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\$3,400 Rabbits!

Another Outstanding Custer County Fair & Livestock Sale

by George Gramlich

Katelyn Roberson, a 12-year-old Custer County resident had been raising rabbits as a hobby for five years. Her mother,

Sue, said it was an easy way for Katelyn to get into raising animals, and Katelyn simply liked rabbits anyway. Although the cages and food are quite expensive, it still is a fair-

ly inexpensive hobby.

Sue said that she had sold a rabbit to a friend once for around \$25 and that was the extent of their cash sales. That is until Katelyn walked into the sale arena Sunday with her three Champagne D'Argent rabbits and a miracle occurred.

Sue and Katelyn had been going to the Cañon City 4-H fair for a few years and watched the rabbit "meat pen" livestock sale. The highest price they ever saw for a meat pen rabbit was \$600 or so. Up until this year, the Custer County FFA/4-H didn't have a breeding rabbit sale category. That is until Sue talked to the Fair Board and convinced them that it would be a good idea as it

worked well in Cañon City.

So Katelyn raised three "6-class" rabbits for this years sale. Sue said Katelyn didn't name these rabbits. And as part of the project, and to help the sale, all participants are encouraged to send out postcards and letters to potential buyers. One of the notices went to the Sante Fe Rabbit Company out of Ulysses, Kansas, a well-known rabbit breeding company. Sue and Katelyn didn't know anything about the company and had never met the owners.

During the previous judging, Katelyn had won the Meat Pen Class, 1st Place, Grand Champion award. And now, at the Sunday sale, it was her turn to come into the arena to sell her rabbits to the highest bidder.

Bidding started and began to stall around the \$30 level. Then from one end of the arena the next bid came. Then from the other end, a higher bid was made. It went on and on. The bid-

ding passed \$1000. Mom (Sue) was trying to take pictures and started crying. Katelyn started crying. The arena crowd was stunned. The bidding passed \$2000. The bidding passed \$3000! And finally, bidding ended at \$3,400 for the three Champagne D'Argent rabbits raised by Katelyn Roberson from Custer County!

Literally out of nowhere, Mr. and Mrs. McCall, the owners of the Sante Fe Rabbit Company from Ulysses, Kansas had come to the auction. The two bidders, who were bidding against themselves, were Mr. and Mrs. McCall! They even, after it was all over, let Katelyn keep her rabbits. All of Custer County wishes to thank the McCall's for their help in promoting agriculture in our area.

Katelyn, who will be going into the 7th grade this year at Custer County C-1, will be using some of the money for cages and supplies. She also plans on having another entry next year. You might see more rabbit entries next year Fair Board!



Katelyn Roberson and her Grand Champion Meat Pen Rabbits, along with buyer Mrs. McCall of the Santa Fe Trail Rabbit Company.

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Ed Berry, Grand Champion Market Beef

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So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10
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Our Opinion...

From the Editorial Board

THE CHILDREN'S CRISIS



If one speaks out about any policy of this Administration they are immediately branded a bigot, a racist, or a hater of some kind. If one offers any solution to the crisis of the children coming across our southern border, other than to accept them with open arms and let them stay, one must be cold-hearted and mean-spirited. Actually the ones focused on the open-arms philosophy are doing the most harm. We believe most of us agree that for the children we have already taken custody of, we have the moral responsibility to feed them, shelter them, and give them any needed immediate medical care before they are returned. However, that is where the two views separate. That immediate compassion is actually making things worse. There are simple solutions. Politicians and Pundits tend to overcomplicate issues and solutions. Politicians on purpose, to fool the ignorant, cover their inaction, and promote their reelection. Pundits because many are biased or stupid or both. Most of the time they completely miss the "crux" of the problem. What has caused this exodus of children from

Central America? Obama and the Democrats say the lack of comprehensive immigration reform and the 2008 law that President Bush signed. They then say because of that law there is nothing they can do about returning the children. Both claims are wrong. After the law was signed in 2008 there was no spike of unaccompanied children that year or in 2009, 2010, 2011, or 2012. And everyone knows what the intent of that law was. In 2012 Obama announced, through executive order, that America would not deport minor children and suggested they would be given a pathway to citizenship. This is the "crux" of the problem you see. In 2013 the spike of unaccompanied minor children began. It is estimated it will spike to around 90,000 in 2014 and possibly peak at 140-150,000 in 2015. The Obama administration knew this. They even started seeking contracts for mass transportation and housing for these minors. Is it any wonder the desperate parents would subject their children to the horrors of this journey for any other reason? No way. This crisis was created by

the promise of amnesty and citizenship. Obama knew this. It is a problem he created. And now he is hiding behind the law which is very strange. He has not been concerned with enforcing other laws that he doesn't like. But let's focus on the solution here. The principles of First Aid apply to solving most problems. When you come across an injured person you make sure they are breathing and then you STOP the bleeding. So in this case we get the children that are already here into a safe environment and provide them food, shelter, and medical attention. But, simultaneously, we must stop the further exodus of more children and this is easily done, if we don't we become enablers. Initial reports tell us these children and the few adults, mostly women, with them are suffering mistreatment, torture, rape, beatings, and even death on this terrible journey. The United States has been responsible for this by perpetuating the improper belief of amnesty. That must be stopped. This can be done by telling the leaders of these countries involved, including Mexico, that this will not

be tolerated, that the children will be returned immediately and there will be NO amnesty. This could be accompanied by radio and TV ads in these countries that make this perfectly clear. These kinds of serious actions would stop the bleeding. This inhumane journey of minor children is largely our fault. Obama and his administration are encouraging it. He needs to act quickly and strongly. Things he doesn't do well in any crisis. However, this one is extremely important. Children need special help. They are not doing this on their own. They are being manipulated and forced into this all because of the "prize" that America is dangling. It would be nice to take in all the world's children that need help and a better life. We all know that is simply not possible. There are more children living in squalor and dangerous places in the world than America's entire population. We should and do help these countries. But, we cannot bring them all here to care for. Our safety net systems are overburdened now. We are enablers. The only humane thing to do is stop this now. Congress could pass some-

thing in 24 hours to clarify what the 2008 law was for and stop any confusion. Obama could stop the exodus with a few bold actions. It seems, however, that he really doesn't want to stop it. He won't even go down to the border and see the magnitude of this disaster with his own eyes. He wants to pretend that immigration reform would have prevented this. It wouldn't have. Amnesty for illegals is the magnet. He must undo that misconception. There are solutions. This is not rocket science like the politicians and the president would like us to believe. The biggest obstacle is that it takes leaders to solve problems and there are very few in Washington, D.C., and none in the White House. Once again a big government is involved in something they are not designed for or capable of. Border Patrol Agents are consumed with babysitting and changing diapers. That is not their mission. Meanwhile, the criminals and drug runners are moving freely across our borders. We need some grown-ups running our country. November will be here soon. Make sure your vote really counts.



Rodeo Stars in the Making.

A muttin' bustin' contestant gets a little help from a couple young clowns after her ride.

*Photo by
Nicole Bowman*

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Thank you for the Prayers

Thank you to Custer County for all the prayers, cards, hospital visits, and support to help me through the tough time of forty four days in the hospital. I am

now recuperating at home. My family and I appreciate your care and concern.

Rich Hrpcha,
Custer County

A Thank You to Custer County Election Officers

Many times we take for granted the work done by staff members in the courthouse, courtrooms, and offices where the so many important activities exist for the betterment of the community. Because of this, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Custer County Clerk's staff and compliment them for the atmosphere they provided and their professional conduct during the primary election. Debbie, Kelly, Marilyn, and Lori were always friendly and knowledgeable when questions arose during the election cycle. I know many long and tireless hours were spent in the preparation, execution, and tabulation of votes.

I know they were asked many questions and had to clarify procedural actions several times, yet they were always happy to help and never failed to have the answer to a question. The staff was undermanned

and yet they worked together to provide a high level of service to all of us. A very special thank you to Kelly Camper who directed the voting process while Debbie was unable to work. Her attention to detail and efficient management of the election is also a tribute to the office and teamwork involved. Mrs. Camper showed the highest level of dedication, professionalism, and patience during the process. She is a valuable asset to the county and the clerk's office. Mrs. Livengood has every reason to be proud of her entire staff in her absence. Their teamwork and performance are a credit to her training and leadership skills.

I would also like to thank the election judges and those who spent many hours working to complete a closely contested, yet important primary election.

Blessings,
Shannon Byerly

Follow-up on A Personal Story and the Clinic Crisis

Dear Editor:

Continuing with my letter to the editor A Personal Story and Clinic Crisis:

I had a very nice conversation with Clinic Director Delwin Lester on July 21 and 22.

I want to reinstate my very strong feeling that we need to be supporting the clinic and the staff there.

We have some very amazing and caring medical staff at the clinic. They are not there just for a paycheck. They are there for us. We need to thank them and support them and encourage them in any way we can.

I know our EMS is not highly staffed here as we are a small valley but we

can do far better. For my personal experience the clinic was able to call flight for life once they had me stable, as they could not call on an ambulance. Praise God they did that. If we were at home waiting for EMS that were all out of the area we would have had a very different outcome. I know my case is not common but it is happening here and we need to come up with some kind of solution. We are people not statistics.

I am a solution person, nothing bothers me more than a person coming to me with a problem they want solved but they don't have an answer to it. So for now my solution is to pay attention, ask questions, and get involved. I will be at the clinic board meetings as of-

ten as I can. We need to be a positive community force showing that we know how much of a need healthcare. We also need to be out there in force asking the questions.

I do want to encourage everyone to make time to talk with Director Lester. He has an open door policy and we should respect that and make appointments with him and talk to him about what we see are needs here in the valley. He says he wants to truly help our community. We as the community should take him up on that offer. After all how can we be a community who he wants to help if he does not know us.

Thank you,
Monica von Steinman,
Custer County

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Colorado State News

LIBERAL PANIC: Dem Poll Finds Gov and Sen Races Statistically Tied

by ColoradoPeakPolitics,
ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Time to hit the panic button Colorado Lefties, your beloved liberal-leaning Public Policy Polling just released a new poll that has both the Colorado gubernatorial and Senatorial races as statistically tied. At an identical 44%-43% Gov. John Hickenlooper and Sen. Mark Udall are tied with their opponents, former Rep. Bob Beauprez and Rep. Cory Gardner, respectively.

Those week-old daydreams of Piña Coladas, and warm breezes, and Marist Polls

are completely vanquished now. Welcome to the days of pain and agony, where you wake up each morning to once again attempt the Sisyphean task of trying to convince middle-of-the-road Colorado electorate your candidates didn't go off on a drunken, liberal binge their entire past terms.

For those of you specializing in the Hick race, please resist the urge and not punch yourself in the face as Hickenlooper goes off-script yet again to try and explain— unsuccessfully— how he doesn't want to be the next Michael

Bloomberg, who condescendingly tells all Coloradans he knows how they can better live their lives than they do themselves (“You guys should really start with some roads, roads make life a lot easier”). Please put the sharp objects down as Hickenlooper carelessly tosses you under the bus yet again just so he feels the audience he is talking to at that time loves him just a bit more. Because, maybe, just maybe, tonight will finally be the night Hickenlooper decides to set the beer down and actually focus on winning a race.

Who are we kidding? All his most trusted advisers saw the writing on the wall long ago, and have their exit strategies already planned out.

As for you Udallians (Udallites?)... HA! Your boss voted 99% of the time with a President who is getting just a 39% approval rating by Coloradans in a liberal poll. Tack on the fact that his legislative record is radioactively toxic (like, seriously, put on a hazmat suit before you go anywhere near it), and that he'd be unable to stake out a moderate Colorado position even if it smacked the

hiking boots off of him, he's pretty much dead man walking at this point. All we can say is: enjoy the nice weather and be sure to tell all your liberal friends we're all bat-shit crazy out here once you flee back to your liberal enclaves on either coast when this race is over.

As for us Coloradans who are here because there's no other place we'd rather be, things are looking up. On the generic ballot test Republicans are +7. We lead by no less than eight points on all the other state-wide, down-ticket races (35-27, Wayne Williams over Joe

Neguse; 43-33 Walker Stapleton over Betsy Markey; 38-29, Cynthia Coffman over Don Quick). Perhaps it's time for Pols to update its “Big Line,” or, at least put its money where its mouth is and actual take bets on their ridiculous odds. We could use a new massage chair to relax in after the Democratic beat down that is coming this November. These next few months should be fun.

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BITTER: Ousted State Senator John Morse Launched Committee to Restrict Recalls

by ColoradoPeakPolitics,
ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: Classic liberal response to the people's wishes.)

The successful effort to recall Democratic Senate President John Morse was one of the more satisfying outcomes of 2013. Imagine our entertainment when we stumbled across a new issue committee called “Citizens for a Stable Colorado”. Stable how, you ask? By keeping the same arrogant, not-accountable-to-constituents legislators in office. Here's the purpose of the organization:

“To educate Colorado voters on the instability caused by easing recall elections and to oppose any ballot initiatives that try to ease the requirements for recall elections”

Who would stand up to such an organization? Turns out the organization was filed in April 2014 by Tyler Chaffee at Strategies 360, who helped pass the “Better Denver” bond as well as helping out those poor union folk, like the

SEIU. The other person listed as an agent is none other than “John@CPAMorse.com”. Of course, CPAMorse.com takes us right to John Morse's mug.

Morse, perhaps feeling a little sensitive after being removed from office by his constituents after not listening to them his disastrous gun grab, set this committee up to fight Initiative 76, which would have defined who could be recalled and how. There were just two beneficiaries of this committee – Morse (\$3,850) and Marc Grueskin's firm Rechtskornfeld, PC (\$10,812). The Colorado Forum Fund also received a donation of \$437 when the account was terminated in July.

Who donated to the committee?

- Unions and allies: American Federation of Teachers, Colorado Education Association, Colorado Association of School Executives
- Left-wing groups: Colorado Bar Association, One Colorado

(mission creep anyone?), Conservation Colorado (...because it's concerned about mail in ballots causing pollution...?)

- Gang of Four: Pat Stryker

Gosh, what interest could these groups have in shutting down recall efforts? Could it be that these groups are trying to maintain their stranglehold on Colorado? Or, is it just that John Morse is super bitter? Since the ballot initiative was struck down by the Colorado Supreme Court on a technicality, Colorado may never know.

But, we will laugh about the fact that Morse set up a committee from which only he and Grueskin benefited that so obviously was driven by Morse's bitterness.

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Guffey's Ambulance Service

Downtown Guffey, Colorado. Not far from the only bar in town.

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Pneumonic Plague Update

During the 14th Century plague broke out in Europe and reduced the world's population from 450 million to approximately 350-375 million people due to deaths from the plague. Today, plague is easily treated with antibiotics.

For almost 600 years, plague remained in Europe, Asia, and the Mediterranean until it was introduced into the United States by rat-infested steamships that sailed from infected areas of the world and then docked in North America harbors. Today, most cases of human plague in the U.S. are reported from two regions: Northern New Mexico, northern Arizona, and SOUTHERN COLORADO and California, southern Oregon, and far western Nevada.

The most common means by which plague is transmitted to humans is through the bites of infected fleas. But plague is also transmitted through direct contact with infected animals, such as rodents, rabbits, and pets. The disease is firmly established in Colorado where it is frequently detected in rock squirrels, prairie dogs, wood rats, fox squirrels, wild rabbits, and other species of ground squirrels and chipmunks.

The first case of human plague in Colorado occurred in San Miguel County in 1941. There have been 58 confirmed cases of human plague in Colorado. The most recent case occurred in 2013 when a 7-year-old girl contracted the disease while on a camping trip with her family. The girl was initially seen in a hospital in Pagosa Springs and later flown to the Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children in Denver

where she was hospitalized and treated.

The most common forms of plague are bubonic, pneumonic, and septicemia. Symptoms include sudden onset of fever and chills, severe headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, and a general feeling of illness. Within 24-48 hours lymph nodes become swollen and extremely tender. These lymph nodes are called buboes, and are characteristic of the bubonic plague. If left untreated, plague can spread to other parts of the body.

Pneumonic plague, the most serious form of the disease, affects the lungs and is the only form of plague that can spread person to person; this occurs when an infected individual coughs or sneezes and releases infective droplets into the air that are inhaled. There has been a confirmed case of Pneumonic Plague this year in Adams County, Colorado, where a dog became infected and died, the owner then became infected and was hospitalized and three others caught the disease as well. Symptoms of pneumonic plague include headache, fever, shortness of breath, chest pain, cough, and sometimes bloody or watery mucus. Complications include respiratory failure and shock. Fortunately, pneumonic plague is very rare.

Septicemic plague may occur as the first symptom of plague or can develop from untreated bubonic plague. Symptoms include fever, chills, extreme weakness, abdominal pain, shock, and possible bleeding into the skin and other organs. In some cases, skin and other body tissue, especially fingers, toes, and the nose, may turn black and die.

To protect yourself from possible exposure to plague the following precautions are recommended:

- Do NOT feed squirrels or rodents. This brings them onto your property and in close contact with each other increasing the risk of disease transmission
- Rodent proof your house and outbuildings
- Don't let dogs or cats catch or eat squirrels or other wildlife
- Do not allow pets to roam freely, and keep them treated for fleas according to veterinarian's advice
- Be aware of rodent and rabbit populations in your area and report sudden die-offs or multiple dead animals
- Contact physician if you develop a high fever and other plague symptoms following a fleabite or direct contact with dead rodents, rabbits, or pets
- Watch pets for plague symptoms such as lack of appetite, fever, lethargy, a swollen neck, coughing, difficulty breathing. Seek veterinary care for sick pets and DO NOT handle suspiciously sick pets without gloves and face protection
- When hiking, treat pants, socks, shoe tops, arms and legs with insect repellents with DEET.

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Wild Bill's Christmas in July Toy Drive

by Larry Luikart

William “Wild Bill” Miller began his 2014 toy drive with an event held at the Silver Cliff Mountain Inn last Sunday. Wild Bill explained he started this toy run campaign in Custer County eight years ago “because children in need should have Christmas, too.”

This year Cheryl and Willie, owners of The Silver Cliff Mountain Inn and Restaurant donated the use of the restaurant, their time and the food, including hot dogs, chips, and a drink. All of the restaurant regular staff graciously donated their time to help with the event. Cheryl and Willie will also be hosting an event to help the local High School Cheerleaders raise money for uniforms and later on toward fall they will host an event to raise money for the middle school children's trip to Washington, D.C., in the spring of 2015.

Some of the other “elves” helping were Dan and Pam from Phoenix Entertainment who provided the karaoke music. Wild Bill took a moment to remember Johnny Walker who passed away recently, and his wife, Joyce, for being such strong supporters of his toy run in past years.

There will be more events to support the toy run but they are not as yet firmly es-



Pam, of Phoenix Entertainment, Wild Bill, and Willie.

Sentinel photo by Larry Luikart

tablished. Wild Bill pointed out he appreciates a number of other organizations who provide time and effort for his project. The Legion Auxiliary Ladies and the local 4H and FFA groups all help to wrap the gifts for the children.

Once again it is very pleasing to see how the people of Custer County come together to make a worthy cause a reality. Contributions can be made anytime to “Toys for Kids” at First State Bank of Colorado.



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JUST THE FACTS: Seniors, Guns, Inaccurate Reporting, and Federal Money



by Paul Sage
Opinion,
Commentary
and Analysis

Last week the Wet Mountain Tribune printed an article titled, "Senior Center Gets Grant; Town Supports Its No-Gun Policy." In the article, there appears to be a large number of inaccurate statements. Amongst these misstatements, there was one factual representation: the Senior Center did in fact obtain a Daniels Fund grant to replace their HVAC system. Perhaps the cause of these inaccuracies was the fact that no reporter from the newspaper in question had attended a Silver Cliff town meeting in months.

The article inaccurately indicated that "the town trustees without much discussion unequivocally voted to continue its support of the center." That is interesting because they were never asked to continue or discontinue their support and no vote of any kind was taken on any such matter.

When asked by the Sentinel (which had two reporters at the unimportant Silver Cliff meeting) if the board had any position on the Senior Center's decision to impose a firearms ban on their patrons. Mayor Larry Webber indicated that "we all have our individual positions on that." He further indicated that the Senior Center is "an independent entity and that's only a lease from the town for that facility." With regard to a board position on the firearms ban recently imposed on senior citizens using the center,

Mayor Webber stated that "I don't think the board is going to address that in an outright statement which way we go." When other board members were asked for their input, Trustee Danny Smith said, "I pretty much agree with what you're saying. I think it's not something we need to get involved in."

According to the Tribune article, the ban is in place because center Director Bill Cullison "didn't see the center as an appropriate place for firearms." If this is accurate, then it is also in conflict with Mr. Cullison's statement that at some point there was some sort of vote on this.

The article quoted center Director Cullison as saying that "we volunteers make this place work. We serve the lunches and we organize our fundraisers. It's just us doing it." This is hardly an accurate statement. While there appears to be much volunteer contribution at the center, that's only a part of the story. The most recent report from the Upper Arkansas Area Council of Governments (UAACOG) annual report posted on their web site was for 2012 and indicates payments by that agency to entities in Custer County of \$83,603.28 for this program. It also indicates that \$30,880.63 was paid for salaries and \$52,722.65 was paid to various vendors for providing this service.

The money in question is federal tax money allocated in the U.S. budget to support the Older Americans Act of 1965 which is dis-

tributed regionally by the Area Agency on Aging that is a part of UAACOG. This creates questions regarding discriminatory practices by an organization receiving such federal tax dollars.

To discriminate in providing services to members of the senior community – in this case, those who choose to exercise their legal right to open carry a weapon or those with a permit to concealed carry – calls into question the appropriateness of federal funding.

Receiving public funds makes this a public agency, not a private club, and therefore it is obligated to adhere to all the laws of the land from the U.S. Constitution on down. Currently, it is not. Discriminating against these members of the senior community or ejecting those who speak out against the policy is not appropriate or legal. It is no different, whether by edict of the director or by a vote of the board, than selecting what color of skin members must have, or whether gay seniors will be served, or what religion members must be.

However inconvenient the laws may be to Mr. Cullison's interpretation of a perfect world, they are the law. The Tribune newspaper is also guaranteed the constitutional right to print whatever information or misinformation it wants. However, members of the senior community also have the same first amendment right to speak out against the policies of the center without being ejected from the meetings.

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A Family Favorite

Team roping at the ranch rodeo last Friday night.

Photo by Nicole Bowman

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Juni Fisher, In Concert

Juni Fisher performs at the "A Painted View" Ranch Chuckwagon Dinner and Show on Tuesday, 22 July. Juni is a talented singer and story teller. It was a great event and made for a very enjoyable evening.

Sentinel photo by Monte Hess

United Country, United Real Estate Secure Major Affiliate in Asia-Pacific Firm Network Grows by 119 Offices, Broadens Marketing Reach, Resources

July 10, 2014 (KANSAS CITY, Mo.)

United Real Estate Group – the rapidly expanding North American franchise network operating under the United Real Estate and United Country Real Estate brands, announced today it finalized an affiliate partnership with Colliers International's Asia-Pacific residential subsidiary, PRD nationwide, that will see the two groups combine their significant influence and resources.

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United Country Wapiti Realty Ltd., 217 Main Street, Westcliffe, Colorado, was established in 2000 and is an award winning United Country Real Estate office that has seen the advantage of the global marketing. Taking advantage of the United Country Real Estate tools has allowed them to become the largest Real Estate office in Custer County and they continue to grow. This new affiliation will provide significant market reach for their clients.

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George Washington - First President and Founding Father*

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Help Wanted

The Custer County School District is accepting applications for a full time paraprofessional for kindergarten, and a full time paraprofessional for grades 3 - 5. Starting salary for both positions is \$9.99 per hour, but open to negotiation based on previous education experience. Full health insurance and PERA benefits will be provided as well. Typical working hours will be from approximately 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Applications must be received by 12:00 p.m. on Monday, August 4. Classified staff applications are available at www.custercountyschools.org or the Administration office at 709 Main St. in Westcliffe Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. CCSD is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or handicap in employment.

The Custer County School District is accepting applications for a **High School English Teacher**. This position will remain open until filled.

The position may be part or full time dependng on the interest of candidates, and the school district is willing to contract a teacher on a post-retirement contract if desired by candidates. Interested applicants may contact Chris Selle at chris.selle@ccbobcats.net or 783-2357 to request application materials, pick up applications at the Administration office at 709 Main St. in Westcliffe, or download an application from the school district's website at www.custercountyschools.org. CCSD is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed,national origin, sex, age, or handicap in employment.

The Custer County School district is accepting applications for a full time **custodian**. Starting salary for this position is \$10.26 per hour, but open to negotiation based on previous custodial experience. Full health insurance and PERA benefits will be provided as well. Typical working hours will be from approximately 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday with additional hours on Friday depending on school district needs.

Occasional work on Saturday and Sunday may be required depending on school activities. Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 28. Classified staff applications are available at www.custercountyschools.org or the Administration office at 709 Main St. in Westcliffe Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. CCSD is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or handicap in employment.

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT! Looking for a few good men, women, or youth interested in volunteering their writing/reporting skills and talents. Please contact the Sentinel by calling 783-3360 to arrange an appointment or submit intent of interest to submittals@sdcsentinel.com.

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for inquiries between 9 am and 11 am

The deadline for getting your information into the Classifieds is **Monday at 5 p.m.** for that week's edition. Call (719) 783-3360 to place your ad.

Sheriff's Report...

As of Tuesday, July 22, there were six males and one female in jail.

OFFENSES

July 21 John Gameros of Pueblo reported that, while his car was parked in a San Isabel recreation area, a window was broken and a purse with credit cards and keys were stolen. There are no suspects at this time.

July 21 Roy Dickens, age 58, of Westcliffe was charged with disorderly conduct. Dickens is required to appear in Custer County court on September 17 at 10 a.m.

July 19 Timothy Martinez, age 46, of Pueblo was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of controlled substances (heroin and cocaine), driving with his drivers license under suspension, and false reporting to authorities. Martinez was booked into the Custer County jail and held on a \$500 bond. He is scheduled to appear in Custer County court on September 17. Also, Celena Nicole Salazar, age 40, of Pueblo was charged with unlawful possession of controlled substances. Salazar was booked into the Custer County jail and held on a \$500 bond. She is scheduled to appear in Custer County court on September 17.

July 19 Owen Thomson, age 18, from the United Kingdom was issued a summons for possession and consumption of alcohol by an underage person at the rodeo dance. Thomson is required to be in Custer County court on September 11.

ACCIDENTS

July 20 At 11:30 a.m., a 1988 BMW driven by Marie Westmoreland, age 53, of Brighton, Colorado, was southbound on County Road 271 when she lost control of her vehicle on a right-hand curve. It rolled one complete turn and rested on its wheels. No injuries. Heavy damage to the BMW.

July 20 At 1530 hours, the sheriff's office received a call regarding a motorcycle crash on Highway 96 at about mile marker 17. When the sheriff's office and an ambulance arrived, no one was there.

AMBULANCE CALLS

There were eight ambulance calls as of July 22.

July 21 At 6:45 a.m., an ambulance was dispatched to the 700 block of South Street in Silver Cliff for a 45-year-old female complaining of abdominal pains. She was transported to Parkview Hospital in Pueblo, treated, and then released. Then, at 2115 hours, an ambulance was dispatched back to the 700 block of South Street in Silver Cliff for the female with abdominal pains. She was transported to Parkview Hospital.

July 20 At 1033 hours, an ambulance was dispatched to another motorcycle accident on Highway 165 at about mile marker 8. The subject was transported to Parkview Hospital in Pueblo. Colorado State Patrol worked the scene, therefore, there is no further information at this time.

July 19 At 1518 hours, an ambulance was dispatched to the Family Dollar store for a 17-year-old female with possible seizures. She was treated but not transported.

July 18 At 2112 hours, an ambulance was dispatched to County Road 132 for a 31-year-old male with possible seizures. He was transported to Parkview.

July 16 At 8:25 a.m., an ambulance was dispatched to the clinic for a 49-year-old female with chest pains. She was transported to Parkview.

July 16 At 9:50 a.m., an ambulance was dispatched to the clinic for a 75-year-old male with unknown medical problems. He was transported to St. Mary Corwin Hospital in Pueblo.

July 16 At 8:25 a.m., an ambulance was dispatched to the clinic for a 49-year-old female with chest pains. She was transported to Parkview.

FIRE CALLS

There were two fire calls as of Tuesday, July 22.

July 20 A fire truck was dispatched to the reported motorcycle accident to stand by, however, no one was at the accident scene.

July 18 At 1422 hours, a fire truck was dispatched to Horn Creek where a controlled burn had taken place but started to get out of hand. There was minor damage to an ag structure. The fire department was called for preventative measures.

National Night Out in Custer County



National Night Out will be celebrated at the Hermit Park Pavilion in Westcliffe on Tuesday, August 5, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. This is an event for the whole family.

2014 is Custer County's 4th year of holding the event. The purpose is for the community to see what their taxpayers' dollars are purchasing and to build rapport with the Sheriff's Office employees.

Officer Dryer said, "It's an opportunity for communities nationwide to promote police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie."

Burgers will be served and music, possibly by a local band (details are still in the works). The event is free to the public, however, donations are accepted. Door prizes will be held throughout the evening, and there is still time for businesses to donate gift certificates or items for the drawing.

The EMT group will be demonstrating CPR and standard first aid that even a child can perform as well as to teach them to dial 9-1-1. Kids can experience what it is like to drive drunk when they put on a pair of fatal vision goggles and drive a golf cart on a course in the soccer field.

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Pack-A-Back Program Needs Your Help to Start the School Year Off Right

As the school year approaches, Custer County School is hoping the community will reach out to a local service project that focuses on helping students in our area. Started by senior student Madeleine Woods, who has now partnered with senior Jordan Beach, Pack-A-Back is a program that provides backpacks and school supplies to underprivileged students at Custer County Schools, from elementary to high school. Sponsoring and assisting the program is ACE Hardware, where you will find the information center and instructions on how to help by either donating a filled backpack, supplies, or money.

The program also would like to help local businesses, so those who participate are encouraged to shop for backpacks and school supplies that can be found at local stores such as Westcliffe Supermarket and Family Dollar. Please help these students start off the year successfully with all the right tools. Not only is it an investment in the present school, but in the future lives of those touched by this program as well.

If you can help, please visit the information center at Valley ACE Hardware, call 719-239-8097, visit the group's Facebook page:



Madeleine Woods, the founder of the Pack-A-Back program.

courtesy photo

www.facebook.com/custercountypacka-back, or email custercountypackaback@gmail.com. All the students of Custer County thank you for your support.

Bobcat Reminders:

Football Camps Coming Up

The Custer County football coaching staff will be holding instructional football camps for 3rd grade through high school age students on July 28th-July 30th. The 3rd grade-8th grade youth camp will be conducted in the mornings from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Monday July 28th-Wednesday July 30th. Cost for the camp will be \$10 which includes a T-Shirt. Campers will receive instruction from high school coaches and high school football players. Information and paren-

tal release forms may be picked up at the school office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Questions or for more information, please call head coach Troy Bomgardner at 783-2687.

The high school camp will take place from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Monday, July 28th-Wednesday, July 30th on the football practice field. There is no cost to the high school camp and any student interested in playing football this year should attend the camp.

Bobcat Football Golf Benefit to Include Million-Dollar Contest

The annual "Pigskin Classic" Golf Tournament is set for Saturday, July 26th, at the local St. Andrews Golf Course. The yearly golf scramble is popular with locals and helps raise money for the Custer County football program. This year's tournament, which begins at 8:30 a.m., will add a new twist with a hole-in-one contest that includes winning an ATV from Stanwood Motorsports and a hole-in-one chance for a

million dollars!

"This tournament which Coach May started over 10 years ago is a great fundraiser for our football program and a really fun tournament," stated head coach Troy Bomgardner. "Our local businesses do an incredible job in sponsorship and we usually get a full flight of teams to compete for the title of "Pigskin" champion. This year we've added the big hole-in-one prizes. Everyone gets a shot at the ATV

from Stanwood and our closest to the pin winner and one other golfer chosen randomly will get a shot at a million bucks if they can sink a hole-in-one on the 9th hole. It should make for an exciting day!

If interested in competing in the 11th Annual Pigskin Classic, entry fees are \$50 which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, BBQ lunch, and contests. Entry forms are available at St. Andrews or by calling Coach Bomgardner at 783-2687.

Events Calendar

Saturday, July 26, 2014

8 a.m. - Noon: Westcliffe Small Animal Swap Meet at 1 Hermit Lane (south of Solar Solutions); Buy, Sell, Trade poultry and livestock. Call 269-2650 or 320-3092
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Fly In at SilverWest Airport; hotdogs ad \$5/gallon fuel
5 p.m.: Team Sorting 2014 at Wild West Cowboy Church of Westcliffe; \$50 Entry per Team (2-person teams) Call Sherri Cayce for EARLY ENTRY and more info at (512) 308-7711

Thursday, July 31, 2014

7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: "Death Trap"; For tickets, call 783-3004
3 p.m. - 7 p.m.: WCCLF's Summer Arts and Crafts Fair at Lange Hall (Lutheran Church)

Friday, August 1, 2014

7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: "Death Trap"
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.: WCCLF's Summer Arts and Crafts Fair, Lange Hall (Lutheran Church)

Saturday, August 2, 2014

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.: WCCLF's Summer Arts and Crafts Fair, Lange Hall (Lutheran Church)

Wednesday, August 6, 2014

9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1 p.m.-3 p.m.: CCSD C-1 ENROLLMENT Multi-Purpose Room: All new students and incoming kindergartners. Bring: Immunization Records, Birth Certificate, Address of old school, Current address, and phone number

Recurring Events and Business Hours

Monday

6 p.m.: Closed step study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Lisa at (719) 783-0809

Monday through Friday

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Custer County public transit service available to everyone through Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club. Call 783-2343

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

Noon: Lunch served at Custer County Senior Center located on first floor of Silver Cliff Town Hall. Call 783-9508 to RSVP by 9:30 a.m.

Monday and Thursday

11 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources in Silver Cliff open to assist young mothers and families in need. Free pregnancy tests and counseling to pregnant women and more. Call 783-4357

Tuesday

12:30 p.m.: Bridge Club meets in the library community room in downtown Westcliffe.
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Jammin' band at The Mining Company Restaurant in Silver Cliff

First Tuesday of the Month:

6:30 p.m. at Cliff Lanes - American Legion
Post 170 monthly meeting
6:45 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church, Post 170 Auxiliary monthly meeting (March-October).

Tuesday through Friday

10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.: Library open in downtown Westcliffe

Wednesday

Line dancers meet at the Saddle Club Building from 9:30 to 11 a.m. thru the summer starting June 6. Call Clem at (303) 909-7370
6 p.m.: Closed Big Book study Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172, or Lisa at (719) 783-0809

Thursday

5:30 p.m.: Weight Watchers meeting in the Hope Lutheran Church basement. Call 783-4144
Second Thursday of the Month: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m., "Ask a Nurse" at the library

Friday

6 p.m.: Open discussion Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Lisa (719) 783-0809

Friday and Saturday

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.: Share Center adjacent to Hope Lutheran Church in Westcliffe

Saturday

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Library open in Westcliffe

KIDS

Friday, July 25, 2014

LET THIS BE OUR PRAYER

Dear Lord,
I pray you'll be our eyes
And watch us where we go
And help us to be wise
In times when we don't know
Let this be our prayer
As we go our way
Lead us to a place
Guide us with your grace
To a place where we'll be safe.

I pray we'll find your light
And hold it in our hearts
When stars go out each night

Let this be our prayer
When shadows fill our day
Lead us to a place
Guide us with your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe. Amen.

Information source: written by Carole Bayer Sager; David Foster

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2014 Custer County Fair Results

4-H Mechanical Science

Model Rocketry
Scott Freeburg-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Benjamin Penkoff-Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Cameron Penkoff-Blue.

Robotics
George Kroeker-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

4-H Natural Resources

Entomology
Justice Saraceno-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

Shooting Sports Archery
Michael Batson (Display)- Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Dillon Wommack (Stand alone)-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Scott Freeburg-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Jolene Mullett-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Katlyn Freeburg-Blue, Reserve Champion;
Kylie Carter-Blue, Reserve Champion;
Lane Byerly-Blue; McKensie Penkoff-Blue;
Benjamin Penkoff-Blue;
Casey Brandon-Red;
Andrew Feldmann-Red;
Ryan Young-Red.

Shooting Sports .22
Scott Freeburg-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Dillon Wommack-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Katlyn Freeburg-Blue, Reserve Champion;
Dalton Wommack-Blue, Reserve Champion.

Shooting Sports .22 Competition
Dillon Wommack-1st, Champion, Grand Champion;
Katlyn Freeburg-2nd, Reserve Champion, Reserve Grand Champion;
Scott Freeburg-1st, Champion;
Dalton Wommack-2nd, Reserve Champion.

Archery Competition/Sr. Compound Limited
Lane Byerly-1st, Grand Champion; Dillon Wom-mack-2nd, Reserve Grand Champion; Casey Bran-don-3rd; Michael Batson-4th

Sr. Compound Unlimited
Andrew Feldmann-1st

Sr. Recurve Traditional
Katlyn Freeburg-1st;
Ryan Young-2nd;
McKensie Penkoff-3rd

Jr. Compound Limited
Scott Freeburg-1st, Grand Champion;
Jolene Mullett-2nd;
Ben Penkoff-3rd

Jr. Compound Traditional
Kylie Carter-1st, Reserve Grand Champion

Outdoor Adventures
Cameron Penkoff-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

4-H Communication, Arts & Leisure Sciences

Visual Arts
Madeleine Woods-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Rachael Schneider-Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Kyleigh Martin-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

Scrapbooking
Katlyn Freeburg-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Marlena Phillips-Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Kaya Huffman-Red.

Photography
Rebecca Tillotson-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Katlyn Freeburg-Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

Woodworking
Boden Wilson, Blue.

4-H Consumer Science

Cake Decorating
Boden Wilson-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Marlena Phillips-Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

Foods and Nutrition
Katlyn Freeburg-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Hannah Kennedy-Blue, Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Jolene Mullett-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier;
Scott Freeburg-Blue, Champion, State Fair Qualifier.

Cloverbuds
Brylee Shy-Participation;
Jesse Mullett-Participation;
Destiny Naujock-Participation;
Viola Gurule-Participation.

Open Division

Floriculture/Potted Plants
Terry Ward-Blue, Champion;
Mary Gompf-Blue, Reserve Champion;
Janet Freeburg-Blue;
Janet Freeburg-Blue;
Janet Freeburg-Blue.

Clothing/Garments
Bev Schneider-Blue;
Bev Schneider-Blue;
Ilene Mullett-Blue.

Needlework
Sharon Gately-Blue.

Needlework/Quilting
Abi Schneider-Blue, Grand Champion;
Rachael Schneider-Blue.

Knitting
Sharon Gately-Blue, Reserve Champion;
Sharon Gately-Blue;
Sharon Gately-Blue;
Sharon Gately-Red.

Crafts
Bev Schneider-Blue.

Pantry - Baked Goods/Cookies
Rachael Schneider-Blue, Reserve Grand Champion.

Pantry - Baked Goods
Abi Schneider-Blue, Grand Champion

Pantry – Preserved Foods/Jellies & Jams
Abi Schneider, Blue, Champion

Pantry – Preserved Foods/Pickles
Terry Ward, Blue

Arts & Crafts
Rachael Schneider- Blue

Small Animals Results

Pet Rabbits
Jolene Mullett-Blue, Reserve Champion, Reserve Grand Champion;
Charlie Buchanan-Blue,
Daniel Phillips-Blue.

Pocket Pets
Joshua Phillips-Blue, Champion, Grand Champion.

Dog Results

Sr. Novice Showmanship – Katlyn Freeburg-1st.
Int. Novice Showmanship – Hannah Kennedy-1st.
Jr. Novice Showmanship – Harry Kroeker-1st.
Sr. Obedience – Katlyn Freeburg-2nd.
Int. Obedience – Hannah Kennedy-1st.
Sr. Rally – Katlyn Freeburg-1st.
Int. Rally – Hannah Kennedy-1st.
Sr. Grand Champion Dog – Katlyn Freeburg
Int. Grand Champion Dog – Hannah Kennedy
Jr. Grand Champion Dog – Harry Kroeker

4-H Horse Results

Sr. Showmanship
Elly Gluschke-1st, Champion;
Katlyn Freeburg-2nd, Reserve Champion.

Jr. Showmanship
Kaya Huffman-1st, Champion,
Dalton Wommack-2nd; Reserve Champion.

Novice Showmanship
Lindsey Gillmore-1st, Champion;
Kyleigh Martin-2nd, Reserve Champion;
Kathryn Potts-3rd.

Sr. Western Pleasure
Elly Gluschke-1st;
Katlyn Freeburg-2nd.

Jr. Western Pleasure
Kaya Huffman-1st;
Dalton Wommack-2nd.

Novice Western Pleasure
Kathryn Potts-1st;
Kyleigh Martin-2nd;
Lindsey Gillmore-3rd.

Sr. Horsemanship
Elly Gluschke-1st;
Katlyn Freeburg-2nd.

Jr. Horsemanship
Dalton Wommack-1st;
Kaya Huffman-2nd.

Novice Horsemanship
Kathryn Potts-1st;
Kyleigh Martin-2nd;
Lindsey Gillmore-3rd.

Sr. Reining
Elly Gluschke-1st.

Jr. Reining
Kaya Huffman-1st.

Sr. Western Riding
Elly Gluschke-1st.

Jr. Western Riding
Kaya Huffman-1st.

Sr. Trail
Elly Gluschke-1st;
Katlyn Freeburg-2nd.

Jr. Trail
Dalton Wommack-1st;
Kaya Huffman-2nd.

Sr. Written Test
Elly Gluschke-1st;
Katlyn Freeburg-2nd.

Sr. Grand Champion Western - Elly Gluschke

Sr. Reserve Grand Champion Western - Katlyn Freeburg

Jr. Grand Champion Western - Kaya Huffman

Jr. Reserve Grand Champion Western - Dalton Wommack

Novice Grand Champion Western - Kathryn Potts

Novice Reserve Grand Champion Western - Kyleigh Martin

Sr. English Riding Control – Elly Gluschke-1st.

Novice English Riding Control – Kathryn Potts-1st.

Sr. English Hunt Seat – Elly Gluschke-1st.

Novice English Hunt Seat – Kathryn Potts-1st.

Sr. English Show Hack – Elly Gluschke-1st.

Novice English Show Hack – Kathryn Potts-1st.

Sr. English Hunter Under Saddle – Elly Gluschke-1st.

Novice English Hunter Under Saddle – Kathryn Potts-1st.

Sr. Grand Champion English – Elly Gluschke

Novice Grand Champion English – Kathryn Potts

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4-H AND FFA LIVESTOCK SALE



Grace Watkins with her Reserve Grand Champion Market Sheep.



Lindsey Gillmore with her Grand Champion Market Swine.



Kyle Rose with his Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine.



Conner Rowley with his Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef.



Anastasia Berry with her Grand Champion Market Goat.



Lindsey Gillmore with her Grand Champion Market Sheep.



Grace Watkins with her Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat.



Dillon Womack with his Grand Champion Breeding Rabbits.

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2014 Custer County Fair Results 4-H and FFA Market and Breeding Livestock

Market Beef Results

Senior Showmanship
Conner Rowley – 1st, Champion;
Ed Berry FFA – 2nd, Reserve Champion;
Nicole Lorenzen FFA – 3rd;
Taylor Staton FFA – 4th

Junior Showmanship
Billy Berry – 1st, Champion;
Anastasia Berry – 2nd, Reserve Champion;
Zachary Fischer – 3rd

Class 1 – Taylor Staton FFA – 1st

Class 2
Anastasia Berry – 1st;
Billy Berry – 2nd

Class 3
Ed Berry FFA – 1st;
Zachary Fischer – 2nd

Class 4 - Conner Rowley – 1st

Class 5 – Grass Fed Beef – Nicole Lorenzen FFA – 1st

Grand Champion Market Beef – Ed Berry FFA

Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef –
Conner Rowley

Market Beef Rate of Gain
Conner Rowley – 1st;
Anastasia Berry – 2nd;
Billy Berry – 3rd;
Ed Sandoval FFA – 4th;
Zachary Fischer – 5th;
Taylor Staton FFA – 6th;
Nicole Lorenzen FFA – 7th

Breeding Beef Results

Breeding Heifer Class
Jaycie Cardenas FFA – 1st, Grand Champion

Market Sheep Results

Senior Showmanship
Kyle Rose – 1st, Champion;
Noah Tillotson FFA – 2nd, Reserve Champion;
Jaycie Cardenas FFA – 3rd;
Rebecca Tillotson – 4th

Junior Showmanship
Lindsey Gillmore – 1st, Champion;
Morgan Foster – 2nd, Reserve Champion;
Grace Watkins – 3rd;
Sierra Stepanich – 4th;
Garrett Stepanich;
Sheyenne Shy

Class 1
Grace Watkins - 1st;
Garrett Stepanich – 2nd

Class 2
Lindsey Gillmore – 1st;
Kyle Rose – 2nd;
Sheyenne Shy – 3rd;
Jaycie Cardenas FFA – 4th

Class 3
Grace Watkins – 1st;
Lindsey Gillmore – 2nd;
Jaycie Cardenas FFA – 3rd;
Kyle Rose – 4th;
Morgan Foster – 5th

Class 4
Morgan Foster – 1st;
Sierra Stepanich-2nd;
Noah Tillotson FFA – 3rd;
Rebecca Tillotson – 4th

Grand Champion Market Sheep – Lindsey Gillmore

Reserve Grand Champion Market Sheep –
Grace Watkins

Market Sheep Rate of Gain
Morgan Foster – 1st;
Kyle Rose – 2nd;
Sheyenne Shy – 3rd;
Morgan Foster – 4th;
Kyle Rose-5th;

Jaycie Cardenas FFA – 6th;
Lindsey Gillmore – 7th;
Noah Tillotson FFA – 8th;
Lindsey Gillmore – 9th;
Jaycie Cardenas FFA – 10th

Market Swine Results

Senior Showmanship
Kyle Rose-Champion-1st, Champion;
McKensie Penkoff-2nd, Reserve Champion;
Halie Lemons-3rd;
Jaycie Cardenas (FFA)-4th;

Unranked participants-
Lane Byerly, Sam Dunlap (FFA), Andy Feldmann (FFA), Sydney Feldmann (FFA), Ashley Gillum (FFA), Taylor Staton (FFA), Noah Tillotson (FFA), Rebecca Tillotson, Henry Watson.

Junior Showmanship
Lindsey Gillmore-1st, Champion;
Garrett Stepanich-2nd, Reserve Champion;
Morgan Foster-3rd;
Benjamin Penkoff-4th;
Sierra Stepanich-5th;
Grace Moos-6th;

Non-ranked participants-
John Feldmann, Zachary Fischer, Cash Rowley, Sheyennne Shy.

Class 1 – Halie Lemons-1st.

Class 2
Cash Rowley-1st;
Halie Lemons-2nd;
Ashley Gillum (FFA)-3rd;
Taylor Staton (FFA)-4th;
Zachary Fischer-5th;
Noah Tillotson (FFA)-6th.

Class 3
Kyle Rose-1st;
Cash Rowley-2nd;
Ashley Gillum (FFA)-3rd;
Sam Dunlap (FFA)-4th;
Jaycie Cardenas (FFA)-5th;
Rebecca Tillotson-6th.

Class 4
Lindsey Gillmore-1st;
Garrett Stepanich-2nd;
Henry Watson-3rd;
Morgan Foster-4th;
Ben Penkoff-5th.

Class 5
Sierra Stepanich-1st;
Jaycie Cardenas (FFA)-2nd;
Sheyenne Shy-3rd;
Grace Moos-4th;
McKensie Penkoff-5th.

Class 6
Lane Byerly (FFA)-1st;
Andy Feldmann (FFA)- 2nd;
John Feldmann-3rd;
Henry Watson-4th.

Class 7
Sydney Feldmann (FFA)- 1st;
Lane Byerly (FFA)- 2nd;
Grace Moos-3rd.

Grand Champion Market Swine – Lindsey Gillmore

Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine – Kyle Rose

Market Goat Results

Senior Showmanship
Katlyn Freeburg- 1st, Champion;
Dillon Wommack – 2nd, Reserve Champion

Junior Showmanship
Grace Watkins – 1st, Champion;
Lucas Comerford – 2nd, Reserve Champion;
Anastasia Berry – 3rd;
Scott Freeburg – 4th;
Jacob Comerford – 5th;
Dalton Wommack – 6th

Class 1 – Dalton Wommack – 1st;
Katlyn Freeburg – 2nd;
Dillon Wommack – 3rd

Class 2 Anastasia Berry – 1st;
Grace Watkins – 2nd;
Scott Freeburg – 3rd

Class 3
Grace Watkins – 1st;
Anastasia Berry – 2nd

Class 4
Lucas Comerford – 1st;
Jacob Comerford – 2nd

Grand Champion Market Goat – Anastasia Berry

Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat –
Grace Watkins

Market Goat Rate of Gain
Anastasia Berry – 1st;
Jacob Comerford – 2nd;
Lucas Comerford – 3rd;
Anastasia Berry – 4th;
Grace Watkins – 5th;
Scott Freeburg – 6th;
Dillon Wommack – 7th;
Grace Watkins – 8th;
Dalton Wommack – 9th;
Katlyn Freeburg – 10th

Market Rabbit Results

Sr. Showmanship – Dillon Wommack-Blue.

Junior Showmanship
Charlie Buchanan-1st, Champion;
Katelyn Roberson-2nd, Reserve Champion,
Dalton Wommack -Champion.

Meat Pen Class
Katelyn Roberson-1st place, Grand Champion;
Dillon Wommack-2nd place,

Reserve Grand Champion;
Katelyn Roberson-3rd place;
Dalton Wommack-4th.

Breeding Rabbit Results

Dillon Wommack-Best of Breed-Blue,

Grand Champion.

Dalton Wommack-Blue, Reserve Grand Champion;

Blue; Blue; Blue; Blue; Blue; Blue; Blue; Blue; Red;

Red; Red.

Katelyn Roberson- Best of Breed-Blue,

Reserve Champion; Blue; Blue; Blue; Blue;

Best of Opposite Sex-Blue; Best of Variety-Blue.

Charlie Buchanan-Blue.

Breeding Poultry Results

Jr. Showmanship
Joshua Phillips-Blue, Champion;
Dalton Wommack-Red.

Egg Production Hens
Joshua Phillips-Blue, Grand Champion;
Joshua Phillips-Red;
Joshua Phillips-White;
Dalton Wommack-Blue.

Egg Production Pullets
Dalton Wommack-Blue, Reserve Grand Champion;
Joshua Phillips-Red.

Master Showmanship Results

Grand Champion Senior Master Showmanship
Kyle Rose

Reserve Grand Champion
Senior Master Showmanship - Noah Tillotson FFA

Grand Champion Junior Master Showmanship –
Lindsey Gillmore

Reserve Grand Champion
Junior Master Showmanship – Grace Watkins

As of press time, the results of the Livestock Sale are still being verified to ensure accurate reporting. They will be included in next week’s issue of the Sentinel. Thanks to everyone on the Fair Board and the many volunteers involved for all you do each year!

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
in 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 & 4th Thursday
of each month
6:30 p.m.
Core Knowledge
School Gymnasium,
890 Fields Ave.
Cañon City
www.royalgorgetea-party.com
or find them on
Facebook**

**Southern
Colorado
Survivors
1st Sat at 8:30 a.m.
Mugs
1520 Royal Gorge Blvd
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Sheriff Beicker Assures TEA Party MRAP is Not For Use Against Civilians

by: Candace Thompson

Sheriff Jim Beicker spoke to the Royal Gorge Tea Party on Thursday evening, July 10th, and began by bringing the crowd up-to-date on the lawsuit over the gun legislation that Colorado lawmakers passed this past year.

He shared his disappointment that the judge did not rule in the favor of the sheriffs on a single part of the suit which is now being appealed. Federal Judge Marcia Krieger ruled against the sheriffs' lawsuit saying that they had no right to bring the suit against the state in their official capacity but could as individuals. Sheriff Beicker said that he is still committed to protecting our 2nd amendment rights and supports the lawsuit, though he's not really surprised at the ruling, just disappointed.

Sheriff Beicker also addressed the recent controversy and criticism over the MRAP (Mine-Resistant Armored Personnel carrier) in the Florence parade. It has "Fremont County Swat" on the side with the sheriff's office emblem as well as the City of Florence emblem on it. "There's probably no one more suspicious of my federal partners than me." Sheriff Beicker reassured attendees in answer to comments on Facebook about this being militarization of our civilian police forces and part of the federal government plan to control citizens.

Sheriff Beicker said that he didn't see it that way, explaining that it is not an offensive piece of equipment for war with a big gun on it but called it a "big truck". He said he would have loved to have been sitting in that thing when rounds were shot at them recently in Penrose.

Vernon Thompson asked about the SWAT teams that the Obama administration is forming in agencies like BLM, Postal Service, Library of Congress, Social Security and how having an MRAP from the feds "does not" fit in with Obama's plan to militarize local law enforcement to form a civilian army. Many people think the two issues go hand in hand. The Sheriff reiterated that he wasn't aware of any agenda by the federal government for it to be used against citizens and that he would blow the MRAP up before following any such orders. It's for protecting officers and is for the use of the Fremont County swat team. He assured the group that he hadn't joined Obama's army but if he ever gets an inkling of such a plan we'd be the first to know. The Florence police requested the equipment, he did not, the Sheriff continued, listing other surplus equipment that had been included.

Sheriff Beicker also wanted to explain his budgeting and how he is utilizing the tax money that was awarded his department, saying that he has been cautious with spending



Sheriff Beicker addresses the Royal Gorge Tea Party.

Sentinel photo by John Penezic

and has included an Animal Control Officer and his equipment. He also increased salaries to prevent all the turnovers but has spent most of his time on regionalizing the communication center. The location will be the 4th floor of the Judicial Building on Justice Center Road which he said he has preferred from the inception of the plan. He explained the complexity of the budget in planning for the dispatch center, a need he has worked on since 2003.

Johnny Herndon asked about the purchase of the Garden Park School and the possible use of the extra space as a regional dispatch center. He commented that the commissioners may have used Sheriff Beicker's need of space to justify their purchase and paying \$800,000 to the school district. The sheriff explained how he had been open to using that location earlier but was not involved in the politics of the purchase.

When asked if he had heard about bus loads of immigrants coming to Fremont County, he said that he had not but will no longer hold illegal immigrants because of the possibility of constitutional lawsuits by the ACLU who is in contact with him all the time. If the illegal immigrant has criminal charges, signed by a judge, he will detain them. But if they have criminal charges and bond out then he has to release them, and simply notify ICE. Sheriff Beicker states he will enforce Colorado/Fremont County laws but cannot enforce the federal immigration law. The ACLU has a list of sheriffs who have not created a policy to handle these situations, and harasses and threatens them with lawsuits. Many sheriffs are frustrated with ICE because they have pulled over vanloads of illegals on I-25, called ICE and ICE never responded. He said he will call ICE if he finds someone here illegally but will not take them to jail for being here. This is just like the federal marijuana laws that he isn't enforcing, he said.

The patriots at the meeting indicated to Sheriff Beicker that they would be happy to help him, and that they wouldn't be waiting for the sheriff to come should they be confronted with danger from criminals or other emergencies, but are ready to defend themselves.

Be Informed,

Get Involved

Farmers Market Serves Dual Purpose

by: Barbara Penezic

Sentinel photos by John Penezic, Jr.

Every Tuesday morning Veterans Park comes alive with the hum of busy hard working people and shoppers in the market for

produce, art, jewelry, face painting, a coveted pony ride and much, much more. Some vendors are new to the market but most have been returning to

The Cañon City Farmer's Market for several years. They come from all over this area of Colorado eager to sell their wares to early morning shoppers.



Sangres Best Natural Grass-Fed Beef is a regular at the market.



Musso Farms produce from Pueblo is always popular with the shoppers.

Musso Farms has a tempting array of locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables. Along with

several other area vendors they sell competitively priced goods. Fresh farm eggs, duck and chicken, were readily available as well as grass-fed beef from the Sangre De Cristo area.



A pony ride for the little one helps make the shopping fun for everyone!

The little ones feel very much a part of the shopping trip when they see the pony and get the opportunity to jump in the saddle for an early morning ride. While the kiddos are enjoying their ride, Mr. Wilson can visit with Mom

and/or Dad about all the "Country Fun" deals!

The Farmers Market offers something more than the items for sale every Tuesday morning in Veter-

ans Park. Many of the vendors have founded the market to be a way for them to lead productive,

fulfilling lives after debilitating accidents have left them unable to return to their former way of life. The owner and operator of Stone Angels Rock, was injured in a motorcycle accident that left him unable to return to his previous line of work. He began constructing rock angels and has now found a new beginning. Junk Masters operator was injured in an accident at work and has also found the Farmers Market to be a wonderful way to supplement his income and utilize his creative abilities.

Plan to visit it Farmers Market next Tuesday morning from 8 a.m. till noon. Grab a cup of hot coffee and enjoy a morning in the park.

Religion, The Constitution & Culture

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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.

The Man in The Subway

A couple of days ago, I was in New York City for a series of meetings. I took the subway to the meeting place. On the subway a man of color, not well-dressed, but not unclean went down through the car asking for donations to help him feed his family. He got to the end of the car where I was and he turned his back to me and addressed whoever would listen. He said, "It is my responsibility to feed my family. I have tried and tried, but I cannot do that right now. This is the only way I can think of. Can't you spare just a little something to help me feed my wife and two daughters? It would be greatly appreciated. God Bless." There was one man who fell for his final plea--me. But there is a deeper meaning here.

There are a lot of scammers and beggars that are constantly accosting New Yorkers everyday. Nobody in the subway car looked up at this guy. Discernment is the key. After praying, I handed him a small amount of cash, he looked me directly in the eyes and said "thank you so much." I will never know the true story, but I do know something else. A fellow human being was pleading for help to about one hundred people and maybe three responded. No one else even looked at him or acted as if they heard him. And I feel that this is the condition of our nation right now. It is caused by the mere fact that so many people are so into their own worries that they refuse to engage with society in general. They refuse to be citizens.

There have been times in my life where I didn't know if I was going to be able to feed my family. It

was tough. Instead of jumping on a train or a subway, my wife and I prayed to the Lord. We stood fast on the words of Jesus in Matthew 6:31-33, "Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? Or, What shall we drink? Or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knows that you have need of these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." In my opinion, this does not mean fancy cars, clothes, watches, jets, etc. It's the basics, and the Lord always provided us.

The man in the subway was a life lesson for the condition of our nation. You see, the occupant of the Oval Office will be going on a 16-day vacation in August at the \$12 million estate of a Democratic Party donor. It will cost taxpayers millions of dollars. With all the problems faced by the citizens of this nation, he has the unmitigated gall to live high off the taxpayers in great luxury. Most Americans consider themselves fortunate to get away for a long weekend. Fact is, he just doesn't care. And you know what? This is just like the vast majority of people in the subway when a fellow citizen plead for his family. They didn't care. And they were the ones who elected "Mr. Vacation while the nation burns." Jesus also said, "And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." We need to be turning people back to the Lord.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!
Bill Wilson
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"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you."

John 15:7, NKJV

Colorado Misspends \$45 Million in Food Stamp Dollars

By Andrew Collins
Watchdog.org

Colorado offers tons of fail in its food stamp program and, unfortunately for taxpayers, the fail is growing.

Colorado misspent \$45.7 million in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program payments in 2013, according to data released by the United States Department of Agriculture.

In percentage terms, Colorado misspent, either through underpayment or overpayment, 5.59 percent of the \$818 million in SNAP benefits the state distributed last year, a figure more than 2 percentage points higher than the national average of 3.42 percent.

Colorado messed up 4.55 percent of food stamps payments in 2012 and 4.45 percent in 2011.

In the program, overpaying

and underpaying benefits qualify as errors. Colorado's overpayment rate of 4.12 percent ranks as 12th worst out of all the states and is well above the national average of 2.77 percent. The state overpaid more than \$33 million in food stamp benefits last year.

With a .44 percent error rate, Virginia beat out others for the best-performing state. Rhode Island came in dead last with an 8.25 percent error rate.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture rewards states for low error rates and those with high error rates.

Levetta Love, director of the Office of Economic Security with the Colorado Department of Human Services, said the feds did not penalize the state because the error rate registered below 6 percent.

Colorado, though, did not receive a performance bo-

nus from the federal government due to the poor error rate.

"The state takes the error rate very seriously," she told Watchdog.org, noting that even though the error rate is up from the previous two years it ultimately has declined from 7 percent in 2005. That decrease, she said, corresponds with a national trend of decreasing rates in errant SNAP payments.

"Unfortunately, Colorado's rate of decrease has not kept up with the rest of the nation," she said. "It's not one-size-fits-all."

There are many strategies needed to reduce the error rate, Love said. As an example, she said the CDHS is working with its county and quality-assured coordinators on a regular basis.

"We were able to include several changes to our automated system over the last couple of years that

have improved and increased our accuracy," she said, pointing to measures the CDHS has taken to pull in data that allows it to identify and track error rates in individual counties every month to keep them accountable.

Food stamp spending nationwide has more than doubled since 2008 and more than quadrupled since 2001. The program cost taxpayers almost \$80 billion in 2013.

In 2013, some 3,556,500 people signed up for SNAP benefits, an increase of more than 200,000 from the year before.

Colorado's food stamp rolls increased to more than 507,000 in 2013, up from about 319,000 in 2009.

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Woman Who Thought Obama Would Pay for Her Gas And Mortgage: "He Lied About Everything"

by Mac Slavo,
SHTFPlan.com

Remember Peggy Joseph?

She's the woman who swooned over Barack Obama's every word and was so excited about the fact that all her problems would be solved once he became President that she broke down in tears. In a video that went viral just days before the election in October of 2008 Joseph showed her exuberance and unwavering commitment to hope and change by exclaiming that she would no longer have to worry about putting gas in her car or paying her mortgage.

"If I help him," Joseph proclaimed, "he's going to help me."

Filmmaker Joel Gilbert, who produced the new documentary *There's No Place Like Utopia* decided to give Joseph a visit to see how all that hopey changey thing was working out for her. You may or may not be surprised to learn that she's still waiting for those promises to come true.

In the following video Gilbert, who gifted Joseph with some ruby slippers presumably to help her return from her fairy tale ride, asks her if Obama helped pay for her mortgage and gas.

"Hahaha... Absolutely not. My mortgage got worse and gas prices

got higher.

During that time we needed a change, but a change for the better and not for the worse.

He had a very big voice, just like the Wizard of Oz. The wizard was this teeny, teeny, tiny man... and I think it's the same thing with Obama... the man behind the curtain... not who we thought or expected him to be.

I was Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz... that's how I feel... I was Dorothy.

I started getting a little more educated about politics and reading more. What I learned is, 'never trust a wizard.'

It's within ourselves to have the determination, the courage and the brains to bring us to our destiny.

Truth and honesty are important... He lied about everything."

At some point in our lives we've all been fooled by a fast-talking politician who made promises that weren't kept. Unlike the tens of millions of other people who elected Barack Obama to not one, but two Presidencies, Peggy Joseph at least has the courage to admit it.

Joel Gilbert, who's talked to hun-

dreds of people who also fell for the hype, suggests Peggy Joseph is not alone:

"According to Gilbert, his documentary shows similar experiences with other one-time Obama supporters who bought into his hope and change rhetoric but quickly discovered he's not what he says.

"In my journey through America in 'There's No Place Like Utopia,' I met a lot of people living in horrible conditions, particularly African Americans, who I was surprised to learn were now staunch conservatives as a result of living in progressive-controlled cities like Detroit, Chicago and Newark," Gilbert said.

"After 60 years of progressive politics in their cities, they understood very clearly that they had not been progressing but rather regressing all this time, and they were mad. They felt they had been used and tricked by Obama for their votes and that he never intended to keep any of his promises, just like the Wizard of Oz."

(Top Right News)

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The Second Amendment Corner

Liberty's Line in the Sand



2014

Obama Bans AK-47s with Executive Order 13662

by Dean Garrison,
FreedomOutPost.com

(Editor/GG: Notice ol' Barack decided to ban guns from Russia, instead of the Crystal Russian vodka his fellow elites drink. Nope, no anti-constitutional agenda here.)

On Wednesday Barack Obama used his powerful pen to effectively ban AK-47s, and other Kalashnikov Russian-made imports, indefinitely. This will include the import of parts and accessories so it affects current owners as well as those looking to make a new purchase. *If you like*

your gun, you can keep it. Just don't expect to be getting parts for it without paying a small fortune.

The Executive Order was issued under the guise of punishing Russia with more sanctions. Considering AK-47s are one of the weapons that this administration, and certain members of congress, have been looking to ban, that excuse doesn't seem to hold much credibility. As John Galt said, "The good news is Obama has not banned Vodka imports from Russia yet, probably because he is the biggest homolush in Amerika."

Don't be fooled. There is always an agenda.

The ban is effectively against all AK-line Kalashnikov imports, which obviously covers much more than just AK-47s.

Kurt Nimmo reports:

"Obama exploited the conflict in Ukraine to target the importation of the popular AK line of firearms manufactured by Kalashnikov Concern in Izhmash, Russia. The unconstitutional ban includes the Saiga line of rifles and shotguns.

"The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) attempted to soften the blow by stating the executive order does not outlaw Kalashnikov firearms legally purchased in the United States prior to the ban.

"The OFAC, according to its website, "administers and enforces economic and trade sanctions based on U.S. foreign policy and national security goals against targeted foreign countries and regimes, terrorists, international narcotics traffickers, those engaged in activities relat-

ed to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and other threats to the national security, foreign policy or economy of the United States."

"The criminalization of an entire line of foreign manufactured firearms is possible under "national emergency powers" and there is no appeal process."

No appeal process? I thought I was living in America.

Is this the "Hope and Change" that people voted for?

Obama can play games all he wants but MSNBC viewers better not find out about this. In a recent poll 88% of MSNBC viewers supported constitutional carry.

Wake up America. You are being lied to and the man in the Oval Office cares not what you think. He only cares about what he wants you to think.

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LITERAL INTREPRETATION: Defacto Magazine Ban Line In Law Still There

by ColoradoPeakPolitics

(Editor/GG: This report is why most Americans have lost faith in our judicial system. It is either incompetence or corruption, or sadly, both.)

Judge Marcia Krieger wrote she did not want to be viewed as a super legislator (did you take note of that Don Quick?), yet her very ruling betrays her as such. Instead of ruling on the law as is, she ruled on the law as she interpreted it. What's been lost in all this hoopla about the gun laws being ruled "constitutional" (for now), is that the defacto magazine ban on what 9News said was "essentially all magazines" still exists. As Kyle Clark himself reported:

"If one line in this bill is interpreted literally... it could ban sales and transfers of ammunition with a removable baseplate, and that's essentially all magazines."

Interpreted literally? Isn't that how Krieger is supposed to be reading the law? As it stands, now, Coloradans are at the mercy and temperament of whoever is Governor or Attorney General. Little confidence is inspired when the best defense gun control advocates had against such an accusation was this:

"They don't think that will happen."

We've already got a Democratic Attorney General candidate in Don Quick who feels his knowledge of law is superior to the Supreme Court and his will trumps those of all the Coloradans who passed a constitutional amendment; what hope do Colorado gun owners have if he suddenly decides to interpret the magazine ban more broadly than current Attorney General Jon Suthers? The law as it currently stands, only doesn't ban virtually

every magazine because of a directive Suthers wrote. Should Quick become Attorney General—or, another liberal Democrat somewhere down the line—and decide to write a new directive, there would be nothing stopping him from doing so.

We only have to look at the overreach of the EPA over the past decade, where unelected bureaucrats decided a congressional law passed in the 70's gives them pretty much an unlimited scope of power over all the air and water across the country. Good luck finding a piece of private property where they can't get you now.

The right and prudent ruling (and, the one where the judge does not act as a super legislator) would have been for Krieger to strike down the law because of that one line alone. Forget whether the rest of the law was constitutional, that

one line was so egregious, she should have written she could not ignore the ambiguous power a hastily written law granted the government. If Hickenlooper and Democratic legislators decided it was still in Colorado's best interests to have such a law on the books, he could certainly call a special session. And, with Democratic majorities in both houses, they should have no problem passing an identical bill minus that unconstitutional line.

As a judge, Krieger has to read the law as is, not how she wants it be. Deciding this law was constitutional despite the defacto magazine ban still being in it, shows she failed to do that.

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Magnum Research Offers New Ultra 22LR Rifle



courtesy image

Press Release from Magnum Research

(Editor/GG: MRI's rifles are top notch. They also have semi autos in 22 magnum.)

Pomona, NY – USA based, Magnum Research, Inc., (MRI) has once again expanded their Magnum Lite® rimfire rifle product line with the introduction of the MLR Ultra 22LR with a high-tech modular tensioned-type barrel.

The modular barrel means that it has been constructed utilizing a superior quality of steel for the barrel which is attached to stainless steel breech and muzzle caps inside a thin-walled aluminum construction. The Ultra barrel took over a year to develop internally at Magnum Research and was extensively tested utilizing a variety of ammunition. When tested for accuracy against similarly constructed barrels, the Ultra barrel outshoots them significantly. Part of the reason for this is the patented heat sink located strategically inside the Ultra barrel itself.

The MLR22ATU measures 36-1/8" in length and

weighs just 4 lbs. 8 oz. Barrel length is 18". Features include 1 in 16 twist, Bentz chamber, ambidextrous thumbhole stock design with a comb designed for scope use, integral Weaver type scope mount base on the receiver, extended magazine release, swivel studs and checkering on the palm swell grip. The length of pull is 13-5/8". The barrel is black anodized aluminum and has stainless steel breech and muzzle caps. MSRP on the MLR22ATU is \$544.

A similar model to the MLR22ATU is the MLRATUT. The difference between the two rifles is that the MLR22ATUT can accommodate a suppressor and has muzzle threads of 1/2 x 28. It is supplied with a thread protector. The weight is the same, but the overall length is 36-5/8" and barrel length is 18-1/2". Both rifles utilize the 10/22® trigger group and 10/22® rotary magazines. MSRP on the MLR22ATUT is \$571.00. Both barrels are also sold separately for upgrading 10/22 rifles.

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Missouri: Supreme Court Rules Right to Keep and Bear Arms Will be on August 5 Ballot

by GunWatch.Blogspot.com

(Editor/GG: This victory is exactly what your local democrats and Governor Chickenlooper don't want in Colorado. November is coming. Vote them OUT.)

Missouri will have a strengthened Right to Keep and Bear Arms provision on the August 5th ballot. Yesterday the Supreme Court upheld rulings against foes of the amendment who tried to keep it off the ballot.

The constitutional amendment was passed by overwhelming margins in the legislature, assuming that it would be on the November Ballot. Governor Nixon (D) decided to put the measure on the August primary ballot instead. A few days ago, Governor Nixon vetoed a popular gun law reform that was passed with veto proof margins in the house, and potentially veto proof margins in the Senate.

From kspr.com:

A group of Missourians recently filed a lawsuit in Jefferson City, attempting to remove Amendment 5 from the August ballot.

"They were saying that the word 'inalienable' is not understandable and too vague. And the judge overruled that. And then it went to the Missouri Supreme Court," Wampler said.

On Friday, the Missouri Supreme Court dismissed the appeal, giving Amendment 5 a straight shot to the ballot.

The reporter or the attorney

Major Gun Manufacturer Taking \$45 Million Investment, 300 Jobs to Tennessee Over Fear of Gun Control

by Jason Howerton, TheBlaze.com

Beretta U.S.A. Corp. announced on Tuesday that it plans to move its entire U.S. manufacturing operation from its current location in Accokeek, Maryland, to Gallatin, Tennessee, due to a fear of gun control legislation that may pass the Maryland Legislature in the future.

"During the legislative session in Maryland that resulted in passage of the Firearm Safety Act of 2013, the version of the statute that passed the Maryland

quoted, gets the spelling in the amendment wrong. It is unalienable, not inalienable. This may be a small point, but the whole purpose of the article seems to be to portray the amendment as somehow confusing. That seems to be the tactic taken by the Kansas City Star editorial board:

Even the lawmakers who voted to place the questions on the ballot disagree on what they actually say or do. About the only thing that's certain is that the questions are almost certain to drag the state into costly future court battles.

Read more here: <http://www.kansascity.com/opinion/editorials/article591383.html#storylink=cpy>

The wording on the ballot will read:

Official Ballot Title:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to include a declaration that the right to keep and bear arms is a unalienable right and that the state government is obligated to uphold that right?

State and local governmental entities should have no direct costs or savings from this proposal. However, the proposal's passage will likely lead to increased litigation and criminal justice related costs. The total potential costs are unknown, but could be significant.

Fair Ballot Language:

A "yes" vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to expand the right to keep and bear arms to include ammunition and related

accessories for such arms. This amendment also removes the language that states the right to keep and bear arms does not justify the wearing of concealed weapons. This amendment does not prevent the legislature from limiting the rights of certain felons and certain individuals adjudicated as having a mental disorder.

A "no"; [sic] vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution regarding arms, ammunition, and accessories for such arms.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

The current amendment reads as follows:

Section 23. That the right of every citizen to keep and bear arms in defense of his home, person and property, or when lawfully summoned in aid of the civil power, shall not be questioned; but this shall not justify the wearing of concealed weapons.

The proposed amendment is below:

Section 23. That the right of every citizen to keep and bear arms, ammunition, and accessories typical to the normal function of such arms, in defense of his home, person, family and property, or when lawfully summoned in aid of the civil power, shall not be questioned [;but this shall not justify the wearing of concealed weapons]. The rights guaranteed by this section shall be unalienable. Any restriction on these rights shall be subject to strict scrutiny and the state of Missouri shall be obligated to uphold these

rights and shall under no circumstances decline to protect against their infringement. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the general assembly from enacting general laws which limit the rights of convicted violent felons or those duly adjudged mentally infirm by a court of competent jurisdiction.

At least the editorial board at the Kansas City Star is consistent. They also oppose Amendment 9, which adds the same protections to electronic communications and data that exists for "homes, papers, and effects".

It is clear that the editorial board of the Kansas City Star does not want the power of the State curtailed in any meaningful way.

Other states that have placed strengthened right to keep and bear arms measures before the public have seen overwhelming support for them, often with majorities over 74%. Wisconsin passed such a measure in 1998 with 74% of the vote. Kansas passed their amendment with 88% of the vote in 2010. Louisiana did the same with 74% of the vote in 2012. Oklahoma has a similar measure on the ballot for this November. It seems likely that Democrat Governor Nixon chose to put the measure on the August 5th ballot in an attempt to reduce second amendment supporter turnout in the general election in November.

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tion to involve a \$45 million investment in building and equipment as well as the hiring of around 300 employees in the new few years.

"Administrative and executive support functions" will remain at the Accokeek, Maryland, facility.

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The New U.S. Tax Return

by Tyler Durden,
ZeroHedge.com

The recent IRS scandal is sure to go down as one of the most ridiculous of scandals in U.S. history. As Andrea Combs scoffs (rightly),(www.westernjournalism.com/epic-hilarious-new-tax-return-trend/), the more that is uncovered, the more unbelievable the story becomes. So, in the interests of “fairness” - a topic this administration holds at its core - we present the new tax return, with addenda...

From
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Department of the Treasury – Internal Revenue Service
Income Tax Return for Single and Joint Filers With No Dependents 2013

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City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. If you have a foreign address, also complete spaces below (see instructions).		Make sure the SSN(s) above are correct
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Income
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Because I learned all of that utter BULL from you. If you can do it, so can I.
LOVE, AMERICA

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37.2%: Percentage Not in Labor Force Remains at 36-Year High

by Ali Meyer,
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The percentage of American civilians 16 or older who do not have a job and are not actively seeking one remained at a 36-year high in May, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In December, April, and now May, the labor force participation rate has been 62.8 percent. That means that 37.2 percent in the labor force during those months.

Before December, the last time the labor force participation rate sunk as low as 62.8 percent was February 1978, when it was also 62.8 percent. At that time, Jimmy Carter was president. In April, the number of those not in the labor force hit a record high of 92,018,000. In May, that number declined by 9,000 to 92,009,000. Yet, the participation rate remained the same from April to May at 62.8 percent. The labor force, according to BLS, is that part of the civilian non-

institutional population that either has a job or has actively sought one in the last four weeks. The civilian noninstitutional population consists of people 16 or older, who are not on active duty in the military or in an institution such as a prison, nursing home, or mental hospital. In May, according to BLS, the nation's civilian noninstitutional population, consisting of all people 16 or older who were not in the military or an institution, hit 247,622,000. Of those, 155,613,000 participated in the labor force by either holding a job or actively seeking one. The 155,613,000 who participated in the labor force equaled only 62.8 percent of the 247,622,000 civilian noninstitutional population, matching (along with the 62.8 percent rate in May) the lowest labor force participation rate in 36 years. At no time during the presidencies of Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton or George W. Bush, did such a small percentage of the

civilian non-institutional population either hold a job or at least actively seek one. When President Barack Obama took office in January 2009, the labor force participation rate was 65.7 percent. By the beginning of 2013, the start of Obama's second term, it had dropped to 63.6 percent. Since January 2014, when the participation rate was 63.0,it has continued to decline, hitting a 36-year low of 62.8 percent in May. People in the civilian noninstitutional population who did not have a job and did not actively seek one in the last four weeks are considered “not in the labor force.” The number of Americans not in the labor force has climbed by 11,480,000 since Obama took office, rising from 80,529,000 in January 2009 to 92,009,000 in May 2014.

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Two More Governors Turning Against Common Core

by 16 Hours Ago,
FreedomOutPost.com

Two more state governors have hopped on the anti-Common Core bandwagon, urging either a second look at it or pushing for outright repeal.

Governor Gary Herbert of Utah ordered his attorney general to conduct a review of the controversial multi-state education standards Thursday, while Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker announced that he wants the state's legislature to repeal the standards when it reconvenes next January.

“Today, I call on the members of the state Legislature to pass a bill in early January to repeal Common Core and replace it with standards set by people in Wisconsin,” Walker said in a statement reported by the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel on Thursday. His open opposition is a step up from the past. In January he said that the standards warranted reexamination, but otherwise Walker has said little about Common Core at all.

A bill was introduced this past year seeking to pull Wisconsin out of Common Core, but failed after gaining almost no traction in the legislature. If Walker is successfully reelected in November, his newly expressed support could provide a repeal push with much greater momentum.

Walker's announcement, however, also highlighted continuing internal divisions within the Republican Party on education policy.

State Superintendent Tony Evers complained that Walker's statements made the state's education system appear unstable and chaotic, while state representative Steve Kestell said Walker's statements were purely political posturing in an election year.

“The idea that they'd just be able to replace the standards at the beginning of the legislative session is absurd,” Kestell told the Journal-Sentinel.

Herbert's announcement was less dramatic than Walker's, with the focus being on giving Common Core a second look rather than immediately seeking its repeal. He said Attorney General Sean Reyes would review the standards to make sure they did not inordinately surrender Utah's control over it's own education system.

Herbert also announced that a new website will allow Utah citizens to leave complaints about Common Core for the governor's office, and also said he is creating a special committee of policy experts who will review the standards' appropriateness from a higher education perspective. That review, he said, could result in any number of possible recommendations.

“I don't want to presuppose the outcome of this review, but I want to emphasize that Dr. Kendell and his team of experts may in fact recommend some standards be

removed, some standards might be made more rigorous and some standards might not be changed at all,” Herbert said during a speech Thursday.

Momentum has recently been building against Common Core, particularly on the right. South Carolina, Indiana and Oklahoma have dropped the standards completely this year, while Missouri and North Carolina have passed bills that keep the standards in place for now, but establish commissions with the power to change them.

Herbert said that he was partly motivated by a hope that a detailed review could reduce ongoing feuding between Common Core supporters, who describe the standards as merely broad goals that leave substantial control with local school districts, and opponents who describe the standards as a federal takeover of education.

“Whatever has been done in the past has not resolved the dispute,” Herbert said. “There's too much animus out there with the groups on all sides of the issue and it's just time for us to kind of push the pause button and say, ‘Let's reevaluate, let's ascertain that we have Utah standards.’”

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Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live.

Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

Deuteronomy 4:9, NIV

Q-PAC Poll Tied: Udall Spends Half His Cash...for Nothing (Because Gardner is Really Ahead)

by ColoradoPeakPolitics, ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Today's Quinipiac poll must be devastating to under siege Senator Mark Udall. The top line shows that Udall is statistically tied with Representative Cory Gardner at 44% and Udall at 42%. What's the big deal, you ask? Udall has already spent \$7 million of the \$13 million he raised, mostly on negative attacks on Gardner. The result? Udall is worse off than he was eight months ago. This is probably the

worst poll of the year for him.

And, this poll comes on the heels of Stu Rothenberg moving the Colorado Senate race from Leans D to Tossup. This is just more evidence that Republicans can win in November. But, it's not just the top line number that should worry Team Udall.

Udall's unfavorables are the highest they've ever been at 43% and have increased a whopping five points since April. Ouch. Climbing unfavorables usually lead to

declining head to head numbers. In other words, the higher the unfavorables go, the lower Udall's ballot test numbers likely will be.

Here's another terrible number for Udall. The question is “do you feel that Mark Udall deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be re-elected?” Shot: Overall, the answer was no. Forty-nine percent of respondents said no and 40% respondents said yes. Chaser: Among independents, 50% said he does not deserve re-election

compared to 38% who said he does.

Even worse, 44% respondents think Gardner would be better at helping the middle class, compared with 39% of those who think Udall would do a better job. On government spending, Gardner wins again. Of those who responded, 45% think Gardner would do a better job cutting government spending compared to 37% who thought Udall would.

The survey was conducted July

10-14 and included 1,147 registered voters via land lines and cell phones with a margin of error of +/- 2.9%.

Tough break for Udall, but that's what happens when you're elected to represent Colorado and you spend six years creating seating arrangements.

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Happy Birthday Paper Money: 353 Years Of Wanton Destruction

by Simon Black of
Sovereign Man blog,
via ZeroHedge.com

If you ever find yourself vacationing in the western Pacific, I **highly recommend swinging by Yap Island, home of one of the most bizarre forms of money in history.**

Over a thousand years ago, natives would mine enormous chunks of limestone and carve them into gigantic circular discs.

I'm talking REALLY big... a typical disc would be 5 to 10 feet in diameter, over a foot thick, and weigh several tons.

They called them 'Rai Stones', and they were actually used as currency. Curiously, an individual rai would be valued not based on its weight or size, but based on its story.

If many people had been killed transporting it, or if the stone had once belonged to a famous warrior, the rai would be worth more. So it was a bit of a collectible as well as a form of money.

Needless to say, the sheer size of these stones meant that they wouldn't be moved very often. Everyone on the island just sort of knew who owned each rai, like a primitive form of Bitcoin's blockchain.

The polar opposite of this is the paper money system, something that has its origins in the Han Dynasty over 2,000 years ago.

It wasn't quite paper, but

the ancient Chinese experimented with leather-skinned money as early as the second century BC.

The idea died for over a thousand years in favor of (mostly) gold and silver. But it popped up again in the Middle Ages where Chinese merchants used short-term credit notes rather than haul around heavy coins.

When the Mongols basically took over the entire planet, they adopted this idea, much to the astonishment of their European visitors. Marco Polo writes of this in his diary with total incredulity:

"The Great Kaan causeth the bark of trees, made into something like paper, to pass for money all over his country. . . And nobody, however important he may think himself, dares to refuse them on pain of death."

But it wasn't until 1661 that the first modern paper money was born.

Johan Wittmacher was a Latvian merchant of Dutch descent who had a burning idea he wanted to try; he just needed a willing country.

Wittmacher moved to Sweden and tried several times to obtain a banking license. Finally, after promising a 50% profit share to King Charles X Gustav, his license for Stockholms Banco was approved in 1657.

On July 16, 1661, his bank became the first in history to issue paper banknotes—Kreditivsedlar.

These Kreditivsedlar solved a huge problem for Wittmacher. All the gold deposits he was holding on behalf of bank customers were primarily short-term. Customers would frequently withdraw coin, so he needed to keep inventory handy.

On the other hand, he wanted to increase profits by loaning out his customers' gold. Problem was, most of the loans were longer term.

Wittmacher's dilemma was satisfying his customers' short-term withdrawals while still making long-term loans. The solution was paper.

When a customer would make a withdrawal, Wittmacher gave them paper notes as claims on the gold he was holding.

The customer could use the notes to pay for goods and services, and Wittmacher got to keep the gold and make more loans.

In time, the notes became a popular medium of exchange, accepted everywhere just like gold. People would pass them around as money, only occasionally showing up to the bank to redeem them for gold.

Naturally it didn't take long for Wittmacher to start committing fraud. Before long he'd issued more notes than he had gold in his vault. And he was making more loans than the bank could afford.

After only seven years, the bank collapsed. But the idea of paper notes lived on to infect the evolution

of money ever since.

Our modern system entitles a central banking elite to conjure trillions of dollars, euros, yen, etc. out of thin air, creating massive financial distortions and enabling politicians to rack up epic debt levels.

Today's commercial banks take in customer deposits, maintain a laughably small portion in reserve, and use the rest of our money to make idiotic loans for their maximum benefit.

Their brokerage divisions front-run customers, trade against them, lend out customers' shares without their knowledge, and even 'borrow' money from customer accounts to cover their own trading losses.

When they fail, they're bailed out by taxpayers and do the same thing all over again.

In Wittmacher's time, this was fraud. Today it's not only legal, it's the industry standard.

No one is held accountable save some sacrificial lamb, and we're told that we should simply trust in the guarantee of a bankrupt, insolvent government.

So... happy birthday paper money. It's a heck of a system you've brought us.

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Negotiations on Hold With Iran, but We Give Them Basically... Everything, Including \$2.8 Billion

by Allen West,
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Sometime late Friday evening news broke that talks appeasement with Iran over their nuclear program broke down and will be extended out to November under the initial agreement made. In other words, Iran bought time and as we reported last week, time is not on our side when it comes to the Islamic totalitarian theocratic regime of the mad mullahs and ayatollahs. Iran is the world's number one state sponsor of Islamic terrorism — I'm quite sure you will find Iran's fingerprints all over Gaza and support for Hamas.

So to add insult to injury we have this report from Adam Kredo at the Washington Free Beacon saying, "The United States will give Iran access to another \$2.8 billion over the next several months and appears to have conceded to Iran's demand that it be permitted

to domestically enrich uranium, the key component in a nuclear weapon."

And in case you missed it, Obama decided to extend talks past the July 20 deadline. Don't expect anything to happen until after the November midterm elections. How convenient.

According to Kredo's report, "the United States already returned to Iran \$4.2 billion in unfrozen oil assets during the past six months of the interim nuclear deal." So in essence that which was best affecting Iran — hardline economic sanctions — is being relaxed while Iran proceeds with enriching uranium. Remember when Obama stated in his 2009 inaugural address, "we will extend a hand if you are willing to unclench your fist" — and even threw in a happy new year greeting in Farsi for a video to Iranians?

Kredo reports, "As part of the JPOA [Joint Plan of Ac-

tion] extension, Iran will be allowed access in tranches over the next four months to \$2.8 billion from its restricted overseas assets." Seems to me the only reason Iran is "unclenching its fist" is to collect the revenues flowing back to them. You see, in that part of the world, they only understand strength, power, and might — talking, negotiations and compromise are only seen as weakness.

The Obama administration missed a great opportunity in not supporting the Green Movement in Iran — the real reform movement in the Middle East replete with young Iranians who sought to overthrow the radical control of Islamists. Once again, I just have to ask, whose side is Obama on? Every day, the answer reveals itself.

I'd like to share with the Obama administration two seminal lessons I learned from my military combat experience:

1. *Why do you kick a man when he's down? Because he is close to your foot.*

2. *And from Marine 1SG (Ret) Jim Reifinger: "If you ever find yourself in a fair fight, it's because your tactics suck."*

We should not seek a fair fight with Iran, a nation that has been engaged in terrorist actions against America since the Beirut bombing. Just as Hamas must be destroyed, so should the current Iranian regime be decimated and replaced with a secular leadership in the mold of Kemal Ataturk to restore individual liberty and freedom, rather than expand Islamist subjugation.

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What Obama Doesn't Want You to Know About Immigrants from Honduras, El Salvador and Guatemala

by Dean Garrison

(Editor/GG: The author makes a good point below: the democrats are worried about gun control and they are letting in thousands of violent criminals (including many murderers) illegal aliens. Folks, when these thousands of new illegal alien gang members go to "work", there will be hell to pay.)

Earlier, I reported that an illegal immigrant from Honduras entered the country on June 26th and three weeks later had already been charged with 2nd degree murder. Pedro Alberto Monterroso-Navas entered the country with two children and was allowed to stay under Obama's "catch and release" amnesty policies.

Not many people read the article, likely because I was about 12 hours behind the bigger media sources which reported it and we get significantly less traffic to begin with. [Oh, the joys of being a small potatoes blogger!] However, there was some very important research in that article and I would like to share it again:

Honduras has the highest homicide rate in the world at 90.4 per 100,000 population according to a United Nations report. That rate is roughly 5 times higher than Chicago, which recorded an 18.5 per 100,000 homicide rate as recently as 2012. Coincidentally, El Salvador is ranked 4th and Guatemala is 5th on the list of countries with the most homicides per 100,000.

We are taking "refugees" from 3 of the top 5 murderous countries in the world and the hypocritical leftists dare to offer their wild theories of how gun control will reduce violence at home.

Think about the people we are letting into this country. They come from a culture of violence and they will ultimately bring more violence. We saw evidence of that with Monterroso-Navas, and he will not likely be an isolated case.

There has been a lot of talk about Mexican drug cartels and Islamic terrorists entering through our southern border, but that is not the entire scope of our worries. Chicago is in the news on a daily basis for violent gun murders and yet we are letting people into this country that come from a culture that is 500% more violent than Chicago.

Do you think they can flip a magical switch when they get here and change overnight? These people come from urban war zones. You can take the immigrant out of Honduras, but you can't take Honduras out of the immigrant.

Do you think this might have been planned? The government knows full well that we are letting in more than just children. The story of the children is meant to pull at America's heartstrings.

Is this part of the strategy that Obama is using to intentionally destroy America?

It is blatantly obvious that this was all intentional.

Here is the list of the most murderous countries in the world. The murder rates to the right are the number of homicides per 100,000 population. Only 41% of these murders are the result of gun violence which proves once again that bad people will always find ways to kill:

1. Honduras: 90.4 (per 100,000)
2. Venezuela: 53.7
3. Belize: 44.7
4. El Salvador: 41.2
5. Guatemala: 39.9
6. Jamaica: 39.3
7. Swaziland: 33.8
8. Saint Kitts and Nevis: 33.6
9. South Africa: 31.0
10. Colombia: 30.8

Notice that we are not currently in the top ten. But if Obama and his pals, who planned this immigration crisis, have their way, we will be climbing up the ranks in the very near future.

It is not only children coming to America and we certainly can not assume that it is only innocent ADULTS either.

America has a major problem.

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A Sheepdog Barks!

I want to review a few of our LPSD neighbors' comments about our rights to carry firearms in the last few weeks in that other paper.

CMT#1: "Unless you're a policeman there is no reason for anyone to carry firearms in public..." AMAZING! Don't know where she came up with that one. The right of self-defense says otherwise – I guess she is just ignorant of the law. WOOF!

CMT #2: "We don't live on the east side of Chicago." EXACTLY! Our open and concealed carry rights are exactly why Westcliffe isn't Chicago. WOOF!

CMT #3: "The rest of us peace-loving residents do not feel safe with your gun packing and ridiculous need to assert your second amendment rights." REALLY! I guess those of us that carry aren't peace-loving. She's kidding when she calls our need to assert our 2nd Amendment rights ridiculous right? The LPSDs started this "need" when they tried to ramrod 8 or 9 meaningless gun control laws down our throats. I'm going to give her the benefit of the doubt and figure she's just clueless. WOOF!

CMT #4: "We were disturbed by the overtly partisan political tone of the 4th of July parade...We absolutely believe in the right of all Americans to express their beliefs... but this was not the proper venue for this sort of display..." WOW! Where do I begin? You know what? Be disturbed if you want – you have every right to be so. Apparently, she doesn't believe in the right of all Americans to express their beliefs unless it's only in the privacy of their homes or in some other secluded place. And with respect to her views about the venue she needs to brush up on her history and the comments made by one of our greatest founding fathers – John Adams. He said Independence Day should forever more be celebrated with God and guns. WOOF!

CMT #5: "Freedom has never been won by rocks, knives, clubs, spears, bows

and arrows, hand guns, rifles, cannons, bombs or weapons of mass killing. Freedom has been won by people." GOOD GRIEF, Charlie Brown, what planet is this guy from? I suppose the "people" (aka we the people) who broke away from the British, defeated Germany twice and have ensured our 238 years of Freedom must have been carrying flowers and candy. Yes, that's it. Flowers and candy! WOOF!

CMT #6: "Seeing Americans parading with the tools of war reminds me of those power parades of NAZI Germany and North Korea. I long for the old days of bands, flags, and unarmed vets." Holy Cow! What America did this guy grow up in? Earlier he said the "tools of war" never won any freedom. Which way is it? Armed American soldiers have marched in 4th of July Parades since the beginning of our country. They've marched right here in Westcliffe. This LPSD must equate them to NAZIs. Here's the real fact. Because all American citizens can own and carry guns is the reason there hasn't ever been a demented dictator like Hitler or the latest Kim Jung "Whatever" marching around America oppressing us all. He says he longs for the old days. He must not have attended our great parade. We had a band, lots of flags, and even some unarmed vets. Like many other parades, past and present, around America there were also law-abiding citizens and patriots expressing their 2nd Amendment rights. WOOF!

CMT #7: "But most disappointing is seeing so many of our Custer County neighbors marching in support of gun violence." WHAT! Like most LPSDs this guy is insane. I spoke to almost everyone that marched with firearms the last 2 years (over 800 total) and not one of them was marching in support of gun violence. We actually marched for the very opposite. We marched in support of the rights of self-defense, family security, and to make sure Americans are not oppressed by any tyrannical government – foreign or domestic. LPSDs just



don't get it. When the LPSDs support gun control they are the ones really supporting gun violence. Because the only thing that can stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun. Sometimes that's a policeman, sometimes a soldier, and sometimes a law-abiding patriot and citizen. Enough said about this. You can read all these comments in more detail in the other local paper in this town. Not sure why you would want to but you have that right – know what I mean? WOOF!

I want to wrap up today with a few more WOOFs at our ridiculously incapable president. The world is in turmoil and America is in a complete state of brokenness because of his arrogant unwillingness to deal with Congress, even his own Democrats. And what is his main effort? Campaigning, vacationing, and fundraising. That's all he can do well. Is this worthless leader fooling you? Here is an example of one of his latest lies. Six months ago he said if we didn't have a nuclear stand-down deal with the Iranians by the deadline, "I will be the first to call for more sanctions." Well the deadline was last Sunday and there is no deal. Sanctions? None of those either! He extended the deadline four more months. Obama is all talk all the time. Meanwhile the Iranians are probably enriching plutonium or uranium as fast as they can. Worse than that, he calls on Israel to use restraint when he should be blasting and condemning Hamas daily. And his new White House spokesman, Josh Earnest, said Obama is creating "tranquility" in the world. Is anyone fooled? WOOF!

May God Have Mercy on America! JMH



*The Lord is gracious
and full of compassion,
Slow to anger and great in mercy.*

Psalm 145: 8, NKJV



Obama Makes Asylum the New Amnesty, Complete with Freebies/Giveaways

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Grants of asylum are up 10-fold during President Barack Obama's time in office, even before the latest flood of illegal immigrants. Fraud is involved in 70 percent of the instances, according to Rep. Bob Goodlatte, Virginia Republican and chairman of the House Committee of Judiciary.

In his typical ignore-the-law fashion, Obama is expanding the grounds for asylum beyond the statutory definition of a person who has fled his country "because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution on account of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion."

Obama's new definition is that if he deems your country unsafe, you can come to America and stay in America. And you can collect

valuable benefits that help transform the "land of the free" into the Land of the Freebies.

Obama's standards, all 30 million residents of Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador could be admitted to America because all are equally unsafe in their homeland, not just the young people who have fled recently. Even if we limited asylum to the youngest, more than half their populations are age 24 and younger.

Nevertheless, asylum has now been granted, it's reported, to two-thirds of applicants among the 57,000 (or more) "children" who have come across our southern border since October. Other applications are pending.

As Goodlatte said in a statement: "Where an asylum officer does not approve the application, it is then referred to an immigration

judge where the applicant can try again. If that fails, they can continue to appeal their case. Once individuals are granted asylum, they have access to all major federal welfare programs."

Final asylum decisions are up to immigration judges, but judges have a backlog of about 400,000 deportation cases so they won't make those decisions for years.

Meantime, the applicants can be set free without bond to stay in the U.S. and receive these benefits (according to the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services website):

- Immediate freedom to work
- Ability to obtain an unrestricted Social Security card
- Job search assistance
- Career counseling
- Occupational skills training

• **Derivative asylum status for spouse or children**

And possible help from the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) that includes: Financial assistance, Medical assistance, Employment preparation and job placement, and English language training.

In an interview on "The Ernest Istook Radio Show," Goodlatte said the increase in asylum is bigger than how Obama has abused immigration laws by using prosecutorial discretion and by releasing convicted aliens.

"The biggest problem that we're seeing is a dramatic increase in the people who have been taught ... to request political asylum," said. "An internal Department of Homeland Security report shows that at least 70 percent of asylum cases show provable or possible fraud."

Obama started the overall crisis by not enforcing immigration laws and could reverse the problem by cracking down on fraudulent asylum claims, Goodlatte said.

Goodlatte described a process whereby bureaucrats, rather than judges, are making the decisions on asylum applications: "Here's what happens: They're put through basically a two-step process. The first step is to go before a processor, and not the immigration judge, who makes a preliminary finding. In 90 percent-plus of those cases, they're saying they do have a basis for those asylum claim."

Goodlatte said that an asylum seeker can be released without bond pending a possible future appearance before a judge. Those **non-judge processors, he said, "are employees of the Department of Homeland Security and they could**

be instructed from above to crack down on fraudulent asylum claims."

Goodlatte agreed it would be useful to review what instructions, training materials, guidance documents and standards have been given to the asylum processors by the Obama administration.

If the notorious secrecy policies can be penetrated, it would be revealing to learn how the circumstances of these applicants are being justified as fitting into a law that requires them to prove "persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution on account of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion."

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SKEWED: Government Employment Up, Private Sector Jobs Down

by ColoradoPeakPolitics, ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: Note the numbers below folks, government jobs up 3,300 and private sector jobs DOWN 300. Remember EVERY government job added is a loss for the economy. These government jobs suck the money out of the productive private sector (via taxes) and wastes it on pure bureaucracy. The Dems strategy has always been clear, every public job and every welfare recipient is a dem vote for socialism and the end of a free America. It's your money, folks.)

There seemed to be much breathless excitement over the new employment numbers

today. Colorado gains 3,000 jobs screamed headlines. It's all well and good until one reads beyond the headline.

But, looking at the broader economic trend here makes this report a real bummer. As it turns out, those 3,000 jobs were all government hiring. From the Denver Business Journal report:

"But the Colorado job gain was driven by increased government hiring, with public sector payroll jobs increasing by a net 3,300 last month and private sector positions declining by 300, CDLE, monthly report said."

Let's be honest, a government job, for someone out of work, is

still a job. But, in terms of genuine economic growth, this ain't it. And here's more bad news, it's not just that the hiring that happened was all in the public sector, it's also that the labor force shrunk:

"And while the drop in the state's unemployment level brought that closely followed measurement to its lowest point since October 2008, the decline was partly driven by a 1,600 decrease in the state's labor force (defined as working people plus unemployed people actively seeking work)."

Colorado has one of the most highly-educated, innovative work forces in the entire country. There's no reason our economy

shouldn't be on fire.

House Minority Leader Brian DelGrosso weighed in how shameful for the Colorado economy to be in this shape at this point:

"Losing 300 private sector jobs and having 1,600 people leave the labor force shows our economy is still on shaky ground. I am encouraged to see more Coloradans going back to work, but increasing government jobs is not a long-term solution to improving Colorado's economy. We must create an environment that will foster sustained private sector job growth and the growth of our labor force if we want the economy Coloradans deserve."

Gov. John Hickenlooper thought it was a better use of his time this week to pretend to be a rock bluegrass star than focus on helping Colorado's private sector. Hick, no one blames you for wanting to do cool things, but being Colorado's Governor means you sometimes have to sacrifice hanging out with your friends (and having a beer, right?) to do the dirty work to make sure Colorado stays great.

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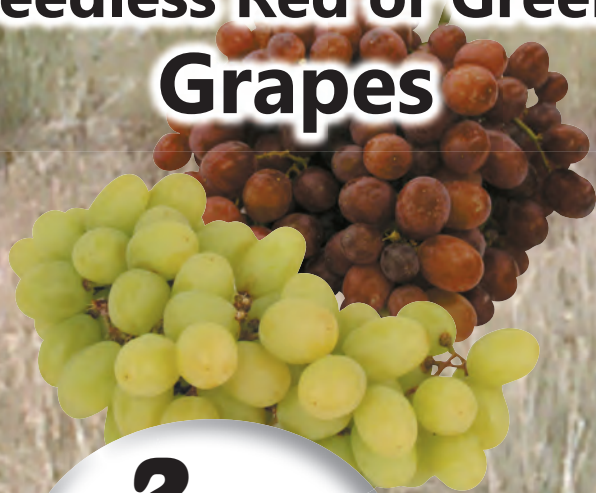
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