

Sexting Scandal Rocks Cañon City High School

Analysis and Commentary
by Barbara Penezic

The recent discovery of hundreds and hundreds of nude Cañon City High School students’ photos has gained the attention of this small rural community in a way that is rarely seen. Moms, Dads, grandparents, school administrators, local law enforcement, and all caring adults have had the ‘Rose Colored Glasses’ ripped from their eyes in a most dramatic fashion. National news has picked up the story and our once proud high school has been left exposed to the naked light of day. Many people have pointed out the very true fact that this behavior is happening all across the country. However, the fact remains, it has surfaced in a most public way right here at Cañon City High School.

Newly appointed School Superintendent George Welsh has been quick to take action. The final football game of the season has been canceled due to the partic-

ipation in this scandal by many (not all) football team members. Some students have already been suspended pending further action as the facts come out. This will be a major investigation that is still in the early stages. Cañon City Chief of Police Paul Schultz said chances are likely that several hundred persons are involved. “We are hoping that 30 days from now, we will have made significant headway in this investigation.” Speculation in the community has suggested that some Middle School students, and some adults could also be involved.

According to this “Community Crime Prevention Bulletin Secret Phone Photo Vaults” released by the Crime Prevention Coordinator, Cañon City Police Department, this latest incident has again brought to the forefront the need for parents, schools, law enforcement, and the community at large to be more vigilant regarding unsupervised youth use of technology. As with most risky behaviors, we react after the fact, looking for ways to prevent

continuance of the behaviors, that is the ultimate struggle of prevention, crime, or otherwise.

The earliest report found online of these particular types of secret “folder” or “vault” apps was in 2011. Google apps, Amazon, iTunes, and more all sold them before they were free. This “Calculator%” app seemed to become the preferred method in 2014 and goes by many names. “Calculator%” looks and acts like a calculator, but is actually a hidden photo and/or video vault.

As of today, you can You Tube specific instructions of how to install these apps just by searching “secret photo” or “photo vault”. The premise is pretty simple: install the app, enter a code, confirm it, maybe enter a back-code, and select the app you want hidden, typically the photo and/or video. Take or receive photos/videos, send them to the vault, and delete them from your phone cache. They are now hidden and you can save them to

keep private or to share from the vault. You can also upload them on a computer.

So what can we do? First educate yourself as to what these are, what they do, how they function, and what they look like. You can go to the app store on your phone and search the word “secret”. You’ll find there are lots of apps available to perform the function of hiding photos and videos. How do parents start the conversation? Ask your kids what technology they’re using and check their phones. If it looks like a calculator or anything suspicious ask them more questions. What else can parents do to prevent kids from making poor choices? Parenting has never been an easy job and technology has made it more difficult. But the overall premise of effective parenting has always been realistic expectations

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Dr. Terre Davis Elected CCCS Board President

by Larry Luikart

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Custer County C-1 School Board opened November 10, 2015, at 4:30 p.m. with President Brenda Gaide leading the assembled group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

During the General Public Comments section, Susan Frostman offered a very nice public thank you to President Gaide for her years of service to the District as a Board Member and President.

President Gaide presided over the Oath of Office/Swearing-In Ceremony of the newly-elected and re-elected members of the Board, Jake Shy, Brian Cline, and Monty Lee.

Vice-President Lee spoke eloquently regarding President Gaide’s service to the district and to the Board during her outgoing retirement ceremony. She received a plaque containing a gavel and inscription for her service. President Gaide thanked everyone from the custodian to the the superintendent and everyone in between for their dedication, vision, and hard

work for making the Custer County School District a success.

In her final action, President Gaide called for nominations for the position of President. Mr. Lee nominated Brian Cline and Mr. Jolley nominated Dr. Davis. Mr. Jolley presented a synopsis of Dr. Davis’s qualifications which included being a teacher, principal, college professor, superintendent, and the previous honor of being one of the top hundred educators in North America. Mr. Cline received one “yes” vote and four “no” votes, while Dr. Davis received four “yes” votes and one “no” (Mr. Lee) vote. Dr. Davis then assumed her position as President.

President Davis then called for nominations for Vice-President. Mr. Cline nominated Mr. Lee. There were no other nominations and Mr. Lee was elected by unanimous vote. Mr. Lee nominated Mr. Jolley for Secretary/Treasurer and with no other nominations he was elected by unanimous vote.

The following personnel hires were approved: high

school boys basketball: Head Coach - Shannon Byerly, Assistant Coach - Joy Parrish, and volunteer Ivan Seldon; high school girls basketball: Head Coach - Gary Fisher, high school/middle school wrestling - Head Coach - Mike Hamm, Assistant Coaches - Sterling Hinson and Mark Pedigo; middle school boys basketball: Head Coach - Eric Thompson, Assistant Coaches - Gary Fischer and Brady Hines; middle school girls basketball - Head Coach - Laura Kinsey. Assistant Coach - Kristen Foster.

The Board of Education Budget Committee recommendations in regard to salaries and benefits: One vertical step for all retained staff; two vertical steps for all staff affected by the five year pay freeze retroactive to the first part of the fiscal year and two hundred dollars for all new staff to be paid in December. The fiscal impact is \$55,779.

Principal Jones announced the unprecedented application of five students who have applied for a Boettcher Scholarship and one student who has applied for a Daniels Scholarship. Prin-



Outgoing School Board President Brenda Gaide.

Sentinel photo by Fred Hernandez

icipal Jones also reported that three members of the cross country team, Katlyn Freeburg, Kayli Short and Kayla Carter have been chosen to receive the Les Schwab Academic All-State Award from the Colorado High School Activities Association. Kayla Carter was named to the First Team All Conference in the Southern Peak League and Jerald Taylor was named Runner-of-the-Year in the Southern Peak League.

Dr. Davis, during the Items Introduced by Board Members, proposed adding the FAC (Faculty Advisory

Committee) to the Board’s agenda for the purpose of opening doors of communication between the faculty and the Board. She also created a new Communications Committee comprised of FAC members Michelle Tillotson and Bruce May, Board members Brain Cline and Monty Lee, and Superintendent Payler.

There will be a Special Board Meeting on November 18, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board workroom at the Administrative Building to sign the contract for Mr. Payler as a regular (as opposed to interim) District Superintendent.

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John 15:13, NIV



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Jim DeMint, the former Senator from South Carolina, is now the president of the Foundation. He was one of the first Tea Party supporters in Congress, but left because he thought he could accomplish more at

The Heritage Foundation for conservative values than he could under Harry Reid's tyranny and obstruction in the U.S. Senate. Here are a few excerpts of his opening remarks in the Fall 2015 Members Report:

"These are the times that try men's souls." So wrote Thomas Paine, and his words have lately haunted the minds of many a conservative. In one woeful week, the Supreme Court decreed that the literal words in the Obamacare law don't mean what they plainly and literally mean and then a few days later discovered a constitutional right to same-sex marriage in a Constitution that contains not one syllable about marriage...

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Now is the time for conservatives to mobilize as never before. Like the Continental Army of 1776, we can't afford the luxury of self-pity and resignation. We must put our defeats behind us and fight on. If these are times that try our souls, Thomas Paine reminds us that we must also rally our souls: "I call not upon a few, but upon all: not on this state or that state but on every state: stand up and help us; lay your shoulders to the wheel; better have too much force than too lit-

tle, when so great an object is at stake."

Let's roll!

Jim DeMint, President

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The Heritage Foundation is a worthy organization to support. Notice that it does not promote and support Republican principles. It is entirely devoted to the preservation of conservative values and principles. You can check them out further at myheritage.org. We encourage you to join and support this great, hardworking organization. It's one of the best conservative think tanks in America. Conservatism is the only thing that can save America. It is pretty much the opposite of liberal pro-

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Thanks for your years of service, Sharon

Our bittersweet heartfelt thanks and goodbye to Sharon Buck who has served on the board of the Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources for eight years. Sharon resigned her post as Secretary and traded the mountains for the ocean and a warmer climate in Florida. Sharon provided much support to clients, volunteers and board members over the

years in her unswerving faith and guidance in board matters and the mission of the Lighthouse. Thank you, Sharon for your devotion to the Lighthouse and to the young women and families in our community.

*The Lighthouse Board,
Silver Cliff*

My Two Cents

by Bill Bailey,
Westcliffe, CO

Someone please explain this to me. I'm not real educated on political protocol. I don't exactly know how the Senate and Congress are supposed to work. Maybe a few college grads can educate me on the facts. It was reported recently on Fox news that Ted Cruz introduced a bill known as Kates Law, named for Kate Steinle, who was killed by an illegal alien who had been deported 5 times previously and had an extensive felony background. Please explain to me how one evil Senator can block a bill introduced by another Senator, stop all discussion and keep it from coming to a vote before the entire senate. And after explaining it to me in detail, then explain to me how one senator could not stop Obamacare from coming to the floor of the senate. If one senator can block any bill from being introduced, why can't it happen all the

time with any bill introduced by the liberal left. Why do the Republicans not use the same tactics (Dirty) Harry Reid uses? Does the Colorado State Senate operate in much the same way? Can one Senator block any bill from coming up for introduction or for vote? If so, then why did the onerous gun control bills get introduced and passed a few years ago? And what are the current Republicans doing about those restrictive bills now? Does Harry Reid, as Minority leader, still "run" the Senate as he did as Majority leader?

And while I'm on the soap box, what would the principal and administrators expect from the high school students other than rampant hedonistic behavior when society keeps ordering pastors off the campus and prayer to cease. Again we have one lone person in authority pushing his agenda on the majority. They don't want

God or any of His rules on campus, yet they expect students to make up their own rules based on decency and modesty. They remove God, the Ten Commandments, prayer from schools and then wonder why grades are down and behavior has run wild. Day after day we hear about teachers introducing kids to sex, asking them to read and write about sex, then they wonder why kids send sexually explicit pictures and texts to each other. Then they want to blame the kids and make them criminals. They're kids, they need to be raised up in the nurture and admonition of someone other than the school administrators. (Maybe God? Maybe parents?)

As parents, as citizens we need to take back our schools, our county, our state, our country from the lawless, irresponsible, liberal, and God hating people who someone has placed in a position of authority.

Secure The Door Fundraiser for CCCS

In light of recent events concerning school security around the country, Custer County School District C-1 Superintendent Mark Payler has initiated a fundraising drive to raise money to replace the unsafe front entrance doors to our school with a modern door system that will provide a much more safe environment for our kids and school staff.

Superintendent Payler described the type of door system in an email to the **Sentinel** last Friday:

"My vision for securing the main entry is to have a time-controlled lock on a set of doors that would be open during the first and last part of the day when students are entering the building. At a set time, the door then locks. Mounted on the building would be a secure box with a push button/notification system with a video camera, microphone, and speaker. A person requesting entry into the building would push a button that would activate a screen in the office.

The administrative assistant would then ask the individual to show an ID (we could generate our own for our "frequent flyer" parents or visitors), and once the administrative assistant feels comfortable with the identity of the individual, they could push a button to remotely open the entry door, while at the same time keeping a digital video of the front entry if that documentation is needed later."

He also stated that he anticipates the cost to be about \$20,000 and that is already seeking bids for the project.

So, let's dig deep citizens and get this done. It's a lot of money but potential benefit is priceless. And every little bit helps. Please send your checks to Custer County Central School, 709 Main Street, P.O. Box 730, Westcliffe, Colorado 81252. Or you can drop them off at the front office. Please make checks payable to Custer County School District C-1, Memo: Secure the Door Campaign.

Ask a Pro: Big plans on a budget for a mtn. home?

A lot of folks are making plans to live in the area, some already have property here. We are seeing a return to an earlier time when people did their projects a little at a time or as they can afford it (take note Mr. President). I cut my teeth on these kinds of jobs so it's second nature now.

When proceeding like this the only must is: Someone has to have a vision. A plan is a great start if the planner has vision, if not; it's just a dream.

When developing a lot you need someone with vast experience and the ability to visualize the whole project. Some 'planners' have put the well in the only place a septic system could be installed. These kinds of pitfalls can be avoided.

With a little thought and vision:

You can do a well and a septic before you build your home but only if you have chosen a house site and know the type of foundation. Will it have a basement etc.?

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Custer County Tourism Board 2015 News Calendar of Events Round-Up

Tuesday November 17th, 5:30-7:30 p.m at Tony's Pizza



The Custer County Tourism Board, (CCTB) is wrapping up 2015 with a slate of accomplishments for the county-appointed board. The CCTB will be hosting its 5th annual "Calendar of Events Round-Up" at Tony's Mountain Pizza on Tuesday, November 17th. The monthly board meeting begins at 4:00 p.m., where Special Events Marketing Grant Applications for 2016 will be heard as an agenda item. The Round-Up event will follow, from 5:30-7:00 p.m., with complimentary appetizers and a cash bar.

The event is a planning tool for 2016, where individuals, organizations and others can begin to fill in the blanks on next year's events. The Tourism Board, Chamber of Commerce, and Cliffs Commercial District can then all include accurate and timely information for visitors planning trips to the community in 2016. The evening is in part a event planning, but also serves as a meet and greet open to individuals, businesses, and organizations with an interest in scheduling their 2016 events, workshops, and other tourism



related activities. Events may also be submitted online to the county tourism website at: <http://visitcuster-county.com/add-or-edit-an-event/>.

Among its 2015 accomplishments, the CCTB contracted with Bourbon Street Productions for their high definition (HD) video production services. Utilizing a state-of-the-art drone, during a photo shoot in early June, six 15-second HD videos were produced to market the "740 Square Miles of Wow" in Custer County. The video productions will be used for marketing the county on media formats to include YouTube, social media including Pinterest and Facebook, as well as other potential venues including television and theater. Segments that made the final cut included fishing, camping, ATVing, horseback riding, hunting, and bicycling. Plans for a winter video production are in the works, subject to adequate snow totals.

Printed pieces on the county's ATV opportunities and ordinance, a map for horse riding, hiking, and ATV trails; and features on birding, cycling, and fishing were also produced by the CCTB and hit the street locally and regionally.

The third goal of the CCTB board members this year was to place a billboard style advertisement in the region and continue to promote the area and to "Discover 740 Square Miles of Wow!" Securing a contract

with Clear-Channel Advertising for a 21' x 6' tension fabric display, (TFD) at the entrance/exit at the Colorado Springs Airport, the team unveiled its latest artwork campaign this past week. The annual impression count on the ad is over 4.7 million impressions, with nearly 1.7 million annual passengers traveling through the airport. The artwork can be rotated quarterly, so other organizations interested in promoting tourism are encouraged to explore this opportunity to collaborate with the county on this exciting project. New high resolution photos are being sought for a future TFD panel.

While it has been a successful year for the Custer County Tourism Board, it's now time to think about 2016 and to network with other groups to see what events they are planning, fill in the gaps, and coordinate the summer ahead! Be sure to join us at Tony's Mountain Pizza on Tuesday, November 17th for a great night of fun, planning, and appetizers and discover us for yourself at www.Wow-Colorado.com.

Consider being a guest blogger or contributing author to the site, or share photos and events and remember also to "Like" us on Facebook! For questions regarding the upcoming Events Round-Up, or to learn more about the Custer County Tourism Board, contact Board Member Cindy Howard: cindy@wow-colorado.com.



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American Legion Post 170 Posts the Colors on Veterans Day at CCCS

Post 170 presented the Colors before the CCCS assembly on Veterans Day and followed up with some class interaction.

Courtesy photo by Mark Payler

Tight Budget Will Rule County for 2016

by Paul Sage

The preliminary budget was again reviewed at the November 10th meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. After two days of cutting department requests in October, the proposed budget still comes out nearly \$150,000 in expenses over revenues for the year.

A number of factors can affect how the budget will ultimately play out for the year, but based on current property valuations in the county and projected taxes and other income streams, this is how the budget will stand going into the new year.

County Budget Director John Piquette was authorized to put the finishing touches on the budget document for final approval by early December. The state of the budget will require commissioners and county departments to be as conservative as possible throughout the new year.

One bright spot reported during the budget hearings was that the county has saved between five and seven thousand dollars on legal notice publication during the first three quarters of 2015 since the contract was awarded to the *Sentinel* over the *Tribune* in January.

Rocky Mountain Behavior Health, Inc. Seeks to Provide Services to County Residents

by Paul Sage

On November 10th, at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, Mr. Ted Ulibarri made a presentation on behalf of Rocky Mountain Behavioral Health, Inc. of Canon City. Mr. Ulibarri proposes that his company provide services locally to address the needs of local residents.

Of particular concern to Sheriff Shannon Byerly and Sgt. Mike Halpin, who came to represent the court, are the counseling requirements that may be imposed by the court and are not available locally. For example, an individual convicted of a DUI may be sentenced to DUI education counseling, but may have real challenges meeting the requirements when they are located 50 miles or more

away, and they have a suspended license.

The company addresses other needs like substance abuse, domestic violence and re-entry challenges faced by veterans.

Mr. Ulibarri, a Clinical Manager for Rocky Mountain Behavioral Health, is asking the county for the use of the county annex building one day per week to provide these services. Veteran's Service Officer Tim Swartz, who is housed in the annex, anticipated that it wouldn't interfere with his operations, and Sheriff Byerly offered the use of his interview room in the building to help facilitate the process. He pointed out the importance of providing these services and keeping them affordable to help cash-strapped

residents avail themselves of the services.

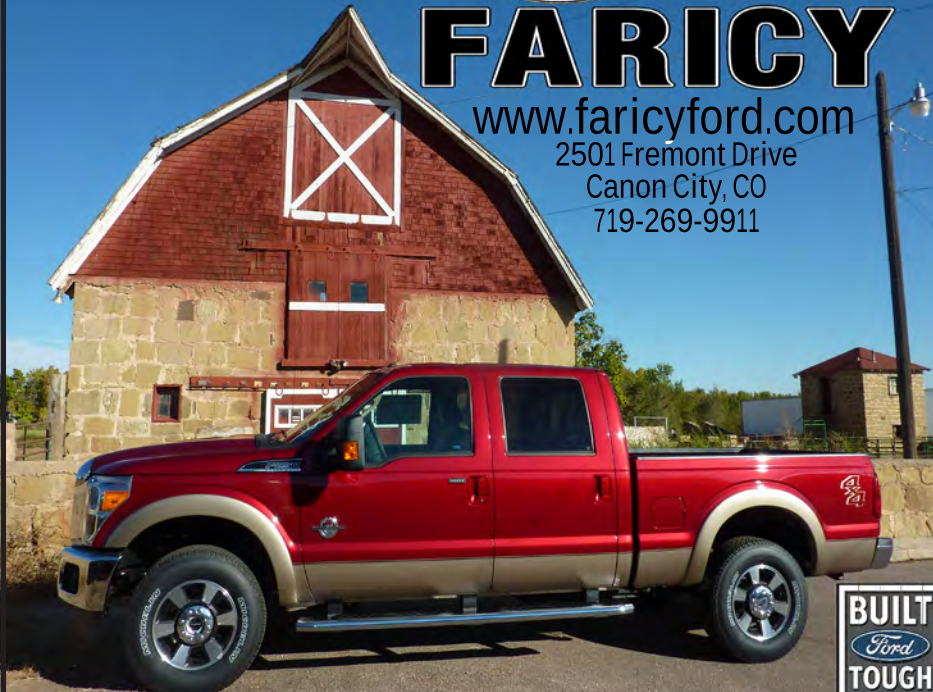
Commissioner Kattnig suggested the company should look at renting space elsewhere since it is a private, non-profit corporation and the annex is the only space available for public meetings. Commissioner Attebery challenged that notion, pointing out that there have always been other places for public meetings, even before the county had possession of the annex building. Commissioner Shy suggested checking to see if the clinic might make space available for providing this service.

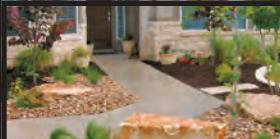
Mr. Ulibarri was instructed to get word back to the BOCC on the results of his inquiries by the end of the month so his proposal can be considered further.



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*Come to Me,
all you who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.*

Mathew 11:28, NKJV

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Silver Cliff Homes Saved Thanks to Quick Response



On the afternoon of Tuesday, November 10th, first responders acted quickly when a fire flared up south of Granada Court in Silver Cliff. It was first reported as a structure fire, and while nearby homes were evacuated, less than an acre was burned, and nearby homes were saved.

The cause of the fire was ashes from a wood stove or fireplace that were dumped in the area on Sunday and smoldered until Tuesday's winds fanned them into flames and ignited the grass.

Thanks goes out to Custer County's EMS (who first spotted the smoke and called it in), the Sheriff's Office, who arrived with

fire extinguishers, and the Wet Mountain Valley Fire Protection District, who arrived promptly and fully extinguished the fire.

And a reminder for everyone who uses a wood stove or fireplace for heat: Ashes from a stove or fireplace should never be assumed to be cold. Our Fire Department responds to this type of fire often. **PLEASE, PLEASE use a metal container, with a COVER, to dispose of a ashes. Ashes retain heat for many days, and all that's needed is a windy day to cause all kinds of potential danger.**

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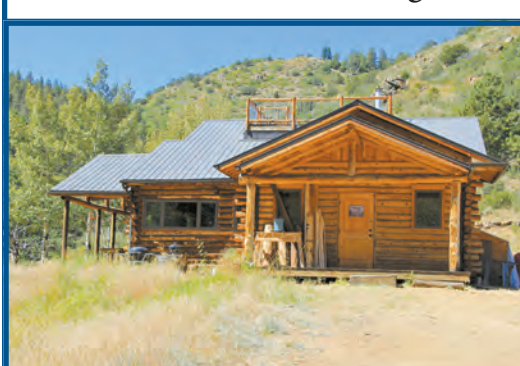



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Community Action Team – C.A.T.

The C.A.T. team and all of you helped many valley families have a happier Christmas last year. Let's do it again!

This year we will use the same procedure to match families with businesses, churches, and individuals that want to help. Like last year there is a form that families are invited to fill out to inform C.A.T. what they need and want at Christmas time. This form will be available at the Department of Human Services, many of the churches, the library, the school, the clinic, and businesses through out the valley. Families that need

help with gifts, food, and other items at Christmas are encouraged to fill out this form and then drop it at the Department of Human Services or Community United Methodist Church by November 13, 2015. Then C.A.T. will organize the requests, keep everyone's identity confidential, and match families and individuals with churches, businesses, and individuals who wish to help during Christmas time.

The churches, businesses, and individuals who wish to help simply need to contact Pastor Deborah Christine at Community United Methodist Church to be

matched up with a family. Some important dates:

October 5th – The C.A.T. assistance forms will be available

November 13th – The assistance forms must be turned in to Human Services or the United Methodist Church

December 11th – All donated gifts must be brought to the United Methodist Church

December 18th – Gifts will be picked up at the United Methodist Church

Pastor Deborah Christine
719-783-2511

Write a Novel in a Month at the Library

Aspiring novelists and seasoned authors alike are encouraged to write a novel in a month at the library. The West Custer County Library is an official "Come Write In" center as part of the National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) worldwide movement. NaNoWriMo, which began in 2009, motivates writers to give their inner-editors the month off by writing as fast as possible in order to complete a 50,000 word novel in the month of November.

The library will be hosting an organized writing session on November 14th at 3:30 p.m. This free event is for anyone already registered or wanting to register for

NaNoWriMo. Light snacks and beverages, moral support, idea-generating activities and help with the NaNoWriMo website will be available.

Writers are always welcome to write in the library anytime during regular library hours. Several convenient areas, including the community room, are newly wired with lots of outlets to keep laptops charged.

For more information on NaNoWriMo visit nanowrimo.org. For more information on the library's "Come Write In" role, please call the library at 783-9138 or email Jessica Carter at jessica@westcusterlibrary.org

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It's The Process

by Fred Hernandez

The school board met on Friday November 6th at 10:30 a.m. in the library. Board members present were Brenda Gaide, Monty Lee, Dr. Terre Davis, and Bob Jolley. Board member Brian Cline was absent.

There was no formal agenda. The meeting was called to have a discussion with teachers and the Co-Chairs of the Faculty Advisory Committee; Mr. Bruce Mays and Michelle Tillotson. The matter for discussion was the pending contract for the new school superintendent which is about to be signed.

Ms. Tillotson got the ball rolling by making the following statements which we paraphrase: There is a process by which the teachers are able to communicate with the school board. Recently there seems to have been a glitch in this process. To quote Ms. Tillotson, "we want to know what is going on before it hits the papers". As examples she brought up the security door, which is understandably a good idea but they were not informed. Then the contract for the new superintendent which they only found out about when it was published in the local newspaper. In short, they, the teachers, through the Faculty Advi-

sory Committee, want to know that there is a process and that their opinion as the professional educators, is valued. From the start it was made clear to the board that the final decision is always the boards. It is the process of getting input from the teachers, before decisions are made, that they are concerned with.

Mr. Bruce Mays was then recognized by the board and he expressed his concerns which were that he had been given to understand that "huge" changes were to be made and this caused certain anxieties among the teachers and staff.

The board members then took turns explaining that there are no radical changes that will occur and went on to define what went on "behind the scenes" while they were doing a thorough search for the school superintendent, including all the difficulties that task entails. The board also indicated that there had been information given out and a time period of fourteen days allowed for feed back to be made to them and that no such feed back was received by them. Mr. Monty Lee then illuminated the problem in what he believed was an inadvertent case of miscommunication. And, while making no ex-

cuses for it, he did mention that this was a unique case and as such did not have any precedents which may have been the cause of the misunderstanding. On the positive side though, it was noted that there had not been any negative from the board, from the public, and not even from the teachers. All are agreed that this is not about the new superintendent by any means. It is about the process and the need to insure that said process is in place and respected by all concerned.

With everyone agreed that this is all about the children and the need to make sure they get the best education and environment at all times, both the board and the teachers representatives agreed that it would be a good idea to form a committee composed of the superintendent, one or two board members and representatives of the teachers to establish procedures that insures the process of communicating up, and down, down and up is intact and operational at all times. It was therefore agreed that the committee would be formed as soon as possible.

The result of the discussion was very positive and clearly there had been a glitch in the communications which occurs in the best of organizations.

Silver Cliff Town Meeting

Meeting called to order by Mayor Weber at precisely 5:30 p.m., who went quickly through the opening procedures and directly to Old Business which was an update by Mr. Steve Lasswell about the Senior Center. He reported briefly that he is working on grants from the USDA and the Daniel Foundation for a new floor for the center and a new paint job..

Under New Business the following considerations were approved in rapid fashion: renewal of liquor licenses for both the Silver Dome Saloon and Tony's Mountain Pizza; appointment of Mr. Steve Lasswell to the Planning Commis-

sion; closure of street for the December 5th parade; renewal of agreement of participation in the Upper Arkansas Recycling Program; 2016 Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town and the Sheriff's Office by Ordinance No 6- 2015; Resolution #3-2015 for proposed ballot question opting out of SB 05-152 re-establishing the Town's ability to directly or indirectly provide such services as cable television, telecommunications, and advanced services; Resolution #4 -2015 regarding type of elections and approval of April 5,2016 election to be conducted by mail ballot;

and, finally, setting a budget and election workshop date which was agreed to be on November 19th at 4 p.m.

Under staff reports, it was reported that the park has been winterized and some street repairs made. Importantly, the staff talked to the Sheriff who indicated that one of the kids was identified in the matter of the vandalism and that he will be arrested soon and possibly charged with a felony.

Other items at the end of the Agenda dealt with approvals of Treasurers and Financial Reports and Payment of Bills. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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* Does your cousin need to see the news from a Christian perspective?

* Spread the word folks. The mainstream has had its way with America for too long.

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Oak Creek Grade General Store Announcement

We are now closed for winter, but will still take orders for bread: \$5 a loaf, rye, white, whole wheat, or orange raisin cinnamon bread. Bagels, cinnamon rolls, muffins are \$2 a piece with a minimum of 6. I will not bake on Sunday, Monday, or Tuesdays.

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Veterans Service Office Hosts Open House



Tuesday, the Custer County Veterans Service Office hosted an open house and introduced some important services that are available to the veterans of our community. Tim Swartz, the Veterans Service Officer, has been working hard to learn and meet the needs of our vets.

The VSO, at 615 Rosita Avenue in Westcliffe, is open Tuesday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. Call 719-783-9470, or for After-Hours Emergencies, call 719-285-5892.

Pictured above, left - left to right: Jane Arbuckle, VSO Tim Swartz, Sgt. Mike Halpin, and Carol Kennedy. above, right: Virginia Chacon, of the VA Homebound Care Program (contact her at 719-357-1941 if you are interested in homebound care) and Ted Ulibarri of Rocky Mountain Behavior Health, Inc. Pictured right, left to right: Mary and Cecile McDonald (Cecile was 17 years old and in the Navy during the Cuban Missile Crisis) and VSO Tim Swartz.



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Bobcats Volleyball Comes to a Close

by Coach Greg Cravens

The Custer County High School volleyball team saw their season come to an end on Friday with two straight set losses to Sargent and Fowler. The Bobcats finish the season 14-11 overall and 11-3 in league.

A common foe was first for the Bobcats as they took on the Sargent Farmers. The students from Sargent and the fans that came on the spirit bus from CCHS had the gym rocking for the fourth meeting of the year for these two teams. The first set didn't disappoint as both teams gave it everything they had but the Farmers outlasted the Bobcats 29-31. The next two sets saw the Farmers going away with it, 15-25 and 19-25. Emily Crossley and Elizabeth Mullett lead the attacking for the Bobcats with 6 and 5 kills respectively.

Custer County had to turn around and take on the Fowler Grizzlies to have any chance to advance to the State Tournament. The team from Fowler proved to be too much for that Bobcats as the Grizzlies won in



The Lady Bobcats Varsity Volleyball Team

Courtesy photo

straight sets, 14-25, 21-25, and 10-25. McKensie Penkoff led the Bobcats in kills with 6.

The Bobcats did come away from the season with a few awards. Five members of the team were named West Central League All-Conference, Emily Crossley, Serenity Ham, Tish Schlabach, McKensie Penkoff and Elizabeth Mullett. Halie Lemons was named on the Honorable Mention list.

With a fairly young team and a successful middle school program, the volleyball future looks bright for Custer County High School.

Feldmann Wins Reisher Scholarship

by Troy Bomgaardner

Sydney Feldmann, a 2014 CCHS graduate, was awarded the prestigious Reisher Scholarship at the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs (UCCS). The Scholarship has a lengthy application process which included intense interviews with applicants. The scholarship is a full-ride scholarship for the completion of Feldmann's 4-year college residency.

"It was a very intense interviewing and application process," said Feldmann. "The scholarship gives me money for books, living expenses, and gives me so

many tools to help me with my grades, studying, mentors, and advisers. I want to give the credit to FFA for giving me public speaking skills, interview skills, and so much more, but also for giving me a reputation that everyone knows FFA for. One of the interviewers from the Reisher board was a FFA adviser and wanted to know all about my experience as the FFA Vice-President. This scholarship is truly a blessing."

The Reisher Scholarship is named in honor of the Roger Reisher Family. Reisher was the founder of First Bank of Colorado. Previously only available for

students in northern Colorado universities, it has recently become available to students in all Colorado universities.

In order to keep the scholarship, Feldmann will have to keep a 3.4 GPA, graduate in 4 years, complete community service projects, and take leadership classes. Feldmann wanted to thank CCHS faculty and administration for continuing to care about former students. "It's comforting to know that my old school family still cares about my future and didn't just "boot" me out the door!" exclaimed Feldmann.



Bobcat Menu • Nov. 16 - Nov. 19, 2015

Monday Breakfast
French Toast
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Chili, Cornbread
Choice of Veg.
Choice of Fruit
Milk

Tuesday Breakfast
Scrambled Eggs,
W.G. Toast
Fruit, Milk
lunch
Toasted Cheese Sandwich
Tomato Soup
Choice of Veg. & Fruit
Milk

Wednesday Breakfast
Cheese Quesadilla
Fruit
Milk
lunch
Cheese Pizza
Choice of Veg.
Choice of Fruit
Milk

Thursday Breakfast
Sausage Gravy
W.G. Biscuit
Fruit, Milk
lunch
Assorted Sandwiches
Choice of Veg.
Choice of Fruit
Milk

Elementary: Main Dish, Bread, Milk, and Choice of 1 Veg. & 1 Fruit
Middle & High: Main Dish, Bread, Milk, and Choice of 1 Veg. & 1 Fruit
Middle & High: Salad Bar - Mon. & Tues. Only



Bobcats Cross County: Post Season Accolades

The Girls Cross Country Team keeps racking up the awards. After their history setting trip to the State Championships, the girls have been named to the Les Schwab All - State Academic team. The girls have a combined cumulative GPA higher than a 3.5.

Also, congratulations to freshman Kayla Carter for being named 1st team all conference in the Southern Peak league, as well as Jerald Taylor for being named Runner of the Year. These accolades are awarded from the League Championship meet held in Monta Vista.

Pictured above, lower photo, left to right: Katlyn Freeburg, Coach Jack Swartz, Kayla Carter, and Kayli Short

Courtesy photos

KIDS Friday, November 13, 2015

The Vietnam War Memorial Wall

The Viet Nam War was a long, drawn-out armed conflict between the communist regime of North Vietnam and South Vietnam, who in 1955 declared itself the Republic of Vietnam. In 1965, the first combat troops were sent into Vietnam. This war was increasingly an unpopular war at home and sparked many protests especially on college campuses. More than 3 million people were killed, including 58,000 Americans. March 29, 1973 the last American troops were withdrawn from Vietnam and on April 30, 1975 South Vietnam surrendered to the Communist.

On April 27, 1979 a group of Vietnam veterans led by Jan C. Scruggs, a wounded and decorated infantryman, formed the Vietnam Veterans Memorial fund. More than \$8,000,000 was raised all of which came from private sources, starting with \$2,800 of Jan C. Scruggs' own money.

The construction of the wall, as the war, was not without controversy. The New York Times expressed the feeling "the only point about the war on which people may agree: that those who died should be remembered." On March 11, 1982 the design and plans received final federal approval, and work on the wall began on March 16, 1982. The wall was dedicated on November 13, 1982.

The wall is a black granite wall inscribed with the names of 58,286 Americans killed or missing in the Vietnam Conflict. When a visitor looks at the wall, his or her reflection, can be seen simultaneously with the engraved names, which is meant to symbolically bring the past and present together.

A short distance away from the wall is another Vietnam memorial, a bronze statue named "The Three Servicemen", sometimes referred to as The Three Soldiers. A short distance from the wall, north of the Reflecting Pool, the Women's Memorial is dedicated to the women who served in the Vietnam War, most of whom were nurses.

by Audrey Slater, Sources: history.com, wikipedia, vvmf.org

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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES



PUBLIC NOTICE COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 14-15

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

On August 11, 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): Bruce K. Roth and Carrie J. Roth
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., acting solely as nominee for Mortgage Solutions of Colorado, LLC
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

Date of Deed of Trust: October 31, 2008
County of Recording: Custer
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: November 10, 2008
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 211482 Book: 618 Page: 5
Original Principal Amount: \$189,992.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$181,310.64

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.

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION
EXHIBIT "A"

A parcel of land in Section 33, Township 22 South, Range 71 West of the 6th P.M., Town of Rosita, County of Custer, State of Colorado, Being a portion of Lots 62 and 63 lying Southwesterly of U.S.M.S. No. 49 AKA the Senator Extension and the vacated Southerly portion of Irwin Street adjacent thereto and the Northerly portion of 1st Street adjacent thereto, all being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of said U.S.M.S. No. 49 (Corner No.4) described as being monumented by an aluminum cap by Colorado P.L.S. No. 19883, Thence on an assumed bearing of North 46°27'16" West on the West line of said U.S.M.S. No. 49, a distance of 377.13 feet to the true point of beginning being at the intersection of said West line of U.S.M.S. No. 49 and the centerline of said 1st

Street(Now vacated) Thence on the following 4 courses; South 66°14'02" West on said centerline of 1st Street(Now vacated) a distance of 170.71 feet to intersect the Southerly extension of the West line of said Lot 63; North 23°43'18" West on said West lot line of Lot 63 and its Southerly and Northerly extension, a distance of 250.11 feet to intersect the centerline of said Irwin Street(Now vacated) the next course shall be on said centerline North 66°13'18" East a distance of 65.95 feet to intersect the said West line of U.S.M.S. No. 49 from which a ½" rebar with a 1" yellow plastic cap by Colorado P.L.S. No. 19883 bears North 46°27'16" West for a distance of 703.94 feet; South 46°27'16" East on said West Line of U.S.M.S. No. 49 a distance of 271.11 feet to the point of beginning of the herein described parcel. EXCEPT THAT PART OF VACATED 1ST STREET.

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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, 12/09/2015, 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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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:
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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 Custer County School District C-1 School Board Special Meeting School Library – November 18, 2015 4:30 p.m.

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1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Welcome of Guests (Please sign in if you wish to speak)
3. Modification / Approval of Agenda
4. General Public Comment Section – Comments limited to three (3) minutes
5. Action Items
 - a. Superintendent Search Recommendation
 - b. Superintendent Contract
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Source of Strength to Sponsor Dodge-ball Tournament

by Coach Troy Bomgardner

The CCHS Sources of Strength Club will be sponsoring a community-wide "Trusted Adult" dodge-ball tournament on Thursday, November 19th, at 6:30 p.m. in the east gym. The tournament will have three separate divisions: an open division, middle school division, and elementary division. The tournament is free of charge. However, students will be asked to name a "trusted adult" in their life in order to be admitted to the tournament.

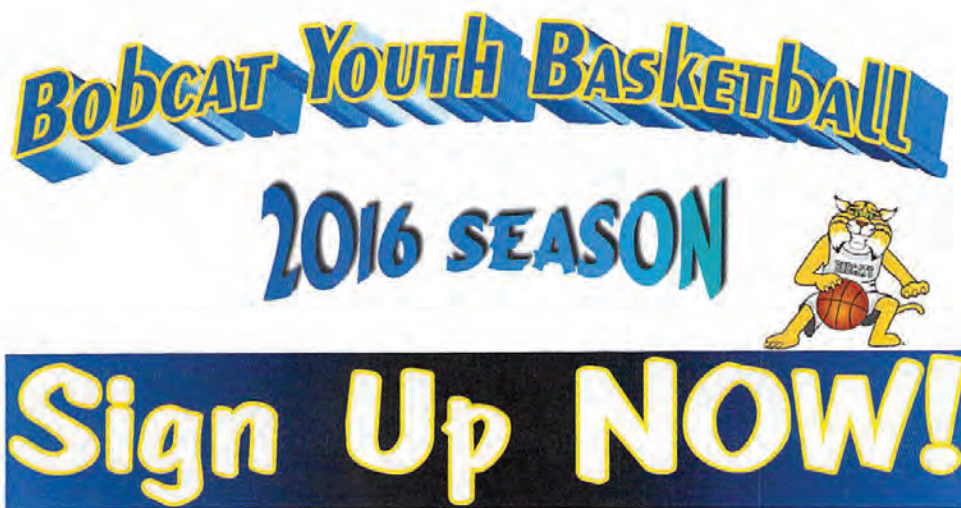
The "trusted adult" idea is part of the

Sources of Strength program which is a national, research-based, suicide prevention program. The program is peer-led by CCHS students to promote hope, help, and strength. The middle school and elementary divisions must have at least one adult on their team but not more than two adults. The open division is open to all ages.

Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the commons outside the east gym and pizza will be provided by Tony's Mountain Pizza. The community is invited to attend!

People create their own questions because they are afraid to look straight. All you have to do is look straight and see the road, and when you see it, don't sit looking at it - walk.

Ayn Rand



Age Groups Junior Division: Co-ed 1st grade -3rd grade Boys & Girls 4th grade Girls Senior Division: Co-ed 4th grade -6th grade Boys 5th-6th grade Girls Registration Fee \$30.00 by November 13, 2015 \$35.00 after November 13, 2015 (Post Mark) \$17.00 for each additional sibling <i>Make checks payable to:</i> <i>Bobcat Youth Basketball</i> <i>For more information:</i> <i>phone: 719-429-4152</i>	Last Day to Register: December 5, 2015 Season Starts: December 5, 2015 Season Ends: February 27, 2016 Please Register by MAIL or by giving forms to Kristen Foster Address: Bobcat Youth Basketball 105 Rufus Run, Westcliffe Games will be played at Custer County School East Gym on Saturdays with possible Friday evenings. Schedule still pending.
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The Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation is proud to sponsor the annual Community Spirit Campaign, a matching gift project to benefit local nonprofit organizations beginning each November. The Foundation contributes matching funds, augmented by donations from other foundations and individuals. Donations are used to match private contributions made to valley and county nonprofits when received by December 31st of each year.

The Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation was founded in 1999, and since that time has distributed approximately \$3.3 million to just over 100 nonprofit organizations in Custer County. Grants and gifts have been given to the arts, education, recreation, historical preservation, emergency services, health care, and related fields of service. The annual Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation Spirit Campaign is a program of matching gifts awarded by the Community Foundation based on individual donations to nonprofit organizations in Custer County. The Spirit Campaign has generated over \$1 million in donations for the local nonprofit community since the campaign's inception in 2004. It allows residents to focus their donations on nonprofits of their choosing while knowing a matching gift will be awarded by the Community Foundation. The Spirit Campaign matched contributions by over 700 individual donors to over 70 Custer County nonprofit organizations totaling more than \$320,000 in 2014 in charitable contributions.

The Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation would like to deeply thank the Anschutz Foundation in providing significant funding for this matching gift effort. The Anschutz Foundations have been partners in the Community Spirit Campaign since the program was initiated. Additional contributions for matching funds came from the AT&T Foundation and the Foundation's Gertrude Oakley Legacy Fund and individual donors.

Nonprofit Chart 2015

- All Aboard Westcliffe

Animal Advocates

Cliffs Commercial District dba CART

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Cross D Bar Recreation Foundation

Custer 2020, Inc.

Custer County 4H Foundation

Custer County Affordable Housing

Custer County Cares About Cancer

Custer County Clinic

Custer County Community Sharing Center

Custer County Conservation District

Custer County Economic Development Corporation

Custer County Emergency Medical Services

Custer County Fair Board-Diane Rose

Custer County Historical and Genealogical Society

Custer County Medical Foundation

Custer County Search and Rescue

Custer County Senior Center

Custer County Sheriff's Department

Custer County Sheriff's Posse

Dark Skies, Inc.

Dundee Memorial Park Association, Inc.

Eagles Summit Ranch

Excellence in Education

FFA

Friends of the Beckwith Ranch

Frontier Pathways and Scenic Byways

Heart of Colorado Rural Philanthropy Days Steering Committee

High Altitude Garden Club

High Country Recycling

High Mountain Hay Fever Festival Association

Historic Willows School Society

In Concert

Junior Achievement

KLZR Radio
- Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources

Magic Moments (Transitions)

Mission Wolf

Olde Schoolhouse Quilters (under VPR&YC)

Operation Uplift (aka Uplift Mountain)

Outdoor Buddies

Paca Peace Ranch

Pawsitive Reaction

Pet Project Wet Mountain Valley

Ranch of Hope

San Isabel Land Protection Trust

Sangre de Cristo Hospice & Palliative Care

Sangre de Cristo Volunteers for Change

Sangres Art Guild

Silver Cliff Commemorative and Community Park

Southern Colorado Space Museum & Learning Center

Sustainable Ways

The American Legion, Westcliffe Post 170-Boys State

The Bluff Project

Town of Silver Cliff Museum

Valley Assisted Living and VALI Home Care

Valley Park, Recreation and Youth Center

Veterans of Foreign Wars

West Custer County Library District

West Custer County Library Friends

Westcliffe Center for the Performing Arts

Wet Mountain Fire Protection District

Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club Foundation

Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club - Rotary Lending Medical Aids, Inc.

Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Community Service, Inc. (Van)

Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club

Wet Mountain Wildlife Rehabilitation

Wetmore Community Library

Wetmore Volunteer Fire Department

Wetmore-Hardscrabble Genealogical and Historical Society

Please Distribute My Donation to the Following Custer County Nonprofit Organizations in the Amounts Shown (Use Separate Sheet if Necessary)

Matching funds will not be applied to contributions postmarked after 12/31/15

Nonprofit Org	Amount \$
Nonprofit Org	Amount \$
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Nonprofit Org	Amount \$
Nonprofit Org	Amount \$
Total nonprofit	\$

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The WMV Community Foundation

Local Mountain News & Notices

SEXTING

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of your individual child and their individual social/emotional development, communication, parental involvement, preferably family meetings, and building trust. Sometimes parents think that by high school (and sometimes middle school) kids know what to do, but that is a critical time to stay involved, because that’s when parental influence comes to fruition whether it’s choosing or not to use drugs and alcohol, become involved in bullying, violence, crime, gangs, or participating in secret photo vaults. It is not the time to set them completely free; it is the time to communicate with them regularly about their struggles, their lessons, and their coping skills. Consistency, logic, and the presence of a caring, involved adult are universal needs of children everywhere.

As parents, we can help our children make better choices by knowing where they are, who they are with, who their friends are, and who their friends’ parents are, and what their technological and social habits are so that we can help them navigate the land mines; teaching them

to problem solve and consider consequences. Just teaching our kids what to do isn’t enough anymore. We need to teach them how to think.

The lesson here isn’t that parents have one more thing to worry about; it’s just another wakeup call to parents and those who care for and about children to stay alert, stay informed, and, if needed, reach out and ask for help. For more information on effective parenting techniques, visit www.Cañoncito.org Police and Public Safety; crime Prevention Unit; Parenting for Prevention.

Safe to Tell made it possible for a few outstanding students to come forward and cause the investigation to begin. We owe those students a great deal of thanks. Please remember if your child or family need help coming to terms with the developments of the past week, contact Sol Vista or the school for assistance.

(Editor/GG: Folks this sexting disease is happening all over the country. We are NOT immune to it here in the Valley. Parents: Catch it before your kids make a BIG mistake. It is a felony.)

Broken Promise: Forest Service’s Chimney Rock Plan Bans Grazing and Recreation

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

When President Obama declared Chimney Rock in the San Juan National Forest a national monument three years ago, his declaration assured us that grazing would be allowed to continue.

Laws, regulations, and policies followed by the Forest Service in issuing and administering grazing permits or leases on all lands under its jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument.

But now the Forest Service has released the actual management plan for the area, and guess what?

No grazing.

Also, no rock climbing or other public activity is permitted near the spires, no horses or dogs allowed on the trails, snowmobiles are banned, mountain biking is limited to designated roads and

no dispersed camping.

That’s according to *The Durango Herald*, which presented the plan as a middle-of-the-road approach.

Among the more notable decisions, grazing is no longer allowed on Peterson Ridge. (Pagosa District Ranger Paul) Blackman said some pushback was received from ranchers, but in all, the area wasn’t heavily grazed to begin with.

If the area wasn’t heavily grazed to begin with, then why was it so important to cancel the grazing leases, especially after the Obama administration promised us those would not be affected?



Chimney Rock

Courtesy photo

We didn’t see any assurances in Obama’s executive decision that recreation would be preserved, but we’re surprised the crack-down would be so harsh.

If this is considered middle-of-the-road, we wish someone would drive over it with a 18-wheeler truck and squash it.

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Come and Worship

- Christian Science**
9:30 a.m. Worship
8 Bassick Place
Westcliffe
- Church of Christ**
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship
5 p.m. Worship
818 Ohio Street
Silver Cliff
719/783-4601
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**
10 a.m. Sacrament Mtg.
12:10 p.m. Sunday School
240 Ridgeline Drive
Westcliffe
719/783-3751
- Community United Methodist Church**
8 a.m. Worship
10 a.m. Worship
202 S. 6th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2511
- Cody Park Community Church**
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
Tuesday, 8:30 a.m., Prayer Mtg.
Wednesday, 7 p.m., Bible Study
0157 County Rd. 27A
Cotopaxi
719/942-3462
719/942-3526
- Cotopaxi Community Church**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
20326 Hwy. 50
Cotopaxi
719/942-4185
- First Baptist Church of Westcliffe**
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
417 S. 6th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2498

- High Country Mennonite Church**
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School
110 Rosita Avenue
All Aboard Westcliffe Bldg.
Westcliffe
719/783-9045
- Huerfano Community Bible Church**
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
7 p.m.: Thursday Bible Study
603 Leon Street
Walsenburg
(719) 251-9053
- Hope Lutheran Church**
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Worship
3rd & Powell Streets
Westcliffe
719/783-9773
- Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church**
Diocese of Pueblo
11 a.m. Sunday Mass
10 a.m. Tuesday Mass
11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday Adoration
109 S. 5th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-3507
- Our Lady of Mt. Zion Catholic Church**
11 a.m. Mass
3rd Sunday of each month
210 S. 2nd Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2491
- Sangre de Cristo Fellowship**
Sundays, 10 a.m. Meet and Greet
Sundays, 10:15 a.m. Service
Sunday School & Prayer Mtg to
120 Jerry Court
Westcliffe
719/783-0903

- Sangre de Cristo Seminary Chapel**
10 a.m. Worship
6160 County Rd. 130
Westcliffe
719/783-2447
- St. Luke's Episcopal Church**
10:30 a.m. Worship & Eucharist
11:30 a.m. Fellowship
3rd & Rosita Streets
Westcliffe
719/783-2477
- St. Patrick's Anglican Church**
11 a.m. Worship
401 South Second Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2500
- Valley Bible Fellowship**
10 a.m. Worship
116 Hermit Lane
Silver Cliff
719/783-9050
- Westcliffe Community Church**
10 a.m. Worship
103 N. Adams St.
Westcliffe
719/429-4256
- Wetmore Baptist Church**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
Junction of Hwy 96 & 67
Wetmore
719/371-1230
- Wetmore Community Church**
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship
699 County Rd. 395
Wetmore
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3 p.m. Sunday School
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See ad on page 17
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Sat., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- The Mining Company Restaurant**
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719/783-9144
Mon., Thurs. - Sun.,
7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tues., 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Closed Wednesdays
- St. Andrews Golf Course Café**
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- Tony's Mountain Pizza**
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Tues., 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wed.. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
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Sat. - Wed., 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Thurs. & Fri., 7 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Open 7 days a week

Local Mountain News & Notices

Classifieds

Announcement

Friends of the Library Annual Christmas Arts & Crafts Fair applications are at the Library now! The Fair will be its usual first weekend in December. That's December 3rd, 4th, and 5th at Lange Hall next to the Lutheran Church. You can also go on-line at www.Library-friendsrock.org. We need the forms back by November 28th. Any questions, call Polly Miller at 783-2733.

Classes

Work out while your kids do Kids Zone program at Club America Fitness Center: Tues/Thur 4 p.m. – 6 p.m., and Friday 10:30 am – Noon. Kids Zone \$30/month/child or \$5 drop-in fee. Parent can work out for only \$55/month membership. 783-0750

Get ready for skiing! Core Conditioning and High Altitude Training with Jerry Heisig at Club America Fitness Center M/W/F 7:55 a.m.; T/Th 5 p.m. 783-0750

Senior Classes at Club America Fitness Center: Chair Strength Tues-Thurs 10:30 a.m.: Low Impact. Mon/Fri 10:30 a.m. TONE! Mon/Wed 5 p.m. 783-0750.

For Sale

FSBO 5 acres north of Oak Creek Grade General Store. Call or see Jack or Audrey at 783-2245

Help Wanted

Physically fit, part-time caregiver: Average 20-30 week/\$1,000/mo. Must

be flexible and possess a valid CO DL and have own vehicle. Background Ck mandatory. Duties include light cleaning and transporting; travel expenses paid. Submit Resume to *Sentinel*, Attn. Caregiver, 610 Main Street, Westcliffe.

The Town of Westcliffe is looking for a part-time Deputy Clerk. Will share responsibility for official administrative duties on behalf of the Town of Westcliffe, covers the front office and responds when the Town Clerk is unavailable. The position requires administrative skills; excellent customer service, organizational, computer skills (Excel, Word and Quickbooks); must be detail oriented; reliable; work independently; High School Diploma and at least 2 years of directly related office or clerical experience. A good sense of humor and an ability to be a team player are desired, as well as experience and knowledge of the community. Non-smoking office, the Town of Westcliffe is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is a municipality, so employees need to recognize this government entity is required to provide services to all citizens of the Town of Westcliffe. Sixteen to twenty-four hours/week must be available to occasionally work 40 hours a week when the Town Clerk is unavailable. Minimum starting hourly wage is \$10.00. No benefits. Please pick up a full job description at the Westcliffe Town Hall, 305 Main Street, Westcliffe, Tuesday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm. Resumes and a cover letter are due 4 p.m. on November 30, 2015. All resumes will be kept

confidential. Successful applicant will be required to pass a pre-employment drug and alcohol test.

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

Drum Circle to Meet at the Library

The next monthly open drum circle led by djembe musician and craftsman Zach Taylor will meet on Saturday, November 21st at 3 p.m. The drum circle is free and open to all ages and abilities.

“We have been thrilled with the turnout for these events,” said Library Director Amy Moulton. “Zach is an amazing leader and word is getting out what a

fun experience it is.”

Attendees are encouraged to bring their own drums, though Taylor will have a few extra on hand. The West Custer County Library Community Room is located at 209 Main Street in Westcliffe. For more information on the drum circle, contact the library at 783-9138.

Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 226 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 10 to EMS, and 2 to the Fire Department. On November 10th, there was 1 male and 3 females in the county jail.

11/3/15 Theft
A deputy took a report of a cell phone and prescription medication stolen from a vehicle on October 31.

11/4/15 Traffic Summons
Shawn Winters for speeding in a school zone.
Fayne Long for parking in an alley.

11/5/15 Traffic Summons
Michael Trujillo of Westcliffe for speeding.

11/6/15 Traffic Summons
Ann Meo of Westcliffe for speeding.
Peggy Stewart of Westcliffe for speeding.
John Blankenship of Estes Park for speeding.

Andrew Hunstinger of Colorado Springs for speeding.
Jerald Taylor of Westcliffe for speeding.

Fraud Attempt
A deputy took a report alleging a fraud perpetrated by an individual

representing that he was from Black Hills Energy. The subject stated the merchant's power would be turned off if payment in the form of a pre-paid green dot card wasn't received immediately.

Arrests
A deputy pulled over Christopher Jacobson of Fort Collins on a routine traffic stop for a broken head light. Jacobson had two active arrest warrants valid statewide. He was taken into custody and booked at the Custer County Sheriff's Office.

11/7/15 Traffic Summons
James Frymoyer of Gunnison for speeding.
Susan Ring of Colorado Springs for failing to obey a stop sign.

Stolen Vehicle
A deputy met with a complainant who stated his vehicle appeared to have been taken and returned by an unknown subject the evening before while he was asleep. The individual stated that he found his vehicle in the morning parked in a different location, it had a 1/4 of a tank less fuel, three bullet holes, and dried blood in the back seat. The matter is under investigation.

Fighting

Two deputies were dispatched to Main Street in Silver Cliff in response to report of a fight. Joseph Garcia of Silver Cliff, his cousin Michael Garcia of Colorado Springs and Samuel Wisecup of Silver Cliff were issued summons for disorderly conduct.

11/9/15 Assault and Child Abuse
Mayra Speer of Westcliffe was arrested for assault in the first degree and child abuse. Her grandson, who is a minor, was transported to a hospital in Pueblo for a laceration on the back of his head.

11/10/15 Child Abuse, Contributing to Delinquency of a Minor; Minors Charged
Nora Sommers of Silver Cliff was arrested on several counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and several counts of child abuse. In addition, summonses were issued to 10 minors for the illegal possession or consumption of ethyl alcohol or marijuana by an underage person.

Fire
The Wet Mountain Fire Department and Sheriff's deputies responded to a grass fire in the Granada Court neighborhood of Silver Cliff.

Events Calendar

Friday, November 13
7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: “Bridge of Spies”; Biography, Drama, History, PG-13

Saturday, November 14
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.: FFA Oyster Fry at Custer County School's multi-purpose room
7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: “Bridge of Spies”; Biography, Drama, History, PG-13

Sunday, November 15
2 p.m.: Jones Theater: “Bridge of Spies”; Biography, Drama, History, PG-13

Thursday, November 19
10 a.m.: Airport Advisory Meeting

Monday, November 23 – Friday, November 27

Custer County Consolidated School: Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 26
Thanksgiving Holiday: Banks, most businesses, and Courthouse CLOSED

Friday, November 27
COURTHOUSE CLOSED

Saturday, November 28
9:30 a.m.: Registration for Club America Fundraiser – 5K Run/Walk; contact (719) 783-0750 or www.clubamericawmv.org

Monday, November 30
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting, courthouse boardroom

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.: Music at The Mining Company Restaurant in Silver Cliff. Contact Barb St. Amour at (719) 371-1051.

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 Methodist Church. 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

Fremont County Bulletin

News, Opinion, Commentary

Royal Gorge Dinosaur Museum

by Charlotte Burrous

Exploring for dinosaur bones has been a tradition in Fremont County for more than a century.

What became known as the “Bone Wars” began in the 1870s when world’s leading paleontologists and arch rivals Orthniel C. Marsh and Edward D. Cope arrived in Fremont County, where the unearthed significant fossils, placing Cañon City on the map as far as paleontology. The exploration for fossils continued in the 1950s with local paleontologist Freddy Kessler and through today with various fossils being found throughout the years.

The tradition will continue when the Reynolds Construction family

creates the Royal Gorge Dinosaur Experience on a piece of property on Eight Mile Hill at 44895 U.S. 50.

“We have a fun, new project here in Fremont County and a new business to help with the economy and a fun adventure for us personally, the Reynolds family,” he said during the groundbreaking ceremony at the property on Eight Mile Hill. “Groundbreakings are a tradition of celebrating the beginning of construction.”

More than three years ago, the city explored setting up a museum in the Eight Mile area, but when it didn’t work out, it looked like the idea might have died. But project

facilitator John Heasley would not give up.

“John grabbed the idea and wouldn’t let it go. He was like a bull dog with the project and ... came to us (to tell) us about the idea of putting this up here,” Reynolds said.

In the meantime, Heasley contacted Woodland Park paleontologist Mike Triebold, who agreed to help with this endeavor. He is noted for discovering dinosaur fossils in numerous regions then extracting them and taking them to mold and cast in his lab at the Rocky Mountain Dinosaur Resource Center in Woodland Park.

“We’re going to be buying some

of his casts and they are some of the industries’ very best,” Reynolds said. “We’re fortunate to be so close and have such a neat working relationship with him.”

Initially, the museum will be open about 360 days a year with three to four full-time employees along with about 25 seasonal employees. The experience is expected to attract about 70,000 visitors a year. Admission will be \$12 for adults and \$8 for children ages 5-12 and free for children under 4. The museum will be located at 44895 U.S. 50 in Cañon City.

For more information, e-mail royalgorgedinosaurexperience@gmail.com.

Cañon City Council at Odds Over Medical Marijuana Grows

by Barbara Penezic

Personal Medical Marijuana Grows were the center of controversy at a recent City Council Meeting. In question is the passage of an ordinance that would place increased restrictions on home growers. Councilmen Chackery, Weid and Katchmar expressed concern that the proposal would be too strict. The item was tabled for further consideration.

It has been reported that one residential property has in excess of 80 plants. This is not only a significant odor problem, but also increases the risk of an indoor fire. One gentleman stated that both his home, its contents, and his car reek with the stench of marijuana. Kimberly Wilson, Cañon City resident said, “There doesn’t seem to be any enforcement or consequences for violating current regulations so I doubt it would help to increase restrictions that clearly have no teeth.” This statement clearly shows the frustration that many area residents who are currently living with the problem feel. A man who would

identify himself only as Ray said, “I am not willing to put myself or my family at risk by filing a complaint that will not be acted on.” While this persons fears are totally understandable it does add another level of difficulty for local law enforcement.

Cañon City residents should be aware that efforts to regulate medical marijuana grows will be discussed at length at a General Government meeting, December 9th, 4 p.m. at Cañon City, City Hall. This is the time to make your voice heard. Do not remain silent while illegal grows are made legal. This concerns every resident in Cañon City. Ray concluded by saying, “The medical marijuana grower with 80 plus plants could move into your neighborhood tomorrow putting an end to outside activities and taking your right to peaceful enjoyment of your property.” This is the time to ensure restriction are increased and enforced.

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All men having power ought to be distrusted to a certain degree.
James Madison - Fourth President of the United States

Holiday Home Tour 2015

The Fremont County Community Concert Association is hosting its third “Holiday Home Tour” on Sunday, December 6th, from 1 to 5 p.m. The event is a self-guided tour through distinctive and historical area homes beautifully decorated for the holidays. The tour includes three residences in Cañon City and three locations in Florence. Special music will be provided at several of the locations. Numerous door prizes will be awarded following the tour. Winners will be notified by phone.

Tickets are \$15, or two for \$25, and may be purchased at The Fox Den in Florence and at Touch of Love and Tailored West in Cañon City. The event is

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Prophecy, The Assyrian, antichrist, Gog, Beast

As we eye the coalition of forces gathered and battling in Syria, many are pointing to end-time prophecy, and rightly so. Christ said in Matthew 24:5-8, "For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that you be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows." While we may not be quite in the beginning of sorrows, there is deception, wars, rumors of wars. We are seeing signs of those things that must come to pass.

Again, I direct your attention to Christ's words when he was asked by his disciples about the sign of his coming and the end of the world. He began to answer in Matthew 24:4 with "Take heed that no man deceive you." Then he explained what would happen during the times leading up to the end, and in the end. His account is precisely in alignment with the prophets of the Old Testament, the Apostle Paul, and the Revelation of John. We know that God is not the author of confusion. But there is great confusion among men about the end times. Some believe all prophecy has been fulfilled, others believe they are establishing the Kingdom on earth, still others believe much prophecy is yet to be fulfilled.

End time prophecy is full of foreshadowing, partial fulfillments and precursors. Throughout

history, there has been rise and fall of those who were types of the end-time apocalyptic figure--what Christians call the "antichrist," what Holy Scripture calls the "beast" or, more specifically, the "Assyrian." This anti-christ figure is alluded to as the Assyrian in Isaiah 10:5,10:24,14:25, 19:23, 30:31, 31:8, Micah 5:5-6, and Hosea 11:5. Ezekiel refers to him as Gog, chief Prince of Magog. The Lord speaks of the Assyrian or Gog in Ezekiel 38:17, "Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring ye against them?"

If you are watching events unfold and are curious as to their prophetic implications, be encouraged. Study the prophets. Understand that they all tell a consistent story and it is true and, quite frankly, clear. Where the confusion comes in is man's interpretation, self-made doctrines, suppositions, if-then statements, and so on. And much of prophecy is misunderstood because the teachers of the teachers didn't make it a priority. Bible prophecy is not something that you can just skim over and think you have it. It takes a lot of study, a lot of effort, and an understanding that we may not have all the pieces until they are revealed. One thing is for certain: every day brings us closer to how these prophecies will specifically play out.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!
Bill Wilson
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by Karl Denninger,
Market-Ticker.Org

Let me explain what you're not seeing reported about the European situation right here, right now.

There are millions of immigrants coming into the EU. Germany alone has apparently taken in close to 800,000. The story being sold to the population is that these are just people from a war-ravaged part of the world seeking a better life. The first part may be true, the rest is bunk. There are, on some weekends, over ten thousand migrants coming over one border (Hungary) alone and virtually none have an interest in remaining there. They are all concentrating in the places where they believe the handouts (not opportunity) will be greatest.

But that is not the bad part. No, the bad part is that these are not, for the most part, refugees from a war. The demography doesn't match that profile; war refugees trend female, very young (children), and very old (men past the age of productive resistance to the war in their own country.) These "refugees" are the exact polar opposite of that demographic profile; they trend male and of fighting age.

It only gets worse from

there. These are also not healthy, first-world people. Many have communicable diseases, almost none have been immunized (against anything) and they're all concentrating in relatively-small areas. This has the potential to be a health disaster of unprecedented size and scope in the developed world.

If it ended there it would be bad enough, but it doesn't and won't. If these people are allowed to stay, they are the demographic anchors for the remainder that did not come. Those are the women and children who will immediately migrate if the men are allowed to stay, and they will do what men and women do once together; in other words, create a population explosion.

And then the really bad news comes: Virtually none, and I do mean none, of these people have any intention of assimilating into the cultures where they "migrated" to. They have every intention of planting their culture in those places and demographically guaranteeing its survival.

These are not stupid people, but the governments and people in these nations are stupid. They believe these are "refugees" for the most part. They are not. They are an invading army that requires no guns as

they've been invited in exactly as the Greeks were in Troy -- except they don't have to hide inside a wooden horse.

How are the people of Europe going to stop it, if they haven't stopped it by now? Good question -- but they had better stop it, because if they don't what is considered western civilization in Europe is about to end; first by disease and pestilence and then by revolution from inside.

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Don't kid yourself, folks, and don't kid yourself about it not coming here. It most-certainly will; if not in the form of "refugees" then in an actually-worse form -- people with college educations and no debt from third-world nations displacing hundreds of thousands of indebted American young adults!

Now here's why: We have a bunch of politicians who understand exponents.

You may refuse to wake the **** up and do the math, but they have done so. They know that the promises they

made depend on ever-forward exponential expansion of resource, especially cheap labor, but that's impossible as the land we live on is finite in resource, size, and mass.

They believe they can import votes and through handouts control it. They think they're in control, in short, but they are not -- the people invading know damn well what they're doing and are exploiting their stupidity.

Europe is finished within a decade if they don't put a cork in this now, and we're not far behind. There is a point beyond which a literal civil war will be the only way to reverse the trend and nobody in their right mind wants that to happen. The only other alternative will be to submit to being part of a Caliphate.

This isn't conspiracy theory, folks -- it's arithmetic.

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Hang Onto Your Wallet: Bennet Bill Would Raise Taxes to Solve EPA's Mess

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Colorado U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet (Democrat) has introduced his response to the EPA's mine waste spill in the Animas River. It's a bill that would tax mining, because Democrats believe more taxes are the solution to every problem.

The *Durango Herald* reports that Bennet, along with New Mexico Democratic Sens. Tom Udall, Martin Heinrich, and Rep. Ben Ray Lujan -- notice there is no one from Colorado in this group -- said royalties must be paid by the hard rock mining industry to pay for the EPA's mistake.

We're paraphrasing, but that's what it said.

"After you see something like this spill into the Animas River, a policy of sitting on our hands and doing nothing is just unacceptable," Bennet said during the (conference) call.

The problem is not that the EPA sat on

its hands, the problem is that the EPA barged into the cleanup without the expertise of an actual mining engineer resulting in a disastrous spill of governmental proportions.

The new legislation would implement a royalty fee on new mines, and it would be based on the gross income of production. The royalty level, which would be set by the secretary of the Interior Department, would be no less than 2 percent and no more than 5 percent. The bill would also set an abandoned mine reclamation fee of 0.6 percent to 2 percent, which bring in an estimated \$100 million annually to contribute to cleanup of abandoned mines.

Bennet and his colleagues agreed that it was time for the hard-rock mining industry to pay its fair share.

Allow us to translate: The Interior Department will tax mines that are currently operating under strict government environmental rules, to pay for the EPA to "clean up" other mines that

have been inactive for 100 years.

This means that the cost will be passed off to consumers for products that contain ore, gold, silver, iron, copper, zinc, nickel, tin, and lead -- stuff that is used to manufacture cars, medical equipment, household appliances, and in building and construction materials.

So there you have it. We get to pay the "fair share" so Bennet has a campaign issue, and smug Democrats can act like they solved a problem.

Guess that hiring a mining engineer was just too darn complicated.

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This Black Conservative Woman Just Made HISTORY, Liberal Heads to Explode...

by Allen West,
AllenBWest.com

Remember when we brought you the story about San Antonio's new Mayor Ivy Taylor? I've yet to see her celebrated in many news outlets, especially black media outlets. But that's consistent with the disrespect levied against black conservatives who swim against the tide in opposition to the expectations of the liberal left. Senator Tim Scott — y'all know about the denigrating statements made about him. Rep. Mia Love of Utah, the first black female member of Congress — any major profiles of her and her achievements as a mayor? Or Rep. Will Hurd, Congressman from Texas — how much have we heard of his story?

Well, Tuesday in Kentucky history was made. First of all, the Bluegrass State elected only its second Republican governor in 40 years, Matt Bevin. And may I add that Governor-Elect Bevin spent four years active duty service in the U.S. Army as an Artillery officer — Go Redlegs!

But there was an even BIGGER story coming out of Kentucky Tuesday night. And it's enough to make liberal heads everywhere explode.

As reported by National Re-

view Online:

Matt Bevin's 53 percent to 44 percent victory tonight marks only the second time in 48 years that Republicans have won the Kentucky governor's race. But Republicans also made history in another way. Bevin's lieutenant governor running-mate, Jenean Hampton, is now the first African American elected to statewide office ever in the state's history.

Both Bevin and Hampton are Tea Party activists who have never held elective office. Hampton's path certainly represents triumph over adversity. Born in Detroit, the 57-year-old Hampton and her three sisters were raised by a single mom who lacked a high school education and couldn't afford a television or a car. But Hampton was determined to better herself. She graduated with a degree in industrial engineering and worked for five years in the automobile industry to pay off her college loans. She then joined the Air Force, retiring as a Captain. She earned an MBA from the University of Rochester, moved to Kentucky and became a plant manager in a corrugated packaging plant. Then she lost her job in 2012.

She used her free time to start a career in politics and becoming active in the Tea Party. She ran

Hey, here's a black life that mattered, achieved, and triumphed.

a losing race for state representative in 2014 but won an early endorsement from Senator Rand Paul. She was tapped by Bevin to be his running-mate earlier this year.

I want to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Governor-Elect Bevin and Lt. Governor-Elect Jenean Hampton. Lt. Gov Hampton's story is not that different from a very good friend of mine, former Florida Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll, who was originally from Barbados and enlisted in the U.S. Navy, going on to become a Naval officer and retiring as a Lt.Cmdr.

This goes to further prove constitutional conservative principles are not the playground of old white males, and the oft-disparaged conservative grassroots movement called the Tea Party (Taxed Enough Already) has nothing to do with racism. That's just another lie promulgated by

the liberal left and its media accomplices. Lt.Gov Hampton has a story indicative of the triumph of the indomitable American spirit. She knows how to rise above. Funny, she shares a background similar to Dr. Ben Carson's — but then again, that ain't really black, comes the retort from the progressive left and the minions they dispatch out of the leftist black community.

Hey, here's a black life that mattered, achieved, and triumphed. Shouldn't Jenean Hampton be celebrated and elevated all over the country? Isn't she — just like Condi Rice, Jennifer Carroll, Ivy Taylor, Mia Love and Judge Janice Rogers Brown — a premier example of success and a role model, not just for young black girls, but for all?

I challenge Essence magazine to do a cover story on exceptional black conservative women. I challenge Ebony magazine to

feature and profile these exceptional women and what they've achieved — and to stop relegating them to the dark corners because of some insidious ideological bent. It's time the black community realize the fundamental principles that enable us to stand against the most horrific conditions — advanced and supported by the Democrat party — are faith, family, education, economic entrepreneurship and empowerment, self-reliance, and service to our nation. Those are inconsistent with the doctrines of the progressive socialist left, which has turned the black urban community into modern-day plantations where the new crop to be harvested are votes and electoral patronage.

Slowly but surely the times are a changing, even as the mainstream media refuses to cover it. Congratulations to the newly-elected Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky, U.S. Air Force veteran Jenean Hampton. May God bless you and keep you. You already know that to whom much is given, much is required.

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Colorado AG Fires Back: Coffman Educates Hick on the Constitution

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Today's lesson in Colorado history comes from Attorney General Cynthia Coffman, who apparently has to school Gov. Hickenlooper on the state's constitution as well as the limits of his own power.

Hick is upset with the attorney general for challenging the Obama administration, yet again, on a federal policy that seeks to trump state powers. Hickenlooper is okay with the feds trumping Colorado when it comes to regulating our power grid or overriding our enforcement of natural resource development. Which is why he's taking Coffman all the way to the state's supreme court to determine just who in the state has the power to be the attorney general — the governor, or the attorney general.

"The governor disagrees with my legal position. Breaking from the practice during his tenure, he says he will file suit in the Colorado Supreme Court to prevent me from taking legal action on behalf of the State without his express permission," Coffman wrote in an op/ed to Peak and other media outlets.

"He asserts he is the one entitled to represent the state's position, both as a mat-

ter of policy and on important questions of law. But this is not what the state's constitution or our laws say," Coffman said.

Coffman instructs that the framers of the Colorado Constitution chose a system of government in which executive branch powers cannot be wielded by a dictator. Therefore, each elected state official has its own individual authority. For instance, the governor signs bills into law, the attorney general upholds the rule of law.

As it is the attorney's general duty to represent the legal interests of the people of Colorado, "that means I can't simply defer to the federal government or to the governor when i think they are wrong. I must use my own, independent legal judgment and make my own thoughtful decisions," Coffman said.

We look forward to what the state supreme court has to say about this, and hope to see Hickenlooper put in his place, once and for all on the issue.

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Colorado Little Sisters of the Poor Case to the Supreme Court

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Little Sisters of the Poor
If there ever was a case of religious freedom under attack, it is the case of the Little Sisters of the Poor, a chaste religious order that is required by Obamacare to provide birth control, which the nuns say is against their religious beliefs. The sisters lost their court battle in July, but, now, the U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear their plea. At the crux of this case is whether an employer, in this case, the Little Sisters of the Poor, is required to provide access to birth control or pay steep fines, which could prevent the organization from executing on their mission.

In a statement, the head of

the Little Sisters of the Poor, Sister Loraine Marie Maguire, highlighted this issue:

"We perform this loving ministry because of our faith and cannot possibly choose between our care for the elderly poor and our faith, and we shouldn't have to."

Here's what we said back in July:

"This administration surely must the worst record on the books in defending religious liberty. You know, that thing our country was founded on? As President Obama and the Democrats continue to wage a vicious culture war against private organizations, the latest victims in their wake are the Little Sisters of the Poor, a Denver-based religious order of Catholic nuns who devote their lives to the

care of the elderly poor in 30 nations."

Currently, there is a process by which employees can get birth control; however, organizations like the Little Sisters of the Poor say that this process still makes them complicit in providing birth control. In addition to this Colorado-based organization, there are groups in Maryland, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Washington, D.C. also seeking relief from the highest court in the land.

The U.S. Supreme Court will hear the case in March 2016.

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Barack Obama Is Not Seeking "Legacy"

by Sylvia Thompson,
Renew America

To the many gullible souls out there who truly think that Barack Obama is "legacy building" in his all-out assault on America, I implore you to bow out of the conversation because you are not seeing clearly.

The term legacy carries positive connotations of something bequeath that is to the receiver's benefit. Everything that Barack Obama does is calculated to destroy America, which he despises. This man no more cares about legacy than he fears being properly prosecuted by the white political leaders whose responsibility it is to remove him from office.

I focus on white leaders, because whites are still in the majority and they fill the majority of political offices. If the majority of political operatives were of some other ethnicity, I would lodge my complaint against that group. Ethnicity is an issue only because Obama is half-black and he uses that fact to intimidate guilt-conflicted white people. Otherwise, he would have been impeached and likely in prison for treason by now.

Barack Obama's sole aim has been, since he first entered politics and continues as he winds down this presidency, the complete destruction of America as it was founded.

It is an insult to the intelligence of all Americans who must listen to elitist pundits on Fox news and elsewhere, and political drones in either party endeavor to make Obama's behavior fit a pattern of normalcy. Attributing his destructive policies to "legacy building" is either self-delusion on the part of the people who make that claim or cowardliness.

This is my take.

Obama's nuclear deal with Iran has nothing to do with legacy but rather to enable a Muslim nation to wage nuclear war with America and Israel – the two nations that he most despises. Does anyone wonder why Russians praise Vladimir Putin despite what the rest of the world might think of him? Putin cares about his country, that's why.

Obama despises the American mili-

tary because traditionally it has been a mainstay of America's strength, and our strength infuriates him.

Imposition of a polluting homosexual, anti-Christian agenda upon the military ranks destroys unit cohesion and literally terrorizes male members with the prospect of sodomy rape. Such rapes have increased since the forcing of open homosexuality in the ranks, against the will of a majority of members I might add. Couple that with an infiltration of women, for whom all standards of strength must be reduced, and Obama attains his goal of emasculating and demoralizing the forces.

He could not care less about a legacy of making the forces more diverse. Besides, President Truman diversified the military as much as it should be when he integrated it. Obama's objective is its destruction.

Obama reopened relations with Cuba because Cuba is Communist. Legacy is not his concern here either, but rather to scuttle America's attempts to keep Communist influence out of the Americas. That Cuba has major issues with human rights does not matter. Like his Marxist African father before him, he despises the West and all that it represents.

Obama lawlessly declares open borders and amnesty for illegal aliens, because he wants to overrun America with third-world people who bring little more than dependency with them. This tactic not only does not ensure a legacy, but rather it guarantees the eventual conversion of America itself into third-world status, if it is allowed to continue.

Bill Clinton started the travesty of increasing the numbers of third-world immigrants at the expense of culturally more suited immigrants from European and European-influenced nations, but Obama has taken the trend to lawless, destructive extremes. He is fully aware that many of these invaders have no intention of assimilating.

It is only the outcry of a majority of Americans that holds back this hateful invasion scheme, and Donald Trump's entry onto the political scene to oppose that scheme is a saving grace for our nation.



Sylvia Thompson, Renew America

Courtesy photo

These are but a few instances of behavior that display the loathsome character of Barack Hussein Obama. And he is allowed to roam freely through the American landscape poisoning and polluting as he goes, sure in the realization that no one will stop him because he is "black."

The day that we no longer have to hear the prattle about his "legacy building" will not be soon enough for me.

Many, many Americans are thoroughly fed up with Barack Obama and the spineless crop of political leaders who ignore his criminality. It is yet unknown whether Republicans will ever garner the backbone to become a true opposition party and hold him accountable. Promising signs are the House conservatives' getting rid of establishment types John Boehner and Kevin McCarthy as House Speaker and Speaker hopeful, respectively, and Donald Trump's entry into the 2016 presidential race with enough money and testicular fortitude to tell the Establishment and the Left where to shove it.

Should these positive trends not continue and the 2016 election cycle yield no movement to counter all the harm that Barack Obama has done to this nation, I think there will be massive disruption. Those folks in the National Rifle Association ads currently running on television seem very serious to me, and that is a good thing.

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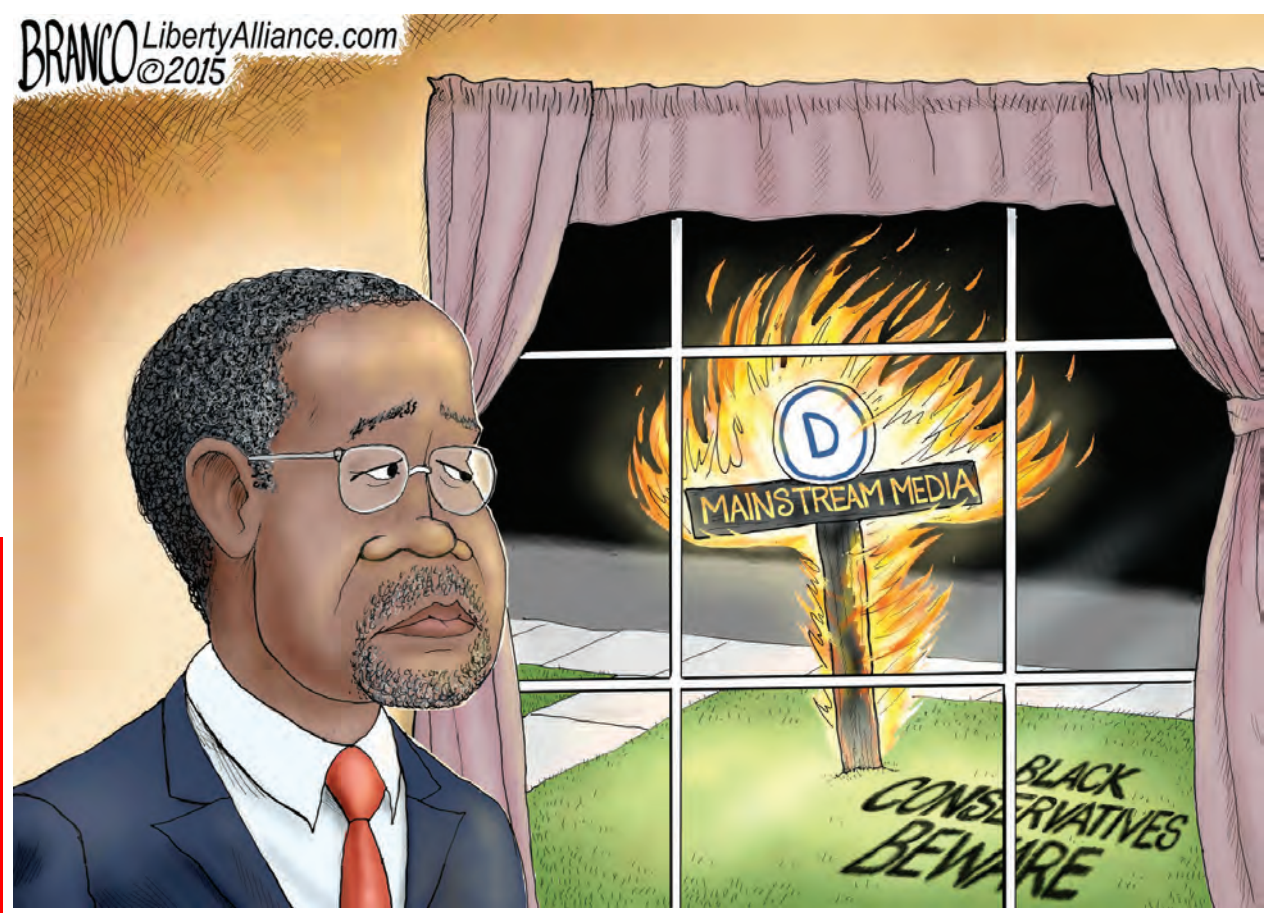
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Open Carry Did NOT Delay Police Response in Colorado Shooting

by Dean Weingarten

The disarmists are claiming that the police did not respond to the shooter in Colorado Springs because the State has open carry rights, as do 45 states of the United States. From R. Bruce Magee, a commenter on kpbs.org:

This past weekend, a man was seen wandering a Colorado Springs neighborhood brandishing a heavy weapon. Recognizing the man as a neighbor, a woman called 911. The dispatcher told her the police couldn't do anything about the man due to the state's Open Carry Law. Within a few minutes of that phone call, the man had shot and killed three innocent people and was headed downtown.

Except that is **not** what happened. Here is what the caller, Naomi Bettis said happened. From gazette.com:

"Naomi Bettis first called 911 when she saw her neighbor carrying a rifle and a gas can outside his house."

The gazette is a bit off on what happened as well. After listening

to Naomi Bettis' call, it is clear that she saw something amiss, because a window was broken in the business below the apartment, and the suspect was carrying gas cans into the building, and was repeatedly going upstairs into the apartment and then back down into the business. She had first noticed him and the suspicious activity 10 minutes earlier.

From kktv.com:

She told KKTV and our partners at the Gazette that she was angry with the way the dispatcher handled her first call because the dispatcher cited an open carry law.

Naomi Bettis said when she first called 911 from Prospect Street to report a man carrying a gun and two cans of gasoline, the dispatcher was quick to tell her that Colorado is an open carry state.

Police released the call Wednesday. In it, the dispatcher does cite the open carry law, but it was more than two minutes into the call while the dispatcher was still taking down all of the information.

After one minute of talking to the woman who called, the dispatch-

er upgraded the call to "possible burglary in progress". From kdvr.com:

The emergency response technician created a call for service of a suspicious person which started as a priority 3 and was upgraded to a priority 2 after speaking with the reporting party for one minute. The call was upgraded to a possible burglary in progress call.

Police clarified that a Priority 2 level call describes a situation classified as critical "with potentially dangerous circumstance but no apparent imminent life threat."

According to the Colorado Springs Police, the ERT stayed on the phone with the caller for over two minutes and "acknowledged that Colorado is an open carry state but stated we (the police department) would keep the call going because the behavior of the person with the gas cans seemed suspicious."

At the time, all officers were already responding to other calls, the closest officer responding to a threat to human life, while the

Prospect call was still regarded as a threat to property at the time.

Before an officer could be dispatched to the initial call, the reporting party called back to report that the man had returned and shot a victim on a bicycle, Myers.

It would be several more minutes before police shot the rampage shooter. During that time, Matt Abshire had seen the shooter and had followed him, relaying to the police where he was. If Matt Abshire had been armed, he might well have been able to engage the shooter and stop him from further murder. If Naomi Bettis had been armed, she might well have been able to stop the shooter after he shot his first victim.

**What this case
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be everywhere.**

What this case illustrates is that the police cannot be everywhere; that response time is easily minutes; and that the people on the scene are those best placed to respond in a timely manner.

The police acted responsibly and well; the open carry law did not hinder them in the least. But people on the scene, who saw what was happening, had to wait on the police to resolve the matter, because they were unarmed.

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Colorado Springs Mayor Resists Changes to Open Carry Law After Shooting

by Bob Owens,
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**(Editor/GG: A little mis-
take below on what the
dispatcher did. The dispatcher did assign a high
priority call (possible burglary in progress). See
accompanying article,
"Open Carry Did NOT
Delay Police Response in
Colorado Shooting" for
the details.)**

We monitored but didn't comment on the incident last week in Colorado Springs where a man murdered three people as he walked down the street before finally being confronted and killed by police.

We didn't feel it was responsible to comment at the time because police in Colorado Springs were very cautious in disclosing information during their in-

vestigation, and there simply wasn't much known about the murderer*, his motives, or the trigger for the incident.

Sadly, we still don't have a reason for the murder spree, which seems to have been almost completely random. The murderer appears to have been progressing into mental illness, but had purchased the firearms used in the incident legally six years ago.

The most disturbing thing about this incident for many was the fact that a 911 call was placed before the shooting, as a neighbor watched the eventual murderer walking with an AR-15 in hand. The dispatcher—who was current on Colorado's gun laws—noted that it is considered legal to open carry a rifle in the manner this man was.

The man also had gas cans, and it was only because he was armed and had gas cans that even a low-priority call was placed.

Residents who feel that the murder spree might have been limited or stopped entirely beforehand are now calling for Colorado Springs to pass an ordinance banning open carry like the one in Denver, but so far the Mayor is refusing to let an emotional reaction to a single incident overrule good judgement:

Five days after a rifle-toting assailant stormed a Colorado Springs neighborhood, Mayor John Suthers said he sees no reason to restrict residents' ability to openly carry firearms.

"What your open carry laws are don't dictate what your violent crime rate is," Suthers said.

His comments came as debate swirled about a state law allowing people to openly carry guns in public, and numerous publications scrutinized the Colorado Springs Police Department's initial handling of a 911 call about the gunman on Halloween morning.

On Thursday, the gun control advocacy group Colorado Ceasefire seized on the 911 recordings, calling on lawmakers to pass legislation prohibiting the open carry of firearms.

Too often, the law leaves police "paralyzed" with uncertainty about how to respond to calls for help, said Eileen McCarron, the group's president.

"We just allow anybody to carry anything on our streets," McCarron said.

Suthers called the shoot-

ings a "community tragedy – a very, very sad situation."

But Suthers – the state's former attorney general – said the Police Department and the 911 operator appeared to act appropriately, and assigned the proper priority to each call.

He also said banning residents' ability to openly carry firearms would do little for public safety.

"When I look around the country, what the open-carry laws are, are not generally a reflection of what the community's violent crime rates are," Suthers said.

"I personally do not have an appetite for" tightening open carry laws, he added.

I applaud Mayor Suthers' resistance to knee-jerk politics, even as I'm sympathetic to concerns of citi-

zens outraged at the totality of the situation.

A guy armed with three firearms walking down the road with gas cans in his hands is a pretty good indicator that something bad is likely about to go down, and while it may not warrant an all-hands priority response, it would seem to warrant a more aggressive response.

In the end, this may warrant new threat-level assessment and categorization by law enforcement and the dispatchers, but Colorado Ceasefire's opportunistic cries to ban all open carry because of an isolated incident isn't logical.

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UC-Merced Mass Stabbing Victim Now Wants Concealed Carry

by Bob Owens,
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A contract worker named Byron Price opened the door to step into a University of California-Merced classroom yesterday after hearing a commotion, thinking that he was stepping in to help stop a fist-fight.

Instead, he ran into UC Merced student 18-year-old Faisal Mohammad, a Muslim student in a black hoodie armed with a hunting knife, apparently intent on carrying out an attack on students similar to the kind we’ve seen conducted in Israel by Palestinian terrorists in recent weeks.

Out of no where, the suspect wearing a black hooded-sweatshirt comes charging at him with a butcher knife.

“I just kind of kicked at him,” said Price, keeping the attacker from compromising his organs.

...After that horrifying experience of being stabbed, Price was able to drive himself a couple of miles from the university, to Mercy Medical Center, to be treated.

Amazingly, within a couple of hours, he was able to drive himself home.

“I’m not going to get upset over one loose cannon,” said Price.

In fact, he plans to head back to the university, to get back to work.

The contractor is just thankful, he’s able to go home to his family, still puzzled over why.

“To become a university student and throw it all away like that, I don’t know why he’d want to do that,” said Price.

Nine staples in his side and he’s back behind the wheel, driving himself home from the hospital.

Price says he now thinks differently about having a concealed weapon.

He wishes he had one when this all unfolded.

No kidding. It took authorities 20 minutes to respond to the scene.

Mohammad charged at police with his hunting knife when they finally arrived on scene, and was then finally dispatched by a “good guy with a gun.”

(Editor/GG: What’s not mentioned in this article is that victim here actually saved a student’s life when he came into the room as the muslim attacker was stabbing another student and the attacker stopped to confront this hero.

Lesson Learned here, folks: Always have a gun.)

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Hang Onto Your Wallet: Bennet Bill Would Raise Taxes to Solve EPA’s Mess

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Colorado U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet (Democrat) has introduced his response to the EPA’s mine waste spill in the Animas River. It’s a bill that would tax mining, because Democrats believe more taxes are the solution to every problem.

The Durango Herald reports that Bennet, along with New Mexico Democratic Sens. Tom Udall, Martin Heinrich and Rep. Ben Ray Lujan – notice there is no one from Colorado in this group – said royalties must be paid by the hard rock mining industry to pay for the EPA’s mistake.

We’re paraphrasing, but that’s what it said.

“After you see something like this spill into the Animas River, a policy of sitting on our hands and doing nothing is just unacceptable,” Bennet said during the (conference) call.

The problem is not that the EPA sat on its hands, the problem is that the EPA barged into the cleanup without the expertise of an actual mining engineer resulting in a disastrous spill of governmental proportions.

The new legislation would implement a royalty fee on new mines, and it would be based on the gross income of production. The royalty level, which would be set by the secretary of the Interior Department, would be no less than 2 percent and no more than 5 percent. The bill would also set an abandoned mine reclamation fee of 0.6 percent to 2 percent, which bring in an estimated \$100 million annually to contribute to cleanup of abandoned mines.

Bennet and his colleagues agreed that it was time for the hard-rock mining industry to pay its fair share.

Allow us to translate: The Interior Department will tax mines that are currently operating under strict government environmental rules, to pay for the EPA to “clean up” other mines that have been inactive for 100 years.

This means that the cost will be passed off to consumers for products that contain ore, gold, silver, iron, copper, zinc, nickel, tin and lead – stuff that is used to manufacture cars, medical equipment, household appliances, and in building and construction materials.

So there you have it. We get to pay the “fair share” so Bennet has a campaign issue, and smug Democrats can act like they solved a problem.

Guess that hiring a mining engineer was just too darn complicated.

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Rand Paul: Left and Right Have Made Unholy Alliance to Explode the Debt

by CNS Staff,
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(CNSNews.com) - Before the Senate voted on Friday for a budget deal that eliminates any legal limit on the federal government’s debt until March 16, 2017—which is after President Barack Obama will have left office—Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky gave a speech on the floor saying that the right and left in Congress together in “an unholy alliance to explode the debt.

“The number one threat to our country’s future is our debt,” said Paul. “The number one threat to our national security is our debt. This deal gives the president the power to borrow unlimited amounts of money.

“This deal represents the worst of Washington culture,” said Paul.

“The left and the right have come together in an unholy alliance to explode the debt,” he said. “The left gets more welfare, the right gets more military contracts, and the taxpayer is stuck with the deal.”

Paul was especially critical of the element in the bill that completely lifts the debt ceiling until March 2017.

“I will not give this president any power to borrow unspecified amounts of

money,” he said. “Our debt now equals our entire economy.”

“The deficit continues to grow because, frankly, many are not serious about reducing the debt,” he said. “Many up here are serious only about increasing spending for their sacred cow.

“The true compromise that is necessary in America is for both right and left to say enough is enough, to say that the particular interests they have in spending money is hurting the country,” he said. “It is time for the right to say: You know what; the country is not stronger by going further in debt. The country actually, I believe, is weaker. We do not project power from bankruptcy court.

“The left needs to acknowledge this as well,” he said. “The left may say this is for humanitarian purposes, we want to help people. I don’t doubt their motives, but I do doubt whether you can help people from bankruptcy court. I think we are weakening our country.

“One of the reasons why we have been able to help so many people in our country is that we are the richest, most humanitarian country in the history of mankind,” said Paul. “In the year 2014 alone, we gave away nearly \$400 billion in private

charity in this country. I fear that will not continue to last. I fear that as this deficit mounts, as the debt mounts, they will drag us down.”

“This debt ceiling vote does something that is unprecedented,” he said. “It doesn’t even add a certain amount to the debt. It adds an unspecified amount. Over the next year or year and a half, we will add as much debt as can be crammed into the budget, as much money as can be spent. There will be no limit. We are giving an unspecified amount of borrowing power to the president.

“I don’t care whether it is a Democratic president or a Republican president,” he said. “It is unconscionable to give unlimited borrowing authority to the president.”

(Editor/GG: Rand is right. But we have to adjust the terminology a bit here: the “Right” here is the mainstream Republican Party, that is, the RINO Party. The “true” Right is the Tea Party who vehemently oppose government debt of any kind.)

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Thank You Democrats Polis, Bennet: High Health Costs in the High Country

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: Look at those deductible numbers, folks. Socialism at its finest. This is what happens when you vote for ANY democrat. Witness the destruction of the American middle class. Welcome peasants to our new gulag.)

High Country locals are bracing for yet another avalanche of high health insurance costs, as a new report from the Vail Daily says prices are expected to go up a full quarter – 26 percent next year.

Folks in ski areas are already paying the some of the highest insurance costs in the entire nation, now this double whammy will affect those who can least afford it.

The rates pertain to the individual market – for people who do not get insurance from their employer, but buy their own insurance – and the small group market – small businesses with 2-100 employees said Vincent Plymell, communications manager with Colorado’s Division of Insurance.

For both markets, the rates apply to plans sold both on the exchange – Connect for Health Colorado – and off of the exchange.

Reporter Randy Wyrick cited this example of how much money the increase will cost a typical hard-working family in Vail: The maximum deductible under the state’s co-op was \$2,000, but under Anthem Blue Cross’s gold plan that increases to nearly \$7,000 for an individual and nearly \$14,000 for a family.

Summit County is expected to take huge hit, because a lot of folks there were enrolled in Colorado HealthOP, which announced last week it’s going belly-up.

U.S. Rep. Jared Polis, who got us into this mess by voting for Obamacare, was quick to condemn the increase and blamed the state for not providing affordable healthcare.

Pot meet kettle, kettle, pot.

No word from U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet, and whether we can still keep our insurance and doctors like he promised before casting his vote for Obamacare.

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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.



A Recipe for Losing

Donald Trump has proven the productivity of abbreviated but axiomatic assertions. It is indeed self-evident to the average American that illegal immigration, a failing economy and the inability of the Obama administration to cross the goal line with the ball has seriously depleted a national will to win. Mr. Trump's comments about trade imbalances with Mexico, China and the world in general do capture the attention of the even casually informed. He uses the irrational deal with Iran as an exclamation point to convey the present culture of losing into which our nation has descended.

An estimated 800,000 fans congregated to celebrate the recent World Series victory of the Kansas City Royals, an incredible number for a small market team. Whether "the Donald" is the one to lead America to the winning side of the ledger remains to be seen, but he is absolutely correct in his assessment that the public is desirous for a winner. Unfortunately, the euphoria of triumph has been regionalized into the inconsequential world of sports. National grand slams are ever elusive; is there a reason in the realm of the invisible?

II Samuel 23 provides a roster of the most elite soldiers in David's army. Some of their incredible exploits are mentioned, but we are reminded twice in the chapter "and the Lord wrought a great victory." Human instruments were utilized but God alone granted the ability to conquer formidable foes. There was a day in the land of the free and brave when an appreciation for the Lord's part in overcoming adversity was imbedded in a national instinct.

On May 8, 1945 President Harry S. Truman announced that Germany had surrendered. Five times in that brief press release the president gave credit to God as illustrated by the capstone of his remarks: "For the triumph of spirit and of arms which we have won, and for its promise to the peoples everywhere who join us in the love of freedom, it is fitting that we, as a nation, give thanks to Almighty God, who has strengthened us and given us the victory." The next sentence read: "Now, therefore, I, Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of America, do hereby appoint Sunday, May 13, 1945, to be a day of prayer." Similar expressions were used when Mr. Truman published the defeat of Japan.

This would be a stretch for the secular liberal, but is it possible that the ignominy of Korea, Viet Nam and inconclusive conflicts in the Middle East are a result of the exclusion of God in a post-World War II era? Are we now a country of losers because we have departed from our source of victory?

George C. Scott's film titled "Patton" familiarized many with the general's request for his chief chaplain, James H. O'Neill, to formulate a prayer asking God to intervene and bring good weather. The Third Army was bogged down with a steadily falling rain and needed relief to continue their offensive. One hour after the inquiry the chaplain brought a prayer to the general typed on a 3x5 card; it simply read: "Almighty and most merciful Father, we humbly beseech Thee, of Thy great goodness, to restrain these immoderate rains with which we have had to contend. Grant us fair weather for battle. Graciously hearken to us as soldiers who call upon Thee that, armed with Thy power, we may advance from victory to victory, and crush the oppression and wickedness of our enemies and establish Thy justice among men and nations." Upon reading the prayer Patton issued the directive: "Have 250,000 copies printed and see to it that every man in the Third Army gets one."

What is not so widely known is the general's ensuing conversation with Chaplain O'Neill in which he expressed his firm belief in prayer and his concern that most men in his army were not engaged in the exercise. At one point Patton said "that men should pray no matter where they were, in church or out of it, that if they did not pray, sooner or later they would 'crack up'." He continued, "We must march together, all out for God. The soldier who 'cracks up' does not need sympathy or comfort as much as he needs strength...now is not the time to follow God from 'afar off.' This army needs the assurance and the faith that God is with us. With prayer, we cannot fail." The final directive given to the Chief Chaplain was "I wish you would put out a Training Letter on this subject of Prayer to all the chaplains; write about nothing else, just the importance of prayer...we've got to get not only the chaplains but every man in the Third Army to pray. The assembled information was sent to 486 chaplains representing 32 denominations. Patton, who led the troops to victory, had a conscious acknowledgement of the real source of success.

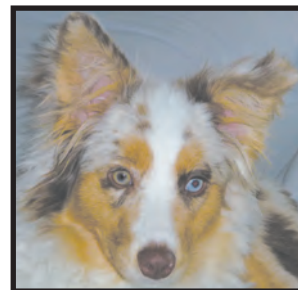
Public faith has now been outlawed in the military and the school house...and we keep losing. To borrow the words of Jesus only substituting America for Jerusalem: "O America, America, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not. Behold, your house is left unto you desolate." (Matthew 23:37,38)

A Sheepdog Barks!

So, Obama care is unraveling. Imagine that! It's not like every honest and credible health care expert didn't predict that from the very beginning. Socialized medicine will not work. It isn't affordable. The young and healthy cannot be forced to pay the health care costs of the old and unhealthy. It's just another Ponzi scheme that will eventually collapse in the end. Obamacare has been to the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) twice and been upheld by "imaginary" rights in the Constitution according to 5 activist judges which includes John Roberts. Roberts was thought to be a conservative-thinking judge nominated by Bush 43. Sadly that wasn't the case. Another bad choice by a Republican President. WOOF! It looks like it's headed to the SCOTUS again and maybe this time the judges will do the right thing. If not, Americans are faced with more personal disasters in 2016. Obama, in order to make sure it got off to a "good" start delayed some of the worst parts (illegally I might add). Well, they start happening pretty soon and many more Americans will fall "out of love" with Obamacare. Personal fines go up to over \$600 a person if you don't sign up. This is the so-called "TAX" that John Roberts "invented" to save Obamacare in the first place. His job was to return an unconstitutionally written law to the Congress and let them make it right. Instead he chose to help save it by finding some tortured logic to let it stand as the will of Congress and the president. He knew ONLY Democrats voted for it so it was really not the will of the Congress or the people. Shameful and unlawful! WOOF! Now, as predicted, the government health exchanges are failing. These exchanges were a compromise to keep the angry Democrats on board. Many were angry because Obamacare wasn't going to be a full 100% single payer government provided and funded health care system. So they threw several billions of taxpayer dollars into these heavily subsidized providers so they could provide cheap health care insurance. Exactly as predicted, they are fail-

ing. Half have already failed, including Colorado's, and more will fail this year. Why, you might ask? Because young healthy people are not signing up and the premiums are skyrocketing. There's no more big money coming their way. They used up all the seed money in personal salaries and in designing programs which didn't work. It was a predicted disaster from the very beginning. The billions in "loans" will never be repaid. It was from the beginning just money down another LPSD toilet, like Solyndra! WOOF! We can only hope for a new president in 2016 that possesses true conservative values and common sense about spending money we don't have. It would be even better if that leader is not a lifelong politician. Anything would be better than what we have. DOUBLE WOOF!

Yet there is some hope for the 2016 election. I'm not a fan of the establishment type of Republican but younger, newer, a more conservative breed of Republicans are growing in the ranks. They are causing the conversation to change. They are gaining in power and they are not buying the status quo "go along to get along" thinking that has pretty much rendered the two party system into one. They just took down Boehner and good riddance. He did a tremendous amount of harm to America going way back to when he was Speaker Dennis Hastert's majority leader. Incredibly, they outspent the Democrats and old "crybaby" John was leading the way. He can take his blubbering and crocodile tears back to Ohio now. We love it. He was a wimp and a turncoat. The phrase being reported is that as he left office "he cleaned the barn out" for Ryan. In doing so he supported Obama's socialist agenda and has green-lighted the national debt to go over \$20 Trillion. Boehner was a disaster. WOOF! But, back to the 2015 election. Several good omens occurred for defeating the LPSDs. Kentucky elected a Republican Governor. A Big Deal! Ohio voted pot down. Texans said no to men in women's bathrooms and Virginia maintained a Republican State Senate, against a blitz of



outside (Bloomberg) money to turn it blue. It wasn't perfect but it was okay. Since Obama became president the LPSDs have lost 14 U.S. Senate seats, 69 U.S. House seats, 910 State legislative seats and 12 Governorships. That's a great legacy for Barack as far as I'm concerned. WOOF!

I have to mention the recent stabbing at the University of California at Merced. FAISAL MOHAMMAD had a "manifesto" on him when he stabbed four people with a hunting knife (C'mon LPSDs - where is the cry to ban knives?) before police shot him dead. Even though the "plan of revenge" praised Allah several times, California authorities have stated that this was not a religious hate crime or terrorist action. REALLY? Another 18-30 year old Muslim kills infidels but it's not a hate crime - just a deranged kid. Remind anyone of the "workplace violence" at Fort Hood by another Muslim. And by the way don't forget that 73% of all those "good" American Muslims surveyed believe in Jihad and beheadings. Wake up America. One downside to this recent off year election was a town in Michigan just elected a Muslim-majority Town Council. It's happening slowly right before our eyes. Wake up, Michigan!

I'll end today with the LPSD media. The attack on Ben Carson is pathetic. The mainstream media is definitely in the tank for the Democrats. They delight in trying to harm any good conservative while turning a blind eye to actual crimes of LPSDs. They can deny it all they want but their continued unfair behavior proves the double standard exists. Show us your emails HILLIARY! WOOF!

May God Have Mercy on America! JMH



Obama's America: Your High School Daughters Now Have to Share Gym Showers with....

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(Editor/GG: This is the democrat party. Sick.)

Folks, you can't tell me this isn't going too far. I for one am speechless. Here we go...

CNN reports "The U.S. Department of Education found a Chicago-area school district discriminated against a transgender student by failing to provide her full access to girls' locker rooms.

"All students deserve the opportunity to participate equally in school programs and activities — this is a basic civil right," Assistant U.S. Secretary for Civil Rights Catherine Lhamon said in a statement Monday.

The student who hasn't been publicly identified participates on a girls' sports team, but has been required to change and shower separately from her teammates and classmates."

Wait, how is this a basic civil right? A civil right to be treated as a girl just because you THINK you are?

The Weekly Standard says, "The case out of Illinois is the latest controversy since the Obama administration's Department of Justice and Department of Education have ruled that anatomically male teenagers who think they're girls have the right to shower

and change clothes in girls' locker rooms.

In September, 150 students in Missouri walked out of their high school to protest the school's policy on transgender rights. As David French of National Review wrote at the time: "The controversy exploded after a girl at the school reported encountering an 'intact male' in the locker room. Exposing a penis to girls in a public high school is generally considered an act of sexual harassment, not part of the sexual revolution."

Yes, I'd think most parents would have some concern about a penis being exposed to their daughters in a public high school and being told that's a "basic civil right," don't you?

According to CNN, the student (who has not been identified) — although her gender identity seems to be public property — said "This decision makes me extremely happy — because of what it means for me, personally, and for countless others. The district's policy stigmatized me, often making me feel like I was not a 'normal person.'"

Um... can I just interject here? According to a study by the leading LGBT demographer at the University of California Los Angeles School of Law's Williams Institute, transgender people represent only about 0.3 percent of the U.S. population. Three-

tenths of a percent. You cannot tell me that's normal.

I believe the vast gender-binary majority of Americans really doesn't give a rat's behind if someone wants to change their God-given plumbing. But what we DO resent is being told in effect the needs of this tiny minority are greater than our own. And we sure as hell don't want this forced upon our children.

Oh, and by the way, in a related story, our president recently appointed the first openly transgender official, Raffi Freedman-Gurspan, who checks off two important boxes because she is both transgender AND of color. She will serve as an outreach and recruitment director in the White House Office of Presidential Personnel. Praising the appointment, the National Center for Transgender Equality issued a statement saying, "President Obama has long said he wants his administration to look like the American people."

Oh really? This is what the American people look like? The three-tenths of a percent of Americans who wished they looked like something else?

Thanks, but no thanks.

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Vote For Or Support Rubio: Lose Your Job

by Karl Denninger,
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(Editor/GG: Paul Ryan, the quintessential RINO, our newly exalted and ordained congressional leader, is even MORE of a fan of OPEN BORDERS and UNLIMITED IMMIGRATION. Nice.)

It's really that simple folks.

Trump is right again: Rubio is in the pocket of those who have and wish to continue destroying not just the "cotton picker" jobs (yes, the reference is intentionally incendiary because so are the so-called "migrants" that take jobs "Americans won't do" [the heck they won't; they just won't do them for 50 cents/hour]) but also the really nice-paying jobs such as those at Disney in the tech fields that were recently shoved off to H1bs.

Facebook, and others in the so-called "new economy" along with virtually every public company, are all desperately seeking ways

to continue squeezing cost out of their businesses now that financial engineering through lower rates has reached its terminal point. They do not care that this will ultimately destroy the ability of Americans to buy their products and services; by then they will have their billions of dollars and whether you starve is immaterial.

Marco Rubio is one of the chief architects of this destruction of your earnings power through favoritism and law passed in Washington DC that makes it impossible for you to fairly compete with people from India and elsewhere that have as their base standard of living a lifestyle that literally includes taking a poop on the side of the street.

That is what you're competing with folks. Oh you may think that the "nice new city" meme is what these nations are about but if you get a few kilometers out of said "nice, new city" you will find that the people there live a life not much

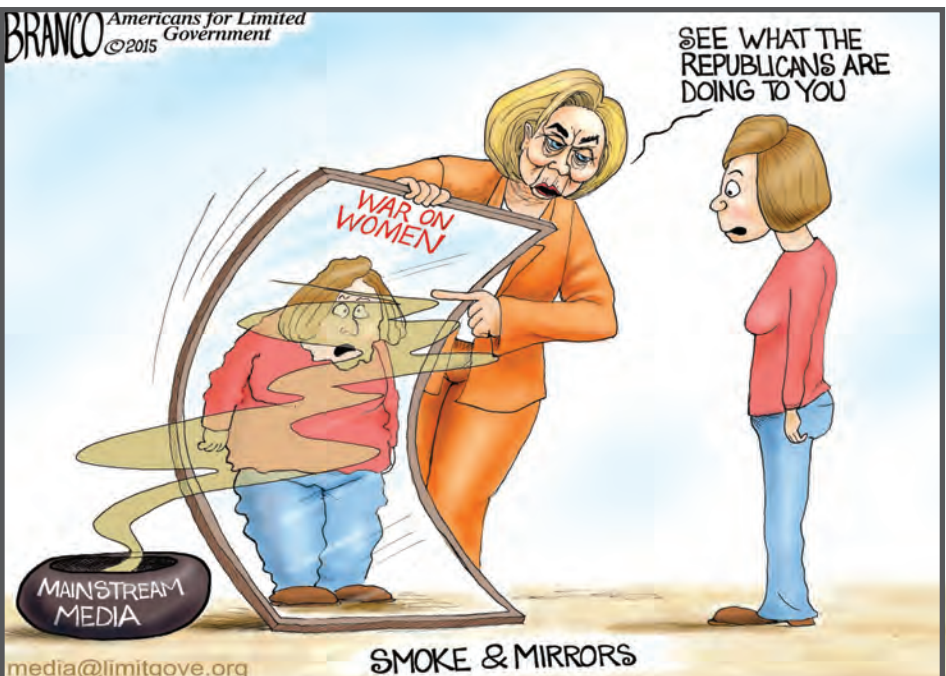
distinguished from that of literal peasants before the dawn of indoor plumbing!

That is the labor you are being asked to "compete" with America, and Marco Rubio, along with Bush and the rest of the so-called "establishment Republicans", including, I might add, Paul Ryan who just got the Speaker's gavel, are more than happy to pass into law amnesty and open border policies that have and will continue to destroy the value of your education and professional credentials.

If you let this happen it is their fault but your responsibility for allowing these charlatans and thieves to destroy what remains of this nation.

You either stop this now, America, and reverse it -- or you will be shopping for a refrigerator box to live in.

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