

Busted: Silver Cliff Woman Arrested on 16 Felony Charges

Nora Sommers: 8 Counts Child Abuse, Pot and Alcohol Given to Minors

by George Gramlich

First, here is the Custer County Sheriff's Office press release on these alleged despicable crimes:

"On November 10, 2015 Deputies executed a search warrant on 615 Mill Street in reference to an on-going investigation involving multiple juveniles and Nora Sommers aka Nora Sellers. Deputies gathered information from several parties in prior weeks that juveniles were being supplied marijuana at the Seller residence as well as smoking Marijuana within the residence.

The investigation unfolded while deputies were actively searching for a runaway juvenile and were interviewing several individuals linked to the runaway. Juveniles and adults claimed the underage parties were going to the Seller residence during the school lunch hour to smoke Marijuana. The information obtained offered cause for the Sheriff's Deputies to apply for and receive a search warrant of the Seller residence. The investigation concluded Nora Sellers was supplying Marijuana to the juveniles and allowing them to smoke it in her residence.

The case involved 14 juveniles and several adults,

surrounding the residence at 615 Mill Street in Silver-cliff. The search warrant revealed Marijuana use within the residence. An arrest warrant was issued on eight counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and eight counts of child abuse.

Deputies also issued several juvenile summons for illegal possession and/or consumption of marijuana by an underage person. The juveniles were released to their parents.

Sommers (aka Nora Sellers) was arrested without incident during the search warrant and booked into the Custer County Jail on \$2,500 bond. On November 12, 2015 she appeared before the court and was released on a personal recognizance bond."

Now, here is the back story: At the beginning of the school year, it was apparent that some kids in the high school were coming back from lunch and acting a big out of the ordinary. The Sheriff's Office was notified and they began to look into the situation.

The big break didn't come until the runaway juvenile case about two weeks ago where a female juvenile in Silver Cliff allegedly left her home. During that investigation, many local



Nora Beatrice Sommers
Courtesy photo from the CCSO

kids were interviewed and it came to light that there was an adult woman in the area providing marijuana and alcohol to our local kids.

Based on these allegations, Deputy Brandon Schoch started an intensive investigation that lasted just over a week. During that time, he and Sergeant Buck Wenzel, Deputy Sam Berkeland, and Deputy Mike Middleton conducted over 30 interviews of persons of interest. Based on the evidence produced in these interviews, Deputy Schoch was able to obtain a search warrant for 615 Mill Street, Silver Cliff, which was the residence of Nora Beatrice Sommers. Then,

based on the results of the search warrant and the evidence gathered during the prior interviews, the Sheriff's Office obtained an arrest warrant for said Nora Beatrice Sommers (aka Nora Sellers) on eight felony counts of Child Abuse and eight felony counts of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor.

According to Custer County Sheriff Byerly, Ms. Sommers has three of her own children residing at the residence where the alleged crimes against children occurred.

Sheriff Byerly stated that Ms. Sommers "was picking up the kids at school at lunch time and bringing them to her house to smoke marijuana and drink alcohol and then driving them back to

school." He also said that she would take between "two to five kids at a time in her van".

Sheriff Byerly was visibly upset over these crimes perpetrated against our children. He said. "We have a vested interest in our kids. Actions like this that jeopardize our kids' future cannot be tolerated". He said these felony counts could result in serious jail time for the perpetrator.

(Editor/GG: Take note Silver Cliff Town Trustees and voters: We don't need more pot availability in our community. Our kids have enough problems now. Vote NO to legalizing pot in Silver Cliff. Our kids come before a few tax dollars.)



Deputy Brandon Schoch
Courtesy photo from the CCSO

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Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.
James 4:10, NKJV



Christian Conference at Eagles Summit Ranch

by George Gramlich

Last Saturday's Christian Conference at Eagles Summit Ranch was a great success with Christians from all over Colorado coming the to ranch for the all day retreat. The participants were first treated to wonderful Christian music and song by Pastor Larry Kettle's praise group from his Bridge to Life Church in Cañon City.

After the great set of worship songs by Pastor Kettle's group, the day opened with a wonderful sermon by Pastor David Allen (pictured left) from the Oasis of Love Fellowship in Natchitoches, Louisiana. After lunch, the pulpit was taken over by Pastor Sage Theurer who found the Lord while in prison. He delivered a stirring sermon. The day ended with Pastor Allen leading the participants in communion.



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

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

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Our Opinion... From the Editorial Board



PARIS? NEW YORK? WESTCLIFFE?

We watched the “breaking news” of a terrorist attack in Paris in utter amazement. We watched a variety of TV networks and cable news and found the same premature, ignorant, and even stupid comments, on all of them. Each reporter was trying to be more profound than the others, while uttering such obvious absurdities as “The French police are interviewing every witness to this horrific tragedy.” You think? We would have never expected that. We could cite a dozen even more utterly stupid comments and phrases using worthless words. The worst use of words is being expressed by the authorities and world leaders, especially in our own country. Here’s what we mean: “We stand beside the French.” “We support the French.” “Our hearts go out to Paris.” “We will redouble our efforts.” “We are very concerned.” “We are taking this seriously.” “They are cowards.” And the worst of all – “We must be strong and let them know we will not be afraid of them.” Words, words, words; just a bunch of action-less words! The Pope, who just went around the world supporting social injustices, just said this is the “Third World War.” It took the Pope to say out loud, the words that really matter and what most of us already knew? Where have all the ignorant and unaware world leaders been? This has been a world war launched by the fanatic Islamic terrorists since, at least, September 11, 2001 (and probably be-

fore that) and one in which the current administration of the “most powerful nation” in the world won’t even use the term “Islamic terrorists!” This is simply DENIAL! Most of the world has been in denial and Obama is the greatest denier of all. However, the other “free world” leaders are not far behind. Obama and the British Prime Minister (PM) just said that they would “redouble” their efforts. How in the world can one redouble one’s efforts before one even doubles them? The answer is one cannot. The “coalition” of forces fighting ISIS is a joke. Some countries are contributing nothing but moral support, while many others are contributing insignificant packages of finance clerks, managers, and telephone operators. The PM-elect in Canada has recently and proudly announced he will pull out all Canadian fighter jets as soon as he is sworn in. Our leader, a feckless Commander in Chief, has ordered a war against ISIS which includes no “boots on the ground.” Is it any wonder ISIS is winning? Words, words, words, just “teeth less” words. Action is what is needed. Real action that protects us and it’s not just about using the military. Stop letting so many people from the most volatile region in the world “legally” immigrate here. A stringent and valid vetting process is necessary and we must forget all the political correctness. Profiling will be required. Put a moratorium on people from the Middle East. Stop

the illegal immigration, of goodness knows how many Islamic terrorists, coming across the southern border. It is well known that thousands of people that are not from Mexico or South America are crossing that border every year while the present administration does nothing about it. Actually, they have done something; they sued the State of Arizona for trying to help by simply enforcing existing law. America needs to stop focusing on pseudo-scientific, man-made climate change as our greatest security danger and FOCUS on Islamic terrorists. What just happened last week in Paris is a precursor to what is going to happen soon in America. It is already here. It is just a matter of time until similar things happen. Why should we care? We live in rural Colorado. It’ll probably happen in New York. Fugetaboutit! We should just let that misguided liberal progressive Mayor DeBlasio take care of that threat, right? No, all Americans should be concerned. This is World War III. Many of us have known that for a long time. Maybe some of you are

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just now getting it. And far too many of you remain in denial. There is an argument that we can’t discriminate; we can’t blame all Muslims; that there are many “good”, albeit silent, American Muslims. Frankly, that is an irrelevant argument. The “good” and silent Germans did not stop the Nazis. We must do what it takes to protect America at any and all costs. One important step is to elect a President next year who will undertake such an effort. One who is not in denial and who continues to fight a great white shark with a fork. Wake up America! The ISIS show is coming to a theater near you soon. Could it happen in Westcliffe? Silver Cliff? Cañon City? Prepare to protect yourself and your

family. The government will not unless it begins to take this threat seriously. That is currently not the case. ISIS has killed about 700 people in the last two weeks. Do we stand with the Russians also? We didn’t hear much of that. When are we going to go to war against those that are at war with us? Has Congress declared “something” we missed? And what is the president’s response to what just happened in Paris? He’s releasing five more terrorists from GITMO; doubling down on bringing so-called Syrian refugees to our country that we cannot properly vet, and blaming Republicans of helping ISIS recruit because they dared criticize him. What a sad and tone deaf leader we have.

Thank you... from Judy and Patrick Lynch

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Violent Extremists or Radical Islam?

As I write this, I'm afraid the people who really need to see it will not because they refuse to see truth as it is plainly revealed. There are several subjects to consider in the discussion of the rise in Islamic violence. One is the gun issue; the other is what-do-you-call-them? The "Liberal Progressives" like President Obama, Hillary, Bernie Sanders, Martin O'Malley decline to use the words "Radical Islam," but prefer to say "Violent Extremists", garnering a lot of criticism from conservatives. I think back to what Jesus said, "But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart" Matthew 15:18. Conversely what is NOT in a man's heart doesn't come out of his mouth. That is why those democrats cannot call Radical Islam what it is; it is not in their heart to do so. And when given the chance to join with many European nations against Islam, Obama was absent. Now that over a hundred French citizens, and many others, are murdered by jihadists, he adds his voice to the fray. Didn't Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi say when released from prison, "See you in New York". I'm afraid that will soon come to pass. Here in the Wet Mountain Valley, we probably have little to fear, but I wonder about New York, Los Angeles, Chicago. From TheReligionofPeace.com web page it is summarized, "The Quran contains at least 109 verses that call Muslims to war with non-believers for the sake of Islamic rule. Some are quite graphic, with commands to chop off heads and fingers and kill infidels wherever they may be hiding.

Muslims who do not join the fight are called 'hypocrites' and warned that Allah will send them to hell if they do not join the slaughter." So have they hijacked the Islamic religion or is Islam the seed and root of jihadist? The last line on the same web page states, "There are just too many Muslims who take the Quran literally... and too many others who couldn't care less about the violence done in the name of Islam." Another subject is gun control. Obama has made no secret of the fact that he wants to go against the 2nd Amendment, to restrict or eliminate guns at every possible violent incident. France has some of the most restrictive gun laws in Europe with control on ownership, ammunition purchase, and magazine capacity. Obviously the jihadists ignored the laws on all those points, killing at will all whom they chose. If those unfortunate people had had weapons on them, I would bet, many lives would have been saved, maybe the entire episode could have been avoided. The jihadists are going to always choose the softest, most effective target with the most damage. There are some Muslim individuals and countries which have condemned the radicals, but many times there is a deafening silence on their part. I would like to see more action on their part, step up with soldiers, arms, and bombing runs against ISIS, put some skin in the game: why does America have to take the lead? And since our president doesn't lead, no one else leads either.

by Bill Bailey,
Westcliffe, CO

Legislative Shenanigans

I am responding to Bill Bailey's request for help on the congress of the USA. Let's start with some basics. The Founders never imagined that a person would spend their entire adult life as a member of congress. Life as a congressman offers many benefits that the electorate would never get. One example is that congress can exempt themselves from the laws that they pass for the rest of us. Their retirement package, which doesn't include Obama-care, is so lucrative that us ordinary people can only dream about it. The Senate is, by design, a deliberative body. The House is where the "fire-brands" go. A bill that must be paid for by the taxpayer should and must originate in the House.

When a bill is introduced, it must get a majority vote in the committee where the bill is heard before it goes to the full body, the Senate or the House. The committee process is one reason why one person can kill a bill. The other way a bill gets killed is that both the Speaker of the House and the Senate Majority Leader can stop a bill from coming to a vote. It is a little complicated, but the creation of legislation has been compared to making sausage.

Let's take a look at the business of prayer in schools. The only way that prayer can be banned is for the courts and the general public to ignore totally the "free exercise" clause in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights. The First Amendment says quite clearly that the "Congress shall make no law...prohibiting the free exercise [of religion] thereof." So, how did the Supreme Court get away with banning prayer in schools? Well, the justices used the Thomas Jefferson letter to the Danbury (CT) Baptists, not the Bill of Rights, to bolster their claim on the "Original Intent" of the Founders. It has always struck me as strange that the Jefferson letter was written by President-elect Jefferson and it had nothing to do with public prayer in school or anywhere else. Sadly, the American public and the congress did nothing when the ruling came down in 1965. Some politicians say that the words, "Congress shall make no law..." does not encumber the Supreme Court because they are not congressman. I believe that this is nonsense and I'd love to have that case reheard... "Fat Chance."

Here is the reality. There are organizations like the ACLU who intimidate those who try

to shine the light of the law on injustices, but when the opponents find out what the cost of litigations is, they slink back in the shadows. Oh, let's not forget that the Supreme Court can refuse to hear a case for any reason and they need not justify that decision to anyone. As a consequence, the Supremes will always find a way to legislate from the bench. So any constructionists in the public must just suck it up.

As for the sexting business in Cañon City, I will be patient and wait to see how the school administrators, the parents, and the courts will find a way not to enforce the law. As a member of the Custer County Sheriff's Posse, I attended a daylong seminar on the laws concerning the possession of and/or the taking of naked photos of minors. The law is very tough, but I'm confident that those who wrote and passed the law never anticipated such a wide-spread violation in a community's Junior High and High School. I'm confident that our "No Consequences" culture will prevail.

Hope that this helps, Bill.

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Colorado News



GITMO Delayed: Transfer on Hold While Syrians Move to Colorado

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

The White House now says that no decision will be made this week about whether to relocate Gitmo detainees to the U.S. or Colorado.

In light of the attack on Paris, it would just be insensitive, and terrible political timing.

Our experience covering Democratic administrations tells us this is a decision most likely to occur during the Thanksgiving holiday, when Americans are not paying close attention to the inner workings of Washington.

Now that we can take a breather from whether the September 11 terrorist suspects are moving into our state, we can focus on our other new neighbors, Syrian refugees.

The *Denver Post* says Gov. Hickenlooper has no comment on the proposed Gitmo transfer or delay, but he's placed the welcome mat on Colorado's border to welcome Syrian refugees, even as a dozen other governors have slammed their doors shut.

U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton called Hick's decision to ignore our security "naïve and irresponsible."

"The fact is there is no way to stringently vet the refugees coming from Syria because there are no databases in Syria to confirm the most basic of information, like their identities,"



Tipton said.

"While most of these people are innocent and victims of war themselves, all it takes is one ISIS terrorist posing as an asylum seeker to enter the United States and inflict harm."

Exactly. If someone gave us a bunch of grapes and said that only one was poisonous, we wouldn't eat any of them.

We don't believe that every Syrian refugee is a terrorist; we just don't trust the government's ability to weed out the good guys from the bad.

We've also noticed along with most of the planet that the refugees are not women and children, but young men of fighting age. It stands to reason that these men should seek asylum closer to Syria, so that when the conflict is over they can quickly reunite with their wives, mothers, and children.

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Colorado: Any Republican Beats Clinton by Double Digits!

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

A new Quinnipiac University poll out this morning showed that Democratic presidential frontrunner Hillary Clinton is in a heap of trouble in Colorado, a swing state necessary on her path to the White House. The least margin by which Republicans are beating Clinton is 11 points. The breakdown is below.

- Sen. Marco Rubio over Clinton 52 – 36 percent (16 points)
- Dr. Ben Carson leads Clinton 52 – 38 percent (14 points)
- Sen. Ted Cruz tops Clinton 51 – 38 percent (13 points)
- Donald Trump beats Clinton 48 – 37 percent (11 points)

Tim Molloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac Poll, called the numbers a "chilly, if not frigid reception" and noted that "as winter moves into the Rockies, Coloradans say the Democratic front-runner would get bruised and beaten by all the top GOP opponents, and absolutely crushed by Sen. Marco Rubio and Dr. Ben Carson."

Brrrr!

More bad news for Clinton – she has the lowest favorability ratings among all candidates as she polls at 33 percent positive and 61 percent negative. And the worst news for Clinton is that she's losing with Independents to every Republican candidate by double digits as well.

As far as Republican candidates, Carson leads the pack with 25 percent of the Republican vote and is trailed by

Rubio with 19 percent, Trump with 17 percent, Cruz with 14 percent, Carly Fiorina with 5 percent, Sen. Rand Paul with 3 percent, former Gov. Jeb Bush with 2 percent, and 11 percent undecided.

Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,262 Colorado voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.8 percentage points from November 11 to November 15. The survey included live interviews with land lines and cell phones. The survey includes 474 Republicans with a margin of error of +/- 4.5 percentage points and 404 Democrats with a margin of error of +/- 4.9 percentage points.

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Colonel (Retired) Steve Yackley

(Editor/GG: Col. Yackley was the featured speaker at the Veterans Day Banquet.)

Colonel Yackley served 41 years in the U. S. Army with over 36 years on active duty and 5 years in the Reserves and National Guard. He served as an enlisted man from 1973 to 1984 with notable assignments as a squad Leader in the 1st Ranger Battalion, as a Platoon Sergeant with the 1st Battalion, 48th Infantry, and as a Light Weapons Leader on a Special Forces A Team in the 12th Special Forces Group (Airborne) USAR. In 1984 he was designated a Distinguished Military Graduate through the ROTC program at the University of Arizona and was commissioned as an Infantry Officer.

Troop and command assignments included the 1st Infantry Division, (Big Red One) as a rifle platoon leader, scout platoon leader, Company Commander, and Secretary of the General Staff deploying to Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. He served in the 4th Infantry Division deploying to the Kuwait/Iraq border and as Executive Officer in the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry. He commanded the 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment and in January 2003 deployed his task force to Tazsar, Hungary with the mission to train Free Iraqi Forces in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Later he assumed command of the 19th Infantry Brigade, the Army's largest basic combat training brigade, located at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Other key assignments were as Tactics Instructor at the Infantry School, an observer/controller in the Battle Command Training Program, the Chief of the Nuclear Codes and Plans Team, U.S. European Command, and Chief of Plans for the Land and Military Assistant Commander of the Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan and was responsible for the development of the Ministry of Interior and Afghan Division East, First Army. His final assignment was as the Deputy Commander of Fort Jackson, South Carolina retiring on 1 June 2014.

Colonel Yackley and his spouse Debby have been married for 34 years. They have two sons, Stephen Jr. and Christopher, who have both served in combat with the U.S. Army as Airborne Ranger Infantry officers, and one daughter Sara, a nurse in Colorado Springs. They also have 6 grandchildren.



Col. Yackley, the featured speaker for the Veterans Day Banquet.

Sentinel photo by Carol Clemenson

A Celebration Well Overdue for Master Sergeant John Shoemaker

by Carol Clemenson

A Veterans Day banquet was hosted by our Local American Legion Post 170, for a valley resident and former infantryman John Shoemaker, at the Alpine Lodge on November 11, 2015. He was properly presented with his previously mailed-in Bronze Star. Public Affairs officers from Fort Carson were present. The original orders and citation was read by Major General Joe Arbuckle. There were over 80 people there to celebrate this great honor.

Shoemaker entered the U.S. Army in March, 1943, and retired as a Master Sargent E7 after 20 years of service. His dedicated soldiering began in North Africa, and in May 1944 he participated in an Anzio Beach operation in Italy. There a small force had waylaid German resources behind the lines, at a great cost of life.

Shoemaker's Bronze Star citation reads, in part, that he was awarded for "meritorious achievement" breaking through the Anzio beachhead against overwhelming enemy opposition. His performance of duty in active ground combat was in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon himself, the

15th Infantry Regiment and the Army of the United States.

The award was extended in November 2011, and Shoemaker was not notified until sometime in 2014, and then the award was simply MAILED to him.

The Legion Post saw to it that this inappropriate rendering of military recognition be corrected with this Veterans Day banquet.

Shoemaker met his lovely wife Danna while she had been imprisoned by the Nazis in a forced labor camp, while he was working in intelligence, handling key German prisoners of war, after the war had ended. When Danna was liberated she was given work in American camps, and there she met John.



John and Danna Shoemaker

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They came to Colorado to retire for health reasons, and have enjoyed living in the Valley for over 30 years. Danna and John have been married for 60 years.



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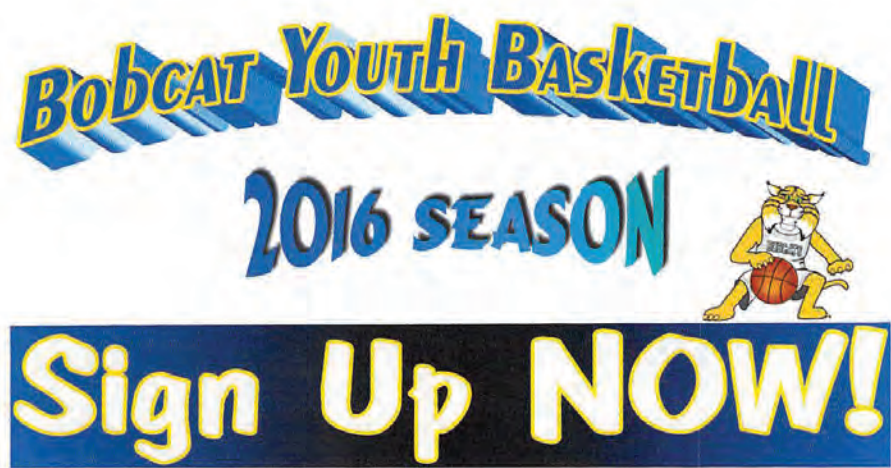
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Canyon Trail

by Carol Clemenson

The western movie partially filmed in Westcliffe by Skeleton Creek Production The movie "Canyon Trail" has been released. This reporter went to Enid, Oklahoma, on November 9th, 2015, to view the premier. It was wonderful. There were 1,200 people for the awesome party. Many corporate companies from several states helped make this possible with their donations for this low budget film.

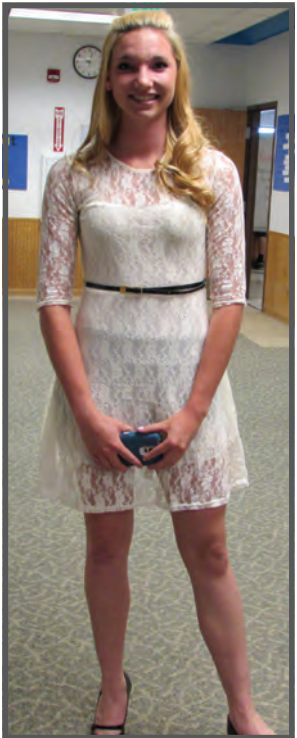
Rick Simpson wrote, directed, and co-produced with his older brother Larry W. Simpson. They also star in the movie. Jack Quirk filmed and captured so many beautiful scenes from The Pines Ranch, Beckwith Ranch, Berry's Den at Texas Creek, behind the dam at Lake DeWeese and Bent Canyon, north of Canon City. They also filmed in Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Lamar, Colorado.

There was some great acting from a few of the folks right here in Westcliffe. One in particular that I would like to recognize is "Taylor Staton", a senior from Custer County High School. She played "April Ryker", one of the bad guys.

Although this film was a low budget film, it is one that all of Westcliffe should be very proud of. I know I am very proud to have been a part of this film.

There are DVD's for sale for \$20 at the *Sentinel* newspaper office if anyone is interested.

I would like to thank the Skeleton Creek Production company's cast and crew for filming here in Westcliffe and bringing a good amount of revenue to our community. About 40 people came here from Oklahoma and stayed at the Westcliffe Inn, boarded their horses at the Saddle Club grounds, and ate in



Taylor Staton

*Sentinel photo
by Carol Clemenson*

every restaurant that was open in town, along with all the Subway sandwiches for the lunches during filming.

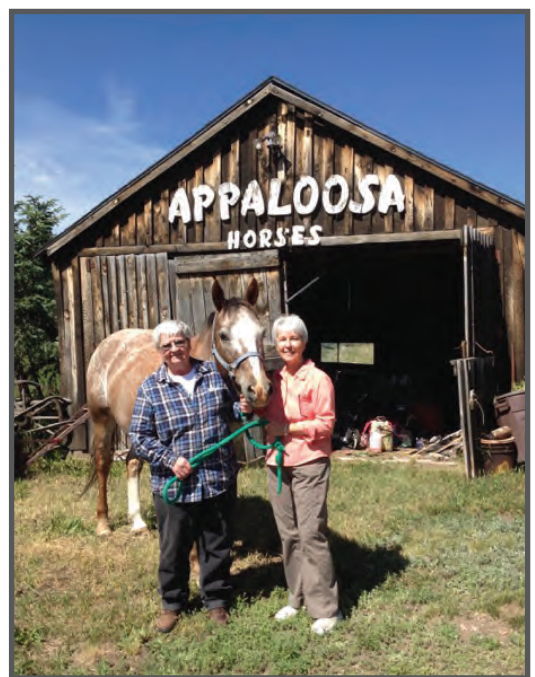
Reida, Locarnini Book Event at the West Custer Library

Join Clara Reida and award-winning Colorado author Carol Ann Wilson for a discussion on Wilson's new book *Because We Wanted To! Two women, a dream, and a ranch called Singing Acres* on Wednesday, December 2nd, at 5 p.m. at the West Custer County Library.

The book's title grew out of the question that Margaret Locarnini and Clara Reida were asked more than once: "Why would two girls come out here to a rugged part of Colorado, buy an old dilapidated ranch, and raise horses?" Their response, including the fact that they were not girls at all, but women in their twenties, forms the heart of this story which is set largely in the Wet Mountain Valley.

Meeting at Girl Scout Camp while working as riding instructors, Margaret from Oakland, California and Clara from Rago, Kansas, they discovered they both held the dream of raising horses in the Colorado Rockies. By joining forces they believed they could make their dream come true. Undaunted by the many barriers women faced as recently as 1965—simply acquiring loans without husbands signing for them as one shocking example—they moved forward, dotting the "i" and crossing the "t" on "irrelevant" as far as convention was concerned. They named their ranch Singing Acres to honor their deep love of singing and the way the land sang to them. Facing numerous hardships with courage and humor, they cultivated friendships; raised beautiful horses; helped countless others; and became the heart of a community.

Wilson's other books include the award-winning *Still Point of the Turning World: The Life of Gia-fu Feng* and *About Earline*, a tribute to her spirited and adventuresome mother.



Clara Reida (left) and writer Carol Ann Wilson (right) will be at the library on Wednesday, December 2nd at 5 p.m. to talk about "*Because We Wanted To!*"

Courtesy photo

"Through writing about Gia-fu Feng and then about my mother, I realized the most astonishing stories are right under our noses. When the idea and opportunity to write about Clara and Margaret came along, I jumped at the chance to explore the lives of these two women whom I so admire and love," said Wilson. "Because all three of my books have ties to Custer County and the Wet Mountains, a friend said this book completes my Wet Mountain Trilogy! How could I pass that up?"

The capacity for the library's community room is 50 people, so attendees should arrive early to ensure a seat at the event. Wilson and Reida will be available after the discussion to sign books. For more information, contact Library Director Amy Moulton at 719-783-9138.



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The Pen is Mightier...

by Fred Hernandez

Over a bridge, down a tree lined road, in a quiet corner of Canon City is a quaint home which one would never suspect as a neat little work shop where mighty pens are born. These heirloom pieces are rare and one-of-a-kind, fine writing instruments, each one exquisitely crafted by hand in painstaking detail, resulting in beautiful pieces both decorative and utilitarian for the professional of all vocations and services: health care, sciences, law-enforcement, commerce, engineering, media, sales, and marketing.

It all started as the brain-child of Dan Cobler, former State Patrol officer



Dan Cobler, Provincial Mills

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A few examples of the fine craftsmanship available from Provincial Mills. See www.provincialmills.com for more, or to place an order.

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who worked in Trinidad, Denver, and other areas in Colorado. With an eye for beauty and a liking for writing instruments, Danny, as his close friends call him, started tinkering with ball pens and very soon his inventive curiosity led him to experiment with wood as the body of the pen. Sure enough, the results were attractive and functional. Beginning with local material Danny worked with Aspen, Juniper and deer antlers. Soon he began importing exotic wood from India, Africa and the countries of the Far East such as Thailand and the Philippines. The wood products are fascinating and beautiful. They include Burmese Rose, Amboyna, Thuya from Thailand, Cocobolo, Bocote, and Gaboon. Just to see these items is a treat in itself and Danny welcomes everyone to his shop and showroom by appointment. Please call 719-371-3392 to arrange a time, and meet Dan. You can also visit his website at www.provincialmills.com, and LIKE him on Facebook where you can see (and win a



prize just for looking) some more of his handcrafted treasures such as journals, notebooks, desk sets, and pens of all kinds; ball point, roller ball or fountain pens, each one an heirloom to be enjoyed through the ages. One unique line of pens, the Colonial Shipyard Wood, are made with wood that was actually salvaged from the log ponds at the historic Charlestown Naval Yard, which is one of the oldest ship building facilities in the United States and also the location where

the USS Constitution was built. Another interesting line is called The Thin Blue Line, appropriately named because a percentage of each sale goes to the Flying Wheel Foundation, an organization that helps out families of police officers injured on duty, or who may have paid the ultimate price protecting and serving the public. With the holidays coming up this is a good time to call Danny at 719-371-3392 and see how the pen can be mightier than the sword.

Give a Holiday Season Sentinel Gift Discount Subscription

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Please indicate that you're purchasing a gift subscription to get the discount. See page 23 for subscription form or call 719-783-3360.

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The One and Only The Smoky Jack Observatory

by Fred Hernandez



The Smoky Jack Observatory, just west of Westcliffe.

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There are only about a dozen certified Dark Skies programs in the world and only one in Colorado; and it is right here in Custer County where both Westcliffe and Silver Cliff share the honor. What is even more interesting is that this observatory is the highest in elevation by far. We are referring to the Smoky Jack Observatory, an integral part of the International Dark Skies Association, an astrological organization that studies the night skies around the world.

Our local observatory is named after the first president of the Custer County Dark Skies Program, Suzanne B. Jack who simply loved the night skies of Colorado and worked diligently, until her untimely demise, to establish Westcliffe and Silver Cliff as Dark Skies communities..

Constructed in the spring and summer of 2015, the observatory is a 12 foot by 12 foot building with a retractable roof housing an impressive looking 14 inch Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope featuring a computer guided pointing and tracking system. Located on the southwest corner of The Bluff, it is just below the grassy level right off Adams Street.

Designed by Mr. Jim Bradburn, current president of Dark Skies, and Charles Keyes, these gentlemen are the driving force behind the program in our twin communities. Along with them we are grateful to others who stepped up to assist in making sure this project would be the great success it is: Mr. Paul Wenke of Ace Hardware, Frank Oberlin of Critical Path Metal Works, Kent Beach of Beach Ready Mix Concrete. Material were mostly donated and volunteers led by Mr. John Peleaux did the actual construction. Thanks also to Mike Liebman, Bob Remington, Bob Tobin, Bob Huestis, and Jack Naff.

In answer to public queries regarding when they can visit the observatory, Board Member Mr. Ed Stewart, a local resident who has been an astronomer all his adult life, informs us that training is currently going on for those who will assist the public when they visit and systems are now being put in place for opening and closing of the observatory which should be ready for the general public by spring. If there are any who are amateur astronomers who wish to volunteer we urge them, and the public in general, to visit the website www.wtmtndarkskies.org.

HAPPY STARGAZING.

Toys for Tots in Fremont County

by Charlotte Burrous

For the past few years, the Royal Gorge Detachment of Marine Corps League has distributed toys through its Fremont County Toys for Tots campaign. This year, the organizers have decided to blanket Custer County as well.

In the meantime, organizers are looking for a place to run its operation in Cañon City.

"We need a warehouse and we'd like to have a storefront," said Marine Corps League member Carl Klink. "We (will) have thousands of toys (to give away)."

But he said he would continue to push forward to make this a Merry Christmas for children 0-16 in Fremont and Custer County.

For those who need to request help are asked to go to www.toysfortots.org, where they can follow the steps.

"I have to reiterate Toys for Tots is to help your children," Klink said. "We cannot take care of your nieces, your nephews or your grandkids. The child has to be living under your roof (and be) under your care."

When the parents make their requests, Klink asks them to list the child's interests so he can match the toys.

"We are not Xboxes for tots or TVs for tots," he said.

In meantime, Toys R Us has given the local Toys for Tots \$7,000 to spend on toys.

"It's exciting," Klink said. "We will (place) boxes (around town) ... right after Thanksgiving."

As of last year, Loaves & Fishes agreed to collect toys, but Toys for Tots will distribute them to the families who have registered.

"Loaves & Fishes can now concentrate on clothing and food," Klink said. "They turn their toys over to Toys for Tots. And we also work with the (Cañon City) Pregnancy Center."

For more information or to request toys, check the webpage or call Klink at 951-440-1465.

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Oyster Fry 2015

November 14, 2015, was the Custer County FFA Rocky Mountain Oyster Fry and Member Sale. It was a very successful evening for our organization. The FFA Chapter puts on this event every fall and have always done a spectacular job. The members put in hours of preparation for this event, from the setting up, to the cooking of the oysters and side courses, to cleaning up at the end of the evening. During this annual event, the FFA members are auctioned off to work for eight hours of labor to raise money for the Chapter in order to attend a multitude of leadership training's, conferences, etc. throughout the year. The members are sold by the hour and do whatever task the buyer has asked of them. The members must complete their eight hours of work by May, 2016.

The buyers are greatly appreciated and are a tremendous help in the fundraising for our FFA Chapter. This year we as an FFA Chapter, we raised over \$14,000 thanks to the buyers of the members, auction items, and those who came to enjoy our oyster fry.

Huge thank you to everyone in our community who came, participated, and enjoyed, we hope to see you there in the years to come!

Mckensie Penkoff
Reporter
Custer County FFA

Sentinel photo by Paul Sage



Cotopaxi PRIDE Positive Attitude-Respect-Integrity- Determination-Excellence

2nd Quarter Respect PRIDE Assembly for Cotopaxi Elementary students. Pictured here, from left to right: Adyah Tezak (K), Sydney Vincent (2nd), AJ Simpson (1st), Abby Fieth (4th), Viola Gurule (3rd), Ty Coleman (5th).

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Cotopaxi Lions Club Student of the Month

by Tiffany Coleman

With over a million members, the Lions Club is the world's largest service club organization. We are lucky enough to have several members in the Cotopaxi area who are dedicated to the club's motto "We Serve." These civic-minded men and women have banded together and volunteer their time to better our community. For several years now, the Cotopaxi Lion's Club has honored outstanding Cotopaxi junior and senior high students for their character and their academic and extracurricular commitments. The organization is continuing its tradition this year with their "Student of the Month" program. The students recognized for September and October include eighth graders Savannah Serfoss and Sage Laymon.

Savannah is the youngest daughter of Gary and Tina Serfoss. She participates in middle school leadership, math counts, band, volleyball, basketball, and track. About her honor, Savannah replied, "I am honored that the faculty and staff took interest in us as individuals. I also appreciate how they recognized qualities



Cotopaxi Lions Student of the Month for September and November: Savannah Serfoss (left) and Sage Laymon (right).

Courtesy photo

in me that I exhibit, but didn't necessarily think others noticed." History teacher, Ryan Christensen commented, "Savannah exemplifies what a student of the month truly is. She is disciplined and always strives to do her best. Her performance in all of her endeavors are second to none." Even though she has a few years until graduation, Savannah is considering a career in architectural engineering.

Sage, the daughter of Bud and Michelle Laymon, is involved in many activities. She is a three-sport

athlete who enjoys volleyball, basketball, and baseball. She also performs in drama productions and is a first chair in band. Replying to how she felt about her nomination, Sage stated, "I feel I was honored as student of the month because the teachers recognized how I help others and I am a leader. These are two things I am very proud of." Paul Nameth, math teacher at Cotopaxi, says this about Sage, "She is a hard worker and it is a pleasure to have her in class. She is an exceptional student who possesses great talent."

KIDS Friday, November 20, 2015

John F. Kennedy Assassination

On January 20, 1961, John F. Kennedy was sworn in as the 35th President of the United States of America. At the age of 43, he was the second youngest president, second only to Theodore Roosevelt, and the first Catholic President in American history. During his inaugural address he sought to inspire Americans with his famous statement, "Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country."

In 1961, by executive order, Kennedy created the Peace Corp and by the end of the century, over 170,000 Peace Corp volunteers would serve in 135 countries.

The most controversial domestic issue of Kennedy's presidency was Civil Rights. The Southern Democrats in Congress were opposed to civil rights for black citizens. In September of 1962, he sent his brother, Attorney General Robert Kennedy, to Mississippi to use the National Guard and Federal Marshals to escort James Meredith, to enroll at the University of Mississippi, as the first black student. Near the end of 1963, Kennedy finally sent a Civil Rights Bill to Congress.

On November 21, 1963, President Kennedy flew to Dallas, Texas, for a campaign appearance. The next day Kennedy, his wife, and Texas Governor John Connally, rode through cheering crowds on the streets of downtown Dallas in an open convertible. As they passed the Texas School Book Depository building, Lee Harvey Oswald a 24-year-old warehouse worker with Soviet sympathies, fired and hit the president twice. He was pronounced dead at 1 p.m. that day at the hospital at the age of 46.

As one of the last acts of his presidency and his life, Kennedy's Civil Rights Bill was eventually passed as the Civil Rights Act in 1964.

Despite the assassinations of three U.S. presidents – Abraham Lincoln, James Garfield, and William McKinley- killing or attempting to harm a president was not a federal offense until 1965, two years after Kennedy's death.

"Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country."

by Audrey Slater, Sources: cnn.com, biography.com

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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

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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.

Harvest of Love Giving at Thanksgiving

The 4th Annual Thanksgiving Harvest of Love bag sale sponsored by your local Community Sharing Center is happening NOW at the Westcliffe Supermarket. Without you, many will have to forego the traditional holiday meal.

Each bag of traditional side dishes is \$16, and the Sharing Center will provide the bird, bread, potatoes, and hopefully, a pie to each family, all of us working together to bless our neighbors.

This year it is even more

important that we make sure each family has an adequate food package since our school will have a longer Thanksgiving break than usual. The children will be at home without free/reduced lunch and breakfast.

We know from the past that we can count on our community’s spirit of compassion to assist us to furnish holiday meals for our friends and neighbors in need. Thank you and may your holiday be blessed as well.

Cañon City Christmas Parade

by Charlotte Burrous

With Christmas on the horizon, it’s time to prepare. It will be easy to do when the Cañon City Chamber of Commerce hosts its 27th Annual Christmas Parade of Lights at 6 p.m. December 5th in downtown Cañon City.

This year’s theme is “Candy Canes & Christmas Carols,” featuring floats, bands, pets, and much more.

During the event, a variety of vendors will be set up at the intersections of the parade route, offering hot chocolate, hot apple cider, and a numerous food selections. Of course, Santa will ride in his sleigh, signifying the start of the Christmas season in Canon City.

As part of the celebration, a community Christmas tree lighting will take place from 5:30-7 p.m. November 27th in front of 1516 Main St. Activities include Christmas music and more. Then on November 29th, the second annual “Deck the Halls” will take place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. November 29th in Macon Plaza between Fifth and Sixth Streets on Macon Avenue. Everyone is invited to join in the event. The chamber has donated more than 20 trees, lights, and some decorations, but others are invited to bring more trees. Afterward, the trees will be placed in front of businesses along Main Street then planted at a later date.

For more information, call the chamber at 275-2331.

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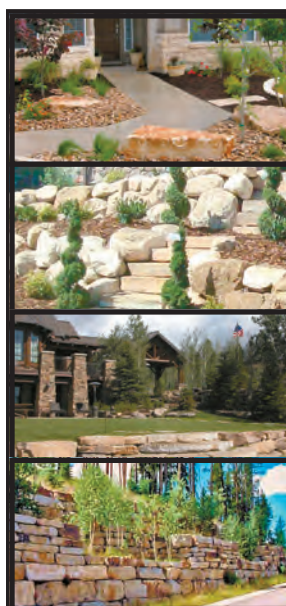
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Carter Wedding Announcement



Army Specialist Dylan Carter and Jessica Carter were married on November 8, 2015, in a small private ceremony with family in Colorado Springs. The groom is a 2011 graduate of Custer County High School. The bride is a graduate of Lewis-Palmer High School. Specialist Carter is currently stationed at Fort Carson Army Post in Colorado Springs. He will be transferred to a new post in January 2016. Parents of the groom are Corrin and Joshua Carter, Silver Cliff, Colorado. His grandmother is Cheryl Leonard, Westcliffe, Colorado, and his grandfather is Tom Coonrod, St. Louis, Missouri. Parents of the bride reside in Colorado Springs and Duluth, Minnesota.



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Florence Christmas

by Charlotte Burrous

Florence is gearing up for Christmas with numerous events on the horizon. Starting from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. November 28th through December 19th, Santa Claus will arrive in town to visit with all the good little boys and girls.

During their visit, they can tell Santa their wishes for the Christmas season then receive a candy cane from one of Santa's elves.

"This year, we're going to put him in different spots," said Cori Stone. "On (November 28th), we're doing a Christmas in the Park tree decorating event (in Pioneer Park). That's going to be fun."

The community can sponsor a tree for \$20 and it's helping the Wetmore Wizards 4-H Club, she said. This event will start around 11 a.m. and it should last all day.

From there, Santa will be in town at various spots around town until the Saturday before Christmas. Children of all ages are invited to visit with Santa Claus on these special days.

As part of the festivities, the windows in downtown Florence will be decorated in accordance to the season.

Those who want to sponsor a tree can stop by the new office at 116 N. Pikes Peak Ave. or call Cori Stone at the Chamber at 784-3544.



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The Lord is the strength of my life ;
Of whom shall I be afraid?*

Psalm 27:1, NKJV

Bobcats First Practice - Fundamentals!

Shannon Byerly - Head Coach
Joy Parrish & Isaac Selden - Assistant Coaches
Emily Crossley - Manager



Local Mountain News & Notices

Events Calendar

November 20, 21, 22 Jones Theater: “Goosebumps” Rated PG-13, Friday & Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at 2 p.m.	most businesses, and Courthouse CLOSED	Ann Wilson for a discussion on Wilson’s new book, <i>Because We Wanted To! Two women, a dream, and a ranch called Singing Acres</i> at the West Custer County Library at 5 p.m.
Sunday November 22 Thanksgiving meal will be served at 12 noon at the Baptist Church immediately following the Church Service. All are welcome.	Friday, November 27 COURTHOUSE CLOSED	Thursday December 3 RED HATS: The Custer County Cuties will celebrate their De- cember luncheon in the Garden Room at the Broadmoor in Colo- rado Springs on December 3rd at noon. Please call Terre Davis @ 783-2824 or Helen Vahlsing @ 783-2901 for reservations before November 30th.
Monday, November 23 – Friday, November 27 Custer County Consolidated School: Thanksgiving Break	Saturday, November 28 9:30 a.m.: Registration for Club America Fundraiser – 5K Run/ Walk; contact (719) 783-0750 or www.clubamericawmv.org	
Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Holiday: Banks,	Monday, November 30 9 a.m.: BOCC meeting, Court- house Boardroom	
	Wednesday, December 2 Join Clara Reida and award-win- ning Colorado author Carol	

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	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.	practice in band room at high school
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	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.	Thursday Second Thursday of the Month: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m., “Ask a Nurse” at the library
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Noon: Lunch served at Custer County Senior Center located on first floor of Silver Cliff Town Hall. Call 783-9508 to RSVP by 9:30 a.m.	Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.: Library open in downtown Westcliffe; 783-9138	Fridays and Saturdays 1 - 4 p.m.: Custer County Community Sharing Center, Inc., 120 North Third St. (formerly Schlabach’s Market)
Monday and Thursday 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Lighthouse Pregnancy Resourc- es in Silver Cliff assisting new mothers and families. Free pregnancy tests, ultrasound, counseling, and more. Call 783-4357	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 Anony- mous meeting at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509- 9172, or Emilie at (719) 371-5974	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
Tuesday 12 - 4:30 p.m.: Bridge Club meets in the library	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Custer County Community Band	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

Our Free Speech and Islam

“...Free speech is not a universal value. It arises from a very narrow, particular tradition on this planet, and when your country becomes ten percent, 15 percent, 20 percent Muslim, there’s less and less of a market for a free speech. So, despite what Obama, and Cameron, and M Hollande say, that value of free speech will die.”

Mark Steyn

Come and Worship

Christian Science 9:30 a.m. Worship 8 Bassick Place Westcliffe	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	Sangre de Cristo Seminary Chapel 10 a.m. Worship 6160 County Rd. 130 Westcliffe 719/783-2447
Church of Christ 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship 1:30 p.m. Worship Wed., 6 p.m. 818 Ohio Street Silver Cliff 719/783-4601	Huerfano Community Bible Church 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 7 p.m.: Thursday Bible Study 603 Leon Street Walsenburg (719) 251-9053	St. Luke’s Episcopal Church 10:30 a.m. Worship & Eucharist 11:30 a.m. Fellowship 3rd & Rosita Streets Westcliffe 719/783-2477
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints 10 a.m. Sacrament Mtg. 12:10 p.m. Sunday School 240 Ridgeline Drive Westcliffe 719/783-9356 719/404-4585	Hope Lutheran Church 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Worship 3rd & Powell Streets Westcliffe 719/783-9773	St. Patrick’s Anglican Church 11 a.m. Worship 401 South Second Street Westcliffe 719/783-2500
Community United Methodist Church 8 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Worship 202 S. 6th Street Westcliffe 719/783-2511	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	Valley Bible Fellowship 10 a.m. Worship 116 Hermit Lane Silver Cliff 719/783-9050
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	Our Lady of Mt. Zion Catholic Church 11 a.m. Mass 3rd Sunday of each month 210 S. 2nd Street Westcliffe 719/783-2491	Westcliffe Community Church 10 a.m. Worship 103 N. Adams St. Westcliffe 719/783-2545
Cotopaxi Community Church 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 6 p.m. Worship 20326 Hwy. 50 Cotopaxi 719/942-4185	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	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
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	Wild West Cowboy Church 3 p.m. Sunday School 4 p.m. Worship Followed by Potluck Tuesdays 6 p.m.: Bible Study 60260 Hwy. 69 North Westcliffe 719/783-2676	Wetmore Community Church 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 699 County Rd. 395 Wetmore 719/784-0596

Fateries

Alpine Lodge 6848 Cty. Rd. 140 Westcliffe 719/783-2660 Wed. - Sun., 5 - 10 p.m. Sunday Brunch 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Reservations recommended	Oak Creek Grade General Store, Bakery & Coffee Shop 13 miles north on Cty. Rd. 255 719/783-2245 Closed for the Winter <i>Please call for your homemade breads and pastries!</i>	Silver Cliff Pizza Company upstairs in the Silver Dome Saloon 110 Main St. • Silver Cliff 719/783-9499 Call for hours
Candy’s Coffee 106 S. 2nd St. • Westcliffe 719/783-9516 Mon. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Rancher’s Roost at Cliff Lanes 25 Main St. Westcliffe 719/783-2031 Mon. - Fri., 7 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sat. & Sun., 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.	Subway (inside JR’s Fuel Stop) 425 S. 6th St. • Westcliffe 719/783-2748 Mon.-Sat., 6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sundays, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
JB’s Café closed for the month of November. Reopening in December at a New Location!	St. Andrews Golf Course Café 800 Copper Gulch Rd. Westcliffe 719/783-9410 Open Daily * Call for Hours	Sugar & Spice Mountain Bakery 411 Main St. B Westcliffe 719/783-4045 Tues. - Fri., 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sat., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
The Mining Company Restaurant 60 Main St. • Westcliffe 719/783-9144 Mon., Thurs. - Sun., 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tues., 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. Closed Wednesdays	Tony’s Mountain Pizza 630 Main St. • Silver Cliff 719/783-9300 Tues., 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Wed.. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sundays, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.	
Nacho Mama’s 404 Main St. • Silver Cliff 719/783-3331 Closed Monday Tues. - Thurs. - 12-7p.m. Fri. & Sat. 12-9 Sunday 12-7	Silver Cliff Mountain Inn 700 Ohio Street • Silver Cliff 719/783-2688 Sat. - Wed., 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. Thurs. & Fri., 7 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Open 7 days a week	

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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 pm – 6 pm, 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

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

Real Estate

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Services

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Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 198 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 7 to EMS, and 1 to the Fire Department. On November 17th there was 1 male and 1 female in the county jail.

11/12/15 Traffic Summons:

William Madrid of Pueblo for speeding.

Melody Weeks of Westcliffe for speeding 10-19 over in a school zone.

Terry Camp of Palestine, Texas, for speeding.

John Ferraiuolo of Westcliffe for speeding.

Arson:

Gary King of Silver Cliff was issued a summons for arson in the fourth degree.

11/13/15 Traffic Summons:

Andrew Rose of Westcliffe for speeding.

Boyd Conwell of Westcliffe for speeding.

Arrests:

James Gierhart of Penrose was arrested on an outstanding failure to appear warrant.

11/14/15 Missing Person:

An individual came to the Sheriff's Office to report his eleven-year-old son missing. The boy was

found later by a deputy and the father behind a gate.

11/15/16 Rollover Accident:

EMS, the Wet Mountain Fire Department and Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to Highway 96, Mile Market 4, for a rollover accident. The patient was transported to a hospital in Pueblo.

Church Disturbance:

A deputy was dispatched to the Wild West Cowboy Church on Highway 69 North in response to a report of a disruptive individual refusing to leave the premises.

“Man is a being with free will; therefore, each man is potentially good or evil, and it's up to him and only him (through his reasoning mind) to decide which he wants to be.”

Ayn Rand

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

Court Report...

Manning, Dakota Gregory: A charge of careless driving was dismissed.

Clark, Kevin D.: Guilty of careless driving. Assessed \$238.50.

Hoffman, Kimberly: Guilty of speeding. Assessed \$164.50.

Tressler, David Allen Jr.: Guilty of driving under the influence. Sentenced to 10 days in the cooler and 2 years probation. Assessed \$2,099.50.

Vallieries, Joseph George: Guilty of exceeding safe speed for the conditions. Assessed \$84.50.

Eggers, Julie Joan: Guilty of harassment. Assessed \$253.50. Must complete community service requirement and complete an anger management program.

Caplan, Robyne Lin: Guilty of possession of a controlled substance. Assessed \$1,913.50. Sentenced to probation and a rehab program.

Paris, Kamala Renforth: Guilty of assault on an at-risk person. Assessed \$1,898.50. Must complete a mental health, drug and alcohol evaluation. A protection order was vacated.

Law, Thomas James: Guilty of vehicular eluding, driving with a revoked license, unlawful use of a controlled substance, reckless endangerment. Not guilty of reckless driving, failure to yield the right of way, speeding, speeding more than 15 mph over the limit, and driving the wrong way on a divided highway. Sentenced to 180 days in the hoosegow and

assessed \$3,551.50.

Allen, Lindsey Joel: Guilty of unlawful use of a controlled substance. Not guilty of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. Assessed \$1,783.50.

Caplan, Robyne Lin: Guilty of theft and possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to 60 days of jail time, and two years probation.

Aragon-Garcia, Luis: A charge of driving without a license was dismissed.

Curtis, William Bret: A charge of ownership of a dangerous dog was dismissed.

Montoya, Antonio: Charges of driving under restraint and having an expired license plate were dismissed.

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Be still; and know that I am God

Psalm 41:10, NIV

Fremont County Bulletin

News, Opinion, Commentary

IMPORTANT DATES IN FREMONT

School Board Meetings:

**Cañon City
Fremont RE-1**
2nd and 4th Mon
5:30 p.m.
101 N. 14th St, Cañon City

**Florence-Penrose
Fremont RE-2**
2nd Mon. at 7 p.m.
403 W. 5th St. Florence

**Cañon City
City Council**
1st and 3rd
Mondays at 6 p.m.
City Hall
128 Main St.
Cañon City

County Commissioners
2nd and 4th Tues.
9:30 a.m.
615 Macon, Rm. 105
Cañon City

**Royal Gorge
Tea Party**
2nd Thursday
6:30 p.m.
Core Knowledge
School Gymnasium,
890 Fields Ave.
Cañon City
www.royalgorgetea-party.com

**Fremont
Republican
Central
Committee**
4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
Sunflower Bank,
lower level
831 Royal Gorge Blvd.

**Southern
Colorado
Survivors**
1st Sat at 10 a.m.
El Alazan
Mexican Restaurant
1925 Fremont Dr.
Cañon City

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

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Veterans' Memories

by Charlotte Burrous

While out on patrol, one of his fellow Marines stepped on a device that would have exploded, once he stepped off of it. He yelled to the others, who attempted to help him, wrapping him up in heavy material and telling him to jump as far as he could. When he jumped, it was defective and he was not hurt.

This is one of the stories that was told on Veterans Day during the inaugural Veterans Day Dinner at the Vineyard Church.

“All over our country, we are honoring vets with free dinners and lunches,” said emcee Ray Linebaugh, a combat Marine who served in Vietnam in 1967-1968. “We honor the sacrifices made by our vets. The result of their sacrifice is our freedom. We know what the sacrifices are.”

Although civilians may understand what the sacrifices were, but do they understand what they sacrificed? Every vet, man or woman, in peace time or at war, they go through the toughest physical, mental

training there is. They rank you and build you up for one purpose and that is to destroy the enemy and secure this nation’s freedom.

Even those who were not in war still kept their promises to serve their country. They were ready to go on a moment’s notice and it takes all jobs to support this country.

“Combat (has been defined as) hours of boredom, followed by moments of sheer terror,” Linebaugh said. “We were in a lot of ambushes. When the first shot was fired or the first explosion, somebody on either side was either killed or wounded. There’s no in between. Most combat soldiers will tell you at the time, they were not thinking of the consequences or freedom of country. We were fully engaged in defeating the enemy and the welfare of each other, and trying to survive.”

Most medals are given for those two reasons. When people ask him what he thinks of medals, he tells them, “We were just doing our job.”

“They are over rated but they are appreciated, but for sure, you no one was trying to get one,” Linebaugh said. “Our casualty rate overall was 76 percent. When I was there in 1967 (and) 1968, it was 80 percent. By the grace of God, I made it the whole 13 months without dying. Most of the time, if you made it a month, (it was a miracle). We had a lot of replacements.”

One of his jobs included being a squad leader, which he said was one of his hardest jobs.

“Now I had 12 men to take care of,” Linebaugh said. “I told my men I cannot guarantee your welfare, but one thing I can do (is be there). I witnessed courage and sacrifice first hand in every conceivable way.”

During the meeting, numerous people enjoyed a meal, listened to music by Debi Moore and excerpts of war movies, which touched their hearts. Linebaugh praised his wife, Kaye, for organizing the event, which was a great ways to honor veterans in this community.

Upcoming events for Nov. 16-22

The Seventh Annual Recycled Show will be on exhibition through Nov. 21 at the Solvista Health office at 701 S. Ninth St. The show will highlight both amateur and professional artists of all ages and every entry has a minimum of 80 percent recycled content. The public is invited to see how art and inspiration can bring new life to “trash.”

The Fremont Center for the Arts will host its 2015 Holiday Artisan Market, an arts and craft extravaganza from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, now through Nov. 28 at 505 Macon Ave. Free admission to the event. Local photographer Sylvia Hooper will be featured in the East Lobby Gallery while the sixth annual Artists of the Streets Exhibit will be displayed in the Studio Gallery, sponsored by Drs. Eric and Linda Carlson. For more information, call 275-2790 or on the internet at www.fremontarts.org.

Fremont County Coat Drive will take place through Dec. 14 at Mercy Ministries, located in the back of the First Christian Church at 16th and Franklin. New or gently used coats or hoodies are accepted for residents of Fremont County.

The Canon City Public Library will host its annual Food for Fines event at 516 Macon Ave. To get fines removed, bring a non-perishable food item for every overdue fine. No expired or open food item will be accepted. Ends Dec. 31. For more information, call 269-9020.

Join in cooking 100 meals for the hungry in special circumstances every second Wednesday of each month. For more information, call Mike Merlino at 431-1993 or e-mail him at michaelmerlino1330@gmail.com.

The Canon City Noon Lions Club will meet at noon in the Abbotts Room at the Abbey Events Center at 2951 E. U.S. 50 every Tuesday. For more information, contact esandersson2013@gmail.com.

The Golden Age Center is offering a monthly bus service to Cripple Creek, the third Thursday of each month. The cost is \$20. The next trip will begin at 8:30 a.m. Nov. 19 from GAC at 728 Main St. For more information, call 275-5177.

The Republican Women will meet at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 19 for Meet & Greet at Pueblo Bank & Trust, followed by meeting at noon at 1401 Main St. For more information, contact rgrw@outlook.com for more information.

Free mentoring is available from 8-11 a.m. every Friday through SCORE, sponsored by the Small Business Administration, at the Canon City Chamber of Commerce at 403 Royal Gorge Blvd. Call 269-2684 to schedule an appointment.

Rain, Snow or Shine Golf Tournament will begin with check-in at 8 a.m., followed by a Shotgun Start at Sumo Golf Course. Beer N Brat after party will be provided at the clubhouse at 5100 Gary Player Drive in Florence. For more information, call the Florence Chamber of Commerce at 784-3544 or at florencecochamber@quest.net.

Apple Country Memories

by Charlotte Burrous

With Christmas right around the corner, Penrose will kick off the season with its 18th Annual Apple Country Memories from 5:30-7:30 p.m. December 4th at Coyote’s Coffee Den at 675 Colorado Highway 115 in Penrose.

The event begins when Santa Claus rolls into the parking lot with Don and Kathy Budd and their horse drawn carriage. Those attending will enjoy a hay ride around the parking lot then stop by the open fire to roast marshmallows or enjoy hot meals, which are available at Coyote’s Coffee Den. In addition, the Republican Women will serve hot apple cider, while the Democrats serve hot chocolate.

During the festivities, Santa Claus will visit

children of all ages and present them with a candy cane. Also, the Colorado Country Music Association will perform a variety of Christmas Carols, much to the joy of the crowd.

A live Nativity, provided by the Penrose Baptist Church, will be on site for all to enjoy.

During the event, nonperishable food will be accepted as the admission, which will be given to struggling families in the area.

“This is the kick off to the Christmas season,” said Penrose Chamber of Commerce Office Manager Misty Dawn Scoles. “We want to get everyone in the mood.”

For more information, call the chamber office at 372-3994.

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

Barry's Den
27077 U.S. Highway 50

**Cotopaxi
General Store**
20204 U.S. Highway 50

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

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2975 CR 27A (Copper Gulch Rd)
in Cotopaxi

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Edmund Burke

The Daily Jot

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

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

When the System Breaks

The headlines this morning are amazing--racial tension, war games in Los Angeles, the courts fighting the White House on illegal immigration, Social Security spending equating to over \$6,300 for every American with a job, law enforcement can use Google to track your every move, Christianity facing middle East purge within a decade--and the list goes on and on. These are not good things. The system, the world for that matter, but the system in the United States is being stressed every day. The social system with racial and immigration strife is stressed. The economic system with financial overload of debt is stressed. What happens when the system breaks and chaos is the order of the day? What is your response?

Aside from the politics of it, take my word for it: no politician or government is going to be a savior to the people. When the system breaks, it will seem that all has gone dark. It may not be like the apocalyptic scenes in Mad Max, but it isn't going to look pretty. You are going to need to think about personal and family security, supplies of and trading of essentials such as food, sense of community, who to trust, new ways to get along. People are going to be more frustrated and angry than they currently are. Navigating a broken system will require a good deal of wisdom, discernment, and courage. People are going to have a lot of questions. Life will become dependent on something more than who you are and a college degree.

How long will it take before the system breaks? We don't know. We

do know that the decisions of poor leadership over the past decade has brought the country to the brink of breaking. We need to be prepared. But, I am not talking about being prepared in the sense of storing up a year's supply of food, munitions, etc. Do that at your own discretion. I'm talking about being prepared for the darkness. Yes, the electric may be off in some places, but the darkness in a nation with a broken system is far darker than a lack of electricity. There will be spiritual darkness, even darker than today. It will be in this time that we will need to cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

When the system breaks, people will be seeking answers. As Jesus said in Matthew 5, "You are the salt of the earth...the light of the world...Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Paul says in Romans 13:13-14, "Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying, But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lust thereof." When the system breaks, the country club atmosphere of the contemporary "Church" will be tested and questioned. True Christians will have the answer people are seeking, in spirit and in truth. Are you ready for when the system breaks?

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!
Bill Wilson

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by Anne Barnhardt,
www..Barnhardt.biz

(Editor/GG: We ran this piece from Anne (a Colorado native) about a year and a half ago. Caused quite the stir amongst our local bolsheviks. "Hate speech" they called it. The Sentinel "wasn't a newspaper". They went to a lot of our local merchants and demanded that they boycott us by not advertising with us. Typical liberal tolerance and respect for constitutional free speech. Scratch a lib and you'll find a fascist.

So here we are 18 months later. The muslims continue their unabated worldwide slaughter of Christians and other innocents. The democrats pretend it isn't happening. Nobama drops a couple of bombs every other day in Syria and declares victory. Bernie Sanders thinks natural climate change is an infinitely worse problem than the muslim barbarians destroying western civilization. And now, the muslims attack France. A country that has welcomed them with open arms. Killing innocent French citizens who have helped them. Men, women, children. Doesn't matter to these savages.

So we print again Anne's comments on these savages. (And if you don't like it? Too freak'n bad.) Don't think this article was out-of-line now, do you? So, let's see what the next 18 months brings to America as our government imports more muslims who hate us and literally want to kill us and create a islamic state right here. And hey libs, your precious "gun free" (i.e., "kill") zones will be their primary targets....)

So, a little review for those of you who may be new.

1. Islam is a political system, NOT a religion, and unless and until humanity wakes the heck up and STOPS referring to it as a religion, there is no hope. Islam is a hyper-aggressive, militaristic, expansionist, totalitarian political system designed to create a super-rich micro-oligarchical ruling class with a massive, destitute, genetically handicapped underclass below. The paper-thin faux-religious facade was a conscious, specific con from the very beginning -- much like Mormonism and Scientology -- a pure racket using borrowed and piggy-backed religious motifs to lend credibility to

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political system,
NOT a religion.**

a massive, loosely-knit network of crime syndicate cells.

Here is a quote from Osama bin Laden that sums it all up:

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

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

Definition of suzerainty: a situation in which a region or people is a compulsory tributary to a more powerful entity, which controls its foreign affairs while allowing the tributary vassal state internal autonomy.

Please note that the quote above makes perfectly clear that islam DOES NOT CARE IF YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVE ANY OF THEIR FAUX-RELIGIOUS BULL**** OR NOT -- BECAUSE THAT'S NOT THE POINT. All that matters is EARTHLY submission and control of landmass. All of that five-times-per-day sticking one's butt in the air while some bisexual shrieks about a non-existent pagan moon deity over a loudspeaker is not "prayer". It is an outward sign of submission to the musloid political system. NOTHING more. It's a gang signal. It's a salute.

Islam isn't about "allah" or "paradise" or "prayer" or "spirituality" or how human beings should relate to one another or how human beings should relate to a "god" or the eternal fate of the human soul. THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT ANY OF

THAT. Islam is about acquiring physical, earthly territory and installing a totalitarian government over the earth that provides a cadre of "elites" masquerading as some sort of "clergy"

with massive decadent wealth and as much twisted perverted sex as they want, including homosexual and heterosexual pedophilia, ephebophilia, concubinage, incest, bestiality, and necrophilia. There is nothing new under the sun. They want power, they want money, and they want sex. The "religious" aspects are a stone-cold con, which Bin Laden himself declared in no uncertain terms.

2. They can't be reasoned with. They can't be dialogued with. There is no such thing as "radical islam". There is islam, which is even more blood-thirsty, conscienceless, and perverse than what we are seeing today. We cannot possibly imagine what they would do if given true carte-blanche. Islam today is like an eleven-year-old boy -- just BARELY on the cusp of puberty, just BEGINNING to test the waters. These beheadings, rapes, suicide attacks, and terror operations are BUSH LEAGUE. Just as it is nonsensical and depraved to refer to Nazis as "radical Nazis" and "moderate Nazis" -- as if ANY Nazism could ever be considered acceptable, so it is with islam. This is why Egyptian president Sisi's recent speech calling for a "reformation" of islam is nonsense. All Sisi's speech did was confirm that Sisi himself doesn't actually believe any of it, and instead of doing the morally correct thing and renouncing islam, Sisi wants to have his pancakes and eat them too. He wants everyone -- like him -- to subscribe to and associate themselves with something that they don't actually believe in or take seriously. (How very Pope Francis of him.) Well, you can pour maple syrup on a puddle of bloody, diarrhetic hogs**it all you want, but it will never, ever be pancakes.

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“A Thin-Skinned Minority Is Ruining This Nation”: Professor Crushes “Political Correctness” Wave Sweeping America (Part 1 of 2)

by Tyler Durden,
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aliens who will help you gain a better appreciation of what this country has to offer.

(Editor/GG: Folks, had to split this into two parts. This is Part 1, Part 2 to run next week. First Part is the “sitrep” or situation report to the Professor’s students on political correctness. Part 2 is what actions you can take to stop this insanity (and wait till you read what he says to do! About time!)

In a time where college students are offended by pretty much everything, The Federalist Papers reports that one professor at UNC-Wilmington decided to cut through the rhetoric and let his students know that they aren’t the special snowflakes liberals and their parents would have them believe.

His epic class introduction has gone viral, and for good reason: this is the most common sense lecture to come out of any college in a long time.

Welcome back to class, students! I am Mike Adams your criminology professor here at UNC-Wilmington. Before we get started with the course I need to address an issue that is causing problems here at UNCW and in higher education all across the country. I

am talking about the growing minority of students who believe they have a right to be free from being offended. If we don’t reverse this dangerous trend in our society there will soon be a majority of young people who will need to walk around in plastic bubble suits to protect them in the event that they come into contact with a dissenting viewpoint. That mentality is unworthy of an American. It’s hardly worthy of a Frenchman.

Let’s get something straight right now. You have no right to be unoffended. You have a right to be offended with regularity. It is the price you pay for living in a free society. If you don’t understand that you are confused and dangerously so. In part, I blame your high school teachers for failing to teach you basic civics before you got your diploma. Most of you went to the public high schools, which are a disaster. Don’t tell me that offended you. I went to a public high school.

Of course, your high school might not be the problem. It is entirely possible that the main reason why so many of you are confused about free speech is that piece of paper hanging on the wall right over there. Please turn your attention to that ridic-

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ulous document that is framed and hanging by the door. In fact, take a few minutes to read it before you leave class today. It is our campus speech code. It specifically says that there is a requirement that everyone must only engage in discourse that is “respectful.” That assertion is as ludicrous as it is illegal. I plan to have that thing ripped down from every classroom on campus before I retire.

One of my grandfathers served in World War I. My step-grandfather served in World War II. My sixth great grandfather enlisted in the American Revolution when he was only thirteen. These great men did not fight so we could simply relinquish our rights to the enemy within our borders. That enemy is the Marxists who run our public universities. If you are a Marxist and I just offended you, well, that’s tough. I guess they don’t make communists like they used to.

Unbelievably, a student once complained to the Department chairwoman that my mention of God and a Creator was a violation of Separation of Church and State. Let me be as clear as I possibly can: If any of you actually think that my decision to

paraphrase the Declaration of Independence in the course syllabus is unconstitutional then you suffer from severe intellectual hernia.

Indeed, it takes hard work to become stupid enough to think the Declaration of Independence is unconstitutional. If you agree with the student who made that complaint then you are probably just an anti-religious zealot. Therefore, I am going to ask you to do exactly three things and do them in the exact order that I specify.

First, get out of my class. You can fill out the drop slip over at James Hall. Just tell them you don’t believe in true diversity and you want to be surrounded by people who agree with your twisted interpretation of the Constitution simply because they are the kind of people who will protect you from having your beliefs challenged or your feelings hurt.

Second, withdraw from the university. If you find that you are actually relieved because you will no longer be in a class where your beliefs might be challenged then you aren’t ready for college. Go get a job building houses so you can work with some illegal

Finally, if this doesn’t work then I would simply ask you to get the hell out of the country. The ever-growing, thinned-skinned minority you have joined is simply ruining life in this once-great nation. Please move to some place like Cuba where you can enjoy the company of communists and get excellent health care. Just hop on a leaky boat and start paddling your way towards utopia. You will not be missed.

Professor Adams - having tenure - is more open to attack the ongoing Cultural Marxism that is sweeping across the nation. But, as we previously noted, there are very few legitimate cultural divisions in the world. Most of them are arbitrarily created, not only by political and financial elites, but also by the useful idiots and mindless acolytes infesting the sullied halls of academia.

It is perhaps no mistake that cultural Marxists in the form of “social justice warriors”, PC busybodies, and feminists tend to create artificial divisions between people and “classes” while attacking and homogenizing very real and natural divisions between individuals based on biological reality and inherent genetic and psychological ability.

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Taxing Proposition: Amendment 69, or Universal Health Care, Makes Colorado Ballot

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: Oh, joy. Let’s see: Colorado’s new Socialist Paradise where half of the small and medium sized businesses go belly up; the few remaining health insurers leave the state; with the new doctor ultra-low reimbursement rates most of our doctors flee Colorado to places where they can make a living; and the most wonderful thing in the world will happen: every sick

dead-beat (and EVERY illegal alien) in the country will move here for the “free” health care! The word “bankruptcy” will not even begin to describe the Centennial State.)

Today, the Secretary of State’s Office certified enough signatures for Colorado Care to make the 2016 ballot. The initiative, dubbed Amendment 69 (insert your own joke here) needed 98,492 signatures to make the ballot and delivered 158,831.

The proposal, universal health care, will add \$25 billion to the state budget, essentially doubling the state budget. The revenue would come from a 10% state tax increase with 6.67% paid by employers and 3.33% paid by employees. The Washington Times revealed that this \$25 billion boondoggle would be managed by a non-profit cooperative. This ballot initiative comes on the heels of news that Colorado’s Division of Insurance planned to shut-

ter the state’s ailing health care cooperative. Several other state health cooperatives met the same fate due to an inability to make the business model work.

In 2013, Colorado voters rejected a \$1 billion tax increase by a nearly two-to-one margin, ushering in a rash of conservative local electeds. This measure is due to cost \$25 billion. The right can only hope that this ballot initiative is as successful in 2016 in turning out conservatives

as Amendment 66 was in 2013. Those on the left take a Pollyannaish view of how this will impact Democratic candidates. T.R. Reid, a spokesman for the Amendment 69 campaign, offered this insight:

“I think the presidential election will probably benefit us. I think (U.S. Sen.) Michael Bennet and Hillary Clinton will probably have to endorse our plan. And then we in turn help them because we’re going to turn out the people who

vote Democratic.” Oh, now we understand. Please, please Sen. Bennet support this insane plan to rob small businesses and Coloradans of hard-earned dollars. What a gift this ballot initiative is to liberty loving Coloradans in 2016.

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Shocking: Sweden Is Now the RAPE Capital of the West. Here's Why...

by Ashley Edwardson, AllenBWest.com

While the rest of Europe struggles to absorb the flood of young male immigrants from Muslim-majority countries, countries may be well advised to look at Sweden for a terrifying glimpse of the future.

"Sweden began opening its doors to Muslim immigrants in the 1970s. Today it pays a high price for having done so. The group suffering the severest consequences of such an open door policy has been Swedish women," according to The Daily Caller.

"As Muslim men immigrated to Sweden, they brought with them an Islamic culture sanctioning rape. It is a culture bad enough inherently in the treatment of its own women. Under sharia, Muslim women serve little more purpose beyond catering to their husbands' sexual demands. A non-submissive wife runs the risk of being raped by her husband."

"But under sharia, this rape culture also impacts upon Swedish women as they are 'infidels' and, as such, are — according to Allah's teachings — sanctioned targets for rape by Muslim men. Such an Islamic belief system has born witness to a drastic increase in rapes in Sweden — more than a thousand fold — since first opening its doors to Muslim immigration.

A 1996 Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention report bears this

out. It noted that Muslim immigrants from North Africa were 23 times more likely to commit rape than Swedish men. It is no wonder why today Sweden is deemed the rape capital of the Western world."

"Interestingly, between 1995-2006, the Swedish government tracked gang rapes, identifying a drastically increasing trend. Unbelievably, after discovering the problem, it then adopted an ostrich-like 'head in the sand' approach, terminating any further studies on them. Apparently the government's fear of being labeled Islamophobic proved greater than its concerns about warning Swedish women about the threat. While no studies on gang rape have been conducted since 2006, one can assume these numbers have continued to rise."

I'm not sure I'd use the word "interesting" to describe the Swedish government's sudden lack of interest in compiling statistics on gang rapes. Here are some "interesting" facts about the war on women in Sweden.

The Gatestone Institute says, "Forty years after the Swedish parliament unanimously decided to change the formerly homogenous Sweden into a multicultural country, violent crime has increased by 300 percent and rapes by 1,472 percent.

In an astounding number of cases, the Swedish courts have demonstrated sympathy for the rapists, and have

acquitted suspects who have claimed that the girl wanted to have sex with six, seven or eight men."

Here's another "interesting" fact. Not only does it appear that the Swedish government may be trying to prevent its citizens from knowing the truth by not collecting data and calling all rapists "Swedish men," it passed a law in December of 2014 making it a CRIME for citizens to criticize the government's immigration policies and/or "insulting" immigrants. If that doesn't convince you that "progressive" politicians will go to any length to protect their insane ideologies and PC dogma I don't know what will.

Despite the ban on telling the truth, the word is out. Amun Abdullahi, a journalist for Swedish radio, left last year and returned to her native Somalia after she was attacked in the Swedish media over her news report about radical Muslim immigrants in Sweden. Unlike Amun Abdullahi, most Americans don't have another country they can flee back to. Maybe it's time for Congress to rethink President Obama's subjugation of America to the United Nations demands that the United States take in 200,000-250,000 "refugees" from Islamic countries?

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Jindal Compares Illegal Immigration to an Invasion

by Michael Ware, FreedomOutpost.com

Like Europe, we have to begin to look at the immigration to our country in a real light. We have to stop being so emotional and truly look at what is happening. It is a difficult task. I know many good people who have come to our country and been law abiding. They are truly seeking to make a better way of life for themselves and their families. I understand the heartache associated with split families and denied visas. But, we also see the lawlessness and the stealing of jobs, from both natural born citizens as well as legal immigrants.

Bobby Jindal has come out swinging on this issue, sounding not too different from Trump.

Breitbart reports:

Republican Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal, a strong contender in Iowa who surpassed amnesty advocate Jeb Bush in support, tells Breitbart News Daily "immigration without assimilation is not immigration; it's an invasion."

Now, many will not take kindly to such a statement. They will not like the fact that Jindal is demanding that those who come to our country become like those already there, but it is something that we cannot take lightly. Even if Jindal is not your favorite candidate, he has a point.

Breitbart continued:

"One of the things that America is so proud of is, and rightfully so, we have been this melting pot for so long. The Left doesn't want that anymore. They want to call us a salad bowl. They think it is culturally arrogant, or xenophobic, to insist that people that want to come to America to assimilate, and that's nonsense," said Jindal. "The reality is, we don't make anybody come here. Millions of people all over the world want to come here, and folks that don't want to be Americans shouldn't come. And the reality is, they shouldn't come and use our freedoms to undermine freedoms for other people."

"Let's be really honest about this: Immigration without assimilation is not immigration; it's an invasion."

sion," he said. "When you look at what's happening in Europe, you've got second and third generation immigrants that don't consider themselves parts of those societies, those cultures, those values. We mustn't let that happen here."

Taken in context, Jindal is right on the money. The point is not that the Mexican culture has nothing to offer us or that people have to talk and look like Americans. The point is that if you come here, you should be taking on many of the traits that make Americans American.

Many of our greatest citizens were the 2nd and 3rd generation immigrants. Their parents or grandparents came here and taught them to love their new home. They did not raise their children to be different; they raised them to be Americans. And this is the great thing about America: immigrating does not mean a complete abandonment of the culture you came from.

The point of coming to this land is to be American. If you love Mexico or Italy, that's great. But stay there: do not come here. We do

not want to be like Mexico or Italy. We do not want to be like anyone. We are the country with the richest, best-fed poor people in the world. Why would we want to change that?

You might not like what Jindal said, but you had better listen. It will not be long before you see that he is right because we will look less and less like your father's America and more like their father's Mexico. And if it was so good, why are they coming here?

(Editor/GG: Why are there only a few republican presidential candidates talking about this? This IS an invasion of third world, anti-American, anti-Christian, welfare seekers that will vote for a free ride (i.e., democrat) forever. The republicans have controlled congress now for years and have done NOTHING to stop this America destroying invasion. Remember this at primary time.)

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The Second Amendment Corner Liberty's Line in the Sand

2015



It's About Time

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Well, I'll be darned, someone has a brain...

Since 1934, the federal government has treated devices designed to muffle or suppress the report of firearms as Title II devices that required registration under the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record and mandated transfers that included a \$200 tax stamp. Now, a bill sponsored by U.S. Rep. Matt Salmon, R-Ariz., aims to change that.

Under the terms of the Hearing Protection Act, introduced Thursday with 10 co-sponsors, gone would be the NFA requirements for the devices. Instead, federal law would treat them as firearms which would allow suppressors to transfer through any regular federal firearms license holders to anyone not prohibited from possessing them after the buyer passes an FBI instant background check.

"It is utterly stupid to "regulate" muffers, which is what these are.

In fact, we require them on all

sorts of noise-making devices. Cars, lawn mowers, weed whackers, motorcycles, you name it -- if it makes loud, obnoxious noise it has a muffler on it.

Except for firearms -- there you have to be fingerprinted, wait months, pay a \$200 tax, and then on top of it if you ever lose that paperwork or don't have it with you you're asking to be harassed or worse, arrested.

In fact, a firearm suppressor is designed pretty-much exactly as is a car muffler; it is just a tube with a bunch of baffles in it that take the expanding gas coming out of the barrel and slow it down, reducing the noise.

Note that unlike the movies a gun with a muffler on it is still plenty loud. It's just less loud. It by no means makes a gun go "pew-pew-pew" instead of "BANG-BANG-BANG"; it's more like "Bang-Bang-Bang" instead of "BANG-BANG-BANG."

Firearms are dangerous to hearing; those who go to a range ought to wear hearing protection, because the damage the noise

can cause is often permanent. It is one thing if you have to shoot in an emergency situation; there, you do what you have to do; being temporarily deafened or even permanently hearing impaired beats being dead.

But for the rest of the time why is it that making a firearm safer for everyone around, including the user, requires a damned permit, payment of a tax and registration of the device as if it is some sort of bomb?

Both civilians and law enforcement officers are well-served if they shoot their weapons often. But the risk of hearing damage, especially at indoor ranges, is serious. Even with muffs an indoor range is damn loud, and an indoor rifle range is ridiculously loud, even with muffs and earplugs.

C'mon folks. These are accessories that reduce harm and there's no reason for there to be any sort of regulation on them at all. They don't shoot anything and have no function on their own. They simply serve to make a firearm less dangerous to everyone around it in terms of hearing damage.



That's all they do.

We ought to encourage their use, especially when hunting where being able to hear is not only an important factor in tracking prey but is very important to detect the potential for other hunters in the area who could be accidentally shot. For this reason most hunters typically don't use hearing protection -- why should choosing to hunt come with the risk of permanent hearing damage?

Finally, the fear of their use by criminals is idiotic. A suppressor is large and heavy. They don't do much of anything on a revolver (due to the cylinder-to-frame gap and forcing cone), they require a threaded barrel which is is an

extra-cost option on pistols and often require changing operating springs and other items for the gun to be reliable and, most-importantly, they're typically as long as a pistol in length thereby making the gun effectively impossible to conceal. For all of these reasons they are almost-never used in crimes and as such any fear of same is utterly unfounded.

This bill needs support and to pass with a veto-proof majority in both Houses of Congress.

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Colorado Springs Councilman Calls for Ban on Open Carry!

by Tim Brown,
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A recent shooting in Colorado Springs, which left three people dead, has brought about a ridiculous and unlawful call from a Colorado Springs City Councilman to end the practice of open carry in the city, claiming that it may have delayed police response.

KKTV reports:

Police have identified the first person killed as 35-year-old Andrew Myers. He was riding his bike along Prospect Street when he was shot and killed.

Then the gunman walked to Platte and Wahsatch and shot two women. Jennifer Vasquez, 42, was a mother of two. We talked to her family during Sunday night's vigil.

Vasquez's dad, Eloy Navarro, told us their family is touched by the show of support from the community.

"We're just saddened by all this that happened, and like

they were saying, we can't understand why, and when it's going to stop," Navarro said.

The other woman was Christy Gallela. She was also a mother of two. Her family told us she was trying to turn her life around. They believe our country should talk about gun violence.

"CNN added:

A pedestrian told KRDO, "The cop pulled up and said, 'Drop your gun,' and as soon as I heard that I got on my stomach in the median and they started shooting at each other and the bullets went over me."

Now, Councilman Bill Murray, no, not that Bill Murray, is attacking open carry! Yes, another one of these liberal politicians from Colorado is willing to attack that people's rights rather than point out the criminal's behaviors.

"Open-carry is a privilege, it is not a right," Murray said at a council meeting this week, seeking to take

steps to restrict it. "Why would a person openly carry a weapon down the street, except to intimidate?"

Probably because it is a right they have under the Second Amendment of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Colorado.

However, not to worry, Mr. Murray has the full support of criminal Michael Bloomberg's lying organization Moms Demand Action.

"The (dispatcher) explained (to the 911 caller) that Colorado law allows public handling and display of firearms," Brooke Squires, with Moms Demand Action said. "Within ten minutes of the initial 911 call, the gunman had killed three people. Law enforcement agencies around the state admit that open-carry causes confusion and uncertainty for 911 dispatchers who receive reports of weapons being openly carried."

The issue is not legal open carry. The issue is a crim-

inal mind. I ask Councilman Murray, why are all the law-abiding citizens in your city not doing the same thing as this man? Why are they somehow obeying the law and not harming anyone? Yet, you are asking to infringe on the rights of the many because of the infringement of the law by one? You should be ashamed of yourself... and you should be removed from your office for not seeing the God-given right of all individuals to defend themselves!

Thank God for mayors like Colorado Springs Mayor John Suthers, who said he had no plans to restrict the people's rights to openly carry their guns.

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

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Is Ben Carson Our New Second Amendment Champion?

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com



Many voters are clearly tired of “politics as usual,” a fact reflected in current 2016 Presidential polls as non-traditional candidates dominate the Republican Presidential field, and perform well in head-to-head matchups against establishment Democrat candidate Hillary Clinton.

Among the rookie politicians doing well at this time is retired pediatric neurosurgeon Dr. Ben Carson, who is solidly in second place behind reality television star and businessman Donald Trump.

While Trump has a concealed carry permit and mouthed the right platitudes recently, he’s also embraced universal background checks, waiting periods, and bans on certain kinds of firearms in the past.

Dr. Carson made similar statements in 2013, but has since worked hard to educate himself on the issue of gun rights. Carson has been very clear on his newfound support of the Second Amendment after the recent mass murder at an Oregon Community College.

Republican presidential candidate Dr. Ben Carson used to support certain gun control measures, like bans on assault weapons and armor-piercing bullets, but said he felt differently after reading about tyranny.

“Reading people like Daniel Webster, who talked about tyranny in Europe and said it would never occur in America because the American people were armed,” Carson told USA Today in an interview published on Tuesday morning. “When you look at tyranny and how it occurs, the pattern is so consistent: Get rid of the guns for the people first so you can go in and dominate them.”

He also said that a ban on certain assault weapons will not prevent mass shootings and instead suggested that teachers or school officials be armed.

“Would that have prevented this? No,” he said of weapons bans. “Would it have prevented the one before? No. I’m for doing things that work, not for things that stroke the emotions.”

“If I had a little kid in kindergarten somewhere I would feel much more comfortable if I knew on that campus there was a police officer or somebody who was trained with a weapon,” Carson continued.

And when asked if teachers should be armed, he replied, “If the teacher was trained in the use of that weapon and had access to it, I would be much more comfortable if they had one than if they didn’t.”

This new understanding has angered the establishment media, which is dishonestly reporting his position.

Ben Carson, the retired neurosurgeon who is a leading Republican presidential contender, has intensified his defense of gun rights in response to last week’s Oregon campus massacre, arguing that the Second Amendment is more sacred than spilled blood.

Of course, that isn’t what Carson said at all. After his dishonest lede, *New York Times* propagandist Alan Rappeport reluctantly continued:

He also suggested that the victims should have had the courage to attack their assailant and accused President Obama of politicizing the tragedy by embracing the families of the dead.

In a Facebook question-and-answer session Monday night, Mr. Carson tried to show empathy with victims by recalling that two of his cousins were killed in the streets and that, as a doctor, he had removed many bullets from the bodies of gunshot victims. But he said the right to bear arms was paramount.

“I never saw a body with bullet holes that was more devastating than taking the right to arm ourselves away,” Mr. Carson wrote.

Clearly, Carson’s reading on the importance of the Second Amendment as the key protection against tyranny has stuck with him.

He’s merely stating here that he understands that while the pin-prick violence of street crime or even the shootings of several dozen innocents is horrible, these much smaller crimes are far preferable than the stripping away the natural right to bear arms as many countries have done.

This practice of stripping away essential liberties for the illusion of temporary safety has unfortunately often set the stage for genocides and democides, which led to the slaughter of hundreds of millions in the past century alone.

Carson did not become the top doctor in his field because he was dull or timid or unwilling to continue educating himself.

If he continues to show strong and unwavering support for the Second Amendment rights of Americans as he’s done in the past week, he could become a wonderful, soft-spoken and yet firm supporter of the right to bear arms which the biased left wing media will have a hard time easily dismissing.

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Bad News for Liberals: Giant Solar Plant Has Humongous Problem

by Derrick Wilburn,
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(Editor/GG: Folks, read the dollar numbers below and the outright lies used to create this disaster. This is liberalism at its finest: untold waster of taxpayer money, pathological lying and phony science. Enough is enough.)

Despite concerns about its costs to taxpayers and effect on a fragile desert environment, the Ivanpah Solar Power Facility was approved by the Obama Department of Energy, cleared regulatory hurdles of the Department of the Interior, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Wildlife, Fish & Game, S.E.C., I.R.S and others and construction was begun in 2010. The Dept. of Energy granted Ivanpah \$1.6 billion in loan guarantees plus as a ‘green-energy’ project it also qualified for and received more than \$600 million in federal tax credits!

So proud of this ‘advance’ in power production was President Obama that he routinely heaped praise upon the project as a shining example of America’s clean energy future. In October of 2010, from the future site of the facility, on his weekly radio address the President said, “With projects like this one we’re putting Americans to work producing clean, home-grown American energy.”

Well, Ivanpah is completed, up, running and functional, and guess what?

It’s not so “clean” after all AND to add insult to injury, it’s inefficient, too!

Turns out Ivanpah uses a lot of fossil fuel, primarily natural gas, to pre-heat water at the top of its towers prior to sunrise and it has massive auxiliary gas boilers that come on ...when there’s cloud cover blocking the sun.

The facility is cooking birds mid-flight, over 3,500 of them in its first year...

Located in the Mojave Desert off Interstate 15 near the Nevada border, Ivanpah is a behemoth. It utilizes hundreds of thousands of mirrors spread out over more than five and a half square miles. The mirrors aim at the tops of three 459-foot towers, where the heat boils water in tanks atop the towers. which generates steam used to turn electricity-producing turbines.

According to the Press Enterprise in Riverside, California,

data from the California Energy Commission shows the plant burned enough natural gas in 2014 — its first year of operation — to emit more than 46,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide. That’s nearly twice the pollution threshold for power plants or factories in California to be required to participate in the state’s cap-and-trade program to reduce carbon emissions.

...the darn thing emits more CO2 than an ordinary power plant would’ve anyway.

The same amount of natural gas burned at a conventional power plant would have produced enough electricity to meet the annual needs of 17,000 California homes — about 25 percent of the Ivanpah plant’s total electricity projection for 2014!!

At the direction of White House then-Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, expanses of public land were freed up for the plant’s construction despite environmentalist’s concerns about wildlife habitat and the loss of open space. (Imagine if Exxon-Mobile had made a similar land grant request, how do you think that would’ve gone?)

Ivanpah was built on mostly undisturbed public land that was home to desert tortoises, a species threatened with extinction, among other wildlife. Now the whole episode has greenies hopping mad and feeling betrayed.

The facility is cooking birds mid-flight, over 3,500 of them in its first year, according to the *Desert Sun*.

Biologists discovered scores of desert tortoises during the

more CO₂ than an ordinary power plant would’ve anyway.

In 2010, the California Energy Commission required that a condition of the plant’s license was that heat input from natural gas be no more than 5 percent of the heat the plant captured from the sun.

But in March 2014, after three months of commercial oper-

ation, plant operators found they needed to use more natural gas and asked the commission for a change in the rules. In August 2014, the commission voted to scrap the 5 percent rule and increased the plant’s annual gas volume limit by 38 percent. Seems waste and carbon emissions are ok, if your heart is in the right place.

Sadrul Ula, a University of California engineering professor and managing director of the Winston Chung Global Energy Center at U.C. Riverside, said all gas burned should be factored in when evaluating the plant because all of it is necessary for Ivanpah to function. Ula said Ivanpah is performing below expected production levels — while also relying on significant amounts of fossil fuel. The plant produced just 59 percent of its annual power goal between July 1, 2014, and June 30 of this year. “It is a poorly performing hybrid,” Ula said.

David Lamfrom, desert project manager of the National Parks Conservation Association, said information about the amount of natural gas used at Ivanpah shows that the plant is essentially a hybrid operation that requires both fossil fuel and sunshine to make electricity. He said he doubts the project would have gone forward if it had been billed a hybrid plant. But it wasn’t.

“It feels like a bait and switch,” Lamfrom said. “This project was held up as a model of innovation. We didn’t sign up for greener energy. We signed up for green energy.”

So you’ve been bait and switched by the Obama administration, Mr. Go Green? Welcome to the club, brother.

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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.



Fighting Fire With Fire

At this writing 129 individuals were murdered, and 400 were reported injured in six simultaneous terrorist attacks in the city of Paris. The news media followed up with the usual interviews of experts discussing retaliation, as well as, the greater necessity of homeland security. Military options were often mentioned...some making more sense than others. A frequent theme was, and is, presently the need to address the ideology of Muslim terrorists. The concept is to remodel their thinking and persuade them to accept our way of life. What say you, Professor, what philosophical bombs and bullets do we have at our disposal that would turn suicidal maniacs into giant, lovable fuzz balls?

Perhaps we could load millions of copies of the U.S. Constitution, printed in Arabic, into B-52's and drop them all over the Middle East. Surely the populous would grasp the significance of individual liberty and immediately dismiss any further desire for Sharia law. Of course, it wouldn't take Islamic clerics ten minutes to point out that our Muslim-friendly president never misses an opportunity to side-step the very document he swore to uphold. Consequently, that effort would be a waste of aviation fuel, paper and ink.

A similar strategy utilizing social media might be employed to promote the glorious advantages of our modern, progressive educational system. Students protesting on college campuses over issues they have been unable to define in detail, or fact, should greatly impress the enemy....or not!

Hey, Dr. Slipjaw, is it possible to flood their airways with messages from Bernie Sanders about the evils of capitalism versus the advantages of socialism? Accompany that with Al Gore rehearsing the threat of climate change to be followed with lessons on the Big Bang and evolution, and we may have discovered a game changer. What terrorist wouldn't respect that?

If all else fails, a continual discussion of America's attitude of acceptance as demonstrated by our open border policies should make an impression. Oh wait, they are already very aware of our disposition for diversity. The Muslim appropriation of Dearborn, Michigan, is not a state secret.

Speaking of tolerance, the Arab world may calm down a bit if they had a greater understanding of our recent push for transgender rights. We are not satisfied with plain old gay rights, no sir; we are a totally

inclusive society. Americans love cross dressers, pedophiles, and perverts of every description. Please be nice to us.

There must be one last straw within our grasp that would revolutionize depraved intentions. How about... yes, we have it...our president's signature legislation, universal health-care. Every suicide bomber will be a potential policy holder.

With great regard for the reader, I hope most will comprehend the occasional need for sarcasm to illustrate the utter insanity that has gripped our nation. Ideology is a composition of words which express intentions of the heart. The only effective exchange of artillery is words that are more powerful, that distribute shrapnel of truth with every explosion. Does this kind of language exist, and if so, where may we locate it? The Scriptures provided the cornerstone of thought in the foundational days of our Republic. Tragically, we have allowed liberal political correctness to remove them to a dusty bin of archives that are deemed no longer necessary.

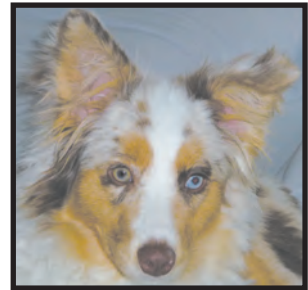
Young King Josiah (II Chronicles 34), determined to institute certain reforms in ancient Israel, realizing that his people were far removed from the concepts of their inception. During the process of restoration, a priest, Hilkiah by name, discovered the book of the law gathering grit on a back shelf of the unacceptable. Remarkably, the words of the book were read to the king which initiated an incredible reaction. The king tore his clothes, indicating an ominous realization. His conclusion was: "for great is the wrath of the Lord that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the Lord, to do after all that is written in this book." Nothing but words!! However, God used words to bring creation into existence and He will use words to eliminate His enemies. (Revelation 19). These are words of such potency that they alone can change an evil ideology.

Let's pack the B-52's with Bibles and jam their social media and air waves with Bible preaching. Gitmo prisoners should hear nothing but the reading of Scripture over loud speakers 24-hours a day. Arab governments should be told to expect zero foreign aid unless Bible missionaries are allowed into their countries and people are given a free choice. Muslim clerics need to be challenged to open debate to discuss the 'virtues' of the Koran as opposed to the Bible. We have the most powerful weapon in the universe at our disposal, but refuse to use it! Stupid is, as stupid does.

A Sheepdog Barks!

I don't know about you but I'm sick of the hollow and misleading words coming from Obama. Last Friday (the 13th) he was on TV saying that ISIS is "contained." What does that even mean? In Obamaspeak it means the U.S. is doing next to nothing while he is running the clock out on his term and his responsibilities as the Commander in Chief to protect America and Americans. I'm sick of his words like "we are taking this very seriously" and "we will hold them accountable." Who is "them?" In Obamaspeak "them" are just some nondescript bad guys that belong on a Junior Varsity team and which are certainly not linked to Islam. Oh heavens no, "them" are not inspired by the Koran and Mohammed to kill infidels for no other reason than they are infidels. A few hours after Obama was on TV using his brand of double speak, ISIS terrorists attacked several venues in Paris and inflicted over a hundred deaths, over 400 injuries and trauma to millions. But hey, what's the big deal – Obama said they were "contained." That should calm everyone down, no? They are contained alright. They are a self-contained, lethal fighting and destructive force that is at war with western civilization, which includes the United States by the way. But according to Obama, and the LPSP presidential candidates we are NOT at war with them. That makes us a pacifist nation that is just turning the other cheek. And whilst the LPSPs deny we need to be at war with this 21st Century form of combat (note: even the Pope is calling it the Third World war) they are telling us that climate change is the greatest threat to our security. REALLY? What Bull! Those that could even think of voting for any of those LPSPs are complete buffoons. They would be the perfect poster child for the perfect definition of Lenin's "useful idiots." That's right – anyone that would vote for a Democrat is a "useful idiot" helping to complete America's journey to complete destruction. I am sick of their pathetic words and phrases. Words matter. Actions matter even more. Words, especially when they are used by Obama and his LPSPs to twist and distort and deceive and feign

action really tell us what their attitudes are. They have no intentions of identifying our enemies for who they are and then really developing and executing a plan to defeat them. For heaven's sake even as the reports are coming out of Paris that the Islamic terrorists came into the country posing as "refugees" Obama is planning to bring tens of thousands of them to America. And keep in mind there will be NO valid vetting of who they really are. ISIS already told us in a video they are coming to America and exactly how they would do that. The refugees are their TROJAN HORSE! WOOF! Can't you LPSPs see that? It is incredible. I was watching CNN because I could no longer stomach Fox's liberal progressives Shepard Smith and Geraldo Rivera. Watching Geraldo cry on live TV was when I turned the channel for good. Anyway it was mind boggling to listen to the world of liberal progressive socialist media discuss Paris. They know, and are reporting, that ISIS is definitely using the refugee crisis (which they created) like a stampeding cattle herd to run through a town or country and destroy it. But in the same breath lament that we cannot do anything about that because we MUST help the refugees. NO WE DON'T! It's a form of suicide to bring these people here. The terrorists are using the "cattle herd" to "smuggle" in the killers. Why would any sane leader responsible for our collective safety keep letting them enter the town? If you had a bushel basket of potatoes and you knew some of them had a virus that would kill you would you just keep bringing them into your home and making potato soup? NO, you wouldn't until you figured out which ones are okay to eat. This is no different. It is irresponsible, and even criminal, to bring these refugees into America until you know which ones might be trusted. I would really like to hear how all the clueless LPSPs think we should deal with this situation. My answer is stop the Middle Eastern immigration, both legal and illegal; quit tearing down the military and then put a real war plan together and go kill ISIS till not one remains and we have WON! That's a plan. Any plan that includes holding hands and



singing Kumbaya is stupid and will cause destruction right here in America. What is it about a serious cancer that LPSPs think can be treated with an ointment? Insane! If you don't want to lead the fight and the war on Islamic Terrorists, then get the hell out of the way! There are better men and women who do want to protect America. Without leadership that is willing to "WIN" the war, it will be time for all Americans to join local militias to protect themselves and their families because the federal government can't, or won't do it. There are millions of Oath Keepers, and others out there, that will and that may be our only answer. And, by the way, enough with the government saying that "our hearts go out to the people of Paris." It's time for letting our bullets and bombs go out to our enemies. Enough, with the love, peace and diplomacy, while innocent people get slaughtered. They are just words without meaningful action. Obama didn't even go to Paris to show America's "heart" after Charley Hebdo. A few last thoughts: The UN "condemns" this heinous act. REALLY, bet that will hurt their feelings and put a stop to this "old world" behavior. Refugees are supposed to be repatriated and returned to their own country. Why bring people here that don't want to assimilate anyway? And brace yourself America. Too many are already here. And don't forget, the French government, and people bear some responsibility for allowing their country to have Islamic "no-go" zones and to be a "gun-free" country. WOOF!

I just heard that a group of international hackers are going after ISIS now. Wow, Obama may wind up in a do-nothing-about- ISIS group all by himself. Oh wait; there will always be Kerry and HillIARY. WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



Obamacare Premiums to Soar 3 Times Faster Than Feds Claim

by Richard Pollack,
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Obamacare premium costs will soar 20.3 percent on average in 2016 instead of the 7.5 percent increase claimed by federal officials, according to an analysis by The Daily Caller News Foundation.

The discrepancy is because the government excluded price data for three of the four Obamacare health insurance plans when the officials issued their recent forecast claiming enrollees would face only a 7.5 percent average rate increase in 2016.

When data for all four plans are included, premium costs will actually rise on average 20.3 percent next year. The 2015 Obamacare price hike was 2.0 percent.

The Obamacare program’s federal exchange operates in 37 states where officials declined to set up state-run exchanges. Officials in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Center for Medicare Services, which manages Obamacare, only calculated price changes for the health insurance program’s Silver plan, thus ignoring data for the Bronze, Gold, and Platinum plans.

The CMS officials said they did so because the IRS uses the Silver plan as a “benchmark” for tax purposes. That approach, however, gave consumers an incomplete picture of what is happening in the health insurance marketplace through the Obamacare program.

The DCNF analysis reviewed price data for all four plans obtained from CMS, insurance companies, state insurance regulators, and the nonpartisan National Conference of State Legislatures.

The 20.3 percent figure is the average for all plans. Premium increases in some states will be much higher. In Utah, for example, some enrollees in an individual plan will face a 45 percent

price jump. In Illinois, the highest price hikes for individuals in the federal exchange will be 42.4 percent. Some insurers in Tennessee will experience a 36.3 percent price rise.

Wayne Winegarden, a senior fellow in business and economics at the Pacific Research Institute, told The DCNF that CMS 7.5 percent forecast number is “misleading and a meaningless statistic” that “isn’t actually relevant to any individual in any state. If you go across the four different medals, what happened in the Gold plan, what happened in the Platinum plan, what happened to the Bronze plan?”

Charles Gaba, a data analyst who tracks Obamacare trends and is an Obamacare supporter, reported earlier this year that Obamacare consumers in all 50 states will experience an average 14.4 percent increase. His analysis can be found on his web site, acasignups.net.

“I was hoping they would include all of the rates,” Gaba told The DCNF. “I would love it ideally if they had all the medal levels.”

Gaba called the CMS price analysis, “fairly representative, but there’s the Gold, the Platinum, the Bronze, the catastrophic plan even, and there’s also a variety of Silver plans. So there are a bunch of different ones in addition to the benchmarks which they did not include.”

The difference between premium cost projections based only on the Silver plan and those that result from using all four plans can be dramatic. Silver enrollees in Pennsylvania, for example, will experience a 10.6 percent increase. Using all four plans, the average price hike for Obamacare enrollees is 19.6. Time Insurance Co. pulled out of Obamacare after state officials rejected its 61 percent increase request.

South Dakotans using Silver will

pay 24.7 percent more this year. But among all exchange users in the state, the average increase will be 39 percent. Dakota Care hiked its Obamacare exchange prices 63 percent for 2016, while Blue Cross Blue Shield raised its rates by 43 percent.

In South Carolina, the Silver increase will be 10.8 percent, compared to 23.4 percent when all four plans are considering.

Some worrisome trends appear when specific Silver plan offerings are measured against other medal levels. The National Conference of State Legislators has begun tracking Obamacare price hikes by levels.

In Colorado, for example, Silver customers will see a 12.94 percent price hike. But Gold users will face a 20.33 rate increase and Platinum enrollees will see a 29.80 percent price rise, according to NCSL data.

The mainstream media was quick to embrace the 7.5 percent number, claiming it reflected the real-world experience of most Obamacare customers. The Washington Post’s Amy Goldstein reported in a story filed last Saturday that “the [CMS] analysis includes all plans being sold in the 37 states that will continue to rely on the federal exchange next year.”

In fact, Platinum, Gold, and Bronze price changes were excluded from the federal analysis.

Thomas Miller a resident fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, told The DCNF that CMS is “always trying to put the best face on things going forward.” But, he said, “you got your initial press release. Only a few people catch up with what might be the final results.”

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Failing Grades: Colorado Earns a D+ in State Integrity Report

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Colorado may get high marks for its natural beauty and lifestyle, but the Center for Public Integrity once again has dinged the state in its annual State Integrity Investigation in which Colorado earned a D+ overall. To be fair to Colorful Colorado, that D+ grade put Colorado 13th overall, so this grading system is clearly not on a Bell Curve.

First the good. Colorado received its highest grades in state budgeting process (B+) and internal auditing (B-). In comparison to other states, Colorado excelled in legislative accountability (3rd), judicial accountability (6th), electoral oversight (8th), state budget process (9th), and procurement (10th).

But, then, there’s the ugly. Colorado received F grades in public access to information and ethics enforcement agencies. We happen to agree that the state’s ethics commission is lame, but for a very different reason – it’s filled with a bunch of partisan hacks. Colorado also received a D- in state pension fund management (no kidding) and state civil service management as well as Ds in lobbying disclosure, judicial accountability, and political financing.

From the report:

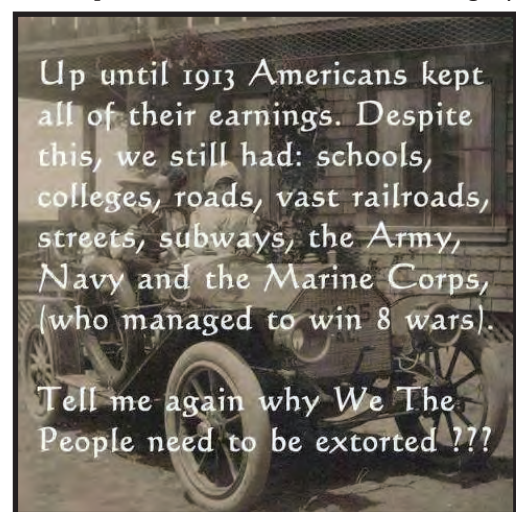


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“Yes, there is good news on the accountability front: Colorado has a transparent state budget process, generally accountable executive and legislative branches, and a robust, well-staffed office of the State Auditor.

“But then there’s the risk: government here has ways to keep public information secret. Gift reports, personal financial disclosures, and money-in-politics filings of politicians and judges are not audited for compliance. The state’s ethics commission, staffed with a single professional, is understaffed, under-funded, and lacks independence: it relies on the attorney general’s office for legal counsel — even though that office is also subject to the commission’s oversight.”

Of course, it’s worth noting that the Center for Public Integrity is run by a bunch of Democrats, so any complaints the group has are largely against political adversaries. However, the organization points out some real loopholes for Democrats to exploit potential problem areas.

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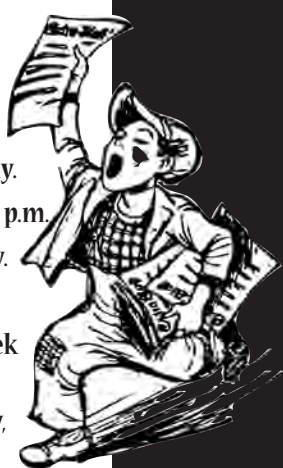
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Veterans' Corner

Leaving yourself behind



by Daniel Walter

What many combat veterans go through is a feeling that they left their old selves in combat. The person who was kinder and gentler. That guy or girl who smiled and laughed at family functions. The one who seemed to have energy to spare and could deal with day to day life with no problem. He was a great guy wasn't he? I mean he did the dishes on occasion, washed the car, and he would quite often do things that weren't on that infamous honey-do list. No matter how long it has been. If you're a WWII veteran or just coming home, guess what? You did not leave anybody anywhere. That person is still in you.

Allow yourself to think just for a moment. Are there two souls in every body? Does every person die twice? Kind of like they are

cats with nine lives. Now I'm not talking about at the doctor's office or in the hospital on an operating table. That is completely different. What I am talking about is leaving your soul, the personality of you somewhere else. It is just not going to happen. But what you can do, is want to have closure. And that is exactly what many of us want. Now I am not trained in anything to help anyone with closing. I could open the pantry but my wife says I do that enough as it is.

As veterans we often look to blaming something else rather than the real culprit: ourselves. You see, we don't want to face those demons to get to that guy who is waiting on the other side. We know what we have to do. And we understand the prize that would be given. It's just that we are not thinking about it in the

right way. Well, this could go for anyone facing these same types of issues. Think about it like this, what if God were asking you to do something. What if you heard the Lord himself and He told you that it was His will. Would that change how you approached the situation at all? Would you then think about tackling it with more vigor and virtuosity? The amazing thing is He is. He has been this the entire time.

If you are not a Christian and you are reading this, then imagine tackling it like a soldier, but first realize that with the power of Christ your ability to handle the situation would be a thousand times better. All I want is for you to find healing and to understand that you can make it to the other side. We can make it there together. I'm in this right along with you. My goals are the same as yours. I have injuries

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We can make it there together.

and ailments, I've seen combat and what it does. But my hope is that it is not what will define me but just another bullet point on my resume of life. God put me in this world to do amazing things. Many of them I have already done, but many more I have yet to do. This is the same for all of you reading this right now. Our Lord and Savior does not creating duds. We are all made in His image to do incredible things. So prepare yourself for a journey that only God could plan, and

just prepare for the speed bumps along the way.

So, as I said above, but in a little different way, attack your problems as if God was giving you the command to deal with them. I will do the same.

Thank you for reading, I hope you will read more to come.

Editor/GG: Veterans: Send us a story, or your story: Boot camp horror show, a combat story, your best buddy in the unit, the CO you hated the most, the crusty ol'd master sergeant that adopted you. You know what I mean. It's time for our young folks to hear what an honor it is to serve. Keep it under 600 words or so. If you want to remain anonymous, you have to come into the office and ID yourself.

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