

A Magic Custer County 4-H Fair and Livestock Sale

Lamb Goes for \$5,040, Heifer for \$6,290 and Three Rabbits for \$2,100!!!

The annual livestock auction is about more than simply buying an animal. It's about the kids. These 4-H and FFA members make a commitment every year, learning responsibility, good work ethics, and developing strong values. And every year people from all over southern Colorado turn out for the Custer County Fair and Livestock Sale to show their support – with their presence and their wallets.

One big fan of the 4-H program is Kathy McLaughlin of Custer County. Ms. McLaughlin wowed the crowd with her generosity by buying Kyle Rose's lamb weighing 112 pounds, for \$5,040; Paige Lorenzen's grass-fed heifer for \$6290.50 (1094 pounds) and Katlyn Roberson's Reserve Grand Champion three meat-pen rabbits (12.6 pounds total weight) for \$2,100. Ms. McLaughlin says she "loves the

whole 4-H focus because the money goes back to the kids for their educational future and hopefully through this program, you help a kid achieve his or her potential. You help one kid at a time."

Another one of the area's biggest supporters of 4-H and FFA is the Gonzalez Family from Wetmore. "I like to reward people that work hard," said Juan Gonzalez, who raises sheep and mentors several of the 4-H and FFA members. Juan and Marliisa Gonzalez have given back to 4-H and FFA communities in Pueblo, El Paso, Fremont, and Custer by volunteering and supporting the fairs through various organizations like the 4-H Foundation.

One of the most interesting and exciting auctions of the day was for Kyle Rose's lamb. Kyle has been showing his lambs for many years and for the last four



Kyle Rose and Kathy McLaughlin

Courtesy photo by Brianna Livengood, Mountain Shot Photography

years he has been under the tutelage of Juan and Marliisa Gonzalez. Kyle has been one of the hardest

working 4-H participants since he started, and did a spectacular job this year with the program by attend-

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2015 Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions

Beef – Grand Champion - Billy Berry sold to Town & Country for \$6.50/lb. @ 1237#

Beef – Reserve Grand Champion – Cash Rowley sold to Beach Redi Mix for \$6.00/lb. @ 1360#

Swine – Grand Champion – Lindsey Gillmore sold to Dynamic Ag Solutions for \$12.00/lb. @ 261#

Swine – Reserve Grand Champion – Kyle Rose sold to Carve BBQ for \$12.25/lb. @ 269#

Sheep – Grand Champion – Grace Watkins sold to Sangre De Cristo Electric and Don Kaufman for \$16.00/lb. @ 112#

Sheep – Reserve Grand Champion – Lindsey Gillmore sold to First State Bank of Colorado for \$17.00/lb. @ 139#

Goats – Grand Champion – Grace Watkins sold to Sharpe Implements for \$19.50/lb. @ 66#

Goats – Reserve Grand Champion – Anastasia Berry sold to Samuelson Ranch for \$21.00/lb. @ 81#

Rabbits – Grand Champion – Katelyn Roberson sold to Santa Fe Trail Rabbit Company for \$2,600

Rabbits – Reserve Grand Champion – Katelyn Roberson sold to Kathy McLaughlin for \$2,100

Look for next week's issue of the Sentinel for full Fair Results and a special photo feature!

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Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Gal. 6:9 NIV



First Baptist Church at the Rodeo: Bible Give-Away Huge Success

Once again, the First Baptist Church of Westcliffe did a tremendous job at the Westcliffe Stampede and Rodeo with their annual booth/table Bible handout where they gave away "cowboy" Bibles and horseshoes with bible verse citations hand punched on them to the rodeo attendees. This year they handed out over 200 Bibles and horseshoes to the large crowds. Pictured above is valley resident, Yvonne Phillips, who received one the Bibles and horseshoes. Our thanks to the First Baptist Church for keeping our long-standing Christian heritage alive at one of our biggest local events and helping to keep God in our county.

Photo and story by George Gramlich



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

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

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

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Our Opinion...

From the Editorial Board

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

ITS ORIGINS AND ITS CURRENT LEGACY



Planned Parenthood (PP) was and still is an organization that, in the view of many, does more harm than good. Most groups and organizations that want to hide their true purpose, promote some portion of good in order to fool most of the people as to their true intentions. Organized crime hides behind some fronts of legitimacy. Planned Parenthood operates on the premise that they perform wonderful medical services for women that couldn't afford it otherwise. The question for you is: Is this enough to justify the main purpose of PP which is to provide abortions for any reason to as many women as possible? And keep in mind PP receives a lot of taxpayer money, which, of course, they claim only goes for other medical services. We all know that our taxpayer money cannot be used for abortions. We wonder if that money might ever get mixed up.

Planned Parenthood was founded by a woman named Margaret Sanger. Sanger was known for being a eugenicist. Eugenics is similar to Darwin's survival of the fittest. It relates the concept to human society, suggesting that the makeup of the poor and minorities was inferior. The goal of eugenicists is "to prevent the multiplication of bad stocks," wrote Dr. Ernst Rudin in a magazine edited by Sanger. Here are a few quotes from Sanger:

On blacks, immigrants, and indigents: "...human weeds,' 'reckless breeders,' 'spawning...human beings who never should have been born." Margaret Sanger, *Pivot of Civilization*, referring to immigrants and poor people

On the purpose of birth control: The purpose in promoting birth control was "to create a race of thoroughbreds," she wrote in the *Birth Control Review*, April 1932

On the rights of the handicapped and mentally ill, and racial minorities: "More children from the fit, less from the unfit – that is the chief aim of birth control." *Birth Control Review*, May 1919, p. 12

On motherhood: "The most merciful thing that a large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it." Margaret Sanger, *Women and the New Race* (Eugenics Publ. Co., 1920, 1923)

Here are some more recent Planned Parenthood quotes: "We are not going to be an organization promoting celibacy or chastity." Faye Wattleton, President, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, *Los Angeles Times*, Oct. 17, 1986

"If your parents are stupid enough to deny you access to birth control, and you are under 18, you can get it on your own. Call Planned Parenthood." Planned Parenthood advertisement, *Dallas Observer*, Jan. 30, 1986

In the last 5-10 years there have been dozens of undercover videos released of PP workers advising underage women to lie about the circumstances of how they got pregnant. They were encouraged and even helped to fill out their consent forms in a manner so that PP would not have to report the crimes which had occurred. Young, underage women are accommodated in abortion efforts with or without their parents' knowledge or the knowledge, in many cases, of the father. PP is the largest abortion provider in the world. A few years ago one of their doctors in Philadelphia was found guilty of multiple murders as he was convicted of killing babies after they had been born alive. Of course PP denies knowledge of all these practices, but it is likely they were and are aware of them all. You be the judge.

All this leads up to the latest PP crisis. An undercover reporter from the Center for Medical Progress videoed Dr. Deborah Nucatola discussing the harvesting and sale of baby body parts while casually eating a Waldorf salad and sipping wine. Many of you have seen it but, if you haven't, we recommend you get to your computers, or a friends laptop or iPad, and watch it for yourself. We are extremely saddened that this is the state of our morals in this country. This woman, Dr. Nucatola, describes how she very carefully crushes the baby during an abortion so she can preserve the valuable organ tissue intact to sell it. She is, in our view, an abomination to mankind. However, we could find not one word to properly describe her. We found the following 35 words which just begin to describe her. Pick the ones you believe properly describe her or find other ones. In short, we believe she is **satanic, wicked, contemptible, despicable, heinous, horrid, odious, reprehensible, repugnant, revolting, wretched, foul, gross, loathsome, obnoxious, offensive, repellent, rotten, stinking, ghastly, beastly, barbaric, repulsive, sadistic, vile, depraved, disgusting, obscene,**

inhuman, vulgar, shameful, sleazy, pitiful, immoral, and fiendish.

Finally, consider this: In 2009 Hillary Clinton was awarded the Margaret Sanger Award. In her acceptance speech, she said she admired Sanger's courage and valor and that she (Hillary) was in awe of her. In awe of Margaret Sanger? The woman whose ideas spawned Planned Parenthood and promoted selective breeding? Surely there are candidates with more proper values and character to be our president. Wake up, America!

On Tuesday, another undercover video was released which showed the president of the PP Medical Directors' Council, Dr. Mary Gatter, negotiating the sale of these valuable organs for cash prices. Imagine that. We will be expected to believe this is just another rogue employee. She is just like, if not worse, than the woman described above. During the video she talks about using a "less crunchy" technique to save the valuable tissue and ends with "I want a Lamborghini." This is unlawful. It is time for Congress to defund this heinous organization from the use of our taxpayer money.



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Dear Silver Cliff Trustees and Members of the Silver Cliff Marijuana Committee,

First, I commend you for seeking information to be informed and educated; much rides on the correctness and validity of the information you are gathering and where your mindset rests on the issue and its effects to your and our community.

Second, to let you know that most of the concerned citizens who are opposed to allowing any kind of marijuana into the county which includes both towns, understand that there is minor benefit to some health issues, yet believe that those electing to use marijuana for health reasons under a doctor's care “can and should” find a way to “go down the hill, to fill their prescriptions as the rest of us do” and not bring it directly into our community.

Third, that as a board of trustees and for those on the marijuana committee to recognize that there are concerned citizens both inside and outside the small town of Silver Cliff who are paying close attention to several issues regarding Silver Cliff making this move including:

1. The county already voted this issue down a few years ago.

2. If it goes to a vote, then such a small number of people in this county (just over 10%) are making a decision that will negatively affect the entire community in various ways including these four:

A. The negative impact on our most valued resource, our youth. As a retired teacher of 24 years, I can attest to that, long before it became “legal”. The impact and negative effects of marijuana use include impeding brain growth and development as well as an increase in health issues ranging from asthma and respiratory ailments to even death, just to name a few.

B. To take money used from producing or selling a drug that effects both mind and body, one of the very drugs students are taught not to use and beware of because of the mind altering and physical effects, then use that very same money from that drug to tell students not to use the very same drug is hypocrisy.

C. This hypocrisy will not only demean our youth, but the impact of educated adults attempting to make a positive difference in their lives as many of

those same adults see the effects of drug use of both the students and sometimes their parents and other adults nearby; interfering with the youth and their ability to learn and further their education. These educating adults will have less of an influence on the success of students in and out of school. A fact which I am hopeful your marijuana committee will find easily in their research. Research to include the years before it became “legal”. Statistics are there if the committee is looking in all the right places to get a complete picture of all the ramifications of use of this drug and the potential for damages it brings, based on years of statistics from real lives and real people.

D. The negative impact and change on the quality of life for the entire county including travel, family-friendly atmosphere, safety and security from crime, family-friendly tourism, the negative impact on another valuable resource that we have water rights and water usage; the negative impact on all of our property values for either grow facilities or sales, not just in and around Silver Cliff but, again, the entire county; and the negative impact this drug has

on all users young and old to become addicted to marijuana or a move onto harder drug substances.

These four alone would hopefully cause you to pause about your decision.

Finally, that, if after all the research, Silver Cliff still insists on spending money for an election which you have said you don't have and still go to the people of this small town for a vote, then you would hopefully ask all of us affected to have input. I am ready to produce petitions with signatures from over 300 residents and voters both business owners and residents of Silver Cliff as well as real estate agents, business owners in our community, one of the county commissioners, pastors, doctors and staff from our clinic, educators, our sheriff, and other professional and non-professionals from Westcliffe and around the county, many of whom already see the negative effects of marijuana in various situations from family members, health issues, and crime to name just a few. They are asking for a vote for all, not a vote for a few that affects all. Also included in this

number is the majority of the Amish community who also oppose marijuana, but do not participate in voting or government.

A last consideration: a move to bring this drug legally into the city limits of your town will have the potential to severely effect and alienate Silver Cliff to the rest of the community, which is our county. Alienating alone may mean less business from the locals. I hope your eyes are wide open to the far reaching effects of this drug to our already suffering community despite the money you are hoping to receive. No amount of money is worth the negative effects of bringing it further into this community, more that it is already here.

I hope your research includes common sense factoring of the issues, some mentioned in this letter, and the consequences marijuana businesses brought in “just for the money” will bring into our county.

Thank you,
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“We the People” *Speak* continued

Open Letter to Reince Priebus, Chairman, Republican National Committee

(Editor/GG: Read Larry’s letter. It is from the heart of America. The Republican Party has deserted us and we either need to change that immediately or start a new, America First party. Note this from the American Conservative Union’s and Heritage Action for America’s 2014 conservative voting record results for our Colorado federal representatives, with anything under a “90” being “liberal”: Cory Gardner - 76, 54; Scott Tipton - 77, 69; and Mike Coffman - 77, 66.5; with the ONLY true conservative from our state being Dave Lamborn - 96, 91! Forget the smooth, sweet talk from these RINOS - primary them out and get some patriots in there to change course. Time is short.)

June 25, 2015

Mr. Reince Priebus, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street SE
Washington, DC 20003

Mr. Priebus:

We are receiving almost daily calls from various members of the Republican Party now running for president. There are so many it takes a scorecard to keep track of all of them.

Yesterday, Bobby Jindal entered the race. Scott Walker from Wisconsin is still contemplating entering the fray. Once again, the Republican Party is shooting itself in the foot. While we as Republicans wade through the myriad of possible candidates, the Democrats are continuing their quest to put one candidate in front of the American people. Hilary Clinton is a liar, thief, and threat to the liberty we so dearly cherish. Somehow, none of that matters to her people. She is charging ahead seeking and more than likely receiving the nomination of her

party. In the meantime the Republicans continue to founder in the swamp of a compendium of candidates each presenting more ideas than a hyperactive child. We are ignoring the entire field at this point.

Regarding Jeb Bush, the obvious establishment Republican hopeful, we want you to understand, two Bush’s were more than enough. We do not support him and we will not support him. He is a liberal on education, in favor of Common Core, something we hate, and he is a liberal on immigration, something we also hate. Another Bush in the White House would be a mistake. Most Americans agree he is not what is needed after eight years of the uber liberal socialist now in the White House.

Put forth a candidate who will bring back economic growth, someone who will restore the American peoples’ faith in their country, someone who is proud to say and believe America is an exceptional nation for the world to follow, and someone who says that certain behaviors, homosexual, socialist, and politically correct are just wrong for America. Give us a candidate who will profess all of us are governed by a Creator greater than anything any of us can comprehend and we need that Creator’s help in governing our nation. Give us a candidate who will profess his beliefs, boldly, openly, and with conviction. If we lose the election with a candidate who professes these values, the people are saying they want a form of government we can no longer support.

We are way past just little compromises Mr. Priebus. We believe our way of life is now being threatened not from without but

from within. We live with overreaching government agencies who answer to no one, threats and intimidation to our Christian beliefs, the ever present threat to the Second Amendment, constant surveillance by the CIA, NSA, FBI, and every branch of the military with much of it being illegal and unconstitutional. The IRS has become so brazen they routinely tell Congress what they do is off limits. FISA Courts act in secret where liberty is routinely stripped away with the accused having no rights in the matter and just a few minutes ago the Supreme Court in a social more than legal opinion upheld the ACA again. This is not the constitutional government the founders envisioned.

We are no longer safe in our houses protected from unwanted intrusion by the government. The government has become so secretive, sullen, and bullying the average citizen has no idea what is being planned in the dark, deep, recess of the bureaucratic labyrinth. Since September 11, 2001 the Federal Government in the name of National Security has intruded so much on individual liberty many of us already understand the Constitution has lost most of its protections. The current administration has exponentially accelerated the policies put in place by the Bush Administration. The Patriot Act remains one of the most sinister, devious, and liberty revoking pieces of law ever perpetuated upon the American people right after Obama Care.

We no longer live in a country where the government serves the people as intended in the Constitution. Instead, many of us now fear our government more than we fear China, Russia, or Iran. In 2015 America is very close to the same situation the Colonialists

faced from England. The difference today it is our own government that is threatening our liberty.

We are all tired of the mousy politician who spends most of his/her time appeasing some overt minority whose only intention is to subvert our constitutional form and Free Market Economy. We need a candidate who will tell the Socialists and the Marxists those forms will never work here. We need a candidate who will say with conviction no nation can survive if it lets its moral and ethical principles decay to the point where any behavior is acceptable. We need a candidate who will work to restore individual liberty by limiting the scope, expansion, and power of the Federal bureaucracy.

You folks in Washington, inside the Beltway, protected from reality have no idea how much real turmoil there is in America. You are being soothed and hid-

den from the real truth by big business, lobbies, fine cigars, too much expensive bourbon drunk in smoke-filled rooms having your immense egos further inflated by false accolades. The American people, by and large, still know in their hearts this nation is theirs not the politicians or the bureaucrats. “We the people,” contains great meaning for an enormous number of us. After all, sir, it only took three percent of the population to break us free from England. You people in the “bubble” should spend a lot more time remembering who really is in control of this nation. This election in our opinion will decide if the Great American Experiment will continue or if it will fail. Another uber liberal socialist from either party in the White House will take America to a new crossroad that will eventually require choices none of us want, but some of us are more than prepared to accept.

Larry and Monica Luikart
Westcliffe, CO 81252

Library Craft Show A Great Success!

The recent craft show presented by the Friends of the Library was a great success! Over \$2,000 was raised for the library, to be used for special programs such as the summer reading program for children, teens, and adults. Many thanks go out to our loyal crafters who participate in every show; in addition we welcomed several new crafters. We are very grateful to Marci Gregg and Diane Dudley, who helped us with our checkout procedures; they are not Friends board members but generously gave of their

time on Thursday and Friday. As always, we thank Hope Lutheran Church for the use of Lange Hall and, this show, for the use of their banquet tables. And, of course, we thank the many folks who took time out of a very busy weekend to shop with us!

As an early reminder, the holiday craft fair will be December 3-5. Applications to participate in the show will be at the library in early November, and new crafters are always welcome.

Susan Raymer,
Friends of the Library



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of time; the chlorinated water is then pumped to waste. The amount of chlorine to use is calculated for each well based on the amount of water and contact time. For those who don’t wish to call and ask a rough figure is one gallon of regular liquid bleach for wells under 300ft.deep.
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The Future of America

Juan and Marissa Gonzalez are dedicated to mentoring 4-H and FFA members and helping them to succeed in life.

They have bought lambs from each of those counties' sales. Their son and daughter participated in Pee Wee Lamb Showmanship. They have what they call their "Lamb Family" which consists of kids from Custer, El Paso, Pueblo, and Fremont who show together throughout the summer. They help each other, learn from each other, and support each other. In fact, some of those families supported the Custer County Fair during the pig and lamb shows. The Gonzalez family teaches these kids about healthy competition. They are all required to help each other get in the show ring, be competitive in the show ring, and walk out to congratulate each other after the show is done. 4-H and FFA are not all about the "win". They are about developing children into young adults that work hard and should be rewarded for their work ethic, not how much money the parents have to spend on the animals.



Above: Rafael and Jaliene Gonzalez and their lambs.

Courtesy photos from the Gonzalez Family

love with animals. We need 4-H and FFA to grow. These kids are the future of agriculture and without them there is no one to feed

our country. They are a dying breed and it should be in everyone's interest to support these kids and make this grow.

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ing all of the Jackpot Competitions held in this area this year and even winning several Senior Showmanship awards.

Wanting to reward Kyle for his outstanding effort, the Samuelson Ranch, Gonzalez Club Lambs, Faricy Ford, and DKR Enterprises pulled their money together for a big pot to bid on Kyle's lamb. Little did they know that Kathy McLaughlin, who had purchased one of Kyle's lambs at a prior auction, also had some

serious interest in buying Kyle's lamb. As the two groups bid against each other, the crowd got wilder and wilder, cheering the bidders on. The bidding hit \$20 a pound, then \$30, then \$40! Finally, at an incredible \$45 per pound, Ms. McLaughlin won the bidding war! Making the sale price an incredible \$5,040. Thank you, Ms. McLaughlin for rewarding Kyle's hard work.

Eighteen-year-old Kyle graduated high school in May this year and is currently working construction and has been showing animals (pigs, lambs and horses) for five years. His

next goal this year is to try to win the coveted Grand Senior Showman at the Colorado State Fair.

Our thanks go out to team that tried to buy Kyle's lamb: Kirk and Rebecca Samuelson (who bought Kyle Rose's lamb in the past); Juan and Marissa Gonzalez, Faricy Ford, and DKR Enterprises. And to all the folks that made this hugely successful fair happen, including 4-H, FFA, the wonderful competitors, the multitude of volunteers and the beautiful people who come here to bid for the animals. Thank you and God Bless.

*A new command I give you:
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John 13:34, NIV

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A Tribute to Valley Rancher Lee Roy Rusher

The Rusher family paid a somber tribute to patriarch, Lee Roy Rusher, at last week's Westcliffe's Stampede Rodeo, with Katlyn Rusher leading a riderless horse around the rodeo arena followed by members of the Rusher family. During the circling of the arena and the time of remembrance while the family gathered in the center of the rodeo, the announcer read a moving tribute to one of the valley's most beloved ranchers. God bless you, Lee Roy. We are going to miss you.

Sentinel photo by George Gramlich

Storage Units Now Available at the SilverWest Business Park

by Larry Luikart

Dr. William A. Good, CEO, Chairman, and President of the Board for Earth Space Transport Systems Corporation, Highland Park, Colorado, is the new owner of twelve storage units at the SilverWest Business Park. Dr. Good is making a special offer on six of the units for anyone interested in a two-year rental agreement. The first year is free. A 10 x 15 unit will cost \$900 and a 10 x 25 unit will cost \$1,500. Dr. Good indicates the units are suitable for antique cars, gliders, hang gliders, home-built experimental aircraft, and a myriad of other uses.

The other six units are currently being reserved for possible use by the Mojave Air and Space Port in Mojave, California, for possible outsourcing of unique business operations to the SilverWest Business Park. Dr. Good believes the more temperate climate, less congestion, and more privacy are all positive attributes for the Space Port to consider a move to the Business Park.

Dr. Good is a unique individual who indicated, "most of my career has been involved in doing things that have never been done before, especially in the aviation and aerospace

industry." Dr. Good has an impressive resume along with the academic credentials and work experience to validate his comments. He has been involved in such projects as a concept for a Vehicle Threat Detection System. This concept involved a detection system for cargo aircraft to avoid a detonation of a bomb or WMD (Weapon of Mass Destruction) as a plane approached an airport or large population center. He acted as moderator for a panel discussion at the Colorado School of Mines in May 2014 regarding the Complexity and the Energy Water – Nexus. This panel focused on the question of the implications of systems engineering and regional water policy. In 2001 Dr. Good presented a proposal to the X Prize committee for a concept involving the use of a sub-orbital cargo vehicle the Exo-Clipper launched from a Boeing 747. The concept included the use of the Exo-Clipper as a high-priority, high-speed freight service with extra crew seats as an incentive for passengers to enjoy a trip into low earth orbit.

If you have questions or wish to discuss renting one of Dr. Good's storage units please contact him by phone: (303) 906-1900 or email: William.A.Good@Comcast.net

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VFW Post 5812 at Eagles Summit Ranch

Last Friday (July 17th) at the graduation ceremony at Eagles Summit Ranch (ESR), Bob and Ruth Eggert presented a sizable donation to Jerry and Beverly Shoemaker, the Directors of ESR, on behalf of the VFW Post 5812 in Pueblo West.

“Yesterday Ruth and I had the honor of representing the VFW Post 5812 at the Eagles Summit Ranch in Westcliffe. This is a place that helps wounded warriors come to grips with their problems and gives them the tools to carry on with their lives. The VFW graciously gave a nice amount to help with this project. It was a very moving experience and we hope we can go again to another graduation in the future,” says Mr. Eggert.

ESR depends on contributions from individuals like these to transform the lives of America’s wounded warriors. It truly is an honor to lend support to this amazing program, and we would like to thank everyone who contributes to the work they do there. *Mr. and Mrs. Eggert, and VFW Post 5812, thank you for your support!*

The *Sentinel* will announce the next graduation date at ESR, and we encourage everyone to come out to support these warriors and hear their stories.

Courtesy photo by Ruth Eggert



Winning With Integrity Eagles Summit Ranch Graduation: *Helping our Wounded Warriors*

The Dave Roeper Foundation’s Eagles Summit Ranch (ESR) had another “graduation” dinner for a contingent of wounded warrior soldiers from Fort Bragg last Friday night. The week-long rehabilitation program ends with this dinner and is always a moving and heart-felt event as the soldiers tell their stories. ESR Directors Beverly and Jerry Shoemaker run the ranch and along with Matt Roeper (Dave’s son) provide counseling during the week. (Note: Foundation founder and world renown Pastor, Dave Roeper, is recovering from another major back surgery. As usual, Dave is recovering ahead of schedule and will be at the next event. God speed, Dave.)

Pictured above: Kathy Wampler sings her trademark song “Hero” to the graduates of last week’s program.

Sentinel photo by Paul Sage

Obituary Paul Robert Schleser

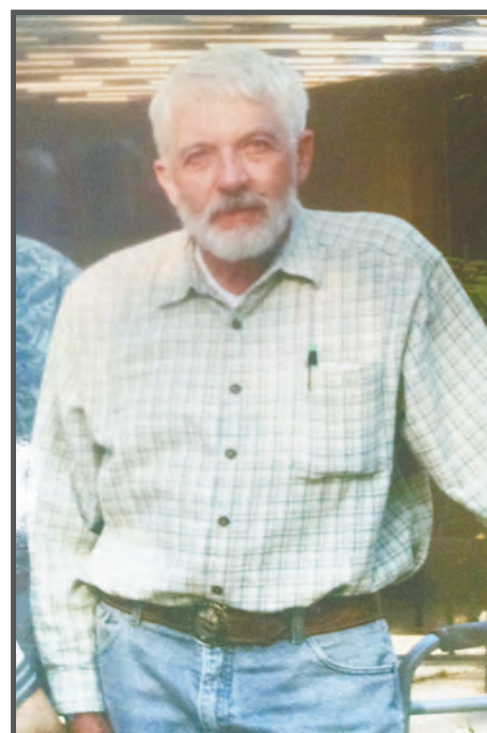
Paul Robert Schleser, age 75, of Westcliffe, CO, died June 29, 2015, at his residence. Services will be held at Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church, Westcliffe, Colorado, on Friday, August 14, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.

Born December 30, 1939, in Chicago, IL, Paul was the eldest son of Roman and Minna (Coteus) Schleser. He graduated DePaul University, Illinois, and entered into the Army as a Commissioned Officer, being Honorably Discharged as a Captain.

Paul lived in various parts of the United States and settled in Colorado, due to the beauty of the land and his family gravitating to the area from Chicago. Paul worked as a consultant, primarily in the pharmaceutical and aerospace fields, retiring and finding comfort in the area of Westcliffe.

Paul enjoyed going to the shooting range, developing his own ammo, hunting, fishing, reading, and being an active member of the local American Legion.

Survivors include children: Stephen (Denice) Schleser of Aurora, CO; Andrea Schleser of Arvada, CO; two brothers: Kurt (Nancy) Schleser of Parker, CO and Larry Schleser of Newport News, VA, a sister: Christine (Mike) Woodman of Elizabeth, CO and a sister-in-law: Gloria Schleser of Denver, CO; and two grandchildren.



Funeral arrangements were handled by Holt Family Funeral Home, Cañon City, Colorado.

****In lieu of flowers, the family asks that if you are wanting to do something, please do something nice for another. If wanting to make a donation, please do so to the charity of your choice in memory of Paul Schleser.**



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that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.
George Washington - First President and Founding Father*

WESTCLIFFE STAMPEDE RODEO PARADE



Courtesy Photo



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Youth Summer Reading Program A HUGE Success!

I am so excited to let you know that West Custer County Library's 2015 Youth Summer Reading Program was a huge success. One hundred and twenty-four children and 46 teens took on the reading challenge. About 500 people attended the children's events and 130 attended teen events (nearly double last year!). What I am most proud of is the amount of community participation; many people stepped up to make this year's program fun and inspiring for our youth.

Thirteen different community organizations and businesses participated in events; six of them were event co-sponsors: KWMV radio station, the High Altitude Garden Club of Westcliffe, Paca Peace Ranch for Youth, Constructions Solutions of Colorado, American Legion Post #170, and The Garden Tea Room.

Volunteers were a major part of the program. In all, 28 adults and 16 teens volunteered their time for a total of 123 hours for adults and 136.5 hours for teens. Wow! We couldn't have done it without them!

The Town of Westcliffe and Custer County Schools also deserve a huge thank you for providing us with the spaces we needed to have these events.

Thank you for helping us spread the word this summer!

Jessica Carter
Youth Services Librarian
West Custer County Library District

Swim Lessons at Club America

Session II group swim lessons for youth ages three and one half and up get underway next week at Club America WMV, however, there's still time to register. Just stop by the club located at 50 E. Main Street in Silver Cliff to fill out the registration form.

The two-week session is held Monday through Thursday, July 27-August 6, beginning at 10 a.m. each day. Cost is \$48 per child with scholarships available to qualifying families. Just ask Becky or Nora, co-managers, for a scholarship application and eligibility requirements.

Furthermore, those youth who take the swim lessons will receive a coupon for a reduced rate during public swim hours through the month of August.

Club America WMV is a non-profit aquatics and fitness center that is open year round. Summer hours are Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Public swim hours when a lifeguard is on duty is Monday through Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call the club at 783-0750.

*"To preserve liberty,
it is essential that the whole body
of the people always possess arms
and be taught alike,
especially when young,
how to use them."*

Richard Henry Lee,
American Statesman, 1788



Welcome, Mark Payler: Custer County Combined School's New Superintendent

A small but welcoming group gathered to meet and greet the new School Superintendent Mark Payler. Welcome, Mr. Payler! We look forward to a great year!

Sentinel photo by Audrey Slater

KIDS

Friday, JULY 24, 2015

Benjamin Bonneville American Frontiersman

Born in Paris, France, on April 14, 1796, Bonneville's official name is Benjamin-Louis-Eulalie de Bonneville. His parents were prominent in politics, but for an untold reason he came to the United States in 1803 at the age of seven with his mother and brothers. He lived on a farm in New York. He was educated well, graduating from West Point with a commission in the military which assigned him to frontier posts in Arkansas, Texas, and the Indian Territories where he witnessed the rapid growth of the fur trading business. He then formulated his own plan to go into the fur trade.

He may well have been the forerunner of what is now the CIA because for strange reasons he was given a long-term leave of absence from the military, even if he was a career officer, to pursue a commercial endeavor which was well funded by New York businessmen even if he had no experience in the fur trade. It has been suggested that he may have been working as a spy for the U.S. government which wanted to know more about British activities and strengths in the far western side of the United States.

In an expedition that commenced on July 24, 1832, he and his men built an impressive trading post along Wyoming's Green River. While quite inept at the fur trading business and seemingly more interested in exploring, he mounted an expedition from Wyoming over the Rocky Mountains to the Columbia River region in Oregon. Although he was aware of British-owned Hudson Bay Company control of that area, he proceeded anyway leading 110 men and twenty wagons across the South Pass of Wyoming becoming the first ever to take that critical route connecting the United States to that Northwest Area and which, later on, thousands of pioneers would take in what would be known as the Oregon Trail.

After his adventures in the West, Bonneville returned to Washington and was reinstated into the Army by the president with a rank of Major. He went on to serve in the Mexican Wars and in the Civil War retiring in Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he died at the age of eighty two as the oldest retired officer on June 12, 1878.

by Fred Hernandez

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SEMI ANNUAL REPORT OF CUSTER COUNTY TREASURER JANUARY 01, 2015 THRU JUNE 30, 2015									
FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	REVENUES- CURRENT TAX	DELINQUENT TAX & INTEREST	SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP	RECEIPTS & MISCELLANEOUS	DISBURSEMENTS- WARRANTS PAID	TREASURERS FEES	TRANSFERS & MISC.	ENDING BALANCE
COUNTY GENERAL FUND	33,720.67	1,025,960.84	422.90	71,873.92	795,902.23	-1,445,298.46	-51,298.05	-144.37	431,139.73
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND	1,126,506.78	466,557.90	192.32	33,170.61	594,069.95	-661,849.92	-38,965.54		1,529,682.10
CONTINGENT	63,341.39								63,341.39
SELF INSURANCE FUND	114,074.30	109,967.35	57.70	9,951.19		-136,449.70	-6,998.36		120,602.48
TRAFFIC FINES	1,747.50				3,705.00			-3,315.00	2,137.50
HUMAN SERVICES	218,184.23	69,983.69	28.85	6,043.90	139,555.35	-201,440.45			232,355.57
AIRPORT	689.88				10,532.91	-14,723.46	-87.88	10,444.13	6,855.57
LODGING/TOURISM	35,277.82				4,788.62	-23,156.12	-239.46		16,670.86
ADVANCE TAX	65.79								65.79
PUBLIC TRUSTEE	13,506.38				10,621.11			-8,584.83	15,542.66
LIEU OF TAX	709,479.87				361,110.00			-50,000.00	1,100,589.87
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	342,504.57				102,529.69	-24,178.43			421,855.83
SALES TAX	489.87								489.87
SANITATION DISTRICT	0.00	42,136.18	25.71	3,057.59			-2,106.80	-19,340.18	23,772.50
FIRE DISTRICT	0.00	331,659.45	134.51	23,610.38			-16,582.98	-286,336.19	52,485.17
UPPER ARKANSAS WATER CONS. DIST.	0.00	44,602.42	18.32	3,171.00			-2,230.12	-38,593.93	6,967.69
SILVER CLIFF	0.00	20,187.53	15.99	1,612.44	1,305.00		-470.81	-11,202.31	11,697.84
WESTCLIFFE	0.00	54,285.12	30.23	3,759.40	1,390.00		-1,099.62	-25,679.84	32,689.59
C-1 SCHOOL DIST. GENERAL FUND	14,355.57	2,072,275.60	864.37	147,494.59			-5,180.08	-2,193,584.46	36,224.99
C-1 SCHOOL DIST. CAP. RES.	0.00								0.00
C-1 SCHOOL DIST. B & I	2,563.49	370,323.48	154.47	26,353.63				192,780.26	6,614.73
RE2J GENERAL FUND	344.43	53,557.22	14.08	3,675.66			-133.89	-56,872.77	584.73
RE2J CAP. RES.	0.00								0.00
RE2J BOND & INT	223.73	33,864.77	8.91	2,337.30				-36,053.33	381.38
RYE FIRE PROTECTION	0.00	29,253.33	16.98	2,112.76			-1,482.67	-26,848.10	3,072.22
COUNTY SCHOOL	0.00				15,470.07				15,470.07
EMERGENCY SERVICES	219,049.38	186,623.15	76.92	11,268.23	40,399.93	-152,392.04			327,025.57
REDEMPTIONS	3,460.28				52,850.64			-52,850.64	3,460.28
M. V. L.	0.00				322,052.31	-322,052.31			0.00
CONSERVATION TRUST	27,052.31				15,905.35	-28,000.00			14,957.66
VARIOUS/AUTO TAX	0.00				111,668.34			-111,668.34	0.00
GRAZING	0.00				157.55			-157.55	0.00
TREASURER'S FEES	0.00				0,302.97			-0,302.97	0.00
WEST CUSTER CO HOSP DIST.	0.00	682,654.56	276.96	44,637.28			-54,132.73	-585,405.99	108,030.08
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND	1,750.54								1,750.54
WEST CUSTER CO LIBRARY DISTRICT	0.00	171,356.81	69.53	11,201.20			-8,567.83	-147,942.30	27,117.21
CLERKS FEES	175,060.69				890,304.91			-909,491.02	155,884.58
EMERGENCY RESERVE FUND	117,300.00								117,300.00
HEALTH INSURANCE FUND	3,307.89				292,801.54			-292,801.54	3,307.89
GRAND TOTALS	3,324,057.36	5,795,449.12	2,408.73	408,331.08	3,776,423.53	-3,008,540.89	-159,607.42	-5,248,497.56	4,890,123.94

I, VIRGINIA TRUJILLO, County Treasurer in and for Custer County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify that the above is a true statement of condition of the various funds as they appear from the records in my office at the close of business, June 30, 2015.

Bank Balance \$1,208,438.40
Cash 9,898.04
Investments 3,671,187.50
PT Petty Cash 500.00
Total \$4,890,123.94

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PUBLIC NOTICE COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 09-15

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

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

Original Grantor(s):
John Dale Walker and Joyce Brittingham
Original Beneficiary(ies):
Minnequa Works Credit Union
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt:
Minnequa Works Credit Union
Date of Deed of Trust: February 06, 2013
County of Recording: Custer
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: February 25, 2013
Recording Information
(Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.):
220745 Book: 711 Page: 32
Original Principal Amount: \$12,501.94
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$12,484.08

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.

NW1/4NE1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 71 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., COUNTY OF CUSTER, STATE OF COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 1708 County Rd #327, Westcliffe, CO 81252.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

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

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 08/19/2015, 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 there-

in, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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**IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;
IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.**

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DATE: 04/21/2015
Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado

Virginia Trujillo

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:
Douglas J. Haynes #18361
Law Office of Douglas J. Haynes, LLC 411 Colorado Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004 (719) 544-7534

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

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On April 30, 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): Kristi Jo E Corey
Original Beneficiary(ies): Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt:
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust: February 02, 2012
County of Recording: Custer
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: February 07, 2012
Recording Information
(Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.):
218363 Book: 687 Page: 121
Original Principal Amount: \$135,800.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$124,312.52

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

LOT 11, SILVER CLIFF HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION NO. 5, CUSTER COUNTY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 5997 County Rd 255, Westcliffe, CO 81252.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

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THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at pub-

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lic auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 09/02/2015, at the office of the Custer County Public Trustee, 205 South 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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DATE: 04/30/2015
Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado

By: Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee



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

Kelly Murdock #46915
Janeway Law Firm, PC 9800 S. Meridian Blvd, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80112 (303) 706-9990
Attorney File # 15-006765

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Westcliffe is accepting donation requests from local non-profit organizations for the 2016 budget. Special preference will be given to organizations that benefit youth and senior citizens.

- The request must be in writing on the Town of Westcliffe's Community Investment forms.
- Available at Benson Hall, 305 Main Street or on the Announcement Page at www.townofwestcliffe.com.
- Please include eight (8) copies.

If all pertinent information is not submitted it may affect consideration of your request.

The deadline for donation requests will be Monday, August 31, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Requests may be mailed to P.O. Box 406 or delivered to Benson Hall, 305 Main Street. Requests received after this deadline may not be considered.

If you have questions please contact Kathy Reis at 783-2282.

Kathy Reis
Town Clerk
Town of Westcliffe

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PREQUALIFICATION Town of Westcliffe Improvements Transportation Alternative Program

The Town of Westcliffe is currently seeking Prequalification Statements and Letters of Interest from Design Engineering firms interested in submitting proposals for the design phase of a three-year Transportation Alternative Program project with a total project cost of approximately \$800,000 including design. This project will encompass curb, gutter, sidewalk, accessibility, lighting and drainage improvements throughout the downtown area.

Prequalification Statements and proposal guidelines are available by downloading from www.townofwestcliffe.com >Announcements or at Westcliffe Town Hall, 305 Main Street, Westcliffe, CO, between 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday-Friday. You may call 719-783-2282 on Tuesdays or Thursdays or e-mail alan@townofwestcliffe.com with questions.

Prequalification statements from interested firms must be returned no later than 5:00 PM, August 7, 2015 to Westcliffe Town Hall, P. O. Box 406, 305 Main Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252 or e-mail to alan@townofwestcliffe.com. A short list of four to five firms will be prequalified for the submission of proposals. Selected firms will need to be available for a mandatory proposal walk-thru to be scheduled sometime between August 27 and September 3 with proposals due approximately three weeks after the walk-thru.

Anticipated Design Completion Date: June 1, 2016 with actual construction work to be phased over 2016 and 2017.

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Final Publication Date: July 31, 2015

Book Review:

Throw Salt in the Water

by Larry L. Luikart

by Fred Hernandez

This is a story about one of the single defining moments in American History. While the Revolutionary War of 1776 created a nation, the Civil War of 1861 determined the kind of nation it would be. However, this is not just 'yet another story' about the Civil War, America's bloodiest clash that took 620,000 lives and left millions of injured. In this novel the author has expertly woven fact and fiction into a compelling account of true friendship between two boys and their passage to manhood in the midst of the tragedy, chaos, and the horrors of furious fighting and unfettered hatred.

The story begins innocently enough on the banks of the Ohio River between the states of Ohio and Virginia as two adolescent boys savor the magic moments of growing up in America's rural wonderland of fishing, hunting, and swimming in the river; as well as the daily chores on the homestead helping Ma and Pa with all the responsibilities and hard work of farming and raising families. But peace and tranquility is not to be as the war clouds forming on the horizon finally burst into a violent, disastrous storm of war.

The boys take opposing sides in the conflict but vow to rise above the mundane politics and rationalizations for fighting. They make a covenant not to hurt one another and honor their undying friendship with the symbolic gesture represented by two leather pouches of



Local author: Larry L. Luikart

Courtesy photo

salt which each one carries through their numerous struggles, discomforts, and difficulties throughout the war years.

Mr. Luikart displays a keen understanding of the historical facts as represented in the actual strategies and tactics employed on the battlefields of that bygone era. Yet, he has also adroitly blended into this national tragedy a tale of two boys, friends forever, morphing into manhood. This is an American story, a story of love, hope, and the importance of undying friendship. A timely narrative for our country in this day and age.



Westcliffe's 69th Annual Stampede Rodeo

Sponsored by the Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club



Classifieds

For Rent

3 BR, 2 Bath large house in aspens, pines, and creek area. 15 minutes south of town, west side. \$750/month, electric included. Good references required. Also, 2 BR and 1 Bath cottage next door. \$525/month, all utilities included. NON SMOKERS. 371-4018

For Sale

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

Help Wanted

NOTICE HELP WANTED

The Custer County Clerk & Recorder’s Office is accepting applications for a Deputy Clerk/Elections Administrator. Applicants must be highly detail oriented, a self-starter and able to work well with the public. Must also be able to operate various office equipment; lift and carry up to 35-pounds; and

also be flexible to work after hours and some weekends. A detailed job description is available in the Clerk’s Office.

You may drop off a resume, or pick up an application at the Clerk’s Office, which is located at 205 S 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO. Applications must be returned no later than the close of business on August 3th.

A pre-employment background check, and drug and alcohol screening, at the county’s expense, is required. Custer County is an equal opportunity employer.

Full-time help wanted. Male ages 18-40; \$12/hour; logging, construction, etc., in Westcliffe. Call 783-3230

Moving Sale

July 17 – 18 and 24 – 25 at 129 Cherokee Trail, Cuerno Verde. Take Rosita Road to Wykagyl OR Airport Road to Wykagyl, go north 1.7 miles. Tools, 24” – 10HP snowblower, picnic table and chairs, pictures/

paintings, Christmas items, golf, large grill, and lots more. 8 – 5 p.m., 783-3209.

July 31 and August 1 at 387 Comanche, Cuerno Verde, off of Airport Road near Cuerno Verde clubhouse and playground. Two-family moving/yard sale. Furniture, books, clothes, etc. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., cash/checks.

Real Estate

Lori Kastendieck
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719/269-0653
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Services

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(719) 371-2866

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“Firearms stand next in importance to the Constitution itself. They are the American people’s liberty teeth and keystone under independence ... from the hour the Pilgrims landed to the present day, events, occurrences and tendencies prove that to ensure peace security and happiness, the rifle and pistol are equally indispensable ... the very atmosphere of firearms anywhere restrains evil interference — they deserve a place of honor with all that’s good.”

George Washington,
First President of the United States

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.



Come and Worship



Christian Science
9:30 a.m. Worship
8 Bassick Place
Westcliffe

Church of Christ
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Worship
Wed., 6 p.m.
818 Ohio Street
Silver Cliff
719/783-4601

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
10 a.m. Sacrament Mtg.
12:10 p.m. Sunday School
240 Ridgeline Drive
Westcliffe
719/783-9356
719/404-4585

Community United Methodist Church
8 a.m. Worship
10 a.m. Worship
202 S. 6th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2511

Cody Park Community Church
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
1517 County Rd. 27A
Cotopaxi
719/942-3462
719/942-3526

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

First Baptist Church of Westcliffe
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
417 S. 6th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2498

High Country Mennonite Church
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School
110 Rosita Avenue
All Aboard Westcliffe Bldg.
Westcliffe
719/783-9045

Huerfano Community Bible Church
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
7 p.m.: Thursday Bible Study
603 Leon Street
Walsenburg
(719) 251-9053

Hope Lutheran Church
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Worship
3rd & Powell Streets
Westcliffe
719/783-9773

Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church
Diocese of Pueblo
11 a.m. Sunday Mass
10 a.m. Tuesday Mass
11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday Adoration
109 S. 5th Street
Westcliffe
719/783-3507

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



Don't love the world and what it offers.
Those who love the world don't have the Father's love in them.
Not everything that the world offers-- physical gratification, greed, and extravagant lifestyles-- comes from the Father.
1 John 2:15 - 16 GW

Sangre de Cristo Fellowship
9 a.m. Worship
Sunday School & Prayer Mtg to Resume in the Fall
120 Jerry Court
Westcliffe
719/783-0903

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

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
10:30 a.m. Worship & Eucharist
11:30 a.m. Fellowship
3rd & Rosita Streets
Westcliffe
719/783-2477

St. Patrick's Anglican Church
11 a.m. Worship
401 South Second Street
Westcliffe
719/783-2500

Valley Bible Fellowship
10 a.m. Worship
116 Hermit Lane
Silver Cliff
719/783-9050

Westcliffe Community Church
10 a.m. Worship
103 N. Adams St.
Westcliffe
719/429-4256

Wetmore Baptist Church
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
Wetmore
719/784-4197

Wetmore Community Church
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship
County Rd. 395
Wetmore
719/784-0596

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

Eateries

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

Belle's Backyard BBQ
100 S. Third Street•Westcliffe
719/371-8358
Wed. & Thur., 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Fri. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

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

Chappy's Bar & Grill
213 Main St. • Westcliffe
719/783-0813
Mon. - Thurs., 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Fri. & Sat., 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Sundays, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Hunger Buster
824 Main St. • Westcliffe
719/783-9228
Mon. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

JB's Café
104 Main Street • Westcliffe
719/783-3033
Tuesdays 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wed. - Thurs. & Sun., 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Fri. & Sat., 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Closed Mondays

Letter Drop Inn
6654 Cty. Rd. 328 • Rosita
719/783-9430
Wed. - Sun.: Starting at 5 p.m

The Lodge at San Isabel
59 Cty. Rd. 371 • San Isabel
719/489-2280
8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Closed Tuesdays

The Mining Company Restaurant
60 Main St. • Westcliffe
719/783-9144
Mon., Thurs. - Sun., 6:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tues., 6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Closed Wednesdays

Nacho Mama's
404 Main St. • Silver Cliff
719/783-3331
Mon. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Bar stays open later

Oak Creek Grade General Store, Bakery & Coffee Shop
13 miles north on Cty. Rd. 255
719/783-2245
Please call ahead

Rancher's Roost at Cliff Lanes
25 Main St. • Westcliffe
719/783-2147
Mon. - Fri., 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sat. & Sun., 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

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

Sangrita
212 Main * Westcliffe
719/783-4054
Tues., 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wed. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Reservations recommended

Silver Cliff Mountain Inn
700 Ohio Street • Silver Cliff
719/783-2688
Open 7 days a week
Sun. - Sat., 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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

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

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

Tony's Mountain Pizza
630 Main St. • Silver Cliff
719/783-9300
Mon. & Tues., 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wed.. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sundays, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Events Calendar

July 10 – August 30
Tues. – Sat., 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., & Sun., Noon – 4 p.m.: Fremont Center for the Arts presents its Family Summer Special, Disney Fine Art, an Exhibit and Sale of Disney’s Fine Artists Originals and Prints, 505 Macon, Cañon City; Admission; (719) 275-2790

Thursday, July 23 – Sunday, July 26
8 a.m.: Sangre de Cristo Summer Classic Cutting Horse Show, A Painted View Ranch; www.apaintedview.com
11: 30 a.m. – 1 p.m.: Veterans Service Officer to give a workshop on veterans issues at Ranchers Roost

Friday, July 24
6:30 p.m.: Feed Store Amphitheater, *Into the Woods*, www.jonestheater.com

Saturday, July 25
6:30 p.m.: Feed Store Amphitheater, *Into the Woods*, www.jonestheater.com

Sunday, July 26
2 p.m.: Feed Store Amphitheater, *Into the Woods*, www.jonestheater.com

Friday, July 31
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting at CC Courthouse

Monday, August 3
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting at CC Courthouse boardroom

Tuesday, August 4
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting at CC Courthouse boardroom

Wednesday, August 5
CCCD New student registration

6:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: “Hooray for Hollywood”; A fundraiser – Come to see a classic film dressed as your favorite movie star. Prizes, Surprises, Fun, Food, and Music to support the Historic Jones Theater.

Saturday and Sunday, August 8-9
9 a.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday: Wet Mountain Western Roundup at A Painted View Ranch. Come enjoy an authentic meal prepared the cowboy way, cowboy church on Sunday, and two days of music! For more information, call 719-783-9100 or see www.WetMountainWesternRoundup.com

Wednesday, August 12
Noon: BOCC meeting, San Isabel

Thursday, August 13
7 p.m.: Jones Theater: Youth Theater Musical: “Lady Pirates of the Caribbean”

Recurring Events and Business Hours

Monday
6 p.m.: Closed step study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emilie at (719) 371-5974

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

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

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

Tuesday
12 - 4:30 p.m.: Bridge Club meets in the library community room in downtown Westcliffe.
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.: Jammin’ band at The Mining Company Restaurant in Silver Cliff

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

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

Wednesday
9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Line dancers meet at the Saddle Club. Call Clem at (303) 909-7370
6 p.m.: Closed Big Book study Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172, or Emilie at (719) 371-5974
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Custer County Community Band practice in band room at high school

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

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

Friday
6 p.m.: Open discussion Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emilie (719) 371-5974

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

The Latest Search and Rescue Mission: South Branch of North Brush Creek

Custer County Search and Rescue was activated by the Sheriff’s Office Thursday, July 16th, at 09:47. They had received a call from CSRB who had coordinates for an activated SPOT Personal Locator Beacon in NW Custer County. The distress signal had been activated by the registered user. Those coordinates came to CSRB from the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) at Tyndall Air Force base in Florida.

Within the first 45 minutes, CCSAR personnel were able to contact both the girlfriend of the subject at the registered home number and the subject at 10:30, on

his cell phone – which he told his girlfriend he would power on at that time. The subject was Douglas Fox, 57, of Cripple Creek.

Mr. Fox had gone up North Brush Creek on Monday and intended to hike down the South Branch of North Brush Creek, as it appeared as a faint trail on his map. He did not realize that these types of trails are not maintained and he was also unaware of the significant blow down event in November of 2011. As a result, he became stranded and exhausted in heavy downed timber above 10,800’ in the drainage. He was requesting an air rescue, stating that he could not

go any further.

Flight for Life (FFL) responded and it appeared that this would be a lift ticket operation, inserting CCSAR personnel near the scene. Instead, the pilot chose a landing zone below the subject and one of the flight crew hiked up to the subject. It took FFL personnel about 90 minutes to reach the subject and over two hours to return to the helicopter with the subject.

FFL transported the subject to Fremont County Airport arriving at 15:40 hours, where he was transferred to CCSAR personnel. The ARFCC and CRSB were notified of the completion of the mission at 19:20 hours.

Sheriff’s Report...

On the dates below there were 221 calls for service to the Sheriff’s Office, 6 to EMS, and 2 to the Fire Dept. As of July 21st there were 5 males in the county jail.

07/13/15 15-0387
1656 hours: Party (Chauncy, Samantha - DOB in 1994) was issued a citation for driving with expired plates in the area of Highway 96, MM 26.

07/13/15 15-0388
1722 hours: Party (Visorro, Shara - DOB in 1994) was issued a citation for speeding (23-29 over) and driving while under suspension on Highway 69-South.

07/13/15 EMS
1950 hours: Medic 1 transported one party to Parkview Medical Center.

07/15/15 2015-04541
1108 hours dispatch received a call for EMS at 155 County Road 328H for a disoriented male. He was transported to Parkview.

07/15/15 2015-04569
2145 hours EMS responded to Valley Assisted Living for a possible stroke subject. Patient was transported to Parkview.

07/15/1515-0395
CCSO responded to an abandoned vehicle on CR 241.

07/15/15 15-0396
Ann Gerdes of Atlanta, Georgia received a stop sign violation at 3rd and Main Street.

07/15/15 15-0389
Nicole Lorenzen DOB in 1997 received a citation for speed 25-39 over prima facia limit on County Road 328.

07/16/15 15-400
0729 hours: Party (Dehoff, David, DOB in 1949) was issued a citation for speeding (10-19 over) on Highway 69-South, MM 56.

07/16/15 EMS
1443 hours: EMS transported party to Parkview Medical Center.

07/17/15 15-04050757
hours: Party (Stewart, George - DOB in 1967) received a citation for speeding (10-19 over) on Highway 69-South, MM 53.

07/17/15 WMFD
1643 hours: Fire personnel was called for a smoke investigation. Smoke was from a campfire at the fairgrounds. All okay.

07/17/15 15-0407
1830 hours: Party (Gius, Devin - DOB in 1993) was cited for speeding (10-19 over) near 6th Street in Westcliffe.

07/18/15 15-0409
Officers responded to a report of a verbal disturbance between parties at 10500 County Road 255. No charges were filed.

07/18/15 15-0413
Citation issued to Stefenson, Jake (DOB in 1992) for consumption of alcohol in a vehicle near County Road 241 in Westcliffe.

07/19/15 15-0416
0927 hours: Officers took a report of a theft from a local restaurant on Main Street. Report is under investigation.

07/19/15 15-0417
1157 hours: Party (Maulding, William - DOB in 1987) was cited for speeding (10-19 over) on County Road 241 in Westcliffe.

07/19/15 15-0420
1656 hours: Officers took a report of possible suspicious circumstances at 1730 Music Mountain Drive. Report is under investigation.

07/19/15 15-0421
1806 hours: Police and EMS personnel responded to a call involving a potential suicidal party. Party was transported to Parkview Medical Center for observation.

07/20/15 15-0422
0840 hours: Officers took a report of a theft that occurred on Butler Street in Silver Cliff. Report is under investigation.

07/20/15 15-0425
1532 hours: Report taken for burglary on Oak Drive. Report is under investigation.

07/20/15 15-0426
0718 hours: Officers responded to disturbance on French Street in Silver Cliff. No injuries were reported. One party was transported to Parkview Medical Center for observation.

07/21/15 15-0427
0553 hours / Hwy 96 MM 27 / Traffic Summons: Mark Grinstead (DOB 19611031) of Pueblo was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 mph over the limit.

07/21/15 15-0428
0735 hours / Main Street & 5th Street, Westcliffe / Traffic Summons: Amy Mode (DOB in 1970) of Wildorado, TX, was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 mph over the limit.

07/21/15 15-0429
1153 hours: A deputy took a report from R.J. Schultz of criminal mischief at his property on CR 132 in Westcliffe.

07/21/15 2015-04749
1321 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Main Street in Westcliffe for a civil stand-by.

07/21/15 EMS
1413 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to CR 191 in Westcliffe for a 32-year-old female suffering from difficulty breathing and chest pain. The patient was transported to Parkview Hospital in Pueblo.

07/21/15 2015-04763
2029 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Main Street in Westcliffe to conduct a welfare check.

07/21/15 15-0431
2202 hours / Main Street, Silver Cliff / Traffic Summons: John Blanchard (DOB in 1992) of Silver Cliff was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 mph over the limit.

But he said to me,
“My grace is sufficient for you,
for my power is made perfect in weakness.”
Therefore I will boast all the more gladly
about my weaknesses,
so that Christ’s power may rest on me.

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 8:30 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.
sdc.sentinel@gmail.com



Community Barn Dance and Pie Auction

by Charlotte Burrous

Dust off your boots, grab your fancy duds, and dance the night away when the Florence Chamber of Commerce hosts a community barn dance and pie auction from 5-10 p.m., August 7th, in Pioneer Park. “The chamber has hooked up with all the nonprofits and the service clubs,” said Susan Frushour, one of the organizers. “Everybody is welcome. It’s going to be all family fun.”

As part of the festivities, caller Jim Adair will offer free square dance and free line dance lessons for everyone attending the event. In between, pie auctions, raffles and prizes will take place along with music and lots of fun.

During the event, Fremont County nonprofits and service clubs will either sell a product or provide a service, including inflatables, a climbing wall and numerous other activities for children and the young at heart. In conjunction, the groups will offer either two homemade baked pies, cakes or other items to sell during the auction. “We’re calling it a pie auction, but they can do any baked goods,” Frushour said. “They can sell slices in their booth then the other pie (or cake or cookies), which will be decorated to the hilt, will be auctioned off. All the money they make in their booths, they get to keep. It all goes to them and their group to promote their mission so it comes back into

the community again.”

Joining the chamber includes the City of Florence, nonprofits and service clubs, such as Habitat for Humanity, Florence Pioneer Museum, Florence Senior Community Center, Florence Rotary, JJ’s Helping Paws, Orchard of Hope Foundation, Order of Eagles, VFW Auxiliary, Florence Elks Lodge No. 611, and Florence Farmers Market. Several others also have been invited to join in the festivities, as well, but have not committed yet, she said. In conjunction, Mayor Keith Ore and members from the Florence City Council have been invited to attend the barn dance and meet the residents and visitors, she said.

The idea of the barn dance began with a group of residents who realized some of the nonprofits and service clubs are too small to do an event like this on their own. This event will provide an opportunity to help Fremont County’s own service and nonprofits with extra funds.

“The chamber is not out to make money,” Frushour said. “The chamber is out to bring the community together. We use the service clubs’ and nonprofits’ service so this is a fun way to come out and say ‘hello.’” The barn dance and pie auction is free and open to the community. For more information, call 784-3544.

Marine Corps Golf Tournament

by Charlotte Burrous

The Royal Gorge Detachment No. 1318 will host its seventh annual Marine Corps League Golf Tournament at 8 a.m., August 22d, in Sumo Golf Village at 5201 Gary Player Drive south of Florence. “The proceeds will be given to the Bruce McCandless Colorado State Veterans Nursing Residents Fund and other veteran activities,” said committee chairman Dick Erickson.

This year’s event begins at 7 a.m. with registration, followed by a shotgun start at 8 a.m.

Participants in the golf tournament will pay \$85 per person or \$340 for a four-person team, which includes a free lunch. Participants also are eligible to receive cash prizes for the closest to the pin, hole-in-one,

and the longest drive, as well as the first, second, and third place teams. Drawings from local vendors also will be distributed following the tournament. In conjunction, tickets will be available for Mulligans, poker, and 50/50 drawings. The Royal Gorge Detachment of the Marine Corps League invites everyone who is interested to become members or associate members of the local chapter to participate in the fundraising efforts. Sponsors also are needed, which include Medal of Honor sponsors at \$1,000; \$500 for Bronze Star sponsors; \$250 for Purple Heart sponsors, or \$50 for hole sponsors. Checks may be mailed to Royal Gorge Detachment No. 1318, P.O. Box 1376, Cañon City, CO 81215.

For more information, contact Erickson at 719-205-7521 or at crickent71@msn.com.

One Ring Scams and More

by Jen L. O’Connor

CCPD Crime Prevention

The Cañon City Police Department would like to remind residents of the craftiness of scammers in their un-ending attempts to get your money. One such scam that is making a comeback is the “one-ring” phone call. This is when someone calls just long enough for your phone to ring once. Typically the number shows up on your caller ID as from an area code and phone number unknown to you.

These scammers rarely leave a message; they count on inquisitive folks or those anxious not to miss a single call. Once you return this particular type of call, you may hear ads for items (racking up charges per minute) or the call back gives the scammer permission to implement charges on your phone bill through a third party. In rare instances a message may be left that sounds something like this “This is an important call, please call back right away” and the person calls back and the charges commence. No matter what the pitch, the charges will show up on your phone bill.

You can talk to the phone company and in most cases, the phone company will cancel them. Again, the best prevention is not to answer or call back numbers that you are not familiar with, and, if a message is left that actually says a company

name, to check with a valid source of information for the company phone number before calling back. These days it is just not wise to trust the number left by random callers.

The second scam reminder is regarding attempts to get your credit or bank information. These folks say they are from Netflix or Verizon, or some other well-known company and that something has happened to your account and they need to verify information. They can be very persistent, sound very official, and get very threatening, but all they are doing is trying to get your credit card numbers or bank routing/accounting information. If you receive one of these calls and are concerned about your account information, look on your most recent bill for the customer service number and call that number to check.

Remember, if they are calling or emailing YOU and telling you you’ve won a contest or asking for more information or money, or threatening you in any way, it’s likely a scam. For more information on scam trends, please call the Crime Prevention Unit at 719-276-5600 x7 or email jlconner@canon-city.org

“How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.”

Anne Frank



St. John Lutheran Church Car Show

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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.

Islamist Murders Marines--Prophetic or Coincidence?

Within 24 hours of the White House announcement of a nuclear deal with Iran and Israel's harsh rebuttal of that deal as a "stunning historic mistake," five people, four of them U.S. marines, were murdered by an Islamist. Kuwaiti-born Muhammad Youssef Abdulazeez picked a "no gun" zone at two military facilities in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and sprayed bullets as he drove from a recruiting office in a strip mall to a naval training center seven miles down the road. He was finally shot and killed by a police officer. American lives were taken on our soil by yet another Islamist, this time, almost immediately after the announcement of coming against Israel through the Iranian nuclear agreement. Prophetic, coincidence, unrelated?

Seen from time to time at the Islamic Society of Greater Chattanooga, authorities say that Abdulazeez was not on the "radar" of Homeland Security or any other federal agency. AP reports that "The U.S. National Counterterrorism Center said it has seen nothing so far to connect Abdulazeez to any terrorist organization, but intelligence officials are monitoring the investigation closely. The Islamic State group has been encouraging extremists to carry out attacks in the US, and several such homegrown acts or plots have unfolded in recent months." Elected officials refuse to suspend their disbelief that such a "peaceful religion" would routinely commit such horrible acts in the name of religion.

This is the problem with Islam in America. Islam is a political and military system disguised as a religion. It uses "religious

freedom" to advance its politics and uses radicalized terrorists as its military. There are over 100 verses in the Koran that instruct Muslims to slaughter infidels and bring them under submission to Islam. It is neither peaceful nor a religion. It is a caliph, a dictatorship, a thearchy--a political system based on government of men who claim to act on behalf of a god. This is why Islam is antithetical to a constitutional Republic or, for that matter, any form of democratic rule. In short, by allowing Islam to exist in America, we are giving place to a thearchy that seeks to overthrow our form of government.

Notwithstanding, it is curious that such a brutal attack would come on the heels of a "president" announcing a deal with a terrorist-sponsoring state that jeopardizes the long-term security of Israel. While we know that we are not in the "Day of the Lord" in the context of the very end of times, we do know that prophecy unveils itself in layers. Zechariah 12:3 says, "And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces..." Given that America has allowed Islam to colonize within its shores, and that the current Administration has been hostile toward Israel, we may be in a time where prophecy layers are being revealed. Coming to mind is Jeremiah 51:14, "I will fill thee with men, as with locusts; and they shall raise a battle cry against thee."

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!
Bill Wilson
www.dailyjot.com
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Book Review

A Time to Kill: The Myth of Christian Pacifism

by Greg Hopkins

by Mike Vanderboegh,
Sipseystreetirregulars

(Editor/GG: Maybe the most important book for a Christian to read and study in today's disintegrating world. Evil and sin must be confronted, not tolerated or condoned. With the marxists in our government accelerating their pogrom against Christians and liberty and the muslims slaughtering thousands of Christian men, women, and children around the world and now here in the U.S., we must make a stand. The only people left to do it is us. And time is short. The book is available at Amazon.com.)

One of the few bright moments at the AGCA show this past weekend was the chance to meet Greg Hopkins, author of *A Time to Kill: The Myth of Christian Pacifism*.

As the Amazon blurb explains:

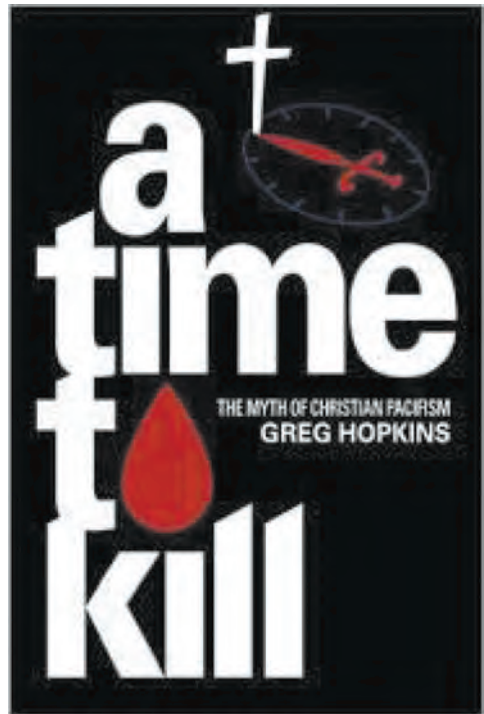
This book is about decisions. Not the everyday kind such as "What should I wear today?" or "Where shall we eat tonight?" but decisions that deal with life, death, and protecting the innocent. Self defense is not only about individual survival; self defense can also decide the fate of a nation and all its citizens. "A Time to Kill: The Myth of Christian Pacifism" answers questions such as: Do federal, state, and local laws allow citizens to defend themselves against criminal attack? What means are available for self defense? What strategies should one use to avoid potential conflict. Can Christians defend themselves against Islamic extremists? Is pacifism in the Bible? Do the Gospels say Jesus was a pacifist? What if God commands us to use deadly force to defend the innocent? How do Jesus and the New Testament writers feel about the military? What does the Bible say about the death penalty? Can Christians sit on juries and vote for the death penalty? Can Jesus' teachings help soldiers with combat-induced PTSD? Does the Bible have a consistent message about self-defense from the Old Testament to the New?"

After picking up a copy from Greg and retreating to my table, I began to read. (Here is Greg's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/bibleselfdefense) The Preface alone contains nuggets such as these:

Since God shows us the difference between good and evil, between life and death, we can make decisions in a godly manner. So why are so many Christians unsure about self defense? There has always been a vague notion of pacifism in Christianity, centered on what I believe to be a misconception of Jesus' words and actions. Sincere, well-intentioned, loving Christians take that misconception and the Bible's clear commands to take care of and show kindness to others and convince themselves that they cannot justifiably take a life under any circumstances. Taking the Bible's admonitions to preserve innocent life and some of Jesus' statements, they extrapolate that to an aversion to take the life of the guilty as well. Their intentions are noble and they mean well, but their understanding of Scripture on the subject is lacking, and the results can be tragic. Despite their intent to hold life precious, their stance amounts to a refusal to protect innocent life. . . Despite the good intentions of many, pacifism kills. -- Preface, page xiii.

Hopkins continues, "It is all about stewardship."

Whether we are concealed-carry permit holders, police, or soldiers, we have accepted the same obligation as shepherds: to protect, preserve, grow, and defend the good in this world. A shepherd is a kind of steward. Steward is an Old English/Scottish term for one who stands responsible to care for the belongings and/or family of another. Placed in a Biblical context, stewardship is responsible caretaking based on the idea that I own nothing -- I just manage it for God. -- Preface, page xv.



Hopkins further expounds in clear, concise prose on the concept of Christian stewardship:

So stewardship is the basis for self-defense. The steward's job is to be conscious of a duty to preserve and increase what is good and what is God's. As a husband and father, it is clearly my duty to first preserve my life so I am available to my family as long as possible, and then to love and nurture my wife and children and preserve their lives. If necessary, it means I will give up my life to save theirs. Not only that, but the longer I am here, the more good I can do and the more people I can introduce to Jesus. -- Preface, page xvi.

I have been recuperating since the show and have not had time to do more than skim the contents presented after the Preface and Introduction, but I highly recommend this volume to all who would like to understand and, more importantly, pass along to others, the biblical basis of armed self-defense.

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**But seek first the kingdom of God
and His righteousness, and all
these things shall be added to you.**

Matt 6:33, NKJV

What if the Illegals Left?

by Tina Griego,
Denver Rocky Mountain News
(now defunct)

(Editor/GG: This has been widely published all over the internet and in the print media. Tina has done her research. A lot of Colorado facts in the article, too. Keep this article when the immigration topic comes up with a liberal. Game over.)

I, Tina Griego, journalist for the Denver Rocky Mountain News wrote a column titled, "Mexican Visitor's Lament."

I interviewed Mexican journalist Evangelina Hernandez while visiting Denver last week. Hernandez said, "Illegal aliens pay rent, buy groceries, buy clothes. What happens to your country's economy if 20 million people go away?"

Hmmm, I thought, what would happen?

So I did my due diligence, buried my nose as a reporter into the FACTS I found below.

It's a good question... it deserves an honest answer. Over 80% of Americans demand secured borders and illegal migration stopped. But what would happen if all 20 million or more vacated America? The answers I found may surprise you!

In California, if 3.5 million illegal aliens moved back to Mexico, it would leave an extra \$10.2 billion to spend on overloaded school systems, bankrupt hospitals, and over-run prisons. It would leave highways cleaner, safer, and less congested. Everyone could understand one another as English became the dominant language again.

In Colorado, 500,000 illegal migrants, plus their 300,000 kids and grandkids would move back "home," mostly to Mexico. That would save Colorado an estimated \$2 billion (other experts say \$7 billion) annually in taxes that pay for schooling, medical, social-services, and incarceration costs. It means 12,000 gang members would vanish out of Denver alone.

Colorado would save more than \$20 million in prison costs, and the terror that those 7,300 alien criminals set upon local citizens. Denver Officer Don Young and hundreds of Colorado victims would not have suffered death, accidents, rapes, and other crimes by illegals.

Denver Public Schools would not suffer a 67% dropout/flunk rate because of thousands of illegal alien students speaking 41 different languages. At least 200,000 vehicles would vanish from our gridlocked cities in Colorado. Denver's 4% unemployment rate would vanish as our working poor would gain jobs at a living wage.

In Florida, 1.5 million illegals would return the Sunshine State back to America, the rule of law, and English.

In Chicago, Illinois, 2.1 million illegals would free up hospitals, schools, prisons, and highways for a safer, cleaner, and more crime-free experience.

If 20 million illegal aliens returned 'home,' the U.S. Economy would return to the rule of law. Employers would hire legal American citizens at a living wage. Everyone

would pay their fair share of taxes because they wouldn't be working off the books. That would result in an additional \$401 billion in IRS income taxes collected annually, and an equal amount for local, state, and city coffers.

No more push '1' for Spanish or '2' for English. No more confusion in American schools that now must contend with over 100 languages that degrade the educational system for American kids. Our overcrowded schools would lose more than two million illegal alien kids at a cost of billions in ESL and free breakfasts and lunches.

We would lose 500,000 illegal criminal alien inmates at a cost of more than \$1.6 billion annually. That includes 15,000 MS-13 gang members who distribute \$130 billion in drugs annually would vacate our country.

In cities like L.A., 20,000 members of the '18th Street Gang' would vanish from our nation. No more Mexican forgery gangs for ID theft from Americans! No more foreign rapists and child molesters!

Losing more than 20 million people would clear up our crowded highways and gridlock. Cleaner air and less drinking and driving would lessen American deaths by illegal aliens!

America's economy is drained. Taxpayers are harmed. Employers get rich. Over \$80 billion annually wouldn't return to the aliens' home countries by cash transfers. Illegal migrants earned half that money untaxed, which further drains America's economy which currently suffers an \$8.7 trillion debt. \$8.7 trillion debt!!!

At least 400,000 anchor babies would not be born in our country, costing us \$109 billion per year per cycle. At least 86 hospitals in California, Georgia, and Florida would still be operating instead of being bankrupt out of existence because illegals pay nothing via the EMTO-LA Act. Americans wouldn't suffer thousands of TB and hepatitis cases rampant in our country - brought in by illegals unscreened at our borders.

Our cities would see 20 million less people driving, polluting, and grid locking our cities. It would also put the 'progressives' on the horns of a dilemma; illegal aliens and their families cause 11% of our greenhouse gases.

Over one million of Mexico's poorest citizens now live inside and along our border from Brownsville, Texas, to San Diego, California, in what *The New York Times* called, 'colonias' or new neighborhoods. Trouble is, those living areas resemble Bombay and Calcutta where grinding poverty, filth, diseases, drugs, crimes, no sanitation, and worse. They live without sewage, clean water, streets, roads, electricity, or any kind of sanitation.

The New York Times reported them to be America's new 'Third World' inside our own country. Within 20 years, at their current growth rate, they expect 20 million residents of those colonials. (I've seen them personally in Texas and Arizona; it's sickening beyond anything you can imagine.)

By enforcing our laws, we could repatriate them back to Mexico. We

should invite 20 million aliens to go home, fix their own countries and/or make a better life in Mexico. We already invite a million people into our country legally annually, more than all other countries combined. We cannot and must not allow anarchy at our borders, more anarchy within our borders and growing lawlessness at every level in our nation.

It's time to stand up for our country, our culture, our civilization, and our way of life.

Interesting statistics!

Here are 14 reasons illegal aliens should vacate America, and I hope they are forwarded over and over again until they are read so many times that the reader gets sick of reading them:

1. \$14 billion to \$22 billion dollars are spent each year on welfare to illegal aliens (that's Billion with a 'B')

3. \$7.5 billion dollars are spent each year on Medicaid for illegal aliens.

4. \$12 billion dollars are spent each year on primary and secondary school education for children here illegally and they still cannot speak a word of English!

5. \$27 billion dollars are spent each year for education for the American-born children of illegal aliens, known as anchor babies.

6. \$3 Million Dollars 'PER DAY' is spent to incarcerate illegal aliens. That's \$1.2 Billion a year.

7. 28% percent of all federal prison inmates are illegal aliens.

8. \$190 billion dollars are spent each year on illegal aliens for welfare and social services by the American taxpayers.

9. \$200 billion dollars per year in suppressed American wages are caused by the illegal aliens.

10. The illegal aliens in the United States have a crime rate that's two and a half times that of white non-illegal aliens. In particular, their children are going to make a huge additional crime problem in the US.

11. During the year 2005, there were 8 to 10 MILLION illegal aliens that crossed our southern border with as many as 19,500 illegal aliens from other terrorist countries. Over 10,000 of those were middle-eastern terrorists. Millions of pounds of drugs, cocaine, meth, heroin, crack, guns, and marijuana crossed into the U.S. from the southern border.

12. The National Policy Institute, estimates that the total cost of mass deportation would be between \$206 and \$230 billion, or an average cost of between \$41 and \$46 billion annually over a five year period.

13. In 2006, illegal aliens sent home \$65 BILLION in remittances back to their countries of origin, to their families and friends.

14. The dark side of illegal immigration: Nearly one million sex crimes are committed by illegal immigrants in the United States!

Total cost a whopping \$538.3 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR !

Please see: <http://www.alipac.us/f9/what-if-they-all-left-illegal-aliens-20-million-258337/>

No, The Donald Isn't Shutting Up

by Karl Denninger,
Market-Ticker.Org

(Editor/GG: How refreshing. A politician telling the truth. Illegal immigration is destroying our country. Period. The republicans and Dems are BOTH not only allowing it, but encouraging it. (And don't tell me the republicans are not enabling it. They could have shut this issue down multiple times during budget talks by refusing to budge and force Obama to shut the government down. Same with other issues. Nope, they are ONLY worried about their political career and don't give a darn above what is right for America.)

And as noted below, same with the "free-trade" issue: Fact - in every single free-trade deal, we developed a WORSE trade balance with the opposite country. So, WHY DO THESE? Why ship our best jobs overseas?)

Heh heh heh....

"Real-estate magnate Donald Trump is on a roll. And three-plus weeks into his presidential campaign, he doesn't seem to be slowing down.

Not even a phone call from the leader of the national Republican Party — reportedly asking the presidential candidate to "tone it down" when it comes to his crusade against illegal immigration — has had much of an effect."

There's a funny thing that happens when you reach your personal threshold of **** you money: **Your middle finger gets a lot of exercise.**

Now this is not to say you should use it willy-nilly, but there's a point at which anyone with two firing neurons has to put a few facts on the ground together when it comes to public policy.

The first is that our so-called *trade deals* have been, on the

numbers, an abject **disaster** for American employment and our economy. They have made a very few people very wealthy, but it is a **fact** that every one of these deals with an emerging, developing or middle-market nation has led to a **worsening** trade balance with the nation we signed it with.

That's exactly the opposite of what is claimed to be expected in every single case and we have an **unbroken** record in this regard when it comes to the middle-tier and so-called developing world (e.g. Mexico, China, et al.)

The second is that illegal immigration is a *metastatic cancer* that is destroying our country. It is a simple fact that when someone's *first* act upon entry to a nation is to behave in a lawless manner, and by definition when you come here without going through proper procedure *you have broken the law*, expecting them to suddenly give a darn about our laws and customs is idiotic. They won't and they don't; **that was demonstrated with the first step over the border.**

Trump has one big flaw in his campaign to this point -- he has not, *so far*, talked about the 900 pound elephant in the room when it comes to economics. **That's health care and the monopoly and restraint-of-trade abuses within it.**

If he can go there, *make the connection with the American people* and sell to them the truth -- ***if we put a stop to that c**p and jail everyone involved in it, your standard of living will skyrocket.*** He will be unstoppable.

The best part of it is that he doesn't have to twist the truth to get there. He simply has to do what he does best: **Be loud, clear, and convincing.**

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“The supposed quietude of a good man allures the ruffian; while on the other hand arms, like laws, discourage and keep the invader and plunderer in awe, and preserve order in the world as property. The same balance would be preserved were all the world destitute of arms, for all would be alike; but since some will not, others dare not lay them aside ... Horrid mischief would ensue were the law-abiding deprived of the use of them.”

Thomas Paine

Planned Parenthood Uses Partial-Birth Abortions to Sell Baby Parts

by Center For Medical Progress

(Editor/GG: Abortion is the crown jewel of liberalism. A sacred monument to evil that the left endorses with all its being. This is where the democrats have put us: killing babies and selling their body parts to make money to kill more babies. Ask your local democrat how they feel about that? Note that this is a federal felony and Obama's corrupt DOJ ignores it (actually probably encourages it). The wrath of God will fall on America for us allowing this to happen. Time to stand up and destroy this evil that has overcome our country.)

LOS ANGELES, July 14—

New undercover footage shows Planned Parenthood Federation of America's Senior Director of Medical Services, Dr. Deborah Nucatola, describing how Planned Parenthood sells the body parts of aborted fetuses, and admitting she uses partial-birth abortions to supply intact body parts.

In the video, Nucatola is at a

business lunch with actors posing as buyers from a human biologics company. As head of PPFA's Medical Services department, Nucatola has overseen medical practice at all Planned Parenthood locations since 2009. She also trains new Planned Parenthood abortion doctors and performs abortions herself at Planned Parenthood Los Angeles up to 24 weeks.

The buyers ask Nucatola, "How much of a difference can that actually make, if you know kind of what's expected, or what we need?"

"It makes a huge difference," Nucatola replies. "I'd say a lot of people want liver. And for that reason, most providers will do this case under ultrasound guidance, so they'll know where they're putting their forceps. The kind of rate-limiting step of the procedure is calvarium. Calvarium—the head—is basically the biggest part."

Nucatola explains, "We've been very good at getting heart, lung, liver, because we know that, so

I'm not gonna crush that part, I'm gonna basically crush below, I'm gonna crush above, and I'm gonna see if I can get it all intact."

"I'd say a lot of people want liver. And for that reason, most providers will do this case under ultrasound guidance, so they'll know where they're putting their forceps."

"And with the calvarium, in general, some people will actually try to change the presentation so that it's not vertex," she continues. "So if you do it starting from the breech presentation, there's dilation that happens as the case goes on, and often, the last step, you can evacuate an intact calvarium at the end."

Using ultrasound guidance to manipulate the fetus from vertex to breech orientation before intact extraction is the hallmark of the illegal partial-birth abortion procedure (18 U.S.C. 1531).

Nucatola also reveals that Planned Parenthood's national office is concerned about their liability for the sale of fetal parts: "At the national office, we have a Litiga-

la's work to facilitate connections for fetal tissue collection. "Oh good," Richards says when told about Nucatola's support for fetal tissue collection at Planned Parenthood, "Great. She's amazing."

The video is the first by The Center for Medical Progress in its "Human Capital" series, a nearly 3-year-long investigative journalism study of Planned Parenthood's illegal trafficking of aborted fetal parts. Project Lead David Daleiden notes: "Planned Parenthood's criminal conspiracy to make money off of aborted baby parts reaches to the very highest levels of their organization. Elected officials must listen to the public outcry for Planned Parenthood to be held accountable to the law and for our tax dollars to stop underwriting this barbaric abortion business."

Please see: <http://www.centerformedicalprogress.org/2015/07/planned-parent-hoods-top-doctor-praised-by-ceo-uses-partial-birth-abortions-to-sell-baby-parts/>

Colorado College Professor: Blacks Perpetuate Racism by Believing in American Dream

by Chad Dees,
Conner Dunleavy,
CampusReform.Org

(Editor/GG: Another white hat-ing, marxist, black educational racist, making a ton of money as a professor probably teaching two classes a week, infecting our children with hatred of our fellow citizens and condemning capitalism as she cashes her taxpayer paycheck. Nice job University of Colorado. And I hate to tell you this, patriots, she is not a lone wolf, she represents the attitude of academia today towards the '1 country that made them rich. We need to take back our educational system. Like RIGHT NOW.)

Blacks who fall for the allure of the American Dream are perpetuating racism, according to one University of Colorado-Colo-rado Springs professor.

In a radio interview on NPR's *The Big Something*, Women's and Ethnic Studies Professor Stephany Rose claimed that African-Americans who believe in the American Dream are falling for the allure of "white supremacy ideology," according to an

article in The College Fix.

In the interview with Dr. Heidi Lewis of Colorado College, Rose argued that minorities have been conditioned to accept "white supremacy" by American society.

"White supremacist ideology is alluring, not just to those that identify as white, but because it is the norm in terms of the domi-native narrative because it is such a normalized perspective, that there are people regardless of race, regardless of ethnicity, that buy into what white supremacist ideology is. And that's the only way that hegemony works."

Rose argued that a post-racial society is a myth and African-Americans who buy into it are perpetuating it.

"It doesn't help when we have prominent black people in media perpetuating an idea that [America is post-racial]," Rose said. "It's really difficult, I find, to try to have the conversations we want to have and do the things we want to do when people's thought is still stuck there. So white supremacist ideology doesn't work simply because white people in-

vest in it, but because there are other communities that invest in the idea that this is normal, that capitalism is normal."

Rose went on to complain about specific African-Americans in the media, including CNN personality Don Lemon, singer Pharrell Williams, and actress and Fox News commentator Stacey Dash.

"So when you come across these individuals, like a Stacey Dash, there is this idea that they buy into the mythology of merit, and meritocracy, and the American dream is available to any and everyone one as long as you work hard, and it's not," she said.

In May, Rose was the keynote speaker at White Privilege & Practices of Social Justice: A Symposium, a conference that defined white privilege as "the other side of racism that benefits those commonly understood as white and thereby oppressing those who are not white."

Rose did not respond to Campus Reform's request for comment in time for publication.

Please see: <http://www.campus-reform.org/?ID=6669>

Dems Defeated! Top GOP Presidential Candidates Win Across the Board in Colorado

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Top GOP presidential contenders have a solid lead in Colorado over key Democrats vying for the White House, according to a Quinnipiac University Poll released this morning.

Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, and Vice President Joe Biden were all defeated in separate match-ups with Marco Rubio, Jeb Bush, and Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker.

The strongest Republican candidate showing in Colorado in previous polls was Rubio, and in today's showing he still takes down Clinton 46-38, Biden 49-35, and Sanders 46-35.

However, Walker gained the largest support over Clinton 47-38, and defeats Biden 48-36, and Sanders 44-36.

"Hillary Clinton's numbers on

honesty and trust may border on abysmal but Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker, the GOP front runner, is still battling a name recognition handicap," said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll. "Do Colorado voters trust Hillary? No, they do not. Do they think she cares about their needs? No they do not."

Bush defeated all three Democrats, although his showing was not as strong as Walker and Rubio. In the head-to-head with Clinton, Bush polled 41 percent over Clinton's 36. With Biden, Bush took 45 to Biden's 36 percent. Against Sanders, Bush wins 43 to 37.

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Murder Rates Plummet As Concealed Carry Soars

by Bob Owens,
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Anti-gun members of the media and the Democrat Party keep lying about the fictional problem of “gun violence,” but hard data shows yet again that more guns equals less crime. (See: www.washingtontimes.com/news/2015/jul/14/murder-rates-drop-as-concealed-carry-permits-soar-/)

The number of concealed carry handgun permits has skyrocketed since President Obama was first elected, while murder rates have fallen, according to a new report set to be released Wednesday.

Since 2007, the number of concealed handgun permits has soared from 4.6 million to over 12.8 million, according to the report from the Crime Prevention Research Center.

And the number is increasing

faster every year. Over 1.7 million new permits were issued last year — a 15.4 percent increase from 2013, according to the report. It is the largest-ever single-year increase in the number of permits.

The number of people that carry concealed handguns is likely even higher, since permits are not required in seven states.

More women are getting permits than men, the report stated. Since 2007, permits for women have increased by 270 percent and for men by 156 percent.

At the same time, murder rates have fallen from 5.6 to 4.2 per 100,000, about a 25 percent drop. Overall violent crime also fell by 25 percent, according to the report.

For nearly 30 years, supporters of gun control have been hysterically proclaiming that

“blood in the streets” will accompany to expansion of concealed carry rights from state to state, and when that didn’t come true, they claimed that bodies would pile up as the number of locations within each state where citizens can carry have expanded, and “gun free zones” have shrunk in both size and number.

They’re been wrong consistently with these claims.

It’s going to be interesting to see how gun control groups will attempt to pick apart and spin the data from the report, but the simple fact of the matter is that they’re only playing to a ever-smaller echo chamber as more and more Americans embrace their Second Amendment rights.

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Listen to People Actually Attacked, Folks

by Karl Denninger,
Market-Ticker.Org

What does someone think who actually had to defend their own life with a gun?

Here’s the truth:

1. Criminals will always have guns; this is not about them.
2. Americans have a constitutional right to bear arms. Humans have a right to defend themselves. If we didn’t have the Second Amendment, we would create it.
3. You can’t control everything; but if it makes you feel better, go with a simple law preventing violent offenders from buying firearms. Make it “violent” offenders rather than “white collar” offenders, or most of Capitol Hill won’t be allowed to own them.
4. Get a gun, get legal, be responsible, trust yourself. Don’t trust yourself? Then don’t carry. But for God’s sake then, shut the heck up about it, because that’s where

your involvement ends.

Exactly.

There is no means to stop criminals from gaining arms. None. By definition criminals do not give a damn what the law says.

You have a human right to defend yourself. If you don’t want to exercise it that’s your decision but you have absolutely no right to tell anyone else that they may not.

Ask people who have been robbed, raped, assaulted, or otherwise found themselves in a really bad spot -- with or without a gun. Those who had one are invariably happy they did, whether they got to use it or not. Those who did not have a gun with them at the time nearly-universally wish they did have one.

Duh.

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Here’s What Liberal Site Learned After Investigating “Mothers Packing Heat”

by Jason Howerton,
TheBlaze.com

Liberal website Jezebel published an “investigation of mothers packing heat” on Monday and seemingly discovered that women gun owners “defy stereotypes of age, geographical location, race and, yes, even political affiliation.”

The “investigation” focused mostly on the Facebook group Sheepdog Mama, a community for pro-gun moms that currently has nearly 5,000 members. Instead of explosive debate on the divisive issue of guns, the page features thousands of mothers who are concerned with mostly one thing: protecting their families.

Here are just a few of the personal stories cited:

Andrea Forte was at work when she received the call that her child’s school was on lockdown. Someone had threatened to “kill all of the children” in her four-year-old daughter’s classroom.

“I couldn’t protect my child... I was powerless and had to let it play out however it happened,” said Forte, a 31-year-old mother of two. The threat was unrealized, but Forte decided then to carry a firearm whenever she could. On school grounds, where firearms are prohibited, she carries a stun gun and pepper spray.

Amber Haggard, on the other hand, was prepared when one day, after leaving a restaurant with her two young children, a disheveled man approached her asking for money.

The 26 year old didn’t lose her cool, but when the man refused to leave after she politely told him she didn’t have anything to give, Haggard sensed the situation was escalating. The third time she asked him to step away, she brandished her weapon, a Smith and Wesson Shield 9mm pistol, and warned him that she would protect herself and her kids if she had to.

Like all responsible gun owners, Haggard,

one of the women referenced above, said she hopes she “never” has to pull the trigger on her defense weapon — but is prepared to do so if the situation calls for it.

The Jezebel report also notes that women tend to be “more cautious” than men in regard to firearms and the rate of gun ownership among women hit 23 percent in 2011, a 77 percent jump from 2004.

However, the article also cites a professor at the Harvard School of Public Health who claimed there is “no good evidence that having a gun is going to make you any safer.” In fact, citing a study regularly used by anti-gun advocates, he claimed owning a gun makes households more unsafe.

“That’s why pediatricians tell parents to get rid of their guns,” David Hemenway said.

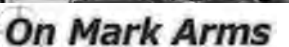
However, freelance writer Louisa Fitzgerald circled back to point out that a firearm also can serve as an equalizer for a woman facing a much larger and stronger attacker.

That’s why Melody Lauer, moderator of the Sheepdog Mama Facebook group and mother to three children, told Jezebel that it’s still important for a mother to be prepared to protect herself and her kids in the event of an attack, even if it’s unlikely.

The mother put it like this: “People commonly ask me what I’m afraid of in that I carry a gun, and my response is always, ‘I’m not afraid of anything.’ And most of these [moms], I don’t think that they are afraid, I don’t think that’s the driving force.”

She added, “It’s more along the lines of it’s a logical step of preparation, like, I’m not afraid that my house is going to set on fire, but I’m going to go out and get a fire extinguisher, just in case.”

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If You're Not Done, You're Not American

by Karl Denninger,
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(Editor/GG: I believe we have had seven attacks by muslims resulting in dozens of deaths of our citizens and military IN THE U.S. since Nobama took office. In return, he's giving the head of the islamic snake, Iran, \$100 Billion dollars (frozen assets) and letting them build nuclear bombs so they can bomb Israel and US and even their own muslim "brothers" (the religion of peace, don't forget). He is also allowing over 100,000 muslims into this country every year. (There are over 2 million foreign born muslims in this country now and they are projecting over 10 million more in just a few years!) and planting them

in enclaves in cities where they can maintain their truly medieval culture (read: hate America and Christianity) and not integrate into OUR culture. Islam is a cancer, folks. It was born in hate, rape, murder, pedophilia, and enslavement and it has not changed an iota in 1500 years. It is NOT a religion. At best, it is an evil theocracy. Wake up. Nobama and the democrats (including over local bolsheviks) hate this country and they are well on their way to destroy it. It's time to take our country back.)

From Reuters:

Four Marines were killed on Thursday by a gunman who opened fire at two military offices in



Chattanooga, Tennessee, before being fatally shot in an attack officials called a brazen, brutal act of domestic terrorism.

The FBI named the suspect as Mohammad Youssuf Abdulazez, 24, but said it was too early to speculate on a motive for the rampage, which comes at a time when U.S. military and law enforcement authorities are increasingly concerned about the threat posed by "lone wolves" to domestic targets.

Of course it's an act of domestic terrorism. Not only is it reported that the gunman was blogging about Islam in the days before he did this, ISIS apparently took to Twitter to claim both the attack and the gunman as "one of theirs" within minutes of it happening. All we're missing (so far) is someone with a cellphone video of him screaming "Allah Akhbar!" as he fired.

If you remember just recently ISIS said they were going to do exactly this -- start attacking people here, in particular military installations and personnel. Well?

The gunman was killed but here's the point: A Jackass (like this guy) who wants a

gun is going to get one, and he is going to attempt whatever he intends. The cops (and military) cannot be everywhere with armed security all the time. But we can be, we collectively are, and we have a 2nd Amendment designed for exactly this sort of situation -- both as a deterrent and, if that fails, as a means of defending oneself.

The Second Amendment is both brief and clear -- it states that the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

In light of the fact that ISIS said they were going to come here, they appear to have made good on that threat and we are too politically correct to do any

thing preemptive about this (nor will we even entertain the debate over whether we should!) we are all left with, as Americans exactly one option:

We must all, now, demand that the Second Amendment be honored as written. No d***ed permits. No bull****. No kidding. Right now, right here, today.

If you're not willing to stand and demand this, right here, right now, today, then renounce your citizenship at the nearest consulate and get out.

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Denver's Little Sisters of the Poor Lose Obamacare Birth Control Case

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: The left's war on God, Christianity, and the moral foundation of our country continues. The birth control mandate in Obamacare was intentionally inserted to destroy Christian churches, hospitals, charities, etc. The dems wrote the law and passed the law knowing full well that corrupt, left-wing judiciary (starting with our renegade U.S. Supreme Court) would use it to dismantle our religion. Better wake up, Christians. They'll be shutting down your churches and arresting you for talking about God soon.)



Courtesy photo

Little Sisters of the Poor

tions, the latest victims in their wake are the Little Sisters of the Poor, a Denver-based religious order of Catholic nuns who devote their lives to the care of the elderly poor in 30 nations.

They had been faithfully performing their mission since 1839, with little or no government interference. In fact, their charity has been helping governments around the world take care

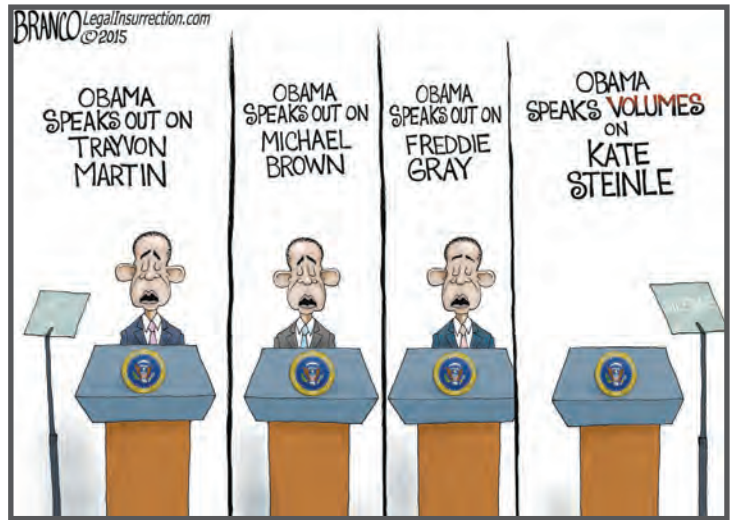
of their elderly populations for generations. But things changed with passage of the strangely-worded "Affordable Care Act."

While the Little Sisters have been providing affordable care – actually free care – for nearly two centuries, they were suddenly told by the Obama Administration they now need to somehow provide birth control to their employees, who, by vow, are chaste. So much for keeping the government out of people's bedrooms and cloisters.

The Obamacare regulations have a religious exemption carved out, but it is really a hollow one. If a religious organization does not want

to provide contraceptive services as part of their health care plan, they file an exemption, and a third party comes in to provide birth control services. The problem here is that the Little Sisters have no desire to employ people who are getting birth control as part of their employment – as it is against their faith.

This government edict was obviously counter to the Catholic faith that thousands of Little Sisters have dedicated their lives to over the years, but that free exercise clause doesn't seem to mean much to the Obama Administration.



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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.



Shake Hands with the Devil

Much has been and will be written about the unmitigated insanity of the so-called nuclear deal with Iran. Our purpose is not to explore the imbecilic details of the negotiations, rather leaving that to others. A history of Persia (modern day Iran) needs to be examined if one is to gain a deeper appreciation of the present can of worms.

The Biblical book of Esther tells the story of a Persian prime minister who plots the genocide of the Jewish people. It appears that propensity has long been part of the Iranian disposition as evidenced by the contemporaries still chanting "death to Israel." In spite of the fact that this public declaration by Muslim leaders is a violation of the United Nations "Genocide Treaty," all Muslims are still welcomed as decent people to discuss "peace processes." Hitler did the same thing with the leaders of Poland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and England (1933-1939).

The strange thing about the book is that the name "God" never appears in it one time. The theme of Esther is the Providence of God. Throughout the book, you can see God working "behind the scenes." In that regard, the book of Esther has great practical application to a New Testament believer. It's the day (II Timothy 3:1-5) when "the just shall live by faith," with the Holy Spirit speaking through the Scriptures and the ordinary, everyday events of life. (Job 9:10-21; Job 23)

Esther not only details how God maneuvered events to save His people from extermination but prophetically projects His ability and purpose to do it again.

The Lord has a covenant contract with Israel, but other nations (including America) operate on a conditional basis; therefore, biblical logic dictates that complicity to the harm of Israel puts the compliant in great jeopardy. The U.S. enters this nuclear agreement at its own risk and peril. (Genesis 12:3)

The nagging question is how can Ivy League politicians be so naïve? Some would argue that the President is so desperate for any kind of legacy that he has morphed into a riverboat gambler. The prophet Daniel paints a far more complex explanation in the tenth chapter of his book. After praying and fasting for three weeks for understanding about a previous revelation, a spiritual messenger appears to Daniel with the following explanation: "Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me."

These verses demonstrate the meaning of "spiritual wickedness in high places" (Ephesians 6:12). It has nothing to do with corrupt, powerful politicians on earth (Isaiah 24:21), but rather spiritual beings that represent, empower, and influence nations under Satan's authority (Luke 4:6; II Corinthians 4:4). Obviously, the Persian Prince is still among us withholding common sense and generously distributing stupidity to the unsuspecting and gullible. Surely, Reverend Wright taught some studies on the pro-

phetic implications of Daniel...perhaps Mr. Obama was absent for a game of golf. The message continues with "now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days." What preacher worth his salt would miss a passage that is so clearly marked for the "latter days"? Making deals with Persia is tantamount to shaking hands with the devil.

Everyone in both Testaments believed in demons and the Devil. According to all humanists and liberals, that classifies "the holy scriptures" as literature written by ignorant, superstitious, non-scientific cultures. But Hollywood still believes in them or they would have you think they do. The identifying marks of satanic associations are:

1. The supernatural hatred that all nations have for the Jewish people; it defies rationalism and explanation.
2. The treatment dished out to Jesus Christ in view of His actual conduct...past and present.
3. The refusal of sinners to take a gift from God that is absolutely free with no strings attached.

Anything "of the world, by the world, and for the world" to make the world a better place to live in—without conforming it to the Holy Bible—is the business of "the god of this world"—Satan.

America was once a great nation when it was patterned after the principles of the Word of God. As that influence has been allowed to wane, the country has proportionately declined.

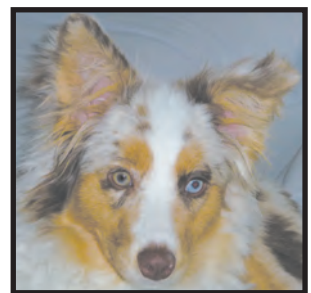
A Sheepdog Barks!

The more we hear about the details of the Iran Nuclear Deal the worse it sounds. Congress begins its evaluation next week. But, as we have mentioned before, it doesn't seem there is any stopping this bad deal. As we feared, Obama was so desperate for a deal of some kind, he gave them everything they wanted, got nothing to stop them acquiring the bomb, didn't insist on real and meaningful inspections, and didn't bring the four Americans home. Greg Gutfeld on Fox News I think summed it up the best when he said, "We sent Mary Poppins to a UFC-MMA fight. What did we expect?" They have already rushed this "deal" through the UN Security Council and got unanimous approval. We have little hope now of stopping a nuclear arms race in that region or from preventing a nuclear-armed terrorist regime. Our Israeli friends say it's a terrible step in the wrong direction and the Iranians are dancing in the streets. Who do you think won? The huge amounts of money that will now flow to the worst terrorist state in the world will eventually cause many American and Israeli deaths. This was not a great day for America or the world. WOOF!

Obama's "fundamental transforming" of America is moving forward at a frightening pace. We have said before that he can do a great deal more harm in his last 18 months and he is working hard to do as much harm as he can. Now that he's paved the way for homosexual marriage, the floodgates are open. The Boy Scouts of America will now permit homosexual adult leaders. So, what we will have is adult men who are sexually attracted to other males taking young men, ages 8-18, out into the woods to camp. Does anyone else think this might lead to trouble? Would we send heterosexual adult males out into the woods to camp with young women 8 to 18 years old? Can anyone explain the difference to me? This is a recipe for abuse of young men. My boys were in the scouts. They would not be to-

day. I believe this policy will be the beginning of the end of the BSA. No responsible parent should put their sons in this potentially dangerous environment. And please spare me the "most of them would not be a problem." I'm worried about the few that might be and the harm they could inflict. This is just not necessary. WOOF!

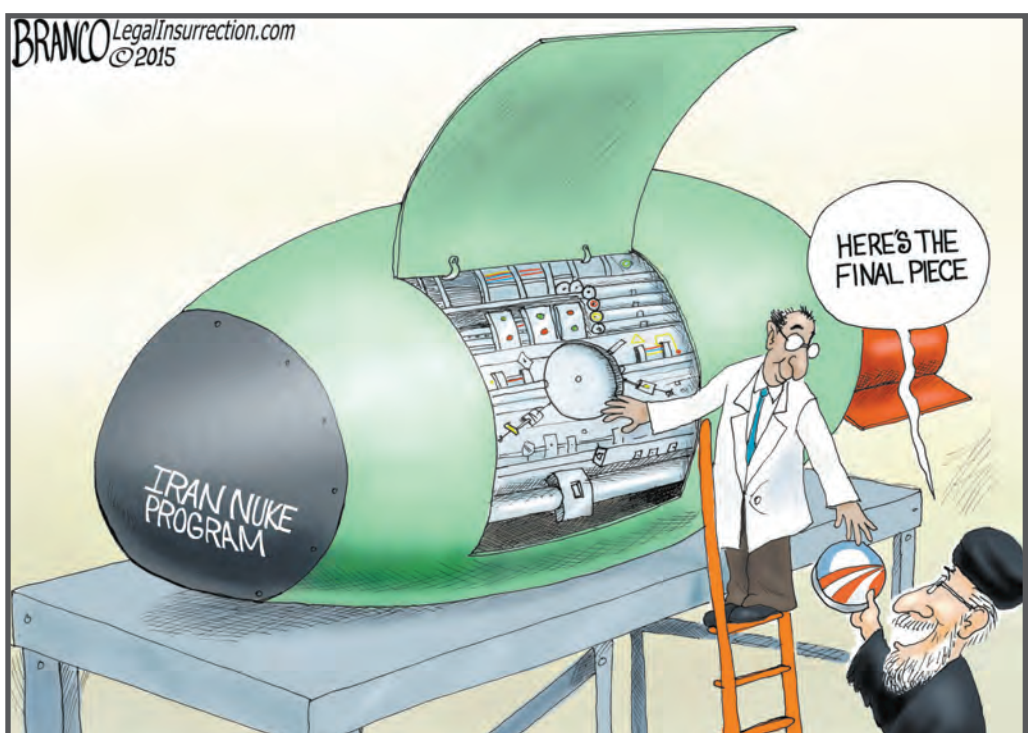
And here is the latest blow to our military. The Secretary of Defense just announced that they will now allow transgenders into the active armed forces. He told the various service chiefs to develop the policies necessary. This is absolutely insane. About a year ago the Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel, along with all the civilian secretaries and military chiefs, signed a Department of Defense "Human Goals" policy. This was the first step that allowed full participation of homosexuals by eliminating discrimination based on sexual orientation. In that document it also "slipped" into the paragraph for civilians the phrase "or genetic information." This was the first step to allowing transgenders into the military. Start with the Department of Defense civilians as a trial balloon. All the admirals and generals (aka Flag Officers) signed it. Not a peep out of them. They knew the next step was adding that phrase to the military side of the department. They were all moral cowards and not one of them spoke up or resigned. That was shameful. I used to have great faith in the senior military leaders but no more. You can bet the new marine general who has been selected to be the next Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) has already told Obama he will fully support this ridiculous and stupid policy. Where are the General Pattons? We need some now more than ever. And it was just announced that General Milley has been selected to be the next Chief of Staff of the Army. This is the dirtbag that has been delaying the Bergdahl court martial for Obama the last two years. This is his reward and you can bet he has also passed the litmus test on transgenders in



the Army. Some of you older readers might remember the TV series M*A*S*H. It was about a medical unit in the Korean War full of irreverent, non-military-type doctors and nurses. It was funny. There was a character named Klinger, a man that dressed up in women's clothes every day. He did this because he wanted to be discharged from the Army so he could be sent home. The commander ignored him because he knew it was all a sham. It was funny to us all because we knew Klinger didn't really think he was a woman. He just wanted out. Back then homosexuals and other deviants were discharged from the service. Today we are going to have thousands of Klingers who actually believe they are trapped in the wrong bodies or just want to wear women's clothes. Can you imagine the problems for commanders in the military? This is not funny anymore. This is insane and will destroy the good order and discipline of many units. Our military exists to protect America and be the best fighting force in the world. It does not have to be a social engineering project for the LPSDs in America. We are doomed. WOOF!

The LPSD march tromping on our constitution is in full swing. Here are some sheepdog thoughts and advice for Obama and the cowardly congress controlled by the Republican straw lions. It's too late to lower the flag now, Barack. It now has no meaning on the top of the White House. DEFUND sanctuary cities and states. DEFUND Planned Parenthood. ARM the military recruiters now as war has been declared on our military in the U.S. Do the right thing! WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



Colorado Case Could Be the Next Big Supreme Court Gay Rights Test

by Casey Harper,
Daily Caller News Foundation

A Christian legal firm will fight in court Tuesday for a Christian baker in a case that could be the next big Supreme Court decision on gay rights.

The Alliance Defending Freedom is representing a Christian cake maker against the American Civil Liberties Union and a gay couple during oral arguments before the Colorado Court of Appeals Tuesday. The ADF attorney arguing the case told The Daily Caller News Foundation that this case, or another like it, will ultimately end up before the Supreme Court.

“I think it’s just a matter of time before the Supreme Court takes up the issue,” ADF Senior Legal Counsel Jeremy Tedesco told TheDCNF.

The “issue” is wedding service providers facing legal action for refusing to serve same-sex wedding ceremonies.

Jack Phillips has been living his passion of baking cakes for more than 40 years and has owned his own bakery, now called Masterpiece Cakeshop, for more than 20 years. He doesn’t bake cakes for Halloween and doesn’t open on Sundays out of religious conviction.

Charlie Craig and David Mullins came to the Masterpiece Cakeshop in July 2012 and asked for a cake for their same-sex wedding ceremony. Phillips declined, citing his religious conviction.

Craig and Mullins filed a complaint and teamed up with the ACLU to take on Phillips and his cake shop.

The Colorado Civil Rights Commission ruled in May 2014 that Phillips must make cakes for same-sex ceremonies or face legal consequences. On top of that, Phillips and his staff must take re-education classes and file quarterly compliance reports for two years.

“We’re just thrilled by that,” Mullins told The Associated Press regarding the decision.

While he awaits his appeal, Tedesco said Phillips has stopped baking cakes altogether out of fear that he’ll be targeted by someone seeking a cake celebrating same-sex marriage.

Tedesco points out that Phillips is happy to serve gay customers but won’t bake cakes or write messages on his cakes that go against his beliefs.

Religious rights advocates claim the Colorado Civil Rights Commission has a double standard on the issue. A Christian Colorado man went into three bakeries and asked that they make cakes with Bible verses against homosexuality. They refused, but the Commission ruled against the Christian man.

Last week a judge ruled that an Oregon couple that refused to bake a cake for a same-sex ceremony must pay the lesbian couple \$135,000, just another of a handful of similar cases across the country, one of which is expected to make it to the Supreme Court, according to Tedesco.

“My hope is that these stories of injustice will help people to understand that compulsion and coercion are never the answer,” Tedesco told TheDCNF.

The ACLU did not respond to request for comment in time for publication.

“I think the more we start to look like Europe and the rest of the countries that have gone so far down the leftist agenda, economically, socially, politically, what makes us distinct?” Tedesco told TheDCNF. “What makes us distinct is our economic, political, religious freedom.”

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by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

(Editor/GG: As predicted. The young, healthy people are not signing up because the plans suck, with deductibles of \$6,000 to \$10,000. Why waste a ton of money on buying a policy. Just pay the penalty to Obama. With the healthy not signing up, this leaves the insurance companies with only the sick people who cost a ton. And note the “death spiral” math here, folks. As the rates go up, the healthy and less sick can’t afford it so they drop out. Then rates have to go up again. This is SOCIALISM. Thank you democrats for destroying our health care system. And please, when you see your friendly, democrat neighbor, say “Thank you Comrade neighbor” for his contribution to the end of a free America. It takes a village.)

Folks on the Western Slope better get a tighter grip on their wallets because their high-priced affordable health insurance rates are about to skyrocket to unprecedented heights.

Katie Kerwin McCrimmon of Health News Colorado reports that the double-digit increases could reach as high as 50 percent for some plans.

The proposed hikes on some specific plans include:

- 34.4 percent for Rocky Mountain Health Plans
- 26.6 percent for Colorado Access
- 21.6 percent for the Colorado HealthOP

Catapulting Costs: Colorado Health Insurance Rates to Climb 50 Percent

- 20.9 percent for Humana
- 12.7 percent for Denver Health

The hardship will be even greater on ski resort residents, who are already paying the highest health insurance in the country.

In letters to regulators, the consumer analysts said they were especially concerned about the western region, where a new geographic rating system was supposed to drive rates down by 17 percent. Instead, Rocky Mountain is proposing significant increases in the area with specific hikes ranging from 32 to 49 percent.

The penalty for refusing to purchase insurance will also increase.

The Colorado Division of Insurance is reviewing the rate increases that will be finalized by September.

Timing is everything. This reminds us of the fiasco that trapped former U.S. Sen. Mark Udall in the autumn just as his reelection efforts were kicking into high gear.

Udall’s office bullied the insurance division to keep secret the number of Coloradans who saw their entire health insurance plan cancelled. The effort backfired and marked the beginning of Udall’s downfall.

This, too, will come back to haunt U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet, a strong supporter of Obamacare who insisted we could keep our doctors. What he failed to mention is that we could no longer afford to pay for one.

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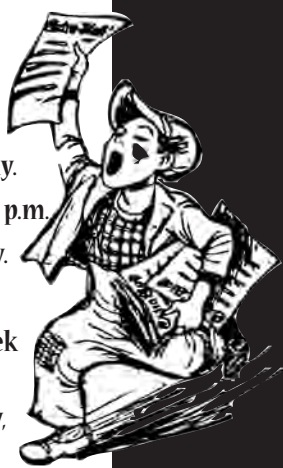
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CCPD JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY

Cañon City Police Department's 3rd Annual Junior Police Academy celebrated the graduation of 20 area youth, according to Paul Schultz, Chief of Police. The four-day Academy was coordinated by Officer Tannis Loomis. Classes included presentations by CCPD officers and staff on many law enforcement and police support topics.

Five of the students were recognized for Excellence in Teamwork, Investigating a Mock Crime Scene, and Use of Swat Tactics. The Academy students received certificates of achievement presented by Chief Schultz and Officer Loomis. "This was a wonderful group of young people who excelled at all aspects of the Junior Police Academy," the Chief stated. "Over the past three years, 50 kids have graduated from the summer Junior Police Academy."

This is one of many ways the CCPD works to serve this community.
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St. John Lutheran Church Car Show

by Barbara Penezic

The car show began in 2010 when the church was looking for a fundraising event that would allow them to send a mission team to Guatemala. The car show was the brain child of Gene Foster. He started a show in Florence 14 years ago and is still a part of that event. That show began with only 11 cars but last year it had grown to an unbelievable 143 entries.

The car show at St. John Lutheran Church this year numbered 41 cars and entries were still open. "It seems to be a success," said Foster, "We would like to get more cars but it takes time." Bob Evans was present at the show with his one seaters, and his cycle carts were the talk of the show. The cars are scaled-down versions of the British cycle cars of the 1930s. A 1924 Ford, 5-cent Beer Wagon, Jailer vehicle, 1972 GEO, and many other vintage autos were on display. The event also featured a bake sale for the visitors with a sweet tooth to satisfy. The cost to enter a car was \$15, entry fees and moneys raised from the sale of baked goods will be used to fund the mission to Guatemala.



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1972 Pontiac GTO

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