

Felony Pot Bust in Wetmore

Custer County Sheriff's Office Raids Large Indoor Pot Grow

by George Gramlich

The Custer County Sheriff's Office, in a September 21, 2015, press release, reported that a major indoor, illegal marijuana grow operation was raided in Wetmore on September 16th. Undersheriff Chris Barr told the *Sentinel* that one of the arrestees, Kevin Clark, was charged under Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS) 18-18-406 (3) (a) which is a Class 3 felony. The statute reads:

(3) (a) It is unlawful for a person to knowingly cultivate, grow, or produce a marijuana plant or knowingly allow a marijuana plant to be cultivated, grown, or produced on land that the person owns, occupies, or controls. A person who violates the provisions of this subsection (3) commits:

(1) A level 3 drug felony if the offense involves more than thirty plants;

Below is the Sheriff's Office

press release:

On September 16, 2015, a search warrant was executed by the Custer County Sheriff's Office at 20834 Highway 96, west of Wetmore, for an indoor marijuana grow operation. Information had been received several weeks prior to the search warrant being executed that a grow operation was at this residence. Deputies had previously spoken to the renters and they admitted to growing marijuana. The residence had been rented by Vicki Clark and her son Kevin Clark.

Upon investigation into this matter, a search warrant was issued and the property was searched for the marijuana grow. During the search there were two rooms used to grow marijuana and there were a total of 63 plants being grown. Both people



Kevin Clark was charged with unlawful cultivation of marijuana. His mother, Vicki Clark was charged as an accessory.



Courtesy photos by Custer County Sheriff's Office

who live at the residence were arrested on warrants. Kevin Clark was arrested on a charge of unlawful cultivation of marijuana which is a Class 3 felony, and Vicki Clark was arrested for being an accessory.

Both were booked into Custer County Jail and both bonded out of jail.

Good work, Custer County Sheriff's Office!

Fremont Air Show Another Success

by John Emmerling

You think an air show consists of just pilots and aircraft performing maneuvers at their limits. This air show was a lot more than that. It starts quietly at a 7 a.m. pancake breakfast for pilots flying in from other areas. Then walking around to see the static displays or take a helicopter ride or airplane ride around the airport area. There was a live auction, a review of classic cars on display, and a wide range of airplanes and helicopters to view and climb through. Three Army helicopters received a lot of attention. The CH-47 Chinook, UH-60 Blackhawk, and the AH-64 Apache were from the 4th Combat Aviation Brigade, the "Iron Eagles" from Fort Carson. All of this could be seen through the morning while airplanes and helicopters were continually taking off and flying over Main Street, Florence, and returning to land. The engine noise from aircraft and helicopters was continuous.

The aerobatics started at noon with the Rocky Mountain Renagades. The Renagades are pilots with commercial and military backgrounds

that fly experimental aircraft that most of the pilots have built for themselves. This was their chance to strut their stuff and demonstrate precision flying. They were fantastic. This was followed by Don Nelson flying his 400 HP powered Sukhoi 26. His high-powered aerial maneuvers are highly regarded across the country and his demonstration lived up to his reputation.

Next, Lanier Henry rolled out his 1955 Chevy with a 522 cubic-inch supercharged dragster on to the runway to challenge Don Nelson in his performance airplane to a drag race for a quarter mile right down the runway. After the noise and smoke, the winner was not clearly established and was disputed.

A single Air Force T33 Thunderbird jet performed impressive maneuvers that only a jet can do. This vintage aircraft pulling its trail of smoke showed that it still had its ability to WOW the crowd.

The Wings of the Rockies Air & Space Museum was there from Denver. They brought a 1942 Stearman, a cloth and wood biplane, and a brand new Cirrus SR 22, fiber-

glass aircraft. They were here to conduct flights for area STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) teachers of grades K – 12. These Teacher Flights are normally conducted at Centennial Airport. Today, the museum arranged for special flights for teachers from Florence, Cañon City and Cotopaxi school districts. The Museum's support here at Fremont County Airport was greatly appreciated.

The Civil Air Patrol was flying two Cessna aircraft which were also



Crowds were treated to aerial demonstrations with a T-28 (above) and a Sukhoi SU-26 (left) and many more. What a great show!

Courtesy photos by John Penezic

on display. The younger member CAP volunteers were responsible for directing all the car traffic. Many thanks for the good work.

All the workers and volunteers that made this great air show possible deserve a huge "Thank You".

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And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:30, NKJV



We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not granted to us by politicians or governments. Freedom demands responsible behavior of all citizens and must be consistent with the truths expressed in the great moral and governing guides as The Ten Commandments, The Declaration of Independence, The U.S. Constitution, and The Bill of Rights.

These were the principles that guided our founding fathers and which we believe are still relevant. These are the principles that will guide our reporting and be the basis of all our views.

We will not be constrained by the illogical, misleading and inaccurate thinking and use of "political correctness" but by truth, facts, logic and common sense.

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Our Opinion...

From the Editorial Board

RIGHT, WRONG & PROFITS



Just this week in Colorado a man got high on pot, started hallucinating, and then killed his wife. It was legal to get high. Children have ingested marijuana edibles. The edibles were legal. Drivers have been arrested for driving while impaired because they smoked pot. The pot smoking was legal. These things all have something in common: Legal Marijuana. Legal is not the issue, however. The issue is the many negative consequences and whether or not

wrong. Profit should not be the reason that our safety is jeopardized. We read a local editorial recently which opined that the leaders in Silver Cliff are justified in seeking more revenue because it's legal. Legal, yes. Right, no. The opinion "reminded" the county residents that money management is a good and proper thing. So is protecting our youth and our community. The safety of our community, our residents, and our children is paramount to any legal revenue. The

local drug enforcement efforts to enhance combating the drug trafficking problem locally, regionally, and nationally. This mission is accomplished through joint multi-agency collocated drug task forces sharing information and working cooperatively with other drug enforcement initiatives including interdiction. The purpose of their collecting and reporting is so that the citizens can make informed decisions on this important issue. Excerpts are printed below:

On Driving:

77% of total Driving
Under the Influence
involved Marijuana

1% of total Driving
Under the Influence involved Marijuana only

On Youth (ages 12-17 yrs old) Past month use (2015):

National average
7.15%

Colorado average
11.16%

Colorado ranked 3d
highest in the nation

School Suspensions (2013-2014):

For alcohol 0.9%

For drugs 6.4%

School Expulsions (2013-2014):

For alcohol 2.7%

For drugs 41.9%

Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center (RMP-DC):

In 2014 when marijuana retail businesses began operating, marijuana related calls went up over 70% from 2013

Youth (ages 0-5 yrs old) RMPDC exposures:

2013 – 24 exposures

2014 – 38 exposures

National Average
(2013-14) 5.95%

Colorado Average
(2013-14) 17.71%

Number of edible exposures:

2013 – 19 exposures

2014 – 95 exposures

And finally, the number of Extraction Lab Explosions after marijuana became legal went up 167% to a total of 32 (many with injuries).

Yes, these things were happening when marijuana was not legal. However, it is easy to note the spikes after legal marijuana retail operations got in full swing in 2014. We don't need to enhance Custer County's statistics in these areas. It is clearly bad. Why should we deal with these issues and increased dangers? For the money? That's what some in the area support. We believe the majority do not. Local medical, retail, and marijuana grow operations in the town of Silver Cliff will bring these types of increases right into our front and back yards. Help stop this questionable and dangerous profiteering. We encourage you to attend the Silver Cliff Trustees public meeting on Monday, September 28th at 5:00 p.m. Let them know how you feel. United, the community can stop this.

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Was Katrina Really Unprecedented?

by Joe Cascarelli,
Westcliffe, CO

The president with the help of the pope is still pitching his "global warming" position. The tenth anniversary of Hurricane Katrina provides an opportunity to remind the public that more numerous and more powerful hurricanes are not surrogates for warming. Let's reexamine Katrina with science and history in mind. Katrina wasn't the worst hurricane to hit North America. The worst was the one that destroyed the city of Galveston on September 8, 1900. Galveston, a city of 30,000, lost between 6,000 and 8,000 citizens. If you add to that number those who died on the Texas main-

land across Galveston Bay, you can add another 4,000 dead. The storm surge was 20 feet high.

The coast of Louisiana has been hit by over 60 hurricanes since the city of New Orleans was founded in 1715. About 30 of these were major, category 3 or higher, hurricanes. The city received a glancing blow from a real category 5 hurricane, Camille, back in 1969.

With all the media coverage of the 2005 hurricane season, I'll bet no one checked to see if there was a worse year for the gulf coast. Actually, many would be surprised to find out that in 1860, New Orleans was hit by 3 hurricanes in 7

weeks, August 11th, September 14th and October 2nd. Imagine that? Maybe something other than "global warming" could be responsible. Hey, here is something which may interest the "global warming" crowd. During the 1969 season, we had 18 named tropical cyclones. Hard to believe isn't it?

On June 27, 1957, Hurricane Audrey slammed into the New Orleans coast. There were 518 deaths and the winds and the 20-foot storm surge totally destroyed 1900 buildings with another 19,000 severely damaged. Without 24/7 cable news coverage, how can anyone expect Americans to know about

it? Back then, hurricanes were considered "acts of God."

It was inevitable that the media would celebrate Katrina on TV for the ten year anniversary. Katrina caused over 1,800 deaths, a tragedy for sure, but I'll bet you didn't know that back in 1893 on October 1st, the Grand Isle (40 miles south of New Orleans) Hurricane killed between 1,800 and 2,000 mostly vacationers. This category 4 storm with a 22-foot storm surge must have been a 'beaut'.

Many of us remember the devastation in Dade County Florida, Homestead to be specific, by Hurricane Andrew. But, Andrew crossed the gulf and managed to

do \$5 billion in damage in Louisiana, too.

Then there was all that racial business with Katrina. I've experienced a lot of hurricanes in my life, but I never knew that they could target only minorities. Back in 1928, the Okeechobee (Florida) Hurricane, another category 5, killed over 4,000. About 2,500 of these were black migrant workers who died when the levies on Lake Okeechobee failed and the living quarters built in the low lying grounds flooded.

New Orleans had some other bad ones in its history. In 1909, a no-name hurricane killed 350. On September 29, 1915, another 275 were killed. Flossy 1956

and Betsey 1965 wouldn't have made cable news today costing only 24 and 61 lives, respectively. Over the past 200 years Lakes Borgne and Pontchartrain were inundated at least 16 times.

I wonder what corrupt politicians could be blamed for building all those New Orleans' neighborhoods eight feet below sea level with full knowledge of the hurricane history of the area. Maybe the current administration could conduct some simple research to uncover the relationship between a warmer climate and hurricanes. They could start by acknowledging that the U.S. mainland has not been hit by a major hurricane in the past ten years.

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Stand Up for Life

Last night I went to a fund-raising dinner for the Lighthouse Pregnancy Center at the Lutheran banquet hall. There were about a hundred people there to not only add their voice but their funds to help those who cannot speak for themselves. Those are the part of our population who shall never be seen, heard, or experience life due to someone else's decision to prematurely end that life. The dinner was prepared by several local women, served by many caring teens from Custer County schools. As I've seen at other pregnancy centers, we heard the story of a young lady who gave birth instead of choosing abortion for her beautiful little girl. The board of directors for the Lighthouse were all there, several serving tables. Hal Crossley, who has several ministries in other countries,

invited and introduced the guest speaker Christy Rodriguez, executive director of Colorado Campaign for Life. She told of her upcoming book, her past, and the work she is doing in the wonderful world of Colorado politics. What amazed me most is when she related how many who "claim" to be pro-life and many Christians are vehemently opposed to legislation she and others try to get passed in our legislative houses. Those who stand for life are "beat up", to use her words, by their own side. She made a impassioned plea for us to get involved with calls, letters, emails, and for local monetary support. The center helps many families in the Wet Mountain valley. So my request to the community is to contact Christy's office or go on the web page to lend your voice, your hand,

your support to change what Planned Parenthood has been doing to our nation for many years. PP gets funding from the Federal government which is YOUR TAX DOLLARS, yet the Lighthouse and other pregnancy centers in the U.S. get nothing. PP makes money based on how many abortions they perform each year, and how many baby body parts they sell. The statistics show if a woman sees the ultrasound of her child she is more likely to choose life over death. Let's not idly stand by, agreeing with this atrocity. Contact info on Campaign for Life: coloradocampaignforlife.org, Ccflife1@gmail.com, and Christy Rodriguez, Exec. Dir., (970) 515-5222.

*Thank you,
Bill Bailey,
Westcliffe*

The Definition of "Turn-Around"

Sir:

I cannot be held responsible for your writers not knowing the Colorado definition of a turnaround school. If George and Joe want to redefine it, then make sure you let your readers know it is their arbitrary definition, and not the state definition. The Superintendent presented a plan based upon a boilerplate from his previous schools that were turnaround schools. We are

not, regardless of what your writers claim, a turnaround school. In fact, we are putting goals into place to try and reach the highest level of distinction. Do your readers a service and make sure they understand that your standards are arbitrary and not used by the State of Colorado.

*Monty Lee
rural Westcliffe*

Editor's Note on "Turnaround"

Editor/GG: Point taken. However, one can dwell on the Colorado Department of Education's (perhaps self-serving) definition of a "turn-around" school or one can look at the FACTS: all the school academic tests scores for CCCS that we have examined here at the Sentinel in the last two years show consistent, below state average scores which by any citizen's definition is a failed school academically. Calling this performance a "turn-around"

school is being polite. You can dwell in the realm of bureaucratic definitions that obscure failure, or you can dwell in the real world where one recognizes reality. Like what was said in the last article on the absolutely horrible 2015 ACT results (where ALL the scores were failing), the first thing they tell the addicts in the Alcohol Anonymous program is that you have to admit that you have a problem....

The Silver Cliff Charade

I have to express my disbelief at the charade that unfolded at the Silver Cliff "pot meeting" the other night. It felt like I was watching some un-reality TV show.

We had a room full of people with 95% of them palpably angry at the total absurdity of the discussion. Up front, we had a few individuals holding court over this masquerade with their handpicked "facts" and opinion thinly disguised as fact.

In the face of many lifelong professionals who deal with the fact of lives destroyed by drugs, with marijuana as the gateway drug, Silver Cliff's fearless leader made two illogical statements.

Mr. Lowe said, "Silver Cliff will do what's best for Silver Cliff," no matter if it is proven to be destructive for our youth, and "no matter if 90% of the county are opposed to it." What??

Hilliary said, "It takes a village to raise a child" but Lowe doesn't appear to believe the "village" should try to provide a safe and nurturing environment for that child.

Then Lowe said, "This is not about the money." When asked to tell us what it IS about, he started referring to Silver Cliff's poor economic condition. !??? Contrary to Sheriff Byerly's assessment that legalizing pot here will incur an increase of about \$72,000 in security expense, Lowe's "facts" claim that Silver Cliff plans to take in approximately \$30,000 per year in revenue and will then hire their own marshal at no cost to the county.!!

This line of reasoning has no place on a town board. What kind of alternate universe do they dwell in?

*Jeanene Comerford
Rural Custer County*

Marijuana to Blame for Increased Drug Use in 2009, Government Report Says

The Chairman of the Silver Cliff Marijuana Committee indicated he would only recognize Facts verifiable on the internet and no opinions would be accepted. Well, it didn't take much research on my part to find dozens of sources, the above headline was just the first to pop up when I typed in "Marijuana the Entry Level Drug".

If the town board had done proper research into the issue, they could have found numerous reasons not to allow growth and or sale of this noxious product in our little town.

Can't we be adults and work toward protecting our youth? It is pretty obvious to me the Voters and Residents of Silver Cliff do not want the Growth, Sale and use of this dangerous

Drug in our Town. Also for the chair to say he doesn't care what the County wants. Isn't this a fine way for an elected official to look at his office?

I have personally served on the Silver Cliff Town Board and also on the Westcliffe Town Board. I served as County Commissioner of Kit Carson County and I have very strong feelings of the duties of Elected Officials. I feel fortunate my children were raised here before we became the Drug Capitol of Colorado.

With the above in mind, I believe it is time for a Recall of these irresponsible Board Members.

*Donald V. Bishop
Resident of Silver Cliff and Custer County*



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New Report Shows Marijuana Commercialization Causing Major Problems

by Fred Hernandez

On September 15th the Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (RMHIDTA) released an updated report which is both alarming and disconcerting. The report is titled "The Legalization of Marijuana in Colorado. The Impact Volume 3". The new report shows significant increases in marijuana-related traffic fatalities, child poisonings, hospitalizations, emergency room visits, and other data detailing outcomes of Colorado's marijuana commercialization. This study was released by a group called Colorado SAM. SAM is the acronym for Smart Approaches to Marijuana. This organization is composed of professionals working in mental health and public health. A bipartisan group, SAM has medical doctors, lawmakers, treatment providers, teachers, law enforcement officers, and others who, with common sense and a third way approach to marijuana, based on reputable science and sound principles see as their goal the good health of the public and its safety.

SAM's mission is to educate citizens on the science of marijuana

and to promote health first, and smart policies and attitudes that decrease the use of marijuana and its consequences. Paraphrasing from their website, (to which we highly recommend a visit at www.coloradosam.org) SAM believes: 1) in an approach that neither legalizes or demonizes marijuana, 2) reject dichotomies-such as "incarceration versus legalization" that offer simplistic solutions to the highly complex problems stemming from marijuana use and the policies surrounding it. 3) champion smart policies that decrease marijuana use and do not harm marijuana users and low level dealers with arrest records that stigmatize them for life and in ways that make it even harder for them to break free from cycles of substance dependence.

The highlights from the 2014 period when retail marijuana businesses began operating in Colorado include:

- * 32% increase in marijuana related traffic deaths in just one year from 2013;
- * Colorado youth usage (ages 12 - 17) ranks 56% higher than the national average;

* 29% increase in the number of marijuana related emergency room visits;

* 38% increase in the number of marijuana related hospitalizations;

* seizures of illegal Colorado marijuana increased another 34%.

"It is time to change direction in Colorado and put the interests of the public health and safety ahead of the interests of the marijuana industry" said Bob Doyle, chair of Colorado SAM. Jo McGuire, co-chair of Colorado SAM added,

"We will be engaging and educating Colorado community members and leaders about problems surrounding the negative impact of marijuana and the marijuana industry. As a result of our outreach, we are confident more and more voters will no longer wish to be the lab rat for Big Marijuana."

(Reporter FH: It may be a good idea for someone from the marijuana "study committee" of Silver Cliff to contact Colorado SAM and take the opportunity of engaging them in a good discussion.)



Old 'Westcliff' School House Book Fair

by Carol Clemenson

The annual Old "Westcliff" School House Book Fair was again a great success with a great crowd and a huge selection of books to purchase. It appeared that with the large number of books available for sale and the number of attendees that it was the most successful fair ever.

The Book Fair, held at the Old "Westcliff" Schoolhouse, was a great success. The books that went like hotcakes.

It was scheduled just be for two days, Saturday and Sunday, but there was a mix up and folks were lined up on Friday before 9:00 a.m. The way things were

set up was wonderful. They had a lot of history books, novels by great authors, wildlife, and nature. Many books sold out the first day.

The Valley Parks and Recreation and Youth Club would like to give a big THANK YOU to all the folks that donated and purchased books. It really helps to raise money to maintain the historical building, but more importantly to give folks a chance to get good books at a reasonable price. The highest price was only \$3 for a rancher's book.

THANK YOU to all that participated in this year's book fair. It was a great success.

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In Conversation with Silver Cliff Residents and Their Personal Views of the Recent Public Forum

Silver Cliff Residents on the Pot “Fact-Finding” Meeting

by Fred Hernandez

The *Sentinel* followed up with residents of Silver Cliff to document some of the feelings of the community regarding the legalization of the marijuana “fact finding” public forum on September 10th. Two couples in particular, who attended that meeting, shared their thoughts.

Pastor Richard von Steinman of the Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church and his wife Monica are on their fourth year as residents of Silver Cliff after their last assignment in New Mexico. Pastor Richard has been a member of the clergy for fifteen years and comes from a long line of Tennesseans which included the famed frontiersman, Davy Crockett.

During the meeting of September 10th the pastor brought up the fact that Colorado state projections for the income streams from marijuana sales would be around the one hundred million dollar

mark. In actual fact, the income was about half of that amount at fifty three million dollars. The reason for this drop in projected sales is because medical marijuana is taxed at 2.9% and recreational marijuana is taxed at up to 28%. Medical users did not make the transition to the recreational products as originally expected by planners and, what is more, illegal marijuana is substantially cheaper than the legal stuff and easily obtained. Another problem with projecting sales and revenues from marijuana is that fifty to eighty percent goes out the “back door” making it almost impossible to get an actual count of production.

Pastor’s unofficial view of the meeting is that it was chaotic but in a way fun. On a more serious note, he thinks there was a lot of hot air and very little fact. Even then he is being generous when using the word little. He goes on to explain that one can do any-

thing with raw data and that is, in his opinion, what was done. In closing, the impression is that there has been a loss of perspective due to deeply held personal agendas and not enough interest in the community as a whole.

The Hudsons, Ken and Frances, longtime residents of Silver Cliff, had a similar take on the meeting of September 10th. Mrs. Hudson worked for thirty or more years as a registered nurse with a BSN. She was mostly assigned to either the ICU (Intensive Care Unit) or the ER (Emergency Room). She worked in urban hospitals in both New York and New Jersey and had many occasions to see the ravages on all types of drugs on people of all ages. What disturbed both Ken and Frances most is that they saw little point in the meeting if the trustee-appointed study group was not interested in people’s opinions. They were disturbed because the study group wanted to hear “only

the facts” and yet not because it is written or documented somewhere makes it a fact as anything can be spun or twisted to form another meaning.

Mrs. Hudson, based on her years in the health care profession, is certain that marijuana is a gateway drug. While not every single case has the same outcome, in her experience the use of marijuana leads to other substances like cocaine, heroin, or even PCP (hallucinogenic). She cited an experience with a fourteen-year-old boy who, under the influence of marijuana, jumped into the fire while attending a bonfire in the woods with some friends. He was in the intensive care unit for over three months but when he got out, he came back to thank her for her good care. In those days, some of these hospitals did not have burn care units and work on this type of injury was tedious and difficult.

They did appreciate the work done by some members of the committee who seemed to take their assigned tasks seriously and did a reasonably good job of coming up with objective information. To those members of the committee, they offer their gratitude for their work. In closing, both Mr. and Mrs. Hudson shared their hope that the people can look far enough ahead to see the consequences of any rash or selfish decision by the board of trustees. They should seriously consider the long-term effects to the children mostly who do not have full brain development until age twenty five and thus are unable to discern the consequences of their actions. Consider too the long term effects on the towns merchants, the tourists, and the families that come to this area because it is peaceful and safe. Seriously consider all these, before bringing in cannabis in any of its forms to the town limits of Silver Cliff.



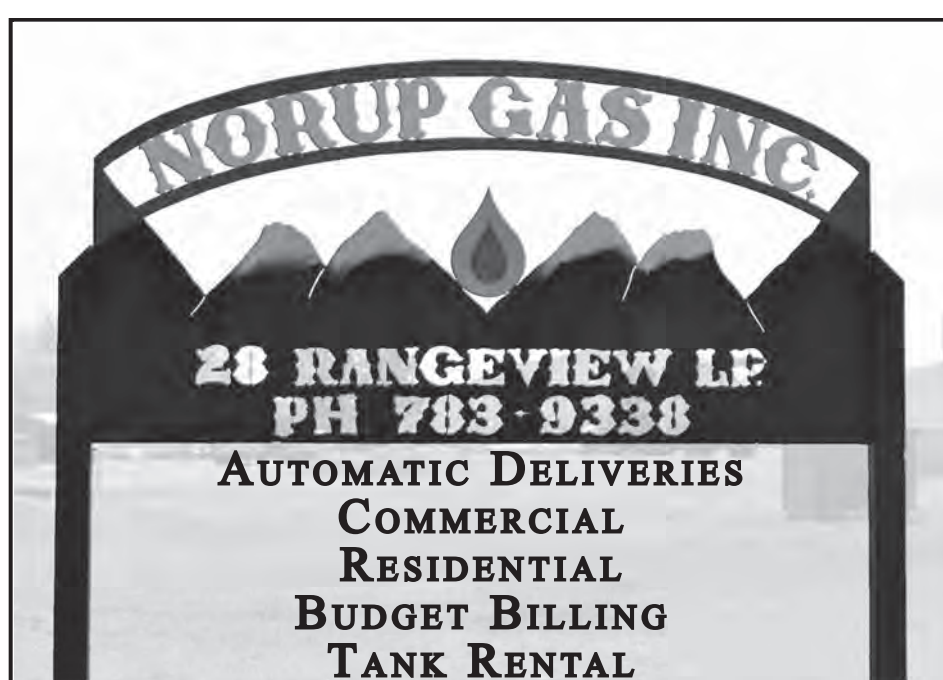
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The Life of James W. Piske

James William Piske was born on a small farm in Wakeeney, Kansas, on Christmas Day in 1926. His father, Walter Ferdinand Piske, foresaw dustbowl conditions and moved his wife Bessie and four children: Marjorie, Richard, Glenn, and three-year-old Jimmy to a subsistence farm in the Ozarks near Eagle Rock, Missouri, where they weathered the Depression together.

When the economy improved after the Depression, the Piske family moved to Pontiac, Michigan, where all of them found work in car manufacturing plants.

When Jim was in his early twenties, the family moved to Oregon, where Jim became a student at the University of Oregon, earning his bachelor's degree in pre-med and completing a year of medical school. It was at the U of O that Jim met and married Esther Jean Trippett on June 20, 1954. Shortly after their marriage, Jim dropped out of medical school due to illness and

launched his career as a U.S. Postal Service employee and as a father. Later, in his 50's, Jim returned to the medical field, earning his Licensed Practical Nursing degree and working as an L.P.N. until retirement.

Jim had a deep faith in Christ and a passion for missions. Together with his wife Esther, he lived frugally and gave generously to those on the mission field. Jim and Esther also hosted, boarded, and mentored many foreign students, singles, and families. As a retiree, Jim created "Stamps for IFES", a business involved with gathering, processing, and selling used postage stamps, with the proceeds going to provide Christian education and fellowship for college students overseas.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, all four of his siblings, a son, George Katsuka, in 1994, and by his beloved wife of 60 years, Esther, in March of this year. After her passing, Jim came to Colorado to live with the Andrew Zeller family of



rural Colorado. He passed away quietly in their home on August 31, 2015. He is survived by two sons, David Miller-Piske of Seattle, WA, Daniel Piske of Bend, OR, and two daughters, Beth Ann Zeller of Westcliffe, CO, and Judith Morley of Keizer, OR, along with their spouses. Also surviving are twenty-one grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

For his love of differing cultures, humor, music, people in general, and his family and the Lord in particular, Jim Piske will be lovingly remembered by all who knew him.

Obituary Stanley Lee Francis

Stanley Lee Francis was born May 16, 1931, in Kansas City, MO, to Lester and Barbara Francis. He is preceded in death by his father, mother, and brother George H. Francis. He peacefully left this world on September 3, 2015, surrounded by family and his beloved wife of 62 years, Irene.

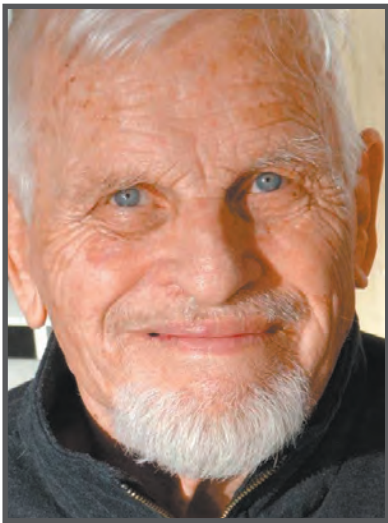
Stan graduated from Grant High School in Fox Lake, IL, in 1949. He attended IIT in Chicago, IL, for his first year of college, then transferred to Tulane University, joined the ROTC, and graduated in 1953 with a BBA and the commission of 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. After serving for two years on active duty during the Korean War, he remained in the reserves for an additional six years and achieved the rank of Captain by the time of his discharge. He graduated from Kellogg Business School of Northwestern University with an MBA in 1963.

He married Irene Marie Wolf, on June 20, 1953.

Together they have five children: Daniel Francis, Dale Francis, David Francis, Diane Francis Munroe, and Dawn Lommen Francis. They have seventeen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Stan and Irene Francis were residents of the Wet Mountain Valley in Southeastern Colorado from 1975 to 2011. They established Holy Hill Campground, a Christian camp, outfitting youth and leading backpacking into the Rocky Mountains.

Stan and Irene were active in their communities and church families wherever they were planted. They were proud and active members in various non-profit organizations such as Valley Park Recreation and Youth Center, All Aboard Westcliffe,



Frontier Pathways, Custer County Genealogical & Historical Society, and Custer County 2020.

Over the years they had many church families: Mundelein Church of the Nazarene in Mundelein, IL; Eastborough Church of the Nazarene in Colorado Springs; Valley Bible Fellowship in Westcliffe, CO; Hope Lutheran Church of Westcliffe, CO; Autumn Ridge Church in Rochester, MN; and finally Isle of Faith United Methodist Church in Jacksonville.

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Custer County Consolidated School Celebrates Constitution Day



Last week the Custer County School District celebrated National Constitution Day with a variety of classes/programs which included learning about the background behind the making of the Constitution, interesting and unusual facts about it, the Bill of Rights, and the people who wrote it. The community thanks the school for their effort in educating our kids about the history and founding of our great republic.

Courtesy photos by CCCS



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Meet the School Board Candidate Forum

Tuesday, October 6th
from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Custer County Schools

Students from the high school government and civics classes will be submitting questions, which then will be selected for the evening's candidate discussion. Brian Clince, director District #1 candidate, and Monty Lee, director District #3 candidate, are running unopposed but will be available to answer questions at the forum. Director District #2, vacated by outgoing president Brenda Gaide, has two candidates running for the seat - Jake Shy and Cyn Williams.

The public is invited to the event which is free to all attendees.

Two Victories for the Lady Bobcats

by Coach Greg Cravens

The Bobcat volleyball team took on two West Central League teams this weekend and came away with two victories.

On Thursday, the Bobcats beat the Coto-paxi Pirates in straight sets, 25-14, 25-10, and 25-23. The Bobcats were led by Sarah Gerringer with 5 Kills. Serenity Ham had 18 assists and Tish Schlabach had 6 Aces. Schlabach also had 8 digs.

The Cripple Creek Victor Pioneers were in town on Saturday. The hometown volleyball team wins another match in straight

sets, 25-10, 25-12, and 25-13. Emily Crossley led the team offensively with 6 kills. Ham ended the evening with 18 assists. McKensie Penkoff was on fire from the serve line with 4 aces. Schlabach had 19 digs to lead the team.

This week is a very busy week for the volleyball team. The Bobcats went to Sanford on Tuesday to take on the league leaders. The weekend will be spent in northeastern Colorado for the Akron Tournament. The Bobcats will be facing some of the top 2A and 1A teams in the state.



Middle School Adventure Day

On Monday, September 21st the middle school students went to Camp Jackson, the YMCA camp, in Rye. Approximately 75-80 students enjoyed the fun-filled day at the camp. They participated in team-building activities with a low ropes course. They learned how to work together and how to be leaders and followers. A good time was had by all.

Courtesy photo



Bobcat Menu • Sept. 28 - Oct. 1, 2015

Monday Breakfast
Pancakes
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Ground Beef & Mac
W.G. Roll
Choice of Veg. & Fruit
Milk

Tuesday Breakfast
Scrambled Eggs
W.W. Toast
Fruit, Milk
lunch
Nachos
Choice of Veg
Choice of Fruit
Milk

Wednesday Breakfast
Blueberry or Banana Muffin Loaf
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Cheese Pizza
Choice of Veg.
Choice of Fruit
Milk

Thursday Breakfast
Sausage Gravy
W.G. Biscuit
Fruit, Milk
lunch
Chicken Fajita, Rice
Choice of Veg.
Choice of Fruit
Milk

Elementary: Main Dish, Bread, Milk, and Choice of 1 Veg. & 1 Fruit
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Middle & High: Salad Bar - Thursday, Oct. 1st: No K-5th

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History of Printing in America

The first printing press came to what was then known as British America in 1638, two years after Harvard College was founded. A pastor, Reverend Joseph Glover, deprived for some unknown reason of his position in the Church of England, decided to leave the country and shipped his family and all his possessions, which included a printing press, to the Colonies. He also brought along the man who ran his press, Mr. Stephen Daye, a locksmith by profession. Mr. Daye had an agreement with the Reverend to pay back the cost of the voyage in the amount of fifty one British Pounds for himself, his wife, and his household. Unfortunately, Reverend Glover did not survive the voyage, passing away en route. The debt of Mr. Daye then passed on to Mrs. Elizabeth Glover.

Upon arrival in Cambridge, Massachusetts Bay Colony, Mr. Daye and his son Matthew went immediately to work setting up the press and commencing their printing operations. After printing an almanac and other materials mostly religious to provide spiritual edification to the colonists, they printed the first book in British North America, "The Bay Psalm Book" in 1640. Three years later the first Bible published in the New World was published in Cambridge, Massachusetts. In the meantime, Mrs. Glover a widow of certain means was a most eligible potential mate. She met Mr. Henry Dunster who was the President of Harvard College at that time. Before too long they married in 1641 and she moved her property, including the printing press, to the home of Mr. Dunster on Dunster Street. Two years later Mrs. Dunster died and all her property including land and the printing press passed on to Mr. Dunster and later to Harvard College.

There was a high demand for printing services in the Colonies. In fact, as early as 1690 a paper mill was established in Germantown illustrating the high demand for printed material. William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania, brought a master printer to Philadelphia, Mr. William Bradford, who printed mostly religious material. By 1725, Mr. Bradford left the area and moved to New York where he established the *New York Gazette*, the first newspaper in that city and the first in New England. It was a most important development as it was the only means of spreading news between the Thirteen Colonies. In fact, it was used extensively by both the colonists and the British rulers to spread propaganda. The newspaper announced the Declaration of Independence as well as the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. It formed the forum for political discussion in this our democratic country, a most important tool for the propagation of free speech.

by Fred Hernandez

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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES



PUBLIC NOTICE COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-15

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On July 7, 2015, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Custer records.

Original Grantor(s): Dan Gomez and Corey A Nicklos
Original Beneficiary(ies):
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
("MERS"), which is acting solely as nominee for Bank of America, N. A.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt:
Bank of America N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust: June 10, 2009
County of Recording: Custer
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: June 24, 2009
Recording Information (Reception No. and /or Book/
Page No.): 212791 Book: 632 Page: 232
Original Principal Amount: \$248,592.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$228,209.59

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE, IN THE COUNTY OF CUSTER AND STATE OF COLORADO AND BEING DESCRIBED IN A DEED DATED 05/14/2008 AND RECORDED 05/30/2008 IN BOOK 00210379, PAGE AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY AND STATE SET FORTH ABOVE AND REFERENCED AS FOLLOWS:

THE REAL PROPERTY, TOGETHER WITH ANY IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF CUSTER AND STATE OF COLORADO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOTS 78 AND 79, ACCORDING TO THE CORRECTION PLAT OF ROSITA HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. 2, COUNTY OF CUSTER. STATE OF COLORADO

Also known by street and number as: 5581 County Road 328, Westcliffe, CO 81252.

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

NOTICE OF SALE

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

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 11/18/2015, at the office of the Custer County Public Trustee, 205 South 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication 9/11/2015

Last Publication 10/9/2015

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Westcliffe, Colorado

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

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

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DATE: 07/07/2015
Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado
By: Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP C/O Holly Shilliday, 7700 E. Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122
Attorney File # CO-15-674498-JS
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF REAL ES- TATE AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF AP- PLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREA- SURER'S DEED 2012263

To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having an Interest or Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to

VICTORIA D ZAPATA
CUERNO VERDE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 16th day of November A.D. 2012, the then County Treasurer of the County of Custer, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to The Control Group Inc & Allen Murphy, the following described real estate situate in the County of Custer, State of Colorado, to-wit:

LOT 19, BLOCK 17, FILING 3 CUERNO VERDE PINES SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF

and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to The Control Group Inc & Allen Murphy;

That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent taxes assessed against said real estate for the year 2011;

That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name of Victoria D Zapata for said year 2011;

That said The Control Group Inc & Allen Murphy, on the 24th day of August, 2015, the present holder of said certificate, (who) has made a request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said real estate;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said real estate to the said The Control Group Inc & Allen Murphy at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on the 14th day of January, A.D. 2016, unless the same has been redeemed.

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.

Witness my hand this 8th day of September, A.D. 2015.

Suzanne Coleman
Custer County Deputy Treasurer
For Virginia Trujillo, Treasurer
1st Publication Date: September 11, 2015
Final Publication Date: September 25, 2015
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 12-15

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

On July 9, 2015, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Custer records.

Original Grantor(s): Jerry Ayers
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Homes

Loans, Inc.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2005-44, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-44

Date of Deed of Trust: June 29, 2005

County of Recording: Custer

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: July 05, 2005

Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 201787 Book: 526 Page: 279

Original Principal Amount: \$337,500.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$333,889.72

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

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A tract of land located in the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 46 North, Range 12 East of the New Mexico Principal Meridian, Custer County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows;

Beginning at a point that is 1061.6 feet North 89°33' East along the Section line from the SW corner of said Section 35; thence North 01°20' West 6.3 feet to a point on the Easterly line of the Bassett Tract; thence North 01°20' West 216.7 feet along said Easterly line to a point; thence North 01°20' West 37.6 feet to a point on the Southerly line of a road; thence North 63°12' East 190.7 feet along said Southerly road line to a point; thence South 78°20' East 128.6 feet along said Southerly road line to the NW corner of the Nelson tract; thence South 01°48' West 318.5 feet along the Westerly line of said Nelson tract to the Section line; thence South 89°33' West 280.0 feet along the Section lien to the point of beginning.

County of Custer, State of Colorado

Also known by street and number as: 3060 County Road 182, Westcliffe, CO 81252.

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NOTICE OF SALE

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THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 11/25/2015, at the office of the Custer County Public Trustee, 205 South 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado

By: Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee

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

Malcolm Cisneros, A Law Firm 6595 West 14th Avenue, Suite 100, Lakewood, CO 80214 (303) 586-1174

Attorney File # Ayers/B26647

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

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Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado

By: Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee

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

John A. Lobus, PC 710 Kipling Street, Suite 402, Lakewood, CO 80215 (303) 232-5606

Attorney File # Meschke

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

PUBLIC NOTICE TREASURER'S OFFICE COUNTY OF CUSTER STATE OF COLORADO

Public notice is hereby given that the following listed mobile home and personal properties situated in said county in which general taxes for the year 2014 have not been paid. If not paid by the last day of September the personal properties and mobile homes upon which such taxes are levied shall be subject to distraint, seizure and sale.

DELINQUENT 2014 TAXES

MOBILE HOME AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

1 256
9000007466 H \$55.71*
SEE REBECCA FAYE
1972 WAYSIDE 14X70 MOB HOME
TITLE 52E025806 LOCATED AT
SPACE 7
LEA'S HAVEN MOBILE HM PARK

2 256
9000007558 H \$71.97*
MAST BETTY A & FISHER CHRIS P
1976 LANIER 14X64 MOB HOME
SN 2FR14686406 LOCATED AT
SPACE 4
LEA'S HAVEN MOBILE HM PARK
OTHER YEARS DUE

3 016
9000009057 H \$62.05*
MYERS RANDY
1999 DAN MOBILE HOME 16 X 70
VIN # 12531877

4 016
128 P \$301.92*
WALKER PROPERTY GROUP INC
PERSONAL PROPERTY
(ST ANDREWS GOLF COURSE)

5 901 PARTIAL AMT
993205 S \$3,170.01*
SAN ISABEL ELEC ASSOC INC

The taxes shown are the same as they appear on the assessment rolls and tax list for the year and purposes stated to which is added penalty interest and advertising costs due thereon as provided by law. Witness my hand and seal this 21th day of September, 2015.

Virginia Trujillo
Custer County Treasurer

Date Published: September 25, 2015
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE Custer County BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Tentative Agenda WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2015, 9:00 AM Meeting Location: Commissioners Boardroom

Call meeting to order
Pledge of allegiance
Roll Call
Amend agenda
Audience introduction
Public Comment
Approval of minutes
Commissioner Items
Attorney Items
Executive Session
New/Old Business
Review vouchers and sign checks
Loose Livestock discussion – J. Canterbury
Custer Emergency Services/EagleMed – C. Coleman

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

Date Published: September 25, 2015
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 13-15

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

On July 21, 2015, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Custer records.

Original Grantor(s): Jerry Meschke

Original Beneficiary(ies): First Federal fsb

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: MidCountry Bank, successor to First Federal fsb

Date of Deed of Trust: April 02, 2003

County of Recording: Custer

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: April 07, 2003

Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 194598 Book: 456 Page: 35

Original Principal Amount: \$144,500.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$117,910.10

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

Lot 155, according to the correction Plat for Rosita Hills Subdivision No. 2 a/k/a 5977 County Road 328, Westcliffe, CO 81252

Also known by street and number as: 5977 County Road 328, Westcliffe, CO 81252.

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

NOTICE OF SALE

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

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 11/18/2015, at the office of the Custer County Public Trustee, 205 South 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication 9/25/2015

Last Publication 10/23/2015

Name of Publication: Sangre de Cristo Sentinel

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

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

Colorado Attorney General
1300 Broadway, 10th Floor
Denver, Colorado 80203
(800) 222-4444

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Custer County Board of Commissioners and Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on September 29, 2015 at 1:30 P.M. Custer County Courtroom. The following will be considered.

1. Presentation for Deluca Propane Company / Special Use Permit, Lot 7, Range View Loop, Custer County Colorado.

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

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

Ordered published by: Vic Barnes, Chairman
Custer County Planning Commission

Publish September 18, September 25, October 9, 2015
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Custer County Board of Commissioners and Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on October 6, 2015 at 1:30 P.M. Custer County Courtroom. The following will be considered.

1. Hearing for Deluca Propane Company / Special Use Permit, Lot 7, Range View Loop, Custer County Colorado.

2. Presentation for Ludvik Propane Company/Special Use Permit, Lot 9, Range View Loop, Custer County Colorado.

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

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

Ordered published by
Vic Barnes, Chairman

Custer County Planning Commission

Publish September 25, & October 2, October 16, 2015
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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO CREDITORS*

Estate of CAROLINE LITTLE, Deceased Case No. 15 PR 30006

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to the District Court of Fremont County, Colorado on or before January 30, 2015, or the claims may be forever barred.

Jolene L. DeVries, Reg. #22760
831 Royal Gorge Blvd., Suite 215
Cañon City, CO 81212

Law Office of Peter F. Michaelson P.C.
by Peter F. Michaelson P.O. Box 1249
Westcliffe, CO 81252
Personal Representative

Lady Bobcats Take on the Lady Pirates in Cotopaxi



Lady Bobcats Varsity Volleyball Team coached by Greg Cravens from left: Sarah Gerringer, Halie Lemons, Elizabeth Mullett, Serenity Ham, Madysen Paxton, Athena Wisecup, LaTisha Schlabach, Taylor Staton, McKensie Penkoff, and Emily Crossley.



Lady Bobcats Junior Varsity Volleyball Team clockwise from Coach Mike Benoit: Skylor Smith, Jessie Henrich, Violet Funk, Katie Florom, Alisha Dyer, and Holly Wenger. Not available for picture: Dakota Schoch and Tuesday Saint.



Local Mountain News & Notices

Classifieds

Estate/Garage

935 County Road 198, Hillside: Friday – Saturday, September 25 & 26, and October 2 & 3, 9 a.m. to Close. Furniture, appliances, and tools.

For Sale

Trailing 44” mower. Swisher brand. Honda 11 hp motor. New blades. Pull with ATV, tractor, or riding mower. Excellent condition. \$300. Call Bob at (719) 371-1405

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The deadline for getting your information into the
Classifieds is Monday at 5 p.m. for that week’s edition.

Events Calendar

Friday, September 25
7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: Movie, “No Escape”

Saturday, September 26
10 a.m.: Bobcats Cross Country’s first HOME meet.
7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: Movie, “No Escape”

Sunday, September 27
2 p.m.: Jones Theater: Movie, “No Escape”

Monday, September 28 – October 1
HOMECOMING WEEK

Thursday, October 1
10:05 a.m.: Bobcats Homecoming Pep Rally

Friday, October 2 – Saturday, October 3
4 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.: Join the Westcliffe Contemporary Quilters and Fiber Artists at the Opening Reception First Friday Art Walk at Fremont Center for the Arts, 505 Macon Avenue, Cañon City. (719) 275-2790

Saturday, October 3
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: German colony reunion at the school’s multi-purpose room
9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.: “Just Gals Conference” at Eagles Summit Ranch; \$35 includes lunch; Call (719) 783-9729 or justgalsconference@gmail.com
10 a.m.: Homecoming Parade, Hullabaloo Arts Parade, and Wild Bill’s Toy Ride: (At 9:45 a.m., organizing in the school’s west parking lot.)
1 p.m.: HOMECOMING GAME

Sunday, October 4
1 p.m.: 2016 Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club Royalty Court Pageant at the saddle club grounds.
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.: National Life Chain at the school parking lot to pray silently for the unborn. More info, call Pat Schulze (719) 783-2265.

Saturday – Sunday, October 10-11
8:30 a.m.: Project Appleseed at Sangre Shooting Sports Club. Register at www.appleseedinfo.org

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 Emilie at (719) 371-5974

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 am

Monday and Thursday
11 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources in Silver Cliff assisting new mothers and families. Free pregnancy tests, ultrasound, counseling, and more. Call 783-4357

Tuesday
12 - 4:30 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. Post 170 Auxiliary monthly meeting (March-October) at the Saddle Club.

Tuesday through Friday
10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.: Library open in downtown Westcliffe; 783-9138

Wednesday
9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Line dancers meet at the Saddle Club. 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 Emilie at (719) 371-5974
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Custer County Community Band practice in band room at high school

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

Fridays and Saturdays
1 - 4 p.m.: Custer County Community Sharing Center, Inc., 120 North Third St. (formerly Schlabbach’s Market)

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 Emilie (719) 371-5974

Saturday
10 a.m.: Wet Mountain Al-Anon Family Group meets at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, 201 Third St.; Call Dee (719) 404-1851 or Jean (719) 371-1229
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.: West Custer County Library open in Westcliffe

Ham Radio Operator Technician Training

Who: Anyone with an interest in becoming a licensed Ham Radio Operator

Where: Custer Search and Rescue Bldg., 710 Rosita Ave.

When: Thursdays, October 1st-29th, at 6 p.m.
(License Test on Oct. 29th)

There is no charge to attend the class, and only \$15 to take the test
Contact **Christe Coleman** at ccoem@custercountygov.com or 719-783-2410

Free Computer Help for Adults

The West Custer County Library is hosting an ongoing free how-to program for all adults in the community who could use a little advice on operating their computers, laptops, tablets, cell phones, etc. Instruction will be provided by local teens, one-on-one, to cater to each individual’s specific needs.

“Computers and technology in general are becoming essential in everyone’s day-to-day lives,” said Jessica Carter, Youth Services Librarian. “People who have never learned to use a computer or a cell phone are finding they need those skills now, and this is a great opportunity to get some help from those who have grown up using technology.”

Bring your device to the library on the first Thursday of every month between 4:15 and 6 p.m. The program will continue monthly from October 1, 2015 until April 7, 2016.

Teens interested in becoming a tech tutor should talk with Jessica; contact information is provided below. Only pre-selected teens chosen for their tech knowledge and commitment to serving the community will be on the Teens Teach Tech team.

This program is part of the library’s overall effort to help adults in the community become more computer savvy. The library offers other computer help as well. For more information or to RSVP, please call the library at 783-9138 or email jessica@westcusterlibrary.org.

Bobcats Sport Schedule

VOLLEYBALL	CROSS COUNTRY	VARSITY FOOTBALL
Saturday, September 26	Saturday, September 26	Saturday, September 26
9 a.m.: Akron Tournament AWAY	10 a.m.: Mile & a Half High Invitational (HS/MS) at HOME	1 p.m.: Fowler at HOME
Friday, October 2	Thursday, October 1	Saturday, October 3
10 a.m.: Del Norte at HOME	4 p.m.: Cañon City Invitational AWAY	1 p.m.: HOMECOMING GAME, Cripple Creek at HOME

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Local Mountain News & Notices

Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 201 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 4 to EMS, and 2 to the Fire Dept. As of Sept. 21, there were 4 males and 3 females in the county jail.

09/15/15 2015-06579
0836 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hwy 69S MM 43 to investigate a report of livestock on the highway. The cattle were moved off the highway and CDOT was notified of a downed fence.

09/15/15 2015-06587
1339 hours: The Wet Mountain Fire Department was dispatched to set up a landing zone for a non-emergent exercise involving Flight for Life and Eagle Med.

09/15/15 2015-06591
1725 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to Evening Star Drive for a female with a possible embolism. The patient refused transport.

09/16/15 15-0709
0808 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hwy 69N MM 60 for a motor vehicle accident, car versus deer. There was heavy damage to the vehicle, but no injuries.

09/16/15 2015-06608
0852 hours: A party on Mitchell Mountain Road in Bull Domingo called the Sheriff's Office to report a possible fraud. The matter is currently under investigation.

09/16/15 15-0710
0912 hours: A party came into the Sheriff's Office from Tralee Road in Lake DeWeese to submit a harassment complaint.

09/16/15 2015-06611
1050 hours: The Sheriff's Office received a report of a disabled Brinks Armored Truck on Hwy 96, just passed Hwy 165. A deputy was dispatched to investigate. The deputy drove to the county line but was unable to locate the truck. The Colorado State Patrol was notified of the incident.

09/16/15 2015-06612
1129 hours: A deputy stopped for a motorist assist on Hwy 96 MM 25.

09/16/15 2015-06615
1355 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Westcliffe to investigate a report of an erratic driver who turned westbound on Main Street from Hwy 69S. The deputy was unable to locate a vehicle matching the description provided.

09/16/15 2015-06616
1508 hours: The Sheriff's Office received a report of a couple who had locked their keys in their vehicle at the wildlife lookout on Hwy 96. Arrangements were made for a locksmith to assist them.

09/16/15 15-0711
1632 hours: Four deputies executed a search warrant of a residence on Hwy 96. The investigation involved a possible illegal grow operation.

09/16/15 2015-06620
1640 hours: The Sheriff's Office dispatched Deer Mountain EMS to Hwy 50, west of MM 243, for a report of an elderly male slumped over in his vehicle. The call was handed off by Deer Mountain to Chaffee EMS.

09/16/15 2015-06622
1710 hours: A deputy was dispatched to First Street in Sliver Cliff in response to a report of an ATV speeding through the neighborhood.

09/16/15 2015-06630
1908 hours: A deputy served civil papers to a party residing on Oak Drive in Ponderosa Heights.

09/16/15 2015-06633
1917 hours: A deputy attempted to serve civil papers to a party on Windy Way in Lake DeWeese. Negative contact was made.

09/17/15 2015-06663
0642 hours: A deputy was dispatched to investigate a possible break in on Main Street in Silver Cliff. The wind blew an object that damaged the merchant's window.

09/17/15 2015-06668
1047 hours: A deputy attempted to serve civil papers to a party on Windy Way in Lake DeWeese. Negative contact was made.

09/17/15 2015-06670
1125 hours: A deputy assisted the Department of Human Services with a home visit on 6th Street in Westcliffe.

09/17/15 15-0713
1138 hours: A deputy was dispatched to investigate a suspicious vehicle. The vehicle was identified and stopped at Main Street and DeWalt in Silver Cliff. Robert Loddy (DOB in 1970) of Wheat Ridge was issued a summons for driving a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs and failure to drive in a designated lane.

09/17/15 2015-06612
1129 hours: A deputy stopped for a motorist assist on Hwy 96 MM 25.

09/17/15 2015-06674
1434 hours: A deputy attempted to serve civil papers to a party on Gibbs Drive in Centennial Ranch. Negative contact was made.

09/17/15 15-0714
1602 hours: A deputy and the Wet Mountain Fire Department were dispatched to 6th Street in Westcliffe for a two vehicle accident. Although one vehicle had to be towed from the scene, there

were no personal injuries. Rhoda Rusher (DOB in 1964) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for following too closely and Luis Aragon-Garcia (DOB in 1960) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for driving a vehicle without a valid driver's license.

09/17/15 2015-06682
1638 hours: A deputy attempted to serve civil papers to a party on CR 356 in Eagle Springs Ranch. Negative contact was made.

09/17/15 2015-06681
1728 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Rosita Drive in Aspen Acres for a welfare check.

09/17/15 2015-06684
1824 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Butler Street in Silver Cliff for a welfare check.

09/17/15 2015-06695
2325 hours: A deputy was dispatched to a residence in rural Westcliffe for a welfare check.

09/18/15 2015-06696
0029 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to Valley Assisted Living on Main Street in Silver Cliff for a lift assist.

09/18/15 2015-06699
0816 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to Bluff Circle in Westcliffe for a male experiencing pressure in his head. The patient refused transport.

09/18/15 2015-06701
0956 hours: A deputy was dispatched to South Street in Silver Cliff to investigate found property previously reported stolen.

09/18/15 2015-06702
1143 hours: The Sheriff's Office received a call from a remote patient monitoring company regarding an inactivity alert triggering a request for a wellness check. A deputy was dispatched to Ohio Street in Silver Cliff to conduct the welfare check.

09/18/15 2015-06706
1446 hours: The Sheriff's Office received a call from ADT regarding a residential alarm on Corral North in Beckwith Ranch. A deputy was dispatched to the location to investigate.

09/18/15 15-0716
1710 hours / Hwy 69S and CR 310 / Traffic Summons: Michael Kelly (DOB in 1935) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for driving without a valid license, and driving with expired license plates.

09/18/15 15-0717
1945 hours / Main Street and Hwy 69N, Westcliffe / Traffic Summons: Tyler Bachman (DOB in 1984) of San Isabel was issued a

summons for driving with a driver's license expired one year or less.

09/18/15 15-0718
2025 hours / 700 block of Main Street, Westcliffe / Traffic Summons: Jason Moore (DOB in 1976) of Aurora was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 over.

09/19/15 15-0719
0655 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hwy 96 between MM 3 and 4 for a car versus a deer accident.

09/19/15 2015-06729
0700 hours: Members of the Custer County Sheriff's Posse and the Custer County Search and Rescue were on hand providing support for the Hermit Pass Marathon.

09/19/15 15-0711
1136 hours: Two deputies executed a search warrant at a private residence on Hwy 96 in Wetmore. The deputies seized marijuana plants and arrested Vicki Clark (DOB in 1949) of Wetmore and her son Kevin Clark (DOB in 1977) of Alamosa.

09/19/15 2015-06736
1334 hours: The Sheriff's Office activated the Custer County Search and Rescue in response to three young boys, ages 6, 8, and 10, who wandered off from their camp and became lost in the San Isabel National Forest. The boys were lost for approximately four hours before they were located by one of the adults in their party.

09/19/15 15-0721
1850 hours / CR 241 MM 2 / Traffic Summons: Jerry Shannon (DOB in 1956) of Cañon City was issued a summons for speeding, 20-24 over.

09/19/15 2015-06747
1902 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to 6th Street in Westcliffe for a male who fell and hit his head. The patient was transported to a hospital in Pueblo.

09/19/15 2015-06749
1937 hours: Hikers came across a suspicious campsite off of South Hardscrabble Road and called the Sheriff's Office. A deputy was dispatched to the scene to investigate.

09/19/15 15-0722
1951 hours: A deputy on patrol in Westcliffe encountered a disabled vehicle in the parking lot of the Westcliffe Supermarket. The driver of the vehicle had just hit a deer on Hwy 69 N just before MM 61.

09/19/15 2015-06752
2010 hours: The Custer County Sheriff's Office dispatched the Deer Mountain Fire Department to a motor vehicle

accident on Copper Gulch Road.

09/20/15 2015-06767
0727 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hermit Road to investigate an ATV on private property. It was believed an individual may have accessed the property to hunt.

09/20/15 2015-06768
1017 hours: A deputy was dispatched to CR 305 for a civil standby.

09/20/15 2015-06770
1040 hours: The Custer County Sheriff's Office dispatched Deer Mountain EMS to CR 27A in Co-topaxi for a female who had been bucked off of a horse.

09/20/15 15-0725
1129 hours / Hwy 69 S MM 40 / Traffic Summons: John Turner (DOB in 1965) of Dallas, Texas, was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 over and issued a warning for failing to yield to an emergency vehicle.

09/20/15 2015-06776
1223 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hwy 69 N MM 71 to assist a motorist whose camper was disabled.

09/20/15 15-726
1500 hours: A deputy took a report from an individual who lost his handgun while hunting in the mountains outside of Westcliffe.

09/20/15 15-0727
1700 hours: A deputy was dispatched to investigate a harassment complaint involving residents on CR

358.

09/20/15 2015-06780
15-0723 2230 hours: Aaron Jones (DOB in 1991) of Westcliffe was arrested for violating a protection order.

09/21/15 15-0729
1036 hours / Hwy 69 S MM 53 / Traffic Summons: Perry Addington (DOB in 1961) of Cañon City was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 over.

09/21/15 15-0730
1110 hours: A deputy was dispatched to CR 129 to investigate a reported abandoned vehicle. The deputy placed a 48-hour abandoned vehicle notice on the car.

09/21/15 2015-06796
1815 hours: The Sheriff's Office received a call reporting an unresponsive person in a vehicle on CR 215 MM10. Deer Mountain EMS was dispatched to the location and the Fremont County Dispatch Center was advised of the call.

09/21/15 15-0731
2005 hours: A deputy was advised that the Sheriff's Office received a telephone call from a party in Fremont County indicating their sister had been missing for 30 hours. The family member explained that her sister only knows how to get to Westcliffe and Cañon City. The deputy contacted the caller to obtain further information and then contacted the Fremont County Dispatch Center.

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**Flagpole Prayer
Denied
at Florence
High School**

By Charlotte Burrous

After almost four years of praying around the flagpole at Florence High School, Cowboy Church at the Crossroads Pastor Randy Pfaff was notified this month that he would no longer be allowed on school grounds.

“On Tuesday, Sept. 15th, ... we were praying at the flagpole, myself and two ladies when (the police showed up at 7:20 a.m. with a 33-page legal document),” he said.

When he opened it, he found a legal document to the Liberty Institute, which represents the church and Pfaff.

“It had a lot of pictures on Facebook of us praying around the flagpole,” he said. “It was obviously social public media. Nobody’s denying it. (It was) very lengthy, (stating what) the school’s new policy is regarding us being there. It was making a demand that we would cease immediately, the ladies (and I) from praying for the kids at the flagpole.”

After getting the document, Pfaff contacted the Liberty Institute, who advised him to stay away from school property.

“It hurts,” Pfaff said. “This was the last thing we were hanging onto. Now they’ve determined (prayer around the flagpole) is illegal as well. That was the first time from November 17, 2011, to September 15, 2015. (We) never missed a day while school was in session.”

Once again, the Liberty Institute is handling the issue, he said.

Pfaff’s involvement with the district began in 2011 when he met with the school officials about organizing a Christian student club known as Fellowship of Christian Huskies. The next year, he received permission to bring pizza in to the students and offer a Bible study for anyone who wanted to participate. Pfaff said they did not have to stay to receive the pizza, water, and candy.

“They say I preached to them, but I never did. They’ve been trying to get rid of me for a year or more,” Pfaff said. “The (district) did say students could still pray there themselves before and after school, but nobody else can be there with them. I’m not asking for pity. I’m just telling the truth.”

On the contrary, Superintendent Rhonda Roberts said he continued to be on school grounds when he was told he could not.

“Basically he has been unwilling to comply with the agreement that we made,” she said. “We’ve had to move forward to restricting any nonschool personnel from gathering at the flagpole in the morning.”

But Pfaff vows he is not through yet.

“I’ll go to my grave vying for the souls of men and women, especially these young men and women,” he said. “I’m not going to leave this nation the way that it is right now. I’m going to try to make it better with what God has given me so my kids can know the nation that I knew growing up.”

**RE-2 Board Meeting:
Repairs are Almost Done**

By Charlotte Burrous

During the September 14th Florence-Penrose School Board meeting, Superintendent Rhonda Roberts announced the repairs on the Florence High School are almost completed.

“We did the walk through last week,” she said. “There’s one minor change order (for) about a \$430,000 project (to finish) the structural repair we had as a result of the litigation (and repairs) that were recommended by Vertex Engineering.”

In 2006, the problems on the \$18 million facility began when cracks developed on the track and in the commons area at the Florence High School. At one point, the officials closed Husky Stadium in April 2011 because of safety issues with the stairs that pulled away from the wall, the tracks and a barrier wall. After contractors worked with the district to repair the problems, they told the district that there was a two-year statute of limitations and they had no further obligation to finish the work.

However, the district disagreed and in 2010, it hired legal representation to file a lawsuit against the soils engineer CTL/Thompson, MGA Structural Engineers, Acorn Construction Company, and architects Christiansen, Reece & Partners, P.C. After going through several discussions, the district settled out of court in 2013. At that point, the district assessed the problems and began working to fix them.

In other business, the district also made an agreement with Boys & Girls Club of

Fremont County to set up a chapter in the Fremont Middle School.

“We’re partnering with the Boys and Girls Club to provide a safe place for kids to come from the time they get out of school at 2:45 (p.m.) to 6 or 7 (p.m.); we’re not sure exactly,” Roberts said. “We’re looking to have that available to kids hopefully by Sept. 28th. They provide different activities for kids; they host events; they do after school tutoring called ‘Power Hour.’ They (also) do a bunch of character development, leadership activities, field trips to local sites and places that maybe students don’t always have the availability to go to. We’re really excited about that.”

The cost is \$25 enrollment fee for an entire year, she said. Parents and kids have to fill out applications to go into the program.

“If they are unable to pay, there are some partial and full scholarships for some of those families,” Roberts said.

Up until now, it’s been difficult to transport students to the headquarters at Fourth and Macon in Cañon City. When the district was researching an after school program, Roberts, who serves on the Boys & Girls Club Board, mentioned it to the director and to the board.

“They were very supportive and excited about working with us,” she said. “We hope it’s the best of both worlds because they get the use of the facility and don’t have expenses as far as facility fees and utilities and we get the staff and their programs.”



Fremont County Airshow

Aviation enthusiasts spent the day taking in an impressive static display, as well as being treated to many great aerial demonstrations. Above is an AH-64 Apache, on static display at last Saturday’s Fremont County Airshow.

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Responsible Prophetic Discernment

It is easy in these days of 24 hour news and messaging to become so sensitized to current events that we are seeking prophetic signs in everything. Remember what Jesus told the Pharisees and Sadducees who asked him to show them a sign from heaven? In Matthew 16:2-4, Jesus says, “When it is evening, you say, it will be fair weather: for the sky is red. And in the morning, it will be foul weather today: for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky; but can you not discern the signs of the times.” The Holy Scriptures give us what to look for regarding the end times. They are very specific about the time of the Lord’s return and what will occur. But we must discern responsibly.

We know, according to the Apostle Paul, that several distinct things must happen before the Lord returns. He writes in 2 Thessalonians 2:2-3, “That you be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sits in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.” This is very clear: 1) don’t be deceived, 2) falling away, 3) antichrist (beast) revealed, 4) sits in the temple as God.

the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first.” So 5) Lord returns with a shout, 6) dead in Christ rise first, 7) saints remaining on earth meet him in the air. This is consistent with Biblical prophecies written about the return of Christ. There is no mention of the stock market or the U.S. political situation, although these things may have a role in moving the prophetic clock forward and are interesting side stories.

We, as saints in these days and as watchmen and teachers, must be responsible in how we explain these events. We must be discerning and careful to not overstate their significance, use inflammatory language, or to tie biblical absolutes to our subjective opinion in order to advance personal viewpoints. Be careful not to be driven by intrigue or fear, or to be led astray by false doctrine. Be as those in Berea from Acts 17:11, “These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.” The prophetic must align with scripture. Crying wolf too many times can cause many to stumble. Let us discern responsibly.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!
Bill Wilson
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He also writes in 1 Thessalonians 4:15-16, “For this we say unto you by

America’s Heroin Epidemic Fueled by Flood of Illegal Immigrants

by Ethan Barton

(Editor/GG: Our heartfelt thanks to Obama, the Democrat Party, and, of course, the RINO Republicans (who we voted for) who have not only allowed this to happen, but enabled and encouraged it. God will judge them harshly.)

Violent drug cartels help “every single, illegal alien” cross the border between the U.S. and Mexico for a fee, and often the price is carrying a backpack full of heroin, according to a Border Patrol union president.

“Every single illegal alien that comes into the country goes through the hands of a drug cartel,” even if the immigrant doesn’t want the help, said Hector Garza. He is president of the Laredo, Texas, chapter of the National Border Patrol Council.

Garza was briefly in the national spotlight earlier this year when Republican presidential hopeful Donald Trump held a campaign event near the U.S. border with Mexico to highlight his demand for an end to illegal immigration. Garza’s chapter pulled out of hosting Donald Trump in Laredo just hours before the Republican presidential front-runner’s visit.

Most heroin is smuggled into the U.S. by illegal immigrants crossing the border with help from Mexican drug cartels, according to Department of Homeland Security officials. The cartels are also responsible for most of the violence in the border region.

“When we talk about securing the border, it’s not just about stopping illegal immigration,” Garza said. “It’s also about stopping dangerous drugs from entering our communities and our schools and getting into the hands of kids and affecting family members.

“Most of the drugs coming into the country are not coming into the ports of entry,” he said. “Coming across the border is the easiest way. You cannot imagine how easy it is to cross the border. You would be shocked at how open our borders are down here.”

Mexican drug cartels put heroin into

a backpack and help immigrants illegally cross the border.

“The price for being led across is carrying one of those backpacks,” Homeland Security Investigations Assistant Special Agent in Charge Adam Parks told The Daily Caller News Foundation.

In other words, curbing illegal immigration by securing the border would restrict the major method cartels use to smuggle heroin — a drug that’s causing an epidemic of suffering and criminal violence in the U.S. Deaths from the opiate nearly quadrupled from 2002 to 2013, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Numerous federal agencies and task forces are responsible for catching heroin dealers, but ultimately, if the border is unsecured, the drug will still make its way in.

Violence in the region would also decrease by securing the border.

“Much of the illegal activity and associated violence on the southwest border is interrelated, given the well-documented link between drug trafficking and human smuggling/trafficking organizations,” DHS’s Southern Border Joint Task Force — West Director Robert L. Harris told the Committee on House Oversight and Government Reform Wednesday.

“This lawlessness is a direct result of the drug cartels operating in Mexico, evolving into massive criminal organizations,” said committee chairman Jason Chaffetz, a Republican from Utah. An attack on a U.S. Customs and Border Protection helicopter in June “made clear the cartels have no reservations about expanding the scope of their violence on the American side of the border.”

The ranking Democrat on the oversight panel agreed.

“Drug cartel violence in Mexico threatens both American and Mexican citizens and their families on both sides of the border,” said Rep. Elijah Cummings of Maryland. “Combating the violence and stabilizing this

region needs to be a top priority for both countries.”

In fact, the border is only about 40 percent secure, Judd said, though Garza told TheDCNF that may be overestimated.

Technology and infrastructure upgrades are essential to secure the border, Garza said.

“We have to make sure we have the most up-to-date camera systems,” Garza said. “There are spots on the border where we don’t have radio reception.”

The border needs more towers and with cameras that conceal which direction they point, he said. Immigrants exploit obvious gaps in cameras’ visibility.

Garza also said there are regions that the Border Patrol can’t access for environmental policy reasons that consequently leave them to the control of the cartels.

Meanwhile, President Obama has claimed that the border is more secure than it has been in decades. But Garza says the reported number of illegal border crossings is inaccurate.

“We do know that the agency has a long history of what we call ‘cooking the books,’” Garza said. “They manipulate statistics depending on their agenda.”

Homeland Security subtracts the number of illegal immigrants caught from the estimated number of immigrants that evaded authorities, Garza said. Those numbers, however, aren’t comparable, since there’s no way to tell if those apprehended shouldn’t be additions to the estimated escapees.

“We need our support from the administration and we need the support from the American public,” Garza said.

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So You Want Bernie Sanders, Eh?

by Karl Denninger, Marker-Ticker.Org

(Editor/GG: Patriots: This is where the democrat party is today. It has evolved over the last 40 years into a party that would have been considered SUBVERSIVE to our country and Constitution not long ago. You CAN'T be a socialist and believe in the Constitution and America The Free. The people in the dem-

ocratic party have gone from free citizens to gulag, subversive peasants who demand the fruits of other peoples labor. It doesn't matter if Bernie wins the nomination or not. What is important here is that the democrat party has become an enemy of America in that it will nullify the Constitution and impose a marxist/soviet/chicom type, totalitarian regime and our beloved liberty

and freedom will be gone FOREVER. So patriots, what are you going to do about it? I'll tell you what: Going to political meetings and rallies, listening to failure theatre politicians who put us in this predicament isn't going to cut it. You have got to get INVOLVED.)

Seriously?
 Just days after a New

Hampshire poll showed Hillary Clinton slipping further behind Bernie Sanders in the vital early primary state, a fresh survey shows the Vermont senator narrowly edging ahead of her in Iowa as well.

The Quinnipiac University poll shows Sanders leading

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Bernie

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Clinton 41-40 percent.

Let me point out Bernie’s own statement on his political beliefs:

Representative Spencer Bachus is one of the only people I know from Alabama. I bet I’m the only socialist he knows. I’m certainly the only one the congressman from Birmingham could name after darkly claiming that there are 17 socialists lurking in the House of Representatives.

I doubt that there are any other socialists, let alone 17 more, in all of the Congress.

Bernie’s words, not mine or some news outlet that (might) have twisted them, from 2009.

What is *socialism*? It’s the **public** ownership of the means of production -- that is land, machinery, raw materials, **and labor**.

It is fundamentally the right of others -- specifically, Bernie and others in the political class -- to dictate what you do with those means of production, should you acquire them, and the price at which they trade in the marketplace.

It is a declaration that (in the context of alleged “democratic socialism”) *your right of control over said means of production is limited to expression via a vote which does not have the binding force of law, as there has never in American history been any legally-enforceable means of enforcing what is promised during and via political campaigns.*

The political class, whether Democrat, Republican, or otherwise, *all* claim to know what is “good” for both you and the nation as a whole. They, in fact, *insist* that they’re smarter than you are in all respects -- with regard to your economic decisions, your political decisions **and your social decisions**. They pass laws that **demand** your compliance with all of the above, under penalty of fine, imprisonment, or even death.

Both sides of the aisle eschew faithful adherence to the founding documents of this nation. **The Constitution is not** a grant of privileges to you as a citizen; **it is a small**

and confined list of privileges afforded government, with everything else being reserved to you.

Think long and hard about this nation and your place in it, folks. Sanders is popular *because he promises you the fruits of other people’s slavery on a literal basis*. The problem is that he can’t deliver it and neither can anyone else.

The Soviet Union *and the people there* believed they could deliver on this promise and they sent a lot of people to the gulag who refused to cooperate. It didn’t matter; even the threat of exile to Siberia was ineffective as while you might be able to force people to work controlling the quality of output is far more difficult since physical and emotional abuse degrade output quality rather than improve it.

Ultimately the Soviet Union **collapsed**, as has every other attempt at this sort of political system over time.

What’s worse, however, is that **you**, by embracing Sander’s principles of political theory, define yourself as a **monster** no different than the tyrants that have littered history. It is monstrous to demand that others produce so you may have.

It is even more-monstrous when you take what others produce at gunpoint, via “legal compulsion” or otherwise, so you may have without producing -- and it matters not whether your failure to produce on your own is intentional or due to unfortunate circumstance.

But leaving aside your willingness to embrace monstrosity, you cannot succeed by taking from those who have found success via force, irrespective of the means of force you choose. *You can only damage or even destroy their willingness to seek success in the future*, which inevitably means there is **less** to go around over time -- not more.

It may be true that in the land of the blind the one-eyed man is King, but that does not change the fact that without binocular vision to determine the range of an enemy *the Lion, who refuses to blind himself in the name of “equality”, eats all of you -- including the King.*

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Colorado Democrat Polis’s Rape Comments So Bad Even Some Libs Decry it!

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: Polis The Tyrant gives us a glimpse at what kind of “law” the liberals want to bring to our country when their done with its destruction as a free society. And, of course, he is from Colorado and filthy rich.)

U.S. Rep. Jared Polis is taking heat from his Boulder constituency regarding the outrageous comments we told you about last week — that anyone accused of rape on a college campus should be expelled without due process.

The Boulder *Daily Camera* called it “a spectacularly bad idea” from Polis, whose district includes the University of Colorado at Boulder and Colorado State University, and criticized the liberal Democrat’s lack of reasoning.

Polis conjured up several ideas we would characterize as spectacularly bad, which created a lightning rod for criticism from the national media. Chief among them was this jaw-dropping statement:

“If there are 10 people who have been accused, and under a reasonable likelihood standard maybe one or two did it, it seems better to get rid of all 10 people,” Polis said during a congressional hearing. “We’re not talking about depriving them of life or liberty, we’re talking about them being trans-



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ferred to another university, for crying out loud.”

The *Daily Camera* called Polis’ remarks dumfounding, including his solution of merely expelling those who commit such a crime.

Such a policy would be such an astonishing abrogation of due process that it’s hard to know where to start in condemning it.

The *Daily Camera* argued that sexual assault charges should be handled by the cops, not campus administrators.

The answer is not to throw up our hands at the prospect of adjudication and delete all the messy steps between allegation and punishment. The answer is to preserve individual rights through due process, assign such cases to institu-

tions trained to investigate and prosecute them, and punish those found guilty to the fullest extent of the law.

This is one of those rare occasions when we agree with the *Daily Camera’s* editorial board.

Polis’s imbecilic suggestion that students merely accused of a crime should be unfairly expelled, or even worse, a guilty rapist dispatched to another university to continue committing crimes, is repugnant and beneath the stature of a United States Congressman.

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Topless Women Protestors Storm Muslim Debate “Whether Wives Should Be Beaten”

by Tyler Durden, ZeroHedge.com

(Editor/GG: Let’s set the stage here. This is in France where the muslims have successfully invaded through illegal and legal immigration and have turned large sections of it into “no go” zones for regular French citizens. This occurred at a huge muslim conference at the Muslim Salon (rednecks: that’s “salon” not “saloon”) outside of Paris, where the discussion topic of the day was “Whether Wives Should be Beaten”, led by two enlightened muslim imams (muslim “preachers” or more correctly, satan’s disciples). Folks, this is what we are up against. There were thousand of muslims at this conference and what are they talking about in the year 2015 in FRANCE? Beating women at will. Over 250,000 muslims are being allowed to immigrate to our country every year and heaven knows how many illegals. The evil is here and is starting to destroy our culture. Those two French women are heroes. Where are the French men? And where are the American men? If you can, watch the video. I did. When they were bum rushing the two women off the stage, one fell. The video shows several brave islam “men” kicking this 100-pound, small women as she is on the

ground. Welcome to the Religion of Peace America.)

If Europe was concerned about Christian-Muslim cross-religious and cultural differences before, and in light of the recent influx of Syrian refugees into the continent, events over the weekend confirmed such concerns are poignantly valid.

This Saturday, during a conference at the Muslim Salon in Pontoise near Paris on the role of Muslim women, two Muslim fundamentalist imams were debating the question of “whether wives should be beaten or not”. Telegraph reports that two Femen protester activists, aged 25 and 31, “ripped off their Arab-style cloaks and jumped on to the stage on Saturday evening. One had the slogan “No one subjugates me” inked across her torso. The other bore the words “I am my own prophet.”

Chaos immediately erupted. The imams promptly left the stage but not before taking a long, hard look at the half-nude protesters, who grabbed microphones and shouted feminist slogans in French and Arabic before being roughly bundled off the stage by about 15 men and handed over to police. Video footage

of the incident shows a man apparently kicking one of the women.

Telegraph adds that according to Ms. Shevchenko, a spokeswoman for the feminist group, some of the men shouted “dirty whores” and “kill them”. She thanked the police for protecting the two women, who were taken into custody. They were released after being questioned by prosecutors, who said they would continue investigating what happened. Conference



Courtesy photo from ZeroHedge.com

organizers said they would press charges against the activists.

They were not alone in taking exception

to the presence of fundamentalist preachers at the event, where shopping and cooking were showcased as appropriate “feminine activities”. **One speaker at the conference has reportedly posted calls on social networks for women to veil their faces or risk hellfire and sexual assault in the afterlife.**

The showdown took place after nearly 6,000 people signed an online petition against the event. At the same time, twitter posts called for the protesters to be stoned or collectively raped. On Facebook, the conference organizers urged Muslims to “stand together” and attend the final day of the event on Sunday. They said it was “the victim of an anti-Muslim media frenzy.”

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Colorado Legislature Per Diem Increases Next Year Topping All But One State

by Arthur Kane,
Watchdog.org

(Editor/GG: Disgusting. As Colorado towns, counties, and the state continue to steal our money through dozens of new taxes, mill levies, and illegal "fees" to the tune of millions of dollars a year MAKING US POORER, our ruling oligarchs head to the taxpayer feed trough for more of our money, THAT WE EARNED, and they stole. Let me ask you this: Did they EARN that increase, or did they think they were simply ENTITLED to it? THAT is the problem, folks. And don't forget, these per diem expenses aren't for actual incurred expenses reported. They get paid it even if they have NO expenses that day. And, my fellow, Colorado, gulag peasants, this \$189 PER DAY is on top of their salaries and retirement and health benefits. You wonder why we are looking hard at Donald Trump? At least he EARNED his money.)

Colorado lawmakers who live outside the metro area will get a bump in their per diem next session, making that state's reimbursements the second highest in the country and costing taxpayers an additional \$35,000 next year.

This session, Colorado lawmakers who lived 50 miles or more from the Capitol received \$189 a day for expenses, and Watchdog.org reported last week many legislators took the per diem on weekends and holidays — when their mileage reimbursements showed they were at home.

The per diem rate for lawmakers living outside the metro area will go

up to \$195 a day next session; state law sets it at 85 percent of the federal government per diem for the Denver Metro area, which also increased this year. The cost to taxpayers is an additional \$35,000 a year, legislative staff wrote in an email exchange with Watchdog.org.

Colorado Union of Taxpayers president Gregory Golyansky said he was upset when he learned from last week's Watchdog.org story the per diem expenses cost taxpayers so much money, and that raising the costs next year isn't appropriate.

"I was left speechless, especially considering the total amount it cost(s) the state every year and the fact that Colorado per diem is one of the highest in the nation," he wrote in an email exchange.

But lawmakers, even some who opposed a 2012 increase from \$183 to \$189, defended next year's increase, saying Colorado is an expensive place to live.

"Our cost of living and rent in the metro area is very high," said state Rep. Lois Court, D-Denver, who opposed the 2012 increase because the state was just coming out of the recession.

Lawmakers living close to the Capitol will continue to qualify for a \$45 a day per diem for every day of the session. Court, who lives near the Capitol, only qualifies for the lower per diem but said she understands the financial pressures her out-state colleagues face.

"It's a significant expense if you live

in Durango, Sterling, Meeker. You have to live away from home for four months a year."

But National Conference of State Legislatures data shows the increase will skyrocket Colorado to the second highest per diem after Alaska, which pays lawmakers \$235 a day if they live outside the capital area.

Senate President Bill Cadman, R-Colorado Springs, last week defended tying the state rates to federal per diems so legislative staff wouldn't have to deal with the details of every lawmaker's personal expenses.

This year, Kentucky, Alaska, and Tennessee had higher per diems, but Colorado will surpass those states unless their per diem rates increase. Expensive states such as Hawaii, New York and California reimbursed their lawmakers less than Colorado, NCSL data shows.

Golyansky said he remembers attending a lecture about ancient Greece, where, the professor described, how the elected officials were allowed to dine on the city's expense — at first modestly but then the meals increased in opulence and more and more people qualified for the privilege.

"(A)ll democratically elected political bodies have to struggle with the problem of constantly increasing per diem (in whatever form) going back 2500 years to the ancient Greeks and we have yet to find a remedy for this problem," he wrote.

Please see: <http://watchdog.org/235665/colorado-per-diem-increases-next-year-topping-one-state/>

Denninger on the 17th Amendment and Why It Destroyed America

by Karl Denninger

Really, Gail?
"Rick Perry — out!
The new glasses apparently didn't do the trick.

The former governor of Texas threw in the towel on Friday and the Republican race is now totally lacking in candidates who claimed to have shot a coyote while jogging.

Ok, that's funny. But then Gail blows her own brains out in terms of intellectual credibility (and thus anything else when in regard to her opinion) with this, right at the end:

We will never again hear him explain why he thinks it would be an excellent idea to eliminate the popular election of U.S. senators and let the great minds in the state legislatures do the choosing. Although that could come up anyway. Several other candidates have the same conviction.

Oh, really?

Gail apparently never read the Constitution and the Amendments thereto.

If she had, she'd know

that the 17th Amendment, passed in a fit of pique by the States and at the same sort of time that the idiocy known as Prohibition was passed, in fact changed the founding fathers' definition of how senators were to be chosen -- from the state legislatures to the people.

That's right -- the Constitution originally specified exactly that, and with good reason. That's what a bicameral legislature is supposed to do: It provides a legislative house for each of two constituencies, in our case one for the people generally (the House) and the second for the state legislatures (the Senate).

This was not an accident of construction and the wisdom of same was shown quite-rapidly once it went away. Prior to the 17th Amendment it was impossible to cram a program down the State's throats because the Senate, chosen by the state legislatures, would not permit it!

Article 1 Section 3 of the Constitution says:
The Senate of the United

States shall be composed of two Senators from each state, chosen by the legislature thereof, for six years; and each Senator shall have one vote.

This was changed by the 17th Amendment in 1913, bracketed by the 16th Amendment (income tax) and the 18th (Prohibition.)

This is an error in judgment from which we as a nation can never recover, because to pass an Amendment repealing the 17th The Senate would have to concur, effectively voting themselves out of a job!

Historians will some day conclude, I believe, that the 17th Amendment was the defining moment in the destruction of our political system and national government. From that very day forward laws were literally crammed down the state's throats, including but certainly not limited to such idiocy as the national 55 miles per hour speed limit.

Of course, I don't expect a liberal columnist to worry about such things as historical fact, or the founders in-

tent. But, I do expect that, before publishing such an OpEd, the editors of a paper that would like to claim to be of importance in national affairs would have a little talkie-to with any columnist that pokes fun at something as "crazy" when, in fact, it was exactly as our Constitution not only intended but how our federal government functioned for roughly than 125 years!

It's not hard to find a columnist these days who destroys their own credibility with the certainty found in placing a shotgun barrel in one's own mouth as a means of testing the firing pin on a live shell inserted in same. But when an entire newspaper manages to blow its own brains out by publishing such tripe without so much as a footnote..... well, that's worthy of comment here, if for no other reason than to note that the entire publication has just been demoted to having its highest and best use as bird cage liner.

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It's Time to Remove Silencers From the Obsolete National Firearms Act

by Bob Owens

SilencerCo has just announced that they are nearly ready to release the Maxim 9, the first integrally-suppressed 9mm pistol that will be holsterable and hearing safe with any pistol ammunition.

The single, biggest obstacle to getting suppressors into widespread use is the archaic and increasingly obsolete National Firearms Act of 1934 (NFA).

Integrally-suppressed firearms are a very smart concept purely from an environmental health perspective, as they lower the sound of the shot to levels that are not going to damage your hearing.

People who have had to fire unsuppressed firearms often have to deal with temporary and sometimes permanent hearing loss as a result. Even shooters who are careful to use hearing protection when they shoot often develop permanent hearing loss or/and tinnitus.

Our technology is advancing to the point that we can manufacture practical firearms that are hearing safe from the factory. While the distinct sound of a gun being fired will still exist,

the noise will be reduced to the point it won't cause permanent hearing loss.

The single, biggest obstacle to getting suppressors into widespread use is the archaic and increasingly obsolete National Firearms Act of 1934 (NFA).

Originally authored in response to the gangland shootings of the Prohibition Era, the NFA restricted numerous type of firearms. Among those heavily-restricted were fully-automatic and selective-fire weapons, short-barrelled rifles (SBRs), short-barrelled shotguns (SBSs), and suppressors or suppressed firearms.

A full repeal of the NFA is a non-starter for a host of reasons we can address at another time, but there is political will developing to start taking some items entirely out of the National Firearms Act, starting with suppressors.

As a society, we mandate it that motor vehicles have mufflers to stop noise pol-



SilencerCo Maxim 9

lution and the hearing damage caused by the millions of internal combustion engines so prevalent in our society. This important technology was invented by a man named Hiram Percy Maxim.

At the same time Maxim developed the now ubiquitous car muffler, he developed a gun muffler using the same technology, for the same reason. Originally, both devices were called silencers (and in parts of the world, automobile noise reduction devices are still called silencers).

While it may not be practical to retrofit many existing firearms with suppressors, we need to amend federal gun laws to encourage the development of integrally suppressed handguns like the Maxim

9, carbines like the Daniel Defense ISR, and others.

Let's pull silencers completely out of the National Firearms Act, and encourage more companies to develop integrally suppressed firearms at a cost we can all afford, without the roadblocks of federal registration, long waiting periods for paperwork to process, a punitive \$200 tax stamp, and harsh criminal penalties that are currently an obstacle to better hearing and environmental noise reduction.

It's past time that we as a culture dedicate ourselves to "fighting the noise."

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Gun Sales Soar: Highest Number of August Background Checks Ever!

by Bob Owens, BearingArms.com

gun attacks from Charleston to Roanoke.

Anti-liberty Democrats keep stoking the fires of hatred against civil society, and Americans are responding by buying more and more guns.

FBI data suggests gun sales in the U.S. shot up in August after a barrage of high-profile shootings led to renewed calls for stronger firearm laws.

The FBI posted 1.7 million background checks required of gun buyers at federally-licensed dealers — the highest number seen in any August since the checks began in 1998, according to a USA TODAY report published Saturday.

It turns out it was a very busy summer for gun lovers.

The soaring tally comes on the heels of monthly highs for June (1.5 million) and July (1.6 million), a stretch that spanned a series of deadly

"Whenever there is a call for gun control, sales increase," said Larry Keane, general counsel for the firearm industry trade association National Shooting Sports Foundation.

NICS only tracks the number of background checks (including so-called "online" sales and sales from FFLs at gun shows and other venues), not the actual number of guns sold in each transaction. While there is no way of knowing precisely how many firearms there are in the United States, best-guess estimates put the tally at between 300-350 million, with millions more being sold every year.

Calls for more gun control laws by anti-gun Democrats, perceptions of an increase in violent crime, and a general distrust of a federal government that seems to be going rogue are among the key reasons citizens are purchasing more firearms

Home Invasion Survivor: "Guns Saved My Life"

by Bob Owens, BearingArms.com

Eighteen years ago, Mike and Susan Gonzalez were both shot during a home invasion. During a struggle with their attackers, the injured woman grabbed her husband's pistol and opened fire.

Her husband was shot as he struggled with one of the attackers. Gonzalez said she saw an opportunity to reach for her husband's pistol and she went for it. She said she pointed the gun at one of the suspects and squeezed the trigger.

"I just opened fire in his back," she said.

The wounded suspect died in the couple's front yard. The other suspect took the keys to their truck and got away, but he was later captured.

Susan, 56, said what happened that hot, August night has changed her views completely on guns.

"A lot of people are against guns because they say guns kill," said Gonzalez. "Guns saved my life and I was against guns. I now carry."

She has a concealed weapons permit and said she practices on a regular basis.

"What happened to us, I would never in a million years would have dreamed it would happen to us," she said.

Susan's change of heart is hardly unique. Many people who were against firearms ownership have changed their minds after either experiencing or witnessing violent crime. It's a very intelligent decision, spurred by a life-altering experience that showed them just how unpredictable and violent other people can be, and just how fragile their own lives can be.

Guns save lives.

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HP Dumps 30,000 Workers While Demanding More Foreign H-1B Workers

by Rachel Stoltzfoos,
Daily Caller News Foundation

Another big business demanding access to foreign labor is laying off American workers by the tens of thousands.

Hewlett-Packard has lobbied extensively for more H-1b workers on the grounds it can't find skilled Americans to do the work, but the tech company announced Tuesday it's laying off 10 percent of its workforce. Between 25,000 and 30,000 HP employees will lose their jobs.

The layoffs are part of a plan to cut \$2.7 billion in costs each year as HP is split into two companies, and are in addition to another 55,000 layoffs announced earlier this year, reported the *Wall Street Journal*.

"It has been a bumpy road," CEO Meg Whitman said Tuesday, according to The *WSJ*.

Tech giants Microsoft and Qualcomm also recently announced massive rounds of layoffs.

All three are part of a major lobbying effort to get Congress to expand the H-1b program, on the grounds there is a shortage of American workers with science, technology, engineering, and math degrees.

HP praised the introduction of a bill known as "I-Squared" that would triple the cap on H-1bs, saying in a statement that it addresses "our nation's need for more qualified, highly-skilled professionals—domestic and foreign."

The stated purpose of the H-1b program is to allow companies to temporarily import high-skilled workers when they can't find American workers willing or able to do the job. Critics contend its true purpose is to help big businesses cut costs by importing less expensive workers.

Together, HP Qualcomm and Microsoft are laying off close to 100,000 workers.

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Record 46.7 Million Americans Live in Poverty; Household Income Back to 1989 Levels

by Tyler Durden,
ZeroHedge.com

At this moment, president Obama is taking to the Business Roundtable where as noted previously he will discuss "the turn-arounds in the stock market, housing iprices [sic?] and job growth."

In other words: helping wealth inequality hit record levels, permitting Chinese and other offshore "investors" to push high-end U.S. real estate prices to never before seen levels, while everyone else "benefits" from record jobs for bartenders and waiters. That said, here are some things Obama will not discuss.

According to the just released Census Bureau annual report on Income and Poverty, in 2014 the official poverty rate was 14.8% as a result of a record 46.7 million Americans living in poverty. This is the fifth

consecutive year since the end of the recession that the number of impoverished Americans has barely not budged. What recovery?

Worse, while there was no material change for the percentage of Americans in poverty, there was a statistical increase in the number of people in poverty who had **at least a bachelor's degree (rising from 3 million to 3.4 million in one year) and married-couple families.**

The people living in extreme poverty, i.e. below 50% of the poverty minimum, also rose to an all time high of 20.8 million.

Of the 91 million Americans who were out of the labor force in 2014 and otherwise did not work, a record 24.2% or 22 million, lived in poverty.

But the most alarming

fact about the total failure of the U.S. recovery, and one thing Obama will certainly not mention, is that the median real household income, after posting a modest increase in 2013 to \$54,462, dropped once again, sliding 1.5% in 2014 to \$53,657 and down from a high of \$57,843 record in 1999.

This was nearly the same as the \$53,306 median household income recorded in... 1989.

So all those talking about Japan's lost three decades, perhaps it is time to mention America's lost 25 years...

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Politics & The Bible

From Pastor Jim

Jim Modlish has been in the ministry 49 years, pastoring churches large and small from upstate New York to western Washington. He holds a doctorate in theology, but frequently states: "I have education, but I got over it."

Southern Colorado natives, Jim and his wife, Linda, were happy to return to their home state in 2006. They started the Huerfano Community Bible Church in Walsenburg seven years ago, and that work has experienced excellent growth

and the blessings of God. Pastor Modlish believes the Bible is the greatest political science textbook on earth, and that all current events should be examined under the searchlight of Scripture. All scripture taken from King James Version.



Network Nonsense

“Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets: she crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying, How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity: and the scorners delight in their scorning, and the fools hate knowledge?” (Proverbs 1:20-22) During the most recent GOP presidential debate CNN rose to the occasion of demonstrating in living HD color God’s description of fools. Their ticky tacky questions concerning one candidate’s opinion about another’s face or previous statements by one pitted against the thoughts of an opponent was the fodder of fools. The network nincompoops are so ignorant that any attempts to hide their liberal ideology wasn’t even on the radar screen. The entire agenda was dedicated to promote internal squabbling among the candidates.

In spite of the best efforts of the morons to confine the event to a cave of darkness occasional rays of illuminating light penetrated the murky. Carly Fiorina gave a laser beam explanation of partial birth abortion and the gruesome butchery that accompanies Planned Parenthood procedures of harvesting body parts. Recently, I dedicated an entire column about this barbaric savagery; consequently, the only addition submitted is a recommendation. Endeavoring to placate her base, including “black lives matter,” Hillary should orate on “women’s health” in front of a Planned Parenthood clinic in a black neighborhood. She could remind them that blacks are the greatest beneficiaries of the Democratic plantation since their abortion rate is 3.7 times that of whites. How many families can directly rejoice because Ben Carson wasn’t aborted? His life has certainly mattered!

The contribution of Marco Rubio was immensely significant when pointing out the leadership vacuum that now exists in the Middle East. With the abdication of America under the direction of Barack Obama, Russia is charging ahead to fill the void. The senator explained the probable fallout in changing alliances which will result in an even greater threat to Israel. The opportunistic North Koreans have chosen to exploit the apparent weakness in the present administration which has been demonstrated in the Iran deal. Their recent saber rattling is simply a reaction to Iran getting away with murder...literally!

Several of the participants indicated their presidency would be marked

by a position of American strength featuring a military buildup. Numbers 13 relates the story of Moses sending twelve men into Canaan to spy out the land and return with a report concerning the residents, their dwellings, and the productivity of the country. The intelligence was gathered along with...”And they came unto the brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it between two upon a staff; and they brought of the pomegranates, and the figs.” (Numbers 13:23) The desirability of the land was incredible but the road block was the inhabitants who were described as giants. A congressional vote was taken resulting in ten, who could not see the grapes for looking at the giants. Two of them (Caleb and Joshua) could not see the giants (vs. 35) for looking at the grapes. (14:7) A decision was made to avoid a God endorsed opportunity preferring to remain wilderness vagabonds. God’s judgment required every voting age adult to die in that wasteland, reserving his inheritance to accompany the following generation...the only exceptions were two men ---take a guess!

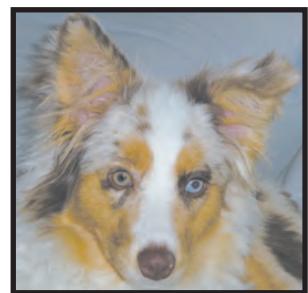
The usual preaching application of this passage centers on Israel’s lack of faith and the consequences of disobedience. These are legitimate observations for every Believer to entertain. There is, however, another slant to the narrative worthy of consideration. Stepping aside from the shield of faith all the ten could see was fortifications and power which is the inclination of the natural man. Overwhelming muscle and the will to exercise it are the only things that despots, bullies, thugs, and criminals respect. Even those who had every right to expect victory were overcome with fear. The terrorists of the world entertain no perspective except force against force.

Ted Cruz, Mike Huckabee, and Scott Walker were all given minimal time. Was this an effort of prejudice against their outspoken Christianity or perhaps, in addition to their faith, the avoidance was a reflection of fear. There is always the possibility that persons of their persuasion might quote some Bible to re-enforce a principle --- we can’t have that because in all probability the CNN post-show commentators know nothing of the Scriptures which would put them at a disadvantage to even comment. Every time Jesus referenced the Old Testament to those who were obligated to be familiar with it, he received a very negative reaction. Some things never change.

A Sheepdog Barks!

Let’s straighten one thing out real fast. Trump, or any other real conservative candidate, has NO obligation to defend Obama’s virtues. Many, many citizens believe Obama is not a real American, that he is not a Christian and, if a questioner states his or her own opinion, it is not the candidates’ responsibility, nor is it even prudent, to try and change that. The man did not ask Trump about whether or not Trump believed as he did. He prefaced his question with his beliefs on Obama which he felt were relevant to his question. And I support that. Look, I believe there are Islamic terrorist training camps in this country and they continue to exist partly because Obama doesn’t want to do anything about them. I don’t believe Obama is a Christian because of the way he speaks so sincerely about the “HOLY” Koran. He never says the “HOLY” Bible. He has also lectured on “collective salvation,” whatever that is. YOUR salvation is not based on MY behavior, only your own. I don’t believe he is a natural born U.S. citizen and I never will. The Hawaiian birth certificate is fuzzy at best. Too many discrepancies for me. But it is too late to worry about that. I don’t spend any time trying to convince anyone else about his faith or citizenship. The damage was done when he was first elected and redone when he was reelected. I believe one day Americans will know the truth. I believe it is why the Democrats tried so hard (8 times) prior to 2008 to change the eligibility definitions in the Constitution as he was their “rising star.” I believe these issues are why so much money and effort has been put into sealing all of Obama’s school and personal records. Hillary brought the citizenship issue up in her first campaign and it’s the only truth I believe she has ever spoken. She knows the facts and tried to use them when it served her purposes. Anyway, this is all irrelevant now as he has already done enormous damage to this country which will take decades to fix and he will do even more harm in his last year. The point is this. No conservative should

try to correct my opinion. No conservative should sing his praises. John McCain did and look what happened to him. Candidates would be smart in not speaking about such sensitive things and they certainly should not go out of their way to defend him or praise him. Has anyone forgotten the “big hug” Chris Christie gave him and all the kissy-kissy language about his help to New Jersey? I heard recently some New Jersey business owners are still waiting. So I guess old “Barry” didn’t cut through the red tape any more than Bush 43 was accused of not doing. The bottom line is this. Obama has trashed this country. Candidates should dwell on his policies not his ethnicity, his citizenship, or his faith. These factors are not relevant any longer. What is relevant is that all of his most damaging achievements have been done with only Democrat support. Bear that in mind when you consider your next president and congressional leaders. The current establishment GOP, so afraid of losing power, has not done what they should have done to stop this dangerous man. Thank goodness there are some choices right now for conservatives that are not establishment GOP candidates. It’s great that Trump has the courage to say he doesn’t have to defend Obama. He is exactly right. And I want to say something in support of Ben Carson. He also is exactly right. Many of us don’t want a Muslim as president. Not because the Constitution would prevent it. NO, we don’t want a Muslim president because of the policies that would come from one. Some think it would be much like we are seeing now. Muslims don’t think like our founding fathers. Yes, they are free to worship as they see fit, but they are not entitled to change our foundations. America was founded on Judeo-Christian principles and many of us believe that is what we should continue to follow. A Muslim, by definition, would try to change America to follow Islamic principles and Sharia law. We do not want that. The Center for American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) has called for Ben to withdraw. HUH? See



what I mean? They don’t even understand our right of free speech and that Ben is entitled to his opinion. And who “cares” what “CAIR” thinks anyway? (Sheepdogs do like a good pun every now and then) So, congrats to Ben Carson for having the courage to say exactly that! It’s not bigoted, racist, or xenophobic. It is simple truth. Good for you, Ben. WOOF!

Check out this “Only In A Liberal Progressive America” story. OIALPA: TV Land. Are America’s last shreds of morality gone? You bet they are. Just check out the new “adult” Muppets show on ABC. Here’s the promo — “Finally, a network TV show with full frontal nudity.” Funny? That’s really funny! I’m not laughing. The “mature” version of “The Muppets” will reportedly cover a range of topics from sex and drugs to “interspecies” relationships. Get it? No subject is off limits according to one show source. Fozzie Bear gets involved with a human. Kermit & Miss Piggy have broken up and Kermit is a “player.” The show will weigh in on abortion, monogamy, feminism, and other progressive and politically-charged subjects. This is what the LPsDs have done to America. They have no moral compass. Shame on them, The Muppets organization and ABC. Once again it’s all about money and doing whatever feels good. We are doomed. WOOF!

I have to end today with this latest little stupidity by HILLIARY. She knows the end is near so she came out Tuesday (under the cover of the Pope’s arrival) for climate change and against the XL Keystone Pipeline. It’s always about the money, isn’t it? WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



Altruism Debunked (Again): Unions Care About Minimum Wage Because It Impacts Their Bottom Line

By ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Earlier this week, the Service Employees International Union staged a rally to force employers to cough up a \$15 per-hour minimum wage, citing that other cities like Seattle and San Francisco have a \$15 per-hour minimum wage. Since the left is tripping over itself suggesting that Colorado also should have \$15 per-hour minimum wage, we thought it would be helpful to remind Colorado why the union cares so, so much about minimum wage. It's not because unions are so concerned about the underdog or the little guy, it's because their members' wages often are pegged to the minimum wage and union dues are pegged to their members wages.

Thus, a minimum wage hike means more money for unions to blow on fat cat salaries and political campaigns that their members do not agree with.

A Wall Street Journal op-ed penned by Richard Berman from the Center for Union Facts also explained how this works.

The labor contracts that we examined used a variety of methods to trigger the increases. The two most popular formulas were setting baseline union wages as a percentage above the state or federal minimum wage or mandating a flat-wage premium above the minimum wage.

Other union contracts stipulate that, following a minimum-wage increase, the union and the employer reopen wage talks. The negotiations could pressure employers and unions to hammer out a new contract, regardless of how long their existing contracts last.

Please remind your friendly leftists that unions care only about the minimum wage because it would give their bottom line a boost.

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698,000 Native-Born Americans Lost Their Jobs in August!

by Tyler Durden, ZeroHedge.com

After the Fed admitted over a year ago that the U.S. unemployment rate (which in 2012 was supposed to be a rate hike "threshold" once it hit 6.5% and is now at 5.1%) has become irrelevant in a country where a record 94 million people have left the labor force, and with the Fed poised to hike rates even though U.S. hourly wages have not only not increased for the past 7 years, but for the vast majority of the labor force continue to decline, some have asked - is there any labor-related chart that matters any more?

The answer: a resounding yes, only it is none of the conventional charts that algos and sometimes humans look at.

The one chart that matters more than ever, has little to nothing to do with the Fed's monetary policy, but everything to do with the November 2016 presidential elections in which the topic of immigration, both legal and illegal, is shaping up to be the most rancorous, contentious, and divisive.

The chart is the following, showing the cumulative addition of foreign-born and native-born workers added to U.S. payrolls according to the BLS since

December 2007, i.e., since the start of the recession/Second Great Depression.

The chart is especially important because what it shows for just the month of August will be enough to provide the Trump, and every other, campaign with enough soundbites and pivot points to last for weeks on end: namely, that in August a whopping 698,000 native-born Americans lost their jobs. This drop was offset by 204,000 foreign-born Americans, who got a job in the month of August.

But the punchline: since December 2007, according to the Household Survey, only 790,000 native born American jobs have been added. Contrast that with the 2.1 million foreign-born Americans who have found a job over the same time period...

... and you have a combustible mess that will lead to serious fireworks during the next GOP primary.

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Local Mountain News & Notices

Bobcat Harriers Run with the Big Schools at Pueblo

by Coach Jack Swartz

The Custer County Bobcat Cross Country teams traveled down the road to Pueblo to compete at the Pueblo Central Invite. The opportunity the harriers got was to not only run on a fast course but to run against some of the best 4A/5A

schools in the area.

20th out of 22 4a/5a teams.

Leading the girls to another personal best was Kayla Carter placing 29th out of 116 runners. Carter improved her personal best time by 30 seconds to 21:29 for 3.1 miles. Katlyn Freeburg completed the course in 25:04 taking 87th and Kayli Short took 96th in 25:51. The girls did not score as a team.

The boys had a few more personal bests to add to the list, first being led by Jerald Taylor placing 12th out of 140 runners in 16:55. Following Taylor was Dalton Wommack taking 119th in a new personal best of 21:10. Scott Freeburg moved up the team ladder with the absence of Wesley Kagan to take 130th in 22:17. Also setting a personal best again was Michael Batson (132nd) in 22:35. Jess Franta rounded out the team scoring running a season best 26:13 for the course. The boys would place

Joining the Varsity team for a stretch of 3 races was the middle school boys and girls teams. Ready to show that a proper practice time and proper training can pay off in a race of over 270 middle school athletes. Leading the girls was Kylie Carter, running the 2-mile course in 16:32. Also running for the girls was Kyleigh Martin finishing in 17:55.

For the boys, Luke Canon continues to impress taking 2nd place in a great time of 12:31. Also placing in the top 10 was Elias Zellar (9th) in 13:33. Rounding out the boys scoring was John Shepherd (20th) in 14:14, Jeremiah Taylor (52nd) in 15:19, and Harrison Walter (162nd) in 18:49.

All runners are back at it on Saturday, September 26th, for the Mile and a Half High Invitational taking place right here in Westcliffe. The race will be held at St. Andrews Golf Course and the middle school teams get underway at 10 a.m. There will also be a community 5k on the same course at 12 p.m., day of registration only. See you there!



Bobcat Kayla Carter

Courtesy photo by Margie Sinn



Public Safety Day

On September 12th, Custer County's finest came together to demonstrate a few of the ways they work to keep citizens safe. Many agencies were involved: Custer County EMS, Sheriff's Office,

Wet Mountain Fire, Emergency Management, Public Health, and Colorado Parks & Wildlife were all on hand. Fire and EMS demonstrated an extrication from a crashed vehicle (above) and Deputy Berkeland suited up to show how a bite dog (from Cañon City Police Department) handles a fleeing subject.

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