state a proxy for terrorists carrying out future attacks, Gardner said.

So how exactly will Obama skirt the law? Our money is on an executive order.

Meanwhile, U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet has had little to say, having supported the closing of Gitmo and resulting transfer to the U.S., before he was up for reelection.

“Senator Bennet has voted one way and talked another when it comes to President Obama’s dangerous plan to transfer terrorist detainees to the homeland. Now that the President is moving forward with his plan and Colorado is on the short list to accept the ‘worst of the worst’ detainees, Senator Bennet owes voters a straight answer about where he stands on this critical issue facing his state,” said Amelia Chassé, America Rising PAC press secretary.

That hug Obama gave Bennet at the State of the Union speech last week is starting to look more like a mafia deal, making Bennet the Godfather of Gitmo.

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(Editor/GG: We received this from state Senator Kevin J. Grantham regarding another attempt by Colorado democrats to steal our tax money by circumventing TABOR. Our state spending has far exceeded our population increase, but that is not enough for liberals. Our money is their money.)

Friends,

The following is a great synopsis of the “Hospital Provider Fee” issue as stated by the Senate Majority office and our Senate President, Bill Cadman.

*Enjoy the read!
For Freedom and Liberty,
Senator Kevin J. Grantham*

“Hospital Fee” Shift Unconstitutional, Says Senate President

The best legal minds in the Capitol building, seasoned professional lawyers with the nonpartisan Office of Legislative Legal Services (LLS), definitively determined that the widely sought increase in state spending – by shifting the Hospital Provider Fee off-budget – clearly would violate Colorado’s Constitution. That’s what Senate President Bill Cadman told reporters Wednesday, just a week before the 2016 legislative session begins.

Cadman uncovered the truth one week ago while researching the intricacies and legalities of Gov. John Hickenlooper’s proposal to exclude hundreds of millions of dollars in annual HPF revenue from the general fund budget, thereby avoiding taxpayer refunds required by the Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights when the budget exceeds a predetermined threshold.

The Governor and other Democrats have for more than a year been promoting the maneuver as a way to avoid paying TABOR refunds and

free up millions in “new” revenue that wouldn’t otherwise be available. Legislative Legal Services staff explain why such a move is unconstitutional in a 6-page Legal Memorandum Cadman received from LLS while researching HPF-related legislation. Cadman was surprised when the detailed, thoroughly-researched analysis materialized less than an hour after his information request, strongly suggesting it originally was written at an earlier time, most likely in response to the drafting of the Democrat bill offered during the 2015 session where the HPF Enterprise shift was first formerly proposed.

Who on the Democrat side has seen the memo, or is aware of its findings, is unknown. But Cadman said he is convinced beyond any doubt, based on his nearly 16 years as a lawmaker, that his wasn’t the first set of eyes to see it, raising questions about whether one or more Democrats knew from the beginning that their proposal was fatally flawed. It also raises questions about why this information is just coming to light now – and why it wasn’t publicly disclosed by Democrats in the year that they’ve been touting this idea.

The bottom line, said Cadman, is that the Cash Stash the Democrats want to grab to grow government isn’t available, meaning both parties will have to get back to the hard work of balancing a budget the old-fashioned way, by making tough choices and setting priorities. The state is not in the midst of a budget crisis, Cadman said, contrary to the perception Democrats have been creating in order to promote their supposed “fix.”

“We’ll have the largest budget in Colorado history, which current projections say will grow by nearly 3 percent under current law, even

after we’ve given taxpayers refunds the law requires,” Cadman said. “Colorado doesn’t have a funding crisis; it has a spending addiction that Democrats have pushed into unsustainable government programs for over 10 years.”

He highlighted for reporters the nearly quarter of a billion dollar annual increase to state-run health care entitlements Democrats have mandated for nearly a decade. Colorado’s medicaid program is now consuming nearly 40% of every general fund dollar and is covering nearly 1.3 million people.

“Since today is the 12th Day of Christmas, it marks the end of the holiday season. With that it seems appropriate to reveal why Santa Clause can’t put \$700 million of Colorado money in his bag and hide it from the constitution.”

Those who dismiss the memorandum as “just another legal opinion” are discounting the judgment of the best legal minds at the Capitol building – nonpartisan professional staff to whom every legislator from both parties turn for trusted guidance, given the hundreds of years of collective experience the office boasts. Moving forward on a bill judged by staff lawyers to be so fatally flawed -- and spending money the state can’t legally spend -- invites legal challenge, public backlash, and fiscal ruin if some court in the future orders any misspent money paid back.

“To disregard this red flag is reckless in the extreme, like trying to slip past the guard gates before the locomotive comes through, and we’re not prepared to ignore the warning signs and put taxpayers at additional risk,” said Cadman. “Swearing an oath to support our Constitution does not have an escape clause.”



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Lights Out! Obama Announces Coal Moratorium

by ColorodaPeakPolitics.com

Turn off the lights, unplug that environmentally friendly car and get out that cell phone solar panel, because America no longer needs electricity.

That seems to be President Obama's belief, because today he's announcing a moratorium on all new coal leases on federal land until the government can determine whether coal causes global warming, at which time new mining would be banned permanently.

Allow us to do the math for you: If 40 percent of the coal comes from federal land, most of which occurs in Colorado and other western states, and nearly 40 percent of all electricity plants power with coal, and new coal operations are banned, brown-outs begin and prices skyrocket.

Or, the Obama administration will determine that coal operators have to pay more money in fees, in which case prices just skyrocket.

Obama made his decision based on public hearings last year including one in Denver, that were stacked with public comment

from environmental group interns chanting "keep it in the ground," also known as science.

Only seven percent of our electricity comes from renewable power, less than one percent solar, and more than five percent from wind, while 67 percent comes from fossil fuel, which this administration is determined to eliminate.

Here's what U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton had to say:

"This decision reeks of contempt for rural America and for the most vulnerable Americans who will suffer as electricity prices increase and the reliability in the grid decreases. We will continue to fight to protect Americans from the President's war on affordable energy."

The only way to stop this train wreck is to put a Republican in the White House and help keep Congress in the GOP hands by voting out U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet.

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Cotopaxi Third Graders Receive Dictionaries

Ed Norden and Jolene DeVries from the Rotary Club of Canon City gave all Cotopaxi 3rd graders a Children's Dictionary today.

Courtesy photo by Cotopaxi 3rd grade teacher Mia Will

Bobcats Sport Schedule

VARSITY BASKETBALL

January 22: South Park HOME
3:00/3:00/4:00/5:30

January 23: Sargent AWAY
12:00/12:00/1:00/2:30

January 26: Florence (BV) AWAY
6:00

January 29: Center HOME
3:00/3:00/4:00/5:30

WRESTLING

January 23: Paonia Tournament AWAY
8 a.m.

January 30: Valley Classic CENTER
9 a.m.

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Bobcat Menu • Jan. 25 - Jan. 28, 2016

**Monday
Breakfast**
Choice of Cereal
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Mac 'n' Cheese
Veg.
Fruit
Milk

**Tuesday
Breakfast**
Choice of Cereal
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Italian Dunkers
Breadsticks
Veg. & Fruit
Milk

**Wednesday
Breakfast**
Choice of Cereal
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Hamburger
Veg.
Fruit
Milk

**Thursday
Breakfast**
Sausage Gravy
W.G. Biscuit
Fruit, Milk
lunch
Ham
Dinner Roll
Veg. & Fruit
Milk

Elementary: Main Dish, Grain Product, Veg., Fruit, and Milk
Middle & High: Main Dish, (or Pre-made Chef Salad) Grain Product, Veg., Fruit, and Milk

KIDS Friday, January 22, 2016 January 22 Roe v Wade

It was the 1960's. The hippie movement was in full force and young adults were protesting the war and calling for free love. The feminist movement across the country was calling for equal rights with men.

No topic related to the feminist movement has aroused such passion and controversy as much as the right to an abortion. At that time, there was no federal law regulating abortions, and many states had banned the practice entirely, except when the life of the mother was endangered.

Jane Roe was an unmarried and pregnant Texas resident in 1970. Texas law made it a felony to abort a fetus unless "on medical advice for the purpose of saving the life of the mother." Roe filed suit against Wade, the district attorney of Dallas County.

On January 22, 1973, the United States Supreme Court, in a 7-2 decision, handed down two rulings legalizing abortion in America.

Since that day in 1973 the count on the abortions conducted in the U.S. totaled 58,632,500. That is over 58 million children that never had the chance to see the sky, walk barefoot in the grass, or see the snow fall on Christmas Day.

Pro - abortion activists will say there are no side effects from abortion. Of course both sides can give statistics to support their opinion, but the most stunning statistic I found was at prolifeaction.org: Twenty-eight out of thirty-seven worldwide studies have independently linked induced abortion with breast cancer, and most of those studies have been conducted by abortion supporters.

In January of 1984 President Ronald Reagan issued a personhood proclamation declaring a National Sanctity of Life Day to be held on the Sunday that falls the nearest to the anniversary of Roe v Wade January 22, 1973.

In 1995, Norma McCorvey (Jane Roe), made news again when she declared she had changed to a "pro-life" stance, with newfound Christian beliefs.

Today, forty-three years later, the fight continues for the lives of the unborn.

by Audrey Slater, Sources: u.s.history.org, numberofabortions.com, streetlaw.org, ushistory.org

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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES



SEMI ANNUAL REPORT OF CUSTER COUNTY TREASURER JULY 01, 2015 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2015									
FUND	REVENUES-----					DISBURSEMENTS-----			ENDING BALANCE
	BEGINNING BALANCE	CURRENT TAX	DELINQUENT TAX & INTEREST	SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP	RECEIPTS & MISCELLANEOUS	WARRANTS PAID	TREASURERS FEES	TRANSFERS & MISC.	
COUNTY GENERAL FUND	431,139.73	81,291.90	3,529.67	71,810.33	910,734.00	-1,478,495.04	-4,064.60	-145.70	15,800.29
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND	1,529,682.10	36,967.65	1,605.79	32,655.89	746,390.59	-904,175.03	-7,882.92		1,435,244.07
CONTINGENT	63,341.39								63,341.39
SELF INSURANCE FUND	120,602.48	11,090.30	481.75	9,796.77	12,327.00	-5,740.90	-554.52		148,002.88
TRAFFIC FINES	2,137.50				7,753.50			-4,702.00	5,189.00
HUMAN SERVICES	232,355.57	5,545.14	242.27	4,898.37	178,896.92	-211,491.97			210,446.30
AIRPORT	6,855.57				19,740.15	-21,571.00	-192.01		4,832.71
LODGING/TOURISM	16,670.86				23,522.82	-12,226.92	-1,166.79		26,799.97
ADVANCE TAX	65.79								65.79
PUBLIC TRUSTEE	15,542.66				364,871.00			-364,896.57	15,517.09
LIEU OF TAX	1,100,589.87				30,775.00			-180,000.00	951,364.87
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	421,855.83				126,949.44	-26,917.36			521,887.91
SALES TAX	489.87								489.87
SANITATION DISTRICT	23,772.50	4,801.14	206.84	3,043.69			-240.07	-31,584.10	0.00
FIRE DISTRICT	52,485.17	26,715.64	1,164.51	23,241.32			-1,335.78	-102,270.86	0.00
UPPER ARKANSAS WATER CONS. DIST.	6,967.69	3,533.78	153.28	3,121.81			-176.68	-13,599.88	0.00
SILVER CLIFF	11,697.84	4,035.52	180.83	1,583.63	1,595.50		-94.52	-18,998.80	0.00
WESTCLIFFE	32,689.59	3,037.18	117.39	3,717.33	1,640.50		-74.55	-41,127.44	0.00
C-1 SCHOOL DIST. GENERAL FUND	36,224.99	166,057.85	7,206.94	145,164.19	251.20		-415.14	-331,087.91	23,402.12
C-1 SCHOOL DIST. CAP. RES.	0.00								0.00
C-1 SCHOOL DIST. B & I	6,614.73	29,675.15	1,287.89	25,941.40				-59,337.12	4,182.05
RE2J GENERAL FUND	584.73	2,789.38	125.06	3,653.56	4.24		-6.98	-6,561.00	588.99
RE2J CAP. RES.	0.00								0.00
RE2J BOND & INT	381.38	1,763.77	79.34	2,310.19				-4,162.25	372.43
RYE FIRE PROTECTION	3,072.22	2,782.29	107.52	2,079.47			-139.11	-7,902.39	0.00
COUNTY SCHOOL	15,470.07				69,300.09			-84,770.16	0.00
EMERGENCY SERVICES	327,025.57	14,787.06	642.32	13,062.35	40,098.08	-177,395.06			218,220.32
REDEMPTIONS	3,460.28				53,012.12			-53,012.12	3,460.28
M. V. L.	0.00				349,590.12	-349,590.12			0.00
CONSERVATION TRUST	14,957.66				14,383.98	-3,798.63			25,543.01
VARIOUS/AUTO TAX	0.00				95,401.04			-95,401.04	0.00
GRAZING	0.00								0.00
RECORDS RESTORATION FUND	0.00				96,246.25			-24,568.69	71,677.56
TREASURER'S FEES	0.00				11,771.95			-11,771.95	0.00
WEST CUSTER CO HOSP DIST.	108,030.08	54,988.10	2,393.97	47,837.69			-2,749.41	-210,500.43	0.00
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND	1,750.54								1,750.54
WEST CUSTER CO LIBRARY DISTRICT	27,117.21	13,802.63	601.44	12,007.90			-690.13	-52,839.05	0.00
CLERKS FEES	155,884.58				988,463.25			-970,321.77	174,026.06
EMERGENCY RESERVE FUND	117,300.00								117,300.00
HEALTH INSURANCE FUND	3,307.89				304,852.24			-304,852.24	3,307.89
GRAND TOTALS	4,890,123.94	463,664.48	20,126.81	405,925.89	4,448,570.98	-3,191,402.03	-19,783.21	-2,974,413.47	4,042,813.39
I, VIRGINIA TRUJILLO, County Treasurer in and for Custer County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify that the above is a true statement of condition of the various funds as they appear from the records in my office at the close of business, December 30, 2015.				Bank Balance	\$ 481,151.92				
				Cash	10,312.81				
				Investments	3,550,848.66				
				PT Petty Cash	500.00				
				Total	\$4,042,813.39				
Virginia Trujillo Custer County Treasurer									

PUBLIC NOTICE SHERIFF’S COMBINED NOTICE OF SALE FOR PUBLICATION

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

Sheriff’s Foreclosure Sale No. **15-CCSS-002** was commenced in the office of the undersigned Sheriff pursuant to that certain Order for Entry of Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (“Judgment and Decree”) entered on August 16, 2015 by the District Court of the **County of Custer, Colorado** in Civil Action No. **2015 CV 030011, Blumenau Subdivision 3 v Phyllis Salazar et al** to foreclose the deed of trust described as follows (“Deed of Trust”):

Original Grantor: Phyllis Salazar and Antoniette Salazar
Current Beneficiary: Blumenau Subdivision #3 Home-owners Association
Date of Deed of Trust: August 16th, 2015
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: August 20th, 2015
Recorded in Custer County: Reception Number 226027
Original Principal Amount \$1,380.44
Outstanding Balance: \$4,480.72

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 38-38-101 (4)(i), you are hereby notified that under the Judgment and Decree, which is the subject Evidence of Debt, I am ordered to sell the property more specifically described as follows:

A parcel of land, Lot No. 30, Blumenau Subdivision, filing No. 3 in the Subdivision, also known as 290 Pipeweed Path, Westcliffe, CO 81252, County of Custer, State of Colorado.

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

LEIN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

As of January 28th, 2016 the outstanding balance due and owing pursuant to the Judgment and Decree will be \$4,480.72.

NOTICE OF SALE

THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will, at **10:00 a.m.**, in the forenoon of **January 28th, 2016**, at the office of the Sheriff, 702 Rosita Ave., Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)’ heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of

paying the indebtedness evidenced by the judgment and Decree secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys’ fees, the expenses of sale, and other items allowed by law, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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**** Bidders are required to have cash or certified funds to cover their highest bid at the time of the sale. Certified funds are payable to the Registry of the Custer District Court.**

A notice of intent to cure filed pursuant to section 38-38-104 shall be filed with the officer at least fifteen calendar days prior to the first scheduled sale date or any date to which the sale is continued. **If the sale date is continued to a later date, the deadline to file a notice of intent to cure by those parties entitled to cure may also be extended.**

A notice of intent to redeem filed in pursuant to section 38-38-302 shall be filed with the officer no later than eight business days after the sale.

The Lien of the deed of trust being foreclosed may not be a first lien.

DATE: **October 23, 2015**

Sheriff of the County of Custer, State of Colorado
Shannon K. Byerly
By: Shannon K. Byerly, Sheriff

The name, address and telephone number of the attorneys representing the legal holder of the evidence of debt are as follows: Jay Printz, P.C. # 38397 105 S. Second St., Westcliffe, Colorado 81252. Telephone number, 719-783-9494.

THE ATTORNEYS LISTED ABOVE ARE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR AND ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

PUBLIC NOTICE SHERIFF’S COMBINED NOTICE OF SALE FOR PUBLICATION

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

Sheriff’s Foreclosure Sale No. **15-CCSS-003** was commenced in the office of the undersigned Sheriff pursuant

to that certain Order for Entry of Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (“Judgment and Decree”) entered on August 16, 2015 by the District Court of the **County of Custer, Colorado** in Civil Action No. **2015 CV 030012, Blumenau Subdivision 3 v Phyllis Salazar et al** to foreclose the deed of trust described as follows (“Deed of Trust”):

Original Grantor: Phyllis Salazar and Antoniette Salazar
Current Beneficiary: Blumenau Subdivision #3 Home-owners Association
Date of Deed of Trust: August 16th, 2015
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: August 20th, 2015
Recorded in Custer County: Reception Number 226028
Original Principal Amount: \$1,378.92
Outstanding Balance: \$4,478.98

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 38-38-101 (4)(i), you are hereby notified that under the Judgement and Decree, which is the subject Evidence of Debt, I am ordered to sell the property more specifically described as follows:

A parcel of land, Lot No. 31, Blumenau Subdivision, filing No. 3 in the Subdivision, also known as 290 Pipeweed Path, Westcliffe, CO 81252, County of Custer, State of Colorado.

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

LEIN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

As of January 28th, 2016 the outstanding balance due and owing pursuant to the Judgment and Decree will be \$ 4,478.98.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Westcliffe Planning Commission need to fill a vacancy on the Commission. The member must live within the Town of Westcliffe limits or own a business in the Town of Westcliffe and reside within Custer County. If interested please submit a letter of interest to Mike Carter at P.O. Box 406 or Benson Hall - 305 Main Street, Westcliffe, Colorado 81252

Letter of interest must be submitted on or before Wednesday, January 27th, by 5:00 p.m.

Mike Carter
Building/Zoning Official
Town of Westcliffe
First Publication: January 15th, 2016
Final Publication: January 22nd, 2016
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Custer County Board of Zoning Adjustment will hold a public Hearing on February 2, 2016 at 1:30 P.M. Custer County Commissioners room. The following will be considered:

1. Hearing for Lynn Safford/Variance to create under-sized lot, 67450 HWY 69 N, Custer County Colorado

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

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

Ordered published by
Kenneth Patterson, Chairman
Custer County Board of Zoning Adjustment

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Custer County Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on February 2, 2016 at 1:30 P.M. Custer County Courtroom. The following will be considered.

1. Hearing for Lynn Safford/Waiver of Subdivision Regulations, 67450 HWY 69 N., Custer County Colorado.

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Ordered published by
Vic Barnes, Chairman
Custer County Planning Commission

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PUBLIC NOTICE Custer County BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Tentative Agenda 9:00 AM Meeting Location: County Courthouse /Commissioners Room

Friday January 29, 2016

- Call meeting to order
- Pledge of allegiance
- Roll Call
- Amend agenda
- Approval of minutes:
- Audience introduction
- Public Comment
- Commissioner Items
- Attorney Items
- Executive Session
- New/Old Business
 - Vouchers and Sign Checks
 - Affordable Housing Committee Appointments
 - Municipal Courts/County Court Room – Town of Westcliffe-K. Reis, Town of Review Silver Cliff-I. Squire
 - OEM Discussion
 - Introduction of District Judge Hunter

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

- Call meeting to order
- Pledge of allegiance
- Roll Call
- Amend agenda
- Approval of minutes:
- Audience introduction
- Public Comment
- Commissioner Items
- Attorney Items
- Executive Session
- New/Old Business
 - Staff Reports: Airport Advisory Board, Public Health, CSU Extension, Human Resource/Finance, Human Services

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

- Call meeting to order
- Pledge of allegiance
- Roll Call
- Amend agenda
- Approval of minutes:
- Audience introduction
- Public Comment
- Commissioner Items
- Attorney Items
- Executive Session
- New/Old Business
 - Staff Reports: Road and Bridge, Landfill, Recycling, Treasurer, Planning and Zoning Annual Jail Tour

NOTICE TO PUBLIC: To meet publishing deadlines, all agenda items must be submitted either by calling the Commissioners Office at 719-783-2552; in writing to the Commissioner's Office at PO Box 150, Westcliffe, CO 81252; or by e-mail to kris@custercountygov.com no later than 9:00 AM on the Monday of the week prior to the BOCC meeting. Items not submitted in time may be tabled for one month so they may be properly published. True emergency items will be heard. (audio recordings of the BOCC meetings are available for public review or purchase)

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Court Report...

Oasis Outdoor: Judgment for Mountain Publishing against Oasis Outdoor Improvements for an overdue payment of \$323 including court costs. Interest on the payment will be 8%.

McCarty, Charles Russel: Charges of driving under restraint and speeding were dismissed.

Wager, Jacob Elijah: Guilty of driving an unregistered vehicle, driving a vehicle without insurance and having fictitious plates. Assessed \$799.50.

Day, Kenneth Lawrence: Guilty of assault. Charges of criminal mischief and driving under restraint were dismissed.

Sharp, Robert Arthur: Charges of driving under restraint, no registration and having fictitious plates were dismissed.

Lock, Royce Earl: Charge of careless driving was dismissed.

Wisecup, Samuel C.: Charge of disorderly conduct was dismissed.

Behrendt, Clifton Neat: Charge of disorderly conduct was dismissed.

Bohe, Troy Michael: Charge of driving under restraint was dismissed.

Contreras, Jennifer: Small claims case was dismissed.

Conway, Michael Francis: Charge of driving under restraint was dismissed.

King, Gary Allen: Charge of arson was dismissed.

Patton, Melissa: Charge of careless driving was dismissed.

Mitchell, Sandra Louise: Guilty of careless driving and driving under the influence. 90 days in jail, two years probation and 48 hours of community service. Assessed \$1,956.50.

Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 204 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 8 to EMS, and 2 to the Fire Dept.

As of 1/19/16 there was 4 males and 1 female in the Custer County jail.

1/12/16:
Disruptive Student: A deputy was dispatched to the Custer County School in response to a report of a disruptive student. The student was released to a guardian.

Shoeless Female: A deputy was dispatched to Highway 96, mile marker 9, to investigate a report of a female in her 20's walking along the highway without shoes and not properly dressed for the weather.

1/13/16:
Arrests: Jesus Barreras of Thornton, Colorado, was taken into custody at the Custer County Sheriff's Office from a bond recovery agent. Barreras had an active Failure to Appear warrant for Reckless Endangerment and multiple moving violations out of Custer County, a Failure

to Appear warrant out of Denver District Court and a warrant for Dangerous Drugs out of Adams County.

Philipp Suenkel of Cañon City was arrested in Cotopaxi on an outstanding arrest warrant for Menacing with a Deadly Weapon, Reckless Endangerment, Prohibited Use of a Weapon and Disorderly Conduct.

1/14/16:
Traffic Summons: Sheryl Garcia of Westcliffe for speeding 5 - 9 over in a school zone.

1/15/16:
Traffic Summons: David Peters of Wirtz, Virginia for speeding, 10 - 19 over.

Mistreatment of Animals: A deputy took a report from a party at the Sheriff's Office concerning the possible mistreatment of animals at a residence on Main Street, Westcliffe.

See SHERIFF on page 15

Second Annual Westcliffe Ice Fishing Tournament

Saturday, January 16, 2016 at Lake DeWeese



Keegan Rohrich



Devan Wooten



Jim Marcen



Lanny Moore



Brian Elliott



Arelano and Kaber Families



Jason Carr and Johnnie Z

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One Less Thing on That Bucket List

by Charlotte Burrous

Although it didn't turn out exactly like he planned, it was a wonderful experience.

"It was on my bucket list to go to the 'Price is Right' TV show," said First Southern Baptist Church Pastor Tom Killgore. "I never really thought about being on it. I just wanted to go sit in the audience, scream 'higher' (or) 'lower.' It's fun to be a part of all that."

While he and his wife, Kathy, were on vacation in California several months ago, he managed to purchase two tickets for "Price is Right."

"I didn't figure on being selected," said Tom, who appeared in the "Price is Right" TV Show on Jan. 7.

At the appointed time, he and Kathy lined up outside the studio, where they showed their tickets, which put them at the front of the line. Only 300 people were allowed to be a part of the audience. At that point, the participants were divided into groups of 20. In between one place and another area, everyone was interviewed.

"A guy walks down the line and talks to you to get to know you," Tom said. "I told him it was on my bucket list to see the show. He asked me

what would I do (if I was selected) and I told him I would freak out. I was just being me. I was on vacation and having fun."

He said he thought to himself, there's no way they are going to call him to be on the show so he relaxed and enjoyed the moment. "I got to meet a lot of cool people along the way," Tom said.

After talking to all 300 people, they moved them into the next room, where they watched "Price is Right" game shows over and over, which brought excitement to participants. When it was time to go into the studio, they walked in and sat down.

"We weren't there a minute until the lights go down, people started screaming and he said, 'so and so come on down.' It was this young girl who was called then he said, 'Thomas Killgore, come on down. I jumped up and was freaking out and my wife is clueless. She's just sitting there, clapping. I run down front and this young lady jumps up and hits me with her rear end. I jump up and I hit her with my rear end. Then on the way down, I thought, 'I'm a Southern Baptist pastor; I probably shouldn't have done that.'"

After they called the others, he went through the show, where he met Drew

Carey, who Tom said is just as nice as he appears on TV.

"It was a great experience," Tom said. "Near the end of the show ... I didn't do very well. But there was a guy (who) was the last person called. He bid and was something like a \$1 off and went over. Somebody else won. After the show was over and the taping was done, the guy was really upset with himself, hollering and just not happy. Drew Carey walked up and said off the microphone, 'it's OK. You got up here; that's pretty cool; people will see you on TV.' He didn't have to do that. The show was done, but I really appreciated (the) compassion Drew Carey had on this kid, (who) was really angry with himself."

After the show, Tom and the other contestants were taken back to another room, where they signed a paper, saying they couldn't talk about the show.

"It was really fun because everybody thought I won something," Tom said. "Now they know I didn't win anything. I enjoyed it."

It's not every day, somebody from Fremont County gets an opportunity to be on national television, but it was a dream come true for Tom Killgore, who has fun wherever he goes.

Missing Person Update



On January 14th, 2015 at approximately 9:16 pm, the Canon City Police Department received a report regarding a missing 22 year old male who was believed to be in the area of the Canon City River Walk located off of Sell Avenue and S. 9th Street. An immediate search of the area was conducted, but met with negative results.

On January 15, 2016, at approximately 7:00 am, the Fremont County Search and Rescue team responded to assist with the search. At approximately 1:00 pm, a body was located and recovered out of the Arkansas River near Pathfinder Park in Florence Colorado. This body is believed to be that of the missing 22 year old male. Questions pertaining to the identification of the deceased male will be referred to the Fremont County Coroners Office.

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 4: 32, NKJV

Come and Worship

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
5:00 p.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
719/783-9356
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
719/942-3462
719/942-3526

Cotopaxi Community Church
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
20326 Hwy. 50
Cotopaxi
719/942-4185

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. Tuesday Mass
11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday Adoration
109 S. 5th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-3507

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

Sangre de Cristo Fellowship
Sundays, 10 a.m. Meet and Greet
Sundays, 10:15 a.m. Service
Sunday School & Prayer Mtg to
120 Jerry Court
Westcliffe
719/783-0903



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

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

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
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship
699 County Rd. 395
Wetmore
719/784-0596

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

Fateries

Alpine Lodge
6848 Cty. Rd. 140
Westcliffe
719/783-2660
Wed. - Sun., 5 - 10 p.m.
Sunday Brunch
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Reservations recommended

Candy's Coffee
106 S. 2nd St. • Westcliffe
719/783-9516
Mon. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

JB's Café
closed for the month of November.
Reopening in December at a New Location!

The Mining Company Restaurant
60 Main St. • Westcliffe
719/783-9144
Mon., Thurs. - Sun., 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tues., 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Closed Wednesdays

Nacho Mama's
404 Main St. • Silver Cliff
719/783-3331
Closed Monday
Tues. - Thurs. - 12-7p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 12-9
Sunday 12-7

Oak Creek Grade General Store, Bakery & Coffee Shop
13 miles north on Cty. Rd. 255
719/783-2245
Closed for the Winter
Please call for your homemade breads and pastries!

Rancher's Roost at Cliff Lanes
25 Main St.
Westcliffe
719/783-2031
Mon. - Fri., 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sat. & Sun., 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

St. Andrews Golf Course Café
800 Copper Gulch Rd.
Westcliffe
719/783-9410
Open Daily * Call for Hours

Silver Cliff Mountain Inn
700 Ohio Street • Silver Cliff
719/783-2688
Sat. - Wed., 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Thurs. & Fri., 7 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Open 7 days a week

Silver Cliff Pizza Company
upstairs in the Silver Dome Saloon
110 Main St. • Silver Cliff
719/783-9499
Call for hours

Subway (inside JR's Fuel Stop)
425 S. 6th St. • Westcliffe
719/783-2748
Mon.-Sat., 6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sundays, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sugar & Spice Mountain Bakery
411 Main St. B
Westcliffe
719/783-4045
Tues. - Fri., 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Tony's Mountain Pizza
630 Main St.
Silver Cliff
719/783-9300
Tues., 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wed.. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sundays, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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Events Calendar

Thursday January 21
6 p.m. Sangre Snow Runners meeting, at Search and Rescue building. Contact Art Nordyke 783-2761

Thursday, January 28
8 a.m. School-wide Spelling Bee - (Library)

Friday January 29
9 a.m. County Commissioners Meeting in Board-room

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday January 22, 23, & 24
7:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday
2: p.m. Sunday at the Jones Theater
“Star Wars: Episode VII – The Force Awakens”

Saturday February 6
5:30 p.m. at the Saddle Club Building
WMVSC ROYALTY VALENTINE DINNER/
DANCE FUNDRAISER, at the Saddle Club Building

Recurring Events

Monday
6 p.m. Closed step study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim:783-2053 or (360)509-9172 or Emilie: (719) 371-5974.
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Custer County Public Transit service available to everyone - Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club. Call 783-2343.
7:55 a.m. High Altitude Training, 9:00 a.m. Water Aerobics, 10:15 a.m. Stretch, 11:30 a.m. Muscles, 1:00 p.m. Low Impact, 5:15 p.m. Step Aerobics, at Club America
Noon: Lunch at Custer County Senior Center, on the first floor of Silver Cliff Town Hall. Call 783-9508 to RSVP by 9:30 a.m.
11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources in Silver Cliff assisting new mothers and families. Free pregnancy tests, ultrasound, counseling, and more. Call 783-4357.

1st and 3rd Mondays
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Writers group at the Library. If you write or would like to start writing, please join us in the Community Room for peer editing, feedback, ideas, comradery, and more.

Tuesday
9:15 a.m. Stretch, 10:30 a.m. Zumba,10:30 a.m. Chair Strength 4:00 p.m, Kids zone after school 5:00 p.m. Core Conditioning at Club America
12 – 4:30 p.m. Bridge Club meets in the Library Community Room in downtown Westcliffe,
6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Music at The Mining Company Restaurant in Silver Cliff. Contact Barb St. Amour at (719) 371-1051.
10 a.m. -5:30 p.m. West Custer County Library in Westcliffe is open. 783-9138.
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Custer County Public Transit service available to everyone - Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club. Call 783-2343.
Noon: Lunch at Custer County Senior Center on the first floor of Silver Cliff Town Hall. Call 783-9508 to RSVP by 9:30 a.m.

First Tuesday of the Month
6:30 p.m. at Cliff Lanes-American Legion Post 170 monthly meeting.
6:45 p.m. Post 170 Auxiliary monthly meeting (March-October) at the Saddle Club.

Wednesday
7:55 a.m. High Altitude Training, 10:00 a.m. Low Impact,5:15 p.m. Step Aerobics at Club America
10 a.m. -5:30 p.m. West Custer County Library in Westcliffe is open. 783-9138.
9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Line dancers meet at Methodist Church. Call Clem: (303) 909-7370.
6 p.m. Closed Big Book Study Alcoholics Anonymous meeting - St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Westcliffe. Call Jim: 783-2053 or (360)509-9172, or Emilie: (719) 371-5974.
6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Custer County Community Band practice in high school band room.
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Custer County Public Transit service available to everyone - Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club. Call 783-2343.

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

Thursday
9:00 a.m. Water Aerobics, 9:15 a.m. Yoga, 10:30 a.m. Zumba,10:30 a.m. Chair Strength, 4 p.m. Kids Zone after school program 5 p.m. Core Conditioning at Club America
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First Thursday of the Month
4:15 - 6 p.m. at the West Custer County Library, Computer help for adults. Need help using your computer or other computer-related things? Come to the library on the first Thursday of the month and receive one-on-one instruction from local teens, FREE!

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

Friday
7:55 a.m. High Altitude Training, 9:00 a.m. Water Aerobics, 9:15 a.m. Stretch, 10:30 a.m. Muscles, 10:30 a.m. Kids Zone after school program at Club America
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10 a.m. -5:30 p.m. West Custer County Library in Westcliffe is open. 783-9138.
1 p.m.-4p.m. Custer County Community Sharing Center, Inc. 120 N. 3rd St. (formerly Schlabach’s market)
6 p.m. Open discussion Alcoholics Anonymous meeting - St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emilie at (719) 371-5974.
7 p.m.-8 p.m. Bible Talks with Domenic Enrietta and John Hartig at the Library Community Room. All Welcome No charge.

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.
10 a.m.-2 p.m. West Custer County Library in Westcliffe is open. 783-9138.
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 will have a few spares
1 p.m.-4p.m.Custer County Community Sharing Center, Inc. 120 N. 3rd St. (formerly Schlabach’s market)

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Help Wanted

Custer County School District C-1 is accepting applications for the position of a part-time assistant cook for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year until position is filled. For more information, please call Susan Greiner at (719)783-4918 before 2:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday. Applications are available online (classified staff) at custercountyschools.org or may be picked up at the

administration office at 709 Main Street in Westcliffe between the hours of 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday.

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

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Please call 719-783-3360 or email sdc.sentinel@gmail.com to place your ad. The deadline for getting your information into the Classifieds is Monday at 5 p.m. for that week’s edition.

SHERIFF from page 11

1/16/16:

Traffic Summons: Scott Myrick of Yukon, Oklahoma, for speeding, 10 -19 over.

Arrests: Sandra Mitchell of Cotopaxi turned herself to the Custer County Sheriff’s Office after having been sentenced for driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs or both, and careless driving.

1/17/16:

Arrests: Tyler Pringle of Westcliffe was arrested during a routine traffic stop for an active arrest

warrant and violation of an order of protection. In addition, the subject was issued a summons for driving without a valid driver’s license, displaying expired license plates, and operating an uninsured vehicle.

1/18/16:

Veteran’s Health: The Custer County Sheriff’s Office received a call from the Veteran’s Crisis Hotline regarding a Westcliffe citizen having suicidal thoughts. A deputy was dispatched to Rito Alto Avenue in Centennial Ranch in response to the call. Deputies were able to contact the party

and resolve the issue.

Explosive Mailbox: A deputy met with a complaint in the lobby of the Sheriff’s Office. The party filed a report concerning someone putting an explosive devise in her mailbox. The device was a firecracker.

1/19/16:

Shoplifting: The Sheriff’s Office received a call from a merchant in Silver Cliff concerning a juvenile caught shoplifting. A deputy was dispatched to the call. The juvenile was detained, his parent was notified and the subject was issued a summons for theft of less than \$50.

Almost 400 people have registered to vote since November! Voting is a big deal!

You are cordially invited to meet

Donna L. Hood

Candidate for County Commissioner, District 3

“A breath of fresh air”

February 1, 2016 5:00pm-7:00pm

at

Rancher’s Roost

25 Main Street, Westcliffe, CO
Refreshments will be served.

Petitions will be available for your signature to place Donna L. Hood on the June 28, 2016 Primary ballot.

To contact Donna:
(Cell) 610-761-2770 (Work) 719-783-9100
rdh@apaintedview.com

Committee to Elect Donna L. Hood

Bobcat Chili Supper
Friday, Jan 29th at 4:30-6:00pm
in High School Commons
Come support the Bobcats for their
Winter Homecoming game and
support the Bobcat Football team!
Chili Supper by donation to CCHS
Football summer camp

Fremont County Bulletin

News, Opinion, Commentary

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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Steele Smokin' Opens in Florence

by Charlotte Burrous

He started barbecuing as a teenager. Jim Steele loved it so much that he continued to hone his skills while barbecuing every chance he could.

"(I learned by) trial and error," he said. "I've always done grilling and barbecuing. Over time, we perfected the recipes."

Along the way, he married Donna and had his three daughters then he continued to offer barbecue parties for their family and friends.

"This started as a hobby," Donna said. "We love to host barbecues in our yard and it expanded into friends asking us to come over and cook their barbecue so we decided to give it a shot."

So the couple along with their three daughters, Ashley Villagrana, Holly Steele and Kelsey Steele, looked around for a place to open their own barbecue restaurant.

"We initially looked at the place, where Jess' Best was, but it didn't pan out for us so Quincy's took that and we opted to take this one," Donna said.

The couple spruced up the former Chaps restaurant and



Jim and Donna Steele at Steele Smokin'.

Courtesy photo

at the beginning of January opened their own restaurant at 401 E. Main St. in Florence.

"We serve smoked meats and there's a process of doing them," Donna said. "It takes a couple days to even smoke the meat. When you put the meat in the smoker, it can take up to 18 hours to cook. Our supply is limited. If you want real true barbecue, that's the way you have to do that, which means we (could) run out of meat at 6:30 p.m. If we weren't doing it right and it wasn't real good, we wouldn't run out of meat."

Jim noted they offered a Texas brisket, a Carolina pork and Memphis rib, as

well as specials to include a variety of sausage links. If their customers like the special sausages, they'll keep it on the menu then continue to offer other special sausages for people to try. Along with the barbecue, side dishes, soft drinks and a full bar is available for customers.

"Our motto is 'real wood, real smoke, real flavor,'" he said. "It's 100 percent all wood."

Steele Smokin' offers lunch and dinner and is open from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday through Thursday, from 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and closed Monday. For more information or take-out orders, call 784-7500.

Seniors Enjoy Lunch at GAC

by Candy Thompson

Along with almost 100 other seniors in Cañon City (notice I said "other,") Vernon and I paid our two dollar each donation for a Friday lunch at Golden Age Center this past week and found a place at one of the three long tables in the room. We brought along our Upper Arkansas Area Agency on Aging Nutrition Program information form that we had filled out prior and found out that it was the day they celebrate birthdays, the third Friday of each month. Cake and ice cream were being passed out before lunch was served so we enjoyed the treat wondering how we would handle a full lunch afterwards.

After getting our drinks, we waited for the main meal which was stuffed peppers with chopped spinach with malt vinegar, apple-sauce cake and whole wheat rolls. Prayer and the pledge followed announcements. We were told what to expect and to stay in our seats so the servers could get between the tables. We met friendly faces as we passed out complimentary issues of the Fremont County Crusader and encouraged everyone to give us their opinion by writing letters. It was a friendly group and were welcoming to these two newcomers.

When the meal was served, the peppers were piping hot with lots of meat sauce and the spinach was good, but the big piece of cake with icing was more than I could eat after having birthday cake and ice cream. There were about twice as many women as men, as you might expect, and the women sitting across from us came for various reasons, mostly not wanting to cook for just one person, but also wanting some fellowship and company. Some rode the shuttle which requires advance reservations just as reservations for meals need to be made ahead of time, preferably the day before.

Lunch is served on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12 noon but it is advised to get there early to pick out your seat. If you've never eaten at GAC, stop by to pick up the information form and a calendar for the monthly menus. The age requirement is 60 which we didn't have any trouble meeting. Call 719-214-8280 to reserve a spot at one of their tasteful, healthy meals. Cost is \$2 a person and an extra 25 cents on a birthday Friday. For a ride on the shuttle, call 276-5200 two business days in advance for a reservation. For more information about services at GAC call the main number 275-5177 or go to their website at www.canoncityseniorcenter.com.

Upcoming events for Jan. 23-Feb. 22

Check out numerous workshops at the Bell Tower Cultural Center at 201 S. Petroleum Ave. in Florence. Workshops run from one hour to two days with affordable fees. Subjects include various painting medium, stitching, jewelry, textiles, mosaics, dance, drawing, perspective, portrait, cartoon, collage, tarot, yoga or discover your animal familia plus more to be scheduled at the Bell Tower Cultural Center. To register, call 719-784-2038 or 719-784-2303.

St. Thomas More Hospital will host "The Optimistic Life" from noon-12:30 p.m. Fridays, Feb. 5-March 11 at St. Thomas More Board room. Cost is \$25 for community members or free for STMH employees.

"Night to Shine" men's clothing donations and volunteers needed. Items needed include men's slacks, sport coats and suits (all sizes) for a "special" prom on Feb. 12 for male adults over the age of 16 with special needs at the Vineyard. Donations (clean and in good condition) may be dropped off at Starpoint Administration between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday at 700 S. Eighth St. in Cañon City. This "Night To Shine" event is sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation at more than 190 locations around the world. For more information, call Ron Hinkle at 269-2228 or to volunteer, call Jennifer Harrigan at (719) 214-1314 or visit www.vineyardlive.org/night-to-shine/

The Canon City Music & Blossom Festival will host their 13th Annual "Chocolate Lovers Walk" from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 13 starting at 1101 Main Street, behind Ann's Serenity Day Spa. Check out all the wonderful goodies located in numerous businesses in downtown Cañon City. Tickets may be purchased for \$10 at Chamber of Commerce office at 403 Royal Gorge Blvd. or by calling 275-2331, Ann's Serenity Day Spa at 1101 Main St. or by calling 269-9994.

Pamper Your Heart will feature health screenings, information booths, a heart-healthy dinner, a special gift, guest speakers and more from 4:30-7 p.m. Feb. 15 at Evangelical Church at 3000 E. Main St. in Cañon City. Wear red to support National Heart Month. Cost is free. To register, go to stmhospital.org/pamper-your-heart or by calling 285-2179. Sponsored by St. Thomas More Hospital.

St. Thomas More Hospital will host "Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance" from 9-11 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays from Feb. 15-May 4. The class helps adults 60 and older improve balance and reduce the likelihood of falling; tai chi also helps improve many health conditions. The class will be in the Parks and Recreation building at 575 Ash St. Free for community members. To register, call 285-2345.

Please join the Penrose Chamber of Commerce at the Gooseberry Patch Restaurant at 6 p.m. Feb. 22 for our Annual Banquet at 660 Colo. 115 Penrose. Social time will begin at 6 pm and the meal will be served at 7 p.m. Awards will be handed out after the meal. Tickets will be drawn through-out the evening for door prizes. Please call the Chamber of Commerce office for more details at 372-3994. The menu will be choice of prime rib, seared scallops and shrimp medley, orange-glazed Cornish game hen or vegetable lasagna. The meal includes salad, vegetable, potato, roll & butter, dessert, coffee or tea. The cost is \$35 per person (price includes tax & tip). RSVP by Feb. 18. All money must be paid by Feb. 18.

The Sentinel is now available at the following locations in Fremont County:

Barry's Den
27077 U.S. Highway 50

Cotopaxi General Store
20204 U.S. Highway 50

Mr. Ed's
1201 Royal Gorge Blvd.
(Hwy 50) in Cañon City

Here 4 You
2975 CR 27A (Copper Gulch Rd)
in Cotopaxi

Mr. Ed's Family Restaurant



1201 Royal Gorge Blvd., Cañon City
719-275-5833

The Liberty Tree

Religion, The Constitution & Culture State, National, & World

"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.

Jewish European Exodus May be Prophetic Signal

The Jewish Agency, a nonprofit group that serves as the main link between the Jewish state and Jewish communities around the world, told Associated Press that Jews are leaving Europe in record numbers because of anti-Semitic attacks. The organization told AP that "9,880 western European Jews immigrated to Israel in 2015 — the highest annual number ever. The figure is more than 10 percent over the previous year and over double the 2013 level. The vast majority, close to 8,000, came from France, where a rise in anti-Semitic attacks has shattered the sense of security of the world's third-largest Jewish population." This hostile environment created by Islamic immigration to Europe may be prophetic.

Jewish Agency Chairman Natan Sharansky is quoted saying, "That a record number of European Jews feel that Europe is no longer their home should alarm European leaders and serve as a wake-up call for all who are concerned about the future of Europe. At the same time, the fact that Israel has become the number one destination for European Jews seeking to build a better future elsewhere is a tribute to the appeal of life in Israel and the values the Jewish state represents." AP says Jews have been targeted in Belgium, Denmark and other European countries, but France has seen the worst of it. Jews have increasingly reported assaults and intimidation, mostly from Muslim extremists."

AP reports, "France's Jewish community of some 500,000 is the largest in Europe. Jewish

schools and synagogues are often surrounded by soldiers in combat fatigues who patrol the streets with automatic rifles. Though Jews make up less than 1 percent of the population, French officials say more than 50 percent of all reported racist attacks in 2014 were directed against them. Concerns about anti-Semitism in France had already been high, but 2014 saw a record number of French Jews immigrate to Israel. That figure was easily eclipsed in 2015, prompting French authorities to warn about a steeper decline and saying a future France without Jews would "no longer be France."

France may no longer be France anyway. According to muslimpopulation.com, in Western Europe, the percentage of the Muslim population is the largest in France, at 9.6% (64 million). French Jews know this better than anyone. This phenomena is causing European Jews to flock to Israel in record numbers. Several prophets of the Bible, including Isaiah, Ezekiel, Zechariah and others, prophesied that the Lord would gather God's people to their homeland in the time of the end. For example, Isaiah 11:12 says, "And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth." As the layers of prophecy unfold, the current record exodus of Jews from Europe to Israel may be a significant beginning.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!

Bill Wilson
www.dailyjot.com
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by Karl Denninger,
Market-Ticker.Org

A pair of articles for your perusal this evening and tomorrow....

First, from Fox news:

BALTIMORE — Congressional Republican leaders found themselves caught Thursday in the middle of a mounting feud over South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley's criticism of Donald Trump, complicating their efforts to ease party divisions and craft a legislative agenda for the year.

Hill Republicans are meeting at a retreat in Baltimore to hammer out their 2016 priorities, including health care and national security. But they've also had to weigh in after Haley, during the official GOP response to the State of the Union address, cautioned Americans about following "the angriest voices" on immigration, a reference to Trump's hardline views on the issue.

Haley later made clear she indeed was referring to Trump -- spurring rhetorical reprisals from the Republican front-runner and leading conservative figures.

Oh really?

Well maybe that's because the GOP has sold out Americans for the last 30 years. They've lied repeatedly about their economic plans, about the budget, about immigration and about jobs.

But Washington Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers, chairwoman of the House Republican Conference, appeared Thursday at the retreat to try to ease the Haley-Trump controversy and bridge the divide, saying she understands voters have "a lot of frustration" with how Washington is being run.

Frustration?

**** you McMorris Rodgers.

You, Ms. Evil Incarnate, are one of the chief architects that has refused to stop deficit spending.

***"...as soon as you are elected
(or re-elected)
you do the exact opposite."***

Deficit spending is the reason Americans' purchasing power has been trashed and the middle class eviscerated. It is a mathematical certainty to occur in that when you spend in deficit you place more dollars in circulation against a given amount of output. Therefore prices rise somewhere -- you cannot control where with any sort of accuracy, however -- and thus the people are poorer in real terms.

Wake Up, GOP

This isn't rocket science, it's arithmetic.

Not even algebra, arithmetic.

a large swath of the GOP electorate will be forced to eat crow and re-evaluate its affiliation. Call it, if you will, a moral debt restructuring, one

"The people are tired of the lies."

You, along with Lyin' Ryan, have put forward a budget plan that is fanciful over the entire Obama Presidency year after year, prognosticating growth rates that have never occurred in the history of the nation. A plan that requires no recessions over decades of time to succeed in addition, an event that has never happened **either**. Yet this is what you advocate and put forward as a political party, **knowing it will fail**.

That makes your actions **fraudulent** Cathy, and the people of this country are tired of your.

You continue to blow smoke at us with promises and campaign speeches but as soon as you are elected (or re-elected) you do the exact opposite. You claim to oppose Obamacare yet you will not remove all funds for both implementation and enforcement from the budget. You claim to stand for a balanced budget but won't pass one. You claim to stand for all sorts of things and against others **but despite the fact that every single penny that the government spends must be allocated by The House, and thus you can stop literally ANYTHING you want to, you stop nothing.**

You're a lying sack of c**p. All of you. The American people are tired of it and Trump promises us something different. Unlike you, he doesn't need any more money. Unlike Ryan, he has more money than he can spend in three lifetimes. Unlike you, **he's willing to call a spade a spade, including telling the truth about dangerous criminals coming here as illegal invaders and terrorists being given safe harbor as "refugees" or "immigrants", both of which we know factually occurred and which your party refuses to address.**

And with that you should read this

At the end of the current election cycle, the Republican Party will be forced to take a long, hard look in the mirror. Unbridled demagoguery has driven the GOP to an inflection point from which there is no turning back. If a populist prevails in the primary, as appears increasingly likely, the party faces either devastating defeat in the general election or a new, unrecognizable identity. In either scenario,

caused by the reckless behavior of a man who knows a thing or two about bankruptcy.

Bah.

Nobody gives a good d**n how you pray when it comes to these issues.

We do, however, have a serious problem with people who want to overthrow this government and replace it with a Muslim Theocracy. We have Imans in this nation, right here and right now, who preach this. That "chick" who stood up at a Trump Rally has an organization **that has supported his speeches, and he continues to speak on this point.**

You're free to speak in this country. You're not free to try to destroy our Constitution. You're not free to pass laws that violate said Constitution with impunity, in the case of gun control **over 50,000 of them**, and expect a pass. You're not free to complain that Obamacare is unconstitutional (it is) **and then pass a budget that allocates funds to implement it!**

The people are tired of the lies. We're tired of the duplicity. We're tired of "industries" that to the average American look like The Mob, *hopped up on steroids, cocaine and speed all at once*, with the government **forcing** us to do business with them. We're tired of people who think that we're so d***ed stupid in this country that we will roll over and kiss the a** of any politician that chooses to represent them *so long as they have the right party label on their lapel*.

Politicians have gotten away with this for so long that they don't even believe this an abuse! They don't think there's anything wrong with lying through their teeth whether the subject is drugs, guns, immigration, health care, Daesh or anything else. It doesn't matter whether they wish to impugn the first, second, fourth or fifth amendment today, or simply steal every penny we have, they'll find a way, means and method.

But the people have finally had enough.

Yes, there is an ideological civil war on. The people are tired of the cp the Republican party has been dishing out for years and have made clear that the choices are two: Cut it out -- NOW -- or have your political future tied to a big chunk of concrete and thrown off a bridge.**

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Federal Prosecutors Won't Go After Corrupt VA Officials

by Jonah Bennett, Daily Caller News Foundation

Despite a criminal referral from the Department of Veterans Affairs office of the inspector general, the federal government has declined to prosecute two executives for fraudulently obtaining relocation expenses.

The U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia said Thursday that it would not be pursuing any action against executives Diana Rubens and Kimberly Graves, instead opting to refer the matter back to the VA for any administrative action deemed appropriate, The Associated Press reports.

An inspector general report found that Rubens and Graves obtained over \$400,000 in relocation expenses, which they received after pushing subordinates out of positions, so that the two could then fill them, reduce their job responsibilities, collect bonus money and receive the same executive-level salaries. At a House Veterans' Affairs hearing on the matter, both Rubens and Graves pled the Fifth Amendment and declined to answer any questions from Chairman GOP Rep. Jeff Miller.

The VA recently attempted to demote the two executives to general employee status, though the department failed to accomplish that plan because VA counsel forgot to provide Rubens and Graves with a binder of evidence. The VA said it will restart the process and continue with the demotions, though it will not seek to recover any of the fraudulently obtained funds from the executives.

VA Deputy Secretary Sloan Gibson recently said that while Graves and Rubens exercised bad judgment, they did not engage in any wrongdoing.

"In my opinion, the evidence collected by the IG does not support one violation of law. Not one violation of rule. Not even one violation of regulation related to relocation expenses," Gibson said.

Gibson delivered those remarks despite the fact that Graves and Rubens fiddled with the hiring system and put major pressure on subordinates to vacate those positions and rearrange their lives, so that the two could insert themselves into the positions.

Rep. Miller was stunned at

Gibson's analysis of the situation, saying that the inspector general report reveals far more than just terrible judgment. For Miller, allowing Graves and Rubens to keep the relocation funds is like letting bank robbers keep stolen money.

Graves is scheduled for a transfer to the Phoenix VA, perhaps the most troubled facility in the entire nation, and the one which set off the wait list scandal last year.

(Editor/GG: The rule of law is no more in our country. The elites, especially the government elites, get away with literally murder, and nothing is done. If you or I fail to pay the IRS one dollar, we go to jail. And our elected representatives (including the republican party) turn a blind eye and fully fund ALL OF THESE CORRUPT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES so they can continue to steal, rob and treat us like soviet peasants. There is a point.....)

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People Yes, Wolves No: Parks and Wildlife Commission Makes Animal Activists Cry

by ColoradoPeak Politics.com

Colorado took a mostly no-wolf stance Wednesday night in passing a resolution against reintroducing the Mexican or gray wolf, angering animal activists who argue the predator won't kill livestock, but is needed to kill other animals.

"We should kick out cattle. Wolves belong here," said Kia Bridges of the Boulder Rad-ish Collective. "If you bring back a predator, it puts an ecosystem back the way it is supposed to be. It would get prey animals moving."

The argument that wolves will only chase and kill elk and other critters, foregoing the docile cattle and sheep on the menu, is laughable.

But so is the theory pushed by protesters at last night's parks and wildlife commissioners meeting that wolves with no historical range in the state have more right to live here than people.

The commission voted 7-4 against intentional releases of the wolves, which doesn't preclude unintentional releases of the wolves.



Courtesy photo

We applaud state wildlife officials for taking a stand against bringing in predators to put ranchers out of business, but ultimately, it will be up to the Interior Department whether or not to resettle wolf refuges in the high country.

We expect wolves to begin unintentionally wandering across our borders in greater numbers in the coming days, and that federal officials, in hand-holding solidarity with animal activists, will redefine historical range to include the paths of daily commuters.

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Jon Keyser Enters Republican Primary for U.S. Senate

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

After weeks of not-so-subtle hints, Colorado State Representative Jon Keyser has officially thrown his hat into the ring for the chance to run against U.S. Senator Michael Bennet. Keyser is a lawyer by trade, but also represents House District 25 in Jefferson County, one of the most competitive counties in the state. He won his election by nine points.

With his launch, his campaign released the following statement:

"I'm running for the United States Senate to keep Colorado families safe from the growing threats we face across the world and to bring a new generation of economic opportunity to Coloradans after years of stagnation. Michael Bennet's support for the disastrous Iran deal and his failure to stand up to his own party on national security issues has not only made Colorado less safe but has also em-

boldened America's enemies. I've fought the enemy and I know from experience how to keep our families safe and secure. As Colorado's next senator, I will always put Colorado first and continually work for dynamic solutions to the many challenges our country faces."

Prior to his political life, Keyser attended the Air Force Academy and served in Iraq and Afghanistan. His combat experience earned him a Bronze Star medal. Keyser is a second-generation Coloradan who earned his way through law school partially by working on oil rigs.

Keyser joins state fellow Senator Tim Neville, Aurora Councilman Ryan Frazier, Jefferson County Commissioner Don Rosier, and El Paso County Commissioner Darryl Glenn.

Keyser has resigned his position with Hogan Lovells and plans to resign his legislative seat effective January 23rd, and there will be a vacancy committee to fill the open seat.

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AMERICA: 1941 - 1945 VERSUS 2012 - 2016

During the 3-1/2 years of World War 2 that started with the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor in December 1941 and ended with the Surrender of Germany and Japan in 1945, the U.S. produced; 22 aircraft carriers, 8 battleships, 48 cruisers, 349 destroyers, 420 destroyer escorts, 203 submarines, 34 million tons of merchant ships, 100,000 fighter aircraft, 98,000 bombers, 24,000 transport aircraft, 58,000 training aircraft, 93,000 tanks, 257,000 artillery pieces, 105,000 mortars, 3,000,000 machine guns, and 2,500,000 military trucks.

We put 16.1 million men in uniform in the various armed services, invaded Africa, invaded Sicily and Italy, won the battle for the Atlantic, planned and executed D-Day, marched across the Pacific and Europe, developed the atomic bomb and ultimately conquered Japan and Germany.

It's worth noting, that during the almost exact amount of time, the Obama administration couldn't build a functioning web site.

Common Core Damage Will Last for Years to Come

by Peter Wood,
President of the National
Association of Scholars,
Heartland.Org

Common Core (CC) K-12 math and English standards are lingering, despite concerted efforts by concerned parents and taxpayers to remove them.

It is like a house with an underwater mortgage: The United States has invested so much in Common Core that it can't easily get out. The investments include very large amounts spent on textbooks, computers to support the Common Core tests, and teacher training. The investment also includes some hard-to-quantify things: the squandered opportunity, the huge expenditure of political capital, the disaffection of millions of parents, and the psychological harm to students who face spending many more years living out the classroom consequences of a discredited educational experiment.

Students face those extra years of miseducation simply because there is no easy exit from Common Core. The textbooks and computers have been purchased, and the teachers have been trained. Even the states running for the exit door have a long wind-down ahead of them.

Undoing some forms of bad policy can take years. Build a road or a bridge in the wrong place and chances are it is a permanent

mistake, but if the government builds the wrong curriculum, chances are it has robbed a generation.

Demoting Literature

Some of the specific harms are easy to see. The Common Core is making a mess of instruction in reading and writing. It demotes reading literature, with fewer and fewer literary works assigned as a student advances through the grades. This demotion comes about because Common Core treats reading primarily as a tool for retrieving information. Stories, novels, plays, and poetry are not meant primarily as ways of conveying data or of "arguing" a position.

Fitting the literary round pegs into Common Core's square holes stunts students' development in key areas. It gets in the way of learning to see things "as a whole," learning to grasp context, and learning how to think by means of analogy.

Analogy—the ability to see resemblances, large and small, and to draw useful comparisons—is among the most fundamental powers of the human mind. Education used to aim at enhancing this basic mental power. Common Core fights it. Common Core emphasizes fragments, deliberately out-of-context excerpts, and explicit declaration at the expense of richer forms of reading.

Slowing Down Math Instruction

Common Core math hurts students in other ways. First, it slows the pace of instruction. Before Common Core was in place, some states reasonably expected students to master basic addition and subtraction by 3rd grade; Common Core decided 4th grade would do. A similar situation arose with the multiplication table. Long division was generally a 5th grade skill; Common Core defers it to 6th grade.

These changes may seem small by themselves, but they are extremely important in cumulative effect. At a time when other developed nations are racing ahead in science, technology, engineering, and math education, the United States has decided not to accelerate but to move into the slow lane.

Because math builds on itself, a slow pace in early education means a more significant slowdown later on. For instance, algebra often gets pushed back to 9th grade, and then Common Core tapers off. It has no room at all, for example, for pre-calculus instruction, which used to provide the bridge for students about to head off to college. Logarithms are barely mentioned. Parametric equations are absent. Arithmetic series are omitted. Polar forms of functions never come up.

Of course, most of us adults

live without these pieces of mathematical knowledge. We studied them once and moved on to study other subjects that didn't depend on "parametric equations." What's the harm of not teaching them in the first place? The harm is by not providing instruction to young people at the age in which they can absorb the knowledge, we preempt the whole possibility of their going further. We are effectively slamming the door shut for millions of children on possible careers in the sciences, engineering, and many technical fields, in which a solid foundation in math is crucial.

Promises Broken

This thinning out of math instruction betrays two key promises made by the Common Core's proponents: the standards would be "internationally benchmarked" and they would make students "college and career ready." CC is internationally benchmarked only in the sense that, with the aid of binoculars, you can see the bench—on the back of a foreign truck—rapidly disappearing a few miles up the road. The "college ready" part turned out to mean—as one of CC's architects eventually confessed—ready for community college. Students who have higher aspirations have to fend for themselves by seeking out tutors or extracurricular supplementary classes.

Prosperous families will find workarounds, but for

Policymakers and educators must implement a better educational model, a task that will involve repair and restoration.

everyone else, Common Core imposes a low ceiling on what their children will learn in school.

Cutting Parents Out

Math instruction goes astray in other ways as well. Common Core is already infamous with parents for imposing tediously complicated forms of computation on children in primary school. The computations "work" in the limited sense of providing right answers (most of the time), but they also drive a wedge between parent and child—deliberately, it seems—since very few parents can crack the code.

Common Core math standards also diverge from parental understanding in subtler ways. For reasons known only to Common Core's architects, who have never had to give an explanation, they emphasized simple visual models such as number lines from 1st grade to 6th grade. Less easily visualized mathematical concepts, such as multiplication and division with negative numbers, get put off until later.

Similarly, Common Core

approaches geometry from 5th grade to 8th grade as though it is nothing more than measurement, and then it abruptly turns to an effort to derive the rest of geometry from the study of "rigid motions"—a way of teaching geometry tried once or twice before, notably in the Soviet Union in the 1980s, where the experiment was deemed a failure and discarded.

Common Core is on its way out. It is unloved by parents, teachers, and the public as a whole. Policymakers and educators must implement a better educational model, a task that will involve repair and restoration. Parents have the choice of waiting out the bad years ahead by moving their children out of public schools or staying put knowing that they will have to work extra hard at home to compensate for the Common Core's poor delivery of essential knowledge and its mis-channeling of children's intellectual development.

Please see: news.heartland.org/newspaper-article/2016/01/11/common-core-damage-will-last-years-come

Siding With the EPA: Bennet Votes for Waters of the U.S. Rule

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

While everyone was voting in Colorado elections Tuesday, scant attention was paid to how our U.S. Senators voted on a measure that is extremely important to our entire way of life.

We'll give you a hint ... it's water.

A bill by our Wyoming neighbor, Republican U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, would have required the EPA to rewrite the egregious Waters of the United States rule to give states and the agriculture industry more protection.

WOTUS, as it's known, is the latest and worstest regulation issued by the Obama administration to regulate ponds and ditches in neighborhoods and farms as navigable waters, as if it were rivers or the ocean.

Barrasso's measure would have also required more input from local communities, something which liberals and Democrats are always screaming for when it comes to natural resources development.

"Coloradans know when they're getting soaked."

Not so much when it comes to scrutiny of their bureaucratic buddies in the EPA when they essentially pass laws by regulatory fiat.

Too bad Barrasso's bill was killed in a filibuster. U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet voted to kill the measure, while Sen. Cory Gardner voted to support Barrasso's bill.

"It's disappointing that, once again, a minority in the Senate has blocked a bipartisan measure designed to reduce the growth of the federal government and allow Coloradans more control over their lives and land," Gardner said.

"Coloradans know when they're getting soaked. This rule is so poorly written and ill-conceived that multiple federal judges have put halts on

its implementation. I will continue to pursue legislative efforts to ensure this rule is not put into place and Coloradans' right to control our water is preserved."

While Bennet has been Tweeting and issuing press releases in recent days about how hard he has been working with the EPA to make sure Coloradans get repaid by the agency for the damage it caused in the Animas River spill, he's had zip to say about how hard he works with the EPA to give them power over our state's water.

Please make a note of this.

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World's Greatest Gun Salesman, Barack Obama, Shatters Own Record

by Bob Owens, *BearingArms.com*

President Barack Obama, the man perennially regarded as the "world's best gun salesman" thanks to a mix of hostile anti-gun rhetoric and lawless executive actions which have driven many Americans to fear their government, has unexpectedly eclipsed his previous record sales high by roughly 2 million guns.

A record number of firearms background checks were conducted by the FBI in 2015 — equating to roughly 44 every minute.

The agency reported Monday that it conducted a total of 23,141,970 checks last year, eclipsing the prior year's record of roughly 21.1 million checks set in 2013.

The background checks are conducted through the National Instant Criminal Background Check System [NICS] for gun purchases from federal firearms licensees and for permits to carry guns, and while the checks serve as an indicator of gun sale trends in the U.S., each check does not always equate to a sale.

Obama's record-shattering performance suggests that the President actually sold in excess of 25 million guns, as a number of states accept concealed carry permits instead of a NICS background check and most private sales cannot be run through NICS because politicians have steadfastly refused to let citizens use the background check system themselves over "privacy concerns."

To give you some idea of the enormity of the President's accomplishment, the U.S. military—widely regarded as the most powerful force in world history—could completely re-arm every single soldier, sailor, airman and Marine on active duty with less than two million guns. Obama has helped sell more than ten times that number in a single year, and in excess of 100 million guns in his seven years in office.

Not one to rest on his laurels, President Obama will deliver an hour-long anti-gun address on CNN Thursday night filled with more half-truths and lies that will likely help gun sales in 2016 surge to ever greater heights.

Tag-teaming in an election year with Democrat Presidential hopefuls Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, and Martin O'Malley, there is every reason to believe that this anti-gun "Dream Team" could push actual single-year firearms purchases over the 30 million gun mark for the first time in history, helping drive this nation's record low per-capita murder rate to unheard-of record lows.

As Robert Heinlein suggested, an armed society is indeed a polite society.

Thank you for helping prove that point, Mr. President.

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New: The Smith and Wesson SW22 Victory

by George Gramlich

Smith and Wesson has recently announced a snice new .22 caliber, semi-automatic pistol: the SW22 Victory. It looks quite imposing on paper.

Maybe its most significant feature is its removable, interchangeable barrel. The pistol is disassembled by simply removing one screw from underneath the barrel assembly, and the whole top of the pistol is then removed. The barrel is easily separated and is interchangeable. Volquartsen (www.volquartsen.com), the renowned rimfire firearms and parts manufacturer, has already announced two match barrels for the Victory. The barrel is held into place in the upper assembly by a simple allen head screw.

The Victory also has fiber optic front and rear sites with the rear site being adjustable. It comes with two, ten-round magazines. The Victory has a 5.5 inch barrel and also comes with a picatinny-style rail that can be attached to the top of the gun with two screws.

There are three models currently available, the base model (\$409), a model with a threaded barrel (\$429), and a pretty cool camo model called the Kryptek Highlander (\$459). The SW22 Victory could give the Ruger MKIII and Browning Buckmark a run for their money. For a good video review, go to BearingArms.com and look for the SW22 review.



Camo gun: "The Kryptek Highlander version of the SW22 Victory"

Stainless steel gun: "The SW22 Victory base model."

Courtesy Photos From Smith & Wesson

Who Are the Prohibited Possessors on the NICS List

by Dean Weingarten,
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At the end of 2014, there were 12,881,223 people who were legally prohibited from possessing modern firearms on the NICS list of prohibited persons. As can be seen from the chart below, obtained from the FBI, nearly half of those prohibited, 49.2%, are illegal aliens.

The next largest number are those who have been adjudicated with a mental health problem. 177,000 of the recent numbers are veterans added by the Veteran Administration. The total "mental defectives" is over 29% of the prohibited possessors in the NICS data base. In 2007, only 10.15% of prohibited possessors were listed as mental defectives. Under the Obama administration, the number of "mental de-

fectives" in the prohibited possessor list has grown from 518,499 at the end of 2007, and 648,120 at the end of 2008, to 3,774,301, an almost sixfold increase of over three million people. The Obama administration has said that it wishes to swell those numbers even more, by adding in Social Security recipients who choose to have their financial affairs attended to by someone else. Those numbers are reported to be over four million. The Obama administration backed away from that executive action after a strong public reaction.

Then come those convicted of a crime, a felony, or misdemeanor punishable by two years of incarceration, or more. They amount to almost 15%. I was surprised by that number. Only 15% of those on the NICS prohibited possessor

list are for felony or serious misdemeanor convictions. Fugitives from justice account for another 3.6%.

Those four categories account for 96.8% of all the people on the database.

All the rest are relatively minor numbers:

State Prohibitors: .9%
These numbers started being added in to the NICS system in April, 2012. They include information voluntarily submitted by the states.

Convicted of misdemeanor or domestic violence: .9%
I thought this would be a much larger number.

Order of Protection/Restraining Order domestic violence: .4%
This number is also much smaller than I thought it would be. Orders of Protection/Restraining orders are relatively easy

to obtain, but they also are often temporary.

Under Indictment/Information: .3%

Federally denied persons file: .2%

Renounced U.S. Citizenship: .2%

Unlawful user/addicted to a controlled substance: .2%
This one appears to be low, but most people who have been convicted in a court of law are likely picked up in the felony/serious misdemeanor category.

Dishonorable discharge: .1%

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Romans 6:23, NKJV

Gun Show Myth: Democrats Invoke Debunked Talking Points

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

On Saturday night, Democratic presidential candidates U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders, former Senator, First Lady, and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, and former Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley sparred on issues ranging from gun control to education spending to foreign policy (read: ISIS). If you didn’t watch it, you’re not alone. Saturday was filled with holiday parties, an intentional scheduling snafu by the Democratic National Committee no doubt.

But, one talking point that all three seemed to jump on was the “gun show loophole”. Here’s what Bernie Sanders had to say about it:

“Who denies that it is crazy to allow people to own guns who are criminals or are mentally unstable? We’ve got to eliminate the gun show loophole. In my view, we have got to see that weapons designed by the military to kill people are not in the hands of civilians.”

The gun show loophole has been debunked over and over again. A licensed firearm dealer at a gun show still must follow federal and state law on background checks. Where this gets sticky is private transactions that may or may not happen at gun shows. At issue is not the location of the transaction, but the status of the parties – whether the parties are private citizens. Colorado tried to enact this law as part of liberals’ sweeping gun grab in 2013.

Sheriffs in Colorado have repeatedly told the media that the laws requiring background checks on transfers between private parties are impossible to enforce. From the Coloradoan in 2014:

“Nobody accused of breaking either law had been booked into Larimer County Jail by mid-January, said Sheriff Justin Smith. Statewide, reports of the laws being violated are extremely rare, as law-enforcement officials in numerous counties have vowed to refrain from enforcing the laws some say are too vague, too difficult to enforce, or are in violation of citizens’ Second Amendment rights....

“Not included in those numbers are people who bought, sold or transferred a gun without going to a gun store to seek a background check. Smith said that’s because the law lacks a tracking mechanism for the transfer of weapons, leaving his deputies without a way of knowing whether someone violated the law to obtain a firearm.

“There’s no way to know,” he said. “So how are police going to get involved in a private transaction in someone’s home with a legal piece of property? Obviously, they’re not.”

We all agree that cases in which guns are the weapon of choice for the mentally unstable are horrific, but instituting unenforceable laws only snags law-abiding citizens, not those who wish to do harm. None of the gun control measures that any of the Democratic candidates mentioned on Saturday night would have done anything to prevent mass shootings. Don’t take our word for it, take the *Washington Post’s* word.

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*Search me, O God, and know my heart;
Try me and know my anxieties;
And see if there is any wicked way in me,
And lead me in the way everlasting.*

Psalm 139: 23-24, NKIV

Boycott Them All (Media, CAIR and Supporters)

by Karl Denninger, Market-Ticker.Org

I’m done.
You should be done.

Cologne wasn’t enough, right? Rape, groping, basic human indignity and men behaving like animals toward women en-masse. What part of “civilized” comports with that?

Then, of course, there’s this gross and intentional misrepresentation by the media.

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Rose Hamid attended one of Donald Trump’s rallies in silent protest over some of his campaign statements, but by the time the South Carolina event was over, the Muslim woman said she had been heckled by people in the crowd and escorted away by security guards. Now she’s awaiting a response from the Republican front-runner.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations has issued a call to the campaign of the GOP contender to apologize over Hamid’s treatment at the event Friday night. And Hamid said by Saturday afternoon she hadn’t received any response.

“I would like to hear what Trump has to say about it,” she told The Associated Press by phone. “I’d like to hear because if they say that it was because we were disrupting things, then I would like him to show evidence of where the disruption came, because the disruption didn’t come from me. It

came from his followers because they saw me.”

Who is Rose Hamid?

Let’s start with Reuters, who correctly identifies her as a Democrat, that is, someone who has no intention of voting for Trump. In other words she was there under intentional false pretense and that makes her a trespasser, for which she was escorted out once she identified herself.

But does Trump or anyone else owe her an “apology”? Nope.

And here’s why:

As President of the Muslim Women of the Carolinas, Hamid has consistently promoted anti-Israel propaganda and has excused Palestinian jihadi terrorism as “resistance” against “occupation.”

“For anyone who wonders why Palestinians are resisting the apartheid, oppressive occupation of Israel, here’s one of the MANY MANY reasons,” she wrote in September 2014 on her Facebook page, following the summer war between Israel and the Palestinian terrorist group Hamas.....

Oh, so she’s not one of those “peaceful, loving” Muslims we’re all told about. No, she’s an advocate for Hamas and has repeatedly excused Palestinian terrorism!

And it gets better...

Hamid’s Muslim Women of the Caro-

Meanwhile in Chicago, 120 People Shot in First 10 Days of 2016

by Tyler Durden, ZeroHedge.com

Even as Obama takes his anti-gun crusade to new highs with every passing week, having recently started dispensing executive orders, the president conveniently continues to ignore the state of affairs in his native Chicago - a city in which guns are banned - yet where the shooting epidemic has never been worse, and is truly emblematic of the “gun problem” America has.

Judging by the most recent developments, Obama will have nothing to say about Chicago gun violence either during tonight’s state of the union address, or ever for that matter, because recent developments are downright disastrous.

According to the *Chicago Tribune*, following the seven people shot to death and 30 more wounded during the latest weekend, **the total number of shootings in the windy city has risen to 120 in just over a week into the new year, according to police.**

The fatal shootings included two teens killed by a store clerk during a robbery in the Gresham neighborhood on the South Side, and one of three people shot at a party four blocks from Mayor Rahm Emanuel’s home.

As the *Tribune* tabulates as of Monday morning, at least 19 people have been killed in gun violence and at least 101 more have been wounded. **This is three times higher than compared to the same period one year ago: in the first 10 days of 2015, “only” nine people were killed and another 31 wounded.**

Chicago police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi released a statement blaming most of the violence on “chronic gang conflicts.”

“Every year Chicago Police recover more illegal guns than officers in any other city, and as more and more illegal guns continue to find their way into our neighborhoods.”

So the problem is smuggling of illegal guns, got it.

Many more will be shot - by illegally obtained weapons in a city with unprecedented gun control - in 2016.

What is the proposed solution?

“So it is clear we need stronger state and federal gun laws,” Guglielmi said in the statement.

Because those who illegally procure guns will follow gun purchasing laws, and the only thing preventing them from doing so is not enough laws? One can almost see why Chicago’s gun problem is getting worse by the day.

The statement continues:

“So far this year, the majority of the gun violence we’ve seen are a result of chronic gang conflicts driv-

ing in part by social media commentary and petty disputes among rival factions. Despite an overall lack of cooperation from gang members, detectives are working aggressively and making optimistic progress in several cases.”

I see....

You have a right to free speech in this country. You do not have a right to trespass on private property and disrupt an event, even silently. I do not recall anyone telling Ron Paul during the last election cycle that he owed apologies to the strippers that “someone” hired to infiltrate his event in Tampa; they, like Hamid, were escorted out.

Since the media won’t honestly report on who this jackal actually is and the positions she has taken in the past and neither will CAIR, it’s time for the rest of America to BOYCOTT these media outlets, all of their advertisers (yes, that includes you CNN) and anyone affiliated with or associated with either.

SHUN THEM ALL; IT IS PERFECTLY LEGAL TO REFUSE TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THESE FOLKS, WHETHER ON A PERSONAL OR BUSINESS BASIS, PREDICATED NOT ON THEIR FAITH BUT ON THEIR WILLING AND INTENTIONAL LIES.

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en in part by social media commentary and petty disputes among rival factions. Despite an overall lack of cooperation from gang members, detectives are working aggressively and making optimistic progress in several cases.”

At least 2,986 people were shot in Chicago in 2015. Many more will be shot - by illegally obtained weapons in a city with unprecedented gun control - in 2016.

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Politics & The Bible

From Pastor Jim

Jim Modlish has been in the ministry 49 years, pastoring churches large and small from upstate New York to western 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, were happy to return to their home state in 2006. They started the Huerfano Community Bible Church in Walsenburg seven years ago, and that work has experienced excellent growth

and the blessings of God. 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 King James Version.



IS ANGER EVER JUSTIFIED?

The fraudulent watchdogs of our liberty (the mainstream media) have landed on a point of perception they deem worthy of exploitation. On an almost daily pattern the public is being conditioned to reject any thought or rhetoric that smacks of anger. In response to President Obama’s lame State of the Union speech, the Republican establishment trotted Gov. Nikki Haley out to remind us that we should not be misguided by listening to loud, angry voices. She later admitted that she was primarily referring to Donald Trump. When questioned about these accusations, Mr. Trump readily confessed to anger over a long list of total disasters the present administration has guided the country into. The larger question is: “Shouldn’t every American be angry?”

Any time now the narrative will shift slightly to inform the religious right that anger is not godly. This memo will be delivered in a generalized subjective tone since the majority of the messengers wouldn’t know where to look even if they owned a Bible. In an effort to silence the voices of objection, one or two clerical canines will be interviewed to support the wizards of illusion.

The Scriptures reference God’s anger so many times that it would take the space of four or five of these columns to list all of the passages. Fortunately for us morons, God alone knows how to balance His wrath with mercy, but His grace does not eradicate His holiness. The greatest display of God’s anger was directed toward sin when His only begotten Son bore the penalty on our behalf at Calvary. The divine attributes of love and holiness were fully satisfied leaving the sinner with only one decision...to accept by faith or reject in denial the sacrifice.

As in salvation, the Lord presents a balanced view of Christian behavior. Paul wrote: “Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath.” (Ephesians 4:26) The admonition is clear...there are certain things and events that deserve our anger, but if we allow that indignation to turn into bitterness, the usefulness of the outrage has been exceeded.

There is no better example of righteous indignation in proper equilibrium than found in the conduct of Jesus Christ. On one particular occasion Jesus entered a synagogue encountering a man with a withered hand. The Lord’s adversaries, knowing that he had the ability to restore the man, were anxious to observe Jesus’ response. Their tradi-

tion (not Scriptures) suggested that healing on the Sabbath was inappropriate. What followed is summarized.... “and when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.” (Mark 3:5) Is it possible that the heart of heaven is angry with the hardness of the pro-choice crowd? Jesus obviously favored rejuvenation of life as opposed to its destruction. That may partially explain why liberals hate the Bible.

“And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves, And said unto them, It is written, ‘My house shall be called the house of prayer’; but ye have made it a den of thieves.” (Matthew 21:12,13) Hollywood’s soft spoken prophet of Galilee doesn’t fit the picture of a man on a rampage in the church house. The Lord was visibly protesting the spiritual deterioration of Israel which is always on a parallel track with political rot.

In Matthew 22:1-14 Jesus articulated a parable which was a veiled reference to the heavenly Father and himself. The story tells of a king who was preparing a wedding for his son. Servants were instructed to invite guests to the marriage but were met with great derision. “But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise. And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth.” Now wroth could be interpreted as enraged, infuriated, outraged, incensed, bent out of shape, blood boiled, or extremely teed off! By the time we arrive at the next chapter (Matthew 23) the Lord is so rankled that he delivers a lengthy, scathing, denunciatory, anti-humanistic, antisocial blast of “hate speech” aimed at the most highly educated, respectable religious leaders of that time. There are forty-five negative “nonproductive” tirades in this sermon that are designed to uncover the putrefaction of Israel’s leadership.

If Jesus was addressing the moral, spiritual and political climate of America today, what would He say? It’s already a written speech in His book. Is anger ever justified? Unequivocally, yes....providing it is contained in the parameters of God’s Word.

A Sheepdog Barks!

So far 2016 has been bizarre. Listening to the community-organizer-in-chief spout his bull poop makes it hard to stay grounded in reality. When he makes his outrageous declarative sentences (aka lies) it makes one believe one is in some “opposite” world where black is white and white is black. It’s like his world is a Disney World and America is Fantasy Land. Obama lives in a make-believe world of emotions and feelings, no facts. Here are some real facts. Americans are concerned about terrorism, ISIS, the economy, selling baby body parts and jobs. WOOF! Obama is concerned about GITMO, gun control, climate change, EPA regulations, funding Planned Parenthood and the phony Iran Nuclear Deal. HOWL! First he starts with a statement from the White House about the Executive Orders he signed to make America safe from gun violence. You all know that they do no such thing. It’s all show. It’s all phony. It’s all to distract Americans. WOOF! His “statement” even included crocodile tears for political reasons. Consider these facts. Did you see tears for Kate Steinle? NO! Did you see tears for the beheaded journalist? NO! Did you see tears for the Benghazi victims? NO! Obama is a phony. Don’t be fooled. While explaining his executive order he announced 230 more ATF agents would be hired to process more background checks on law-abiding citizens. Makes one wonder why he hasn’t hired more FBI agents to help investigate the 900 pending cases of suspected terrorists in all 50 states. Which one might do more good in protecting American citizens? LPSDs just don’t get it. A few days later Obama attended a CNN “Town Hall” on gun violence. What a setup! First he’s allowed to make a lengthy statement full of lies, distortions and false strawmen. Then the questions were highly controlled, and like usual, he didn’t answer the hard ones. Just in case you didn’t watch it (and I know many didn’t because you can’t stand listening to him) the sheepdog forced himself to and wants to make sure you are aware of a few comments that didn’t get any coverage in the media’s carefully selected sound bites. When asked

about his personal views on guns and the 2nd Amendment he was very vague and muttered something about hunting and sportsmanship. He repeated this theme many times. Tells this sheepdog that, he either doesn’t support the real reasons for the 2nd Amendment, or doesn’t understand them. Hunting and shooting skeet (which he proudly boasted about doing at Camp David) is not what the 2nd Amendment is about. WOOF! He went on to say that “he couldn’t be more proud of Chicago” his hometown. Really? Can you believe THAT especially in the context of the gang violence, deaths and recent cover-up by Mayor Emmanuel? Of course the CNN moderator did NOT follow up. Obama then told us that Michelle once said that if she lived in a rural farm house where the Sheriff is far away she would want a gun to protect herself. Really? Hey Michele, it has nothing to do with rural. Cops are usually minutes away no matter where and when the crisis of self-defense occurs. Seconds are all one has in protecting themselves. Most law enforcement is reactive and we must be prepared to protect ourselves at all times. When CNN’s Anderson Cooper reminded Obama that criminals get their guns without background checks he said that wasn’t exactly accurate and then talked for several minutes without explaining that remark. No immediate follow up by Anderson. Much later when Anderson tried to remind the president about how criminals get their guns Obama blamed Indiana for all of Chicago’s guns and gun deaths. The truck full of “legally” purchased guns from just across the state line is the problem according to Obama. HOWL! Obama then pivoted to attacking the NRA. He said “There’s one reason the NRA isn’t here tonight. You would think they would be prepared to have a debate with the President.” They would love a REAL debate. The NRA has asked for a sit down, one-on-one debate. That will never happen. CNN offered the NRA – ONE, “prescreened” question. They knew that Obama would filibuster and twist the issue around so they declined. Obama went on to say, “We (the royal we)



would be happy to meet with the NRA, BUT the conversation would have to be based on facts and truth.” HOWL! Whose facts and truths? Obama’s? LPSD’s? Wayne LaPierre, the President of the NRA, promptly issued the challenge. Don’t hold your breath. It will NEVER happen. In one of his answers Obama made this statement, “There is always the question of whether having a firearm in the house really protects you.” He went on to suggest that might lead to an accident. HOWL! Then the LPSD set-ups began. No.1, a woman from Chicago starts like this: Good to see you again (huh?) Woman: How do you control guns from other states? REALLY? Obama had already blamed Indiana. Now he could do it again. No.2, a pastor from Chicago: Why can’t we title guns like cars? Obama: There’s not a national consensus on that (only truthful and accurate answer of the night). No.3, Commander Kelly: How would you go about confiscating 350 million guns? SARCASM! Obama: I couldn’t. I only have one year left. Then Obama throws in this comment, “I just came back from Alaska where I ate a moose that had just been shot.” REALLY?, as opposed to one that died from cancer? I’m not making this up. Then the final setup of the night. No.4, A young black student from Chicago (brother of one killed by a gun) How can we stop police brutality? Obama: long rambling statement about this great young man and how the Republican Congress prevents the CDC from studying gun violence. Obama ends with “We can do better if we come together.” REALLY? You’ll have to come out of Fantasy Land, Barack, for that to happen. And speaking of Fantasy Land next week we’ll discuss more of his lies and distortions from the State of the Union address. WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



Brothers From Another Mother: Bennet Voted 100% with Obama in 2014

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: I feel a “micro-aggression” coming on. I need to find a “safe-place”.)

In case Coloradans were tempted to believe the ruse that embattled Democratic U.S. Senator Michael Bennet is a moderate or any kind of independent thinker, let us remove any pretense. In 2014, Bennet voted 100% of the time with the President’s agenda. Is there anyone you agree with 100% of the time, PeakNation? We didn’t think so.

Michael Bennet is nothing but a rubber stamp for President Obama’s agenda. As a purple state, Colorado should have someone who thinks as independently as its citizens.

Lest Bennet supporters think that 2014 was a fluke, here is his record for the past six years, according to the National Republican Senatorial Committee:

- In 2014, Bennet Voted With Obama 100 Percent Of The Time. (Congressional Quarterly, www.cq.com, Accessed 1/5/16)
- In 2013, Bennet Voted With Obama 99 Percent Of The Time. (Congressional Quarterly, www.cq.com, Accessed 1/5/16)
- In 2012, Bennet Voted With Obama 97 Percent Of The Time. (Congressional Quarterly, www.cq.com, Accessed 1/5/16)
- In 2011, Bennet Voted With

Obama 95 Percent Of The Time. (Congressional Quarterly, www.cq.com, Accessed 1/5/16)

- In 2010, Bennet Voted With Obama 98 Percent Of The Time. (Congressional Quarterly, www.cq.com, Accessed 1/5/16)
- In 2009, Bennet Voted With Obama 96 Percent Of The Time. (Congressional Quarterly, www.cq.com, Accessed 1/5/16)

In fact, this pattern shows a trend of being changed by Washington, instead of actually changing Washington as his percentage of voting with the president seems to increase over time. Of course, Bennet’s clear alignment with the president is probably not something that Coloradans will hear on the campaign trail. Afterall, the president’s poll numbers, according to Real Clear Politics are almost as bad as Bennet’s approval numbers. Last we checked, President Obama’s job disapproval numbers were around 56%. And, remember, in November, we reported that just 30% of voters think Bennet deserves to be re-elected.

These are tough numbers for any candidate, but the Republican Party has fielded another year of great candidates.

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Chipotle to Close All Stores Next Month for Meeting On How Not to Poison People

by Tyler Durden, ZeroHedge.com

Chipotle poisoned some folks.

America’s love affair with “fast casual” darling Chipotle ended in a wave of severe nausea last year as a food poisoning outbreak that started in July spread to multiple states and sickened hundreds of patrons.

Since last summer, authorities have tied Chipotle to at least six outbreaks spanning two types of bacteria (E. coli and salmonella) and one virus (the “winter vomiting bug”).

As *The Chicago Tribune* recounts, the incidents “included one that started in October in Oregon and Washington and spread to seven other states, sickening more than 50 people by mid-November, [one in] December [in which] about 200 were sickened by norovirus after eating at a Chipotle in Boston, five cases of E. coli poisoning in Kansas, North Dakota and Oklahoma, five illnesses tied to one Seattle store in July, 100 illnesses [linked to] an outlet in Simi Valley, California,” and an unfortunate episode “in September [when] more than 60 fell ill in Minnesota.”

That’s a lot of sick people and as you might image, the stock fell ill as well, dropping some 40% since the first reported cases.

Now, the chain is set to hold a kind of ad hoc “try not to poison anyone” meeting on February 8, when all stores will close “for a few hours” so that management can “discuss some of the changes [its] making to enhance food safety, to talk about the restaurant’s role in all of that and to answer questions from employees.”

Yes, “questions from employees”, who might ask if their jobs are on the line after same store sales collapsed 30% in December and after the company was served with a Grand Jury Subpoena in connection with an official criminal investigation being conducted by the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Central District of California.

They might also be concerned with the dozens of lawsuits Bill Marler, a food safety litigator in Seattle, says he’s about to file.

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“Takin’ It To The House...”

A Calendar And Commentary From The Golden Dome

From: Representative
Jim Wilson – HD 60
January 17, 2016

The first three days of the second session of the 70th General Assembly of Colorado are in the rear view mirror, and a line was quickly drawn in the sand. On Wednesday, Speaker of the House Hullinghorst and Minority Leader DelGrosso made it clear that they were at opposite ends of the spectrum on the Hospital Provider Fee (HPF) becoming an Enterprise Fund. On Thursday, the Governor weighed in, supporting the HPF becoming an Enterprise Fund in his State of the State Address. What is the controversy anyway? I am glad you asked...

Since 2009, under TABOR (the Taxpayer’s Bill

of Rights – an amendment to the Colorado Constitution passed in 1992 limiting government expansion to growth + inflation), the state’s General Fund has increased nearly \$3 Billion or 43%. The D’s feel that a 43% increase in spending is not enough, while the R’s feel there has been enough money – it has just been spent in the wrong areas. So, the battle lines have been drawn over getting more money to spend vs. spending the money we have more wisely. If the Hospital Provider Fee was to become an Enterprise Fund, it would free up more money to spend under the TABOR cap.

Increased spending is only the tip of the controversy. The non-partisan legal staff at the Capitol has deter-

mined the proposed Enterprise Fund move would be unconstitutional. Both the Governor and the Speaker are taking the approach of: “It’s just an opinion...” The House Minority Leader and the President of the Senate are looking at it as: “If you can’t trust your own legal counsel, who can you trust?” We have yet to hear our first bill of this session, and the two parties are frantically digging in for a battle over the Enterprise Fund. What’s an election year without fireworks?

Speaking of the election year, last week we shared some demographics of HD 60. We have included a few more this week to expand your knowledge of our District’s 4-county voters. [Please see the table at the end of this article.]

This week the pace will pick up as committees begin to meet, and bills will start showing up on the calendar. My committee assignments for this session include Education (Ranking Member), Finance and Appropriations. All three committees deal with a significant amount of tax dollars. With the spotlight on TABOR this session, conversations in each of the committees will get heated, I am sure!

On a happier note, the House and Senate have challenged each other to raise funds for purchasing a Colorado student’s steer

at the National Western Junior Livestock Sale again this year. Last year, Legislators purchased a steer for just under \$10,000. All the funds came from donations by the members of the House and Senate. Great cause, Great fun, Great competition!

As always, please feel free to call (303-866-2747) or e-mail me at wilson-



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Yours for HD 60 --
Representative Jim Wilson

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