



Another Loss for a Moral America: Pastor Pfaff Banned from Florence H.S.

by Barbara Penezic

The Florence-Penrose School District and a former teacher have reached a settlement. The teacher walks away with 50 thousand dollars, the District is happy to put the Christian issue behind them, and many parents are saying their students were handed a gigantic loss.

“I bow my head and ask, if it be thy will, please save this land from those who seek to destroy it.” Pastor Randy said during a sermon to a packed, standing room only group of devout Christians at the Penrose Community Center, the new temporary home to The Cowboy Church at the Crossroads. “Sometimes you have to get angry, a little loud, and stand up for God before this nation will

listen. We’ve got too many people sitting silent today. We can’t even say a little prayer at a football game!” Pastor Randy paused for a moment and then in a voice that trembled with emotion he concluded, “If you don’t want me in the schools, I’ll walk away.”

“How long before some disgruntled atheist decides we can no longer ask God’s blessing at any public or government function,” asks Lisa Landry. “I think this is a full out attack against Christianity and it saddens me that one person can take so much from my child. Pastor Randy, has been a wonderful influence in the lives of our kiddos.” Another parent, Mike Bartow added, “While this really burns my #### I will be forever grateful to Pastor Randy for what he has been

able to bring to our kids. I doubt that many of the students knew or will miss Mr. Basevitz, but Pastor Randy’s absence will leave an empty space in my son’s heart and one less responsible adult that Jerry can turn to for support. Please, don’t get me wrong,” he continued, “the teachers and Principal Schipper are great, but Pastor Randy, well he was just special in the minds of these kids.” Denice Garlow added, “I just feel the settlement was very harsh; we should have negotiated a better outcome.”

A U.S. district court judge signed a decree stating when acting in their official capacities, district employ-

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Pastor Randy Pfaff with two young congregants at the Penrose Community Center The banner reads: *If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin and heal their land. II Chronicles 7:14*

Courtesy photo by John Penezic

Colorado Military Families FBI Alert: Middle-Eastern Males Approaching U.S. Military Families at Their Homes

by George Gramlich

In an “Activity Alert” bulletin published July 2nd, 2015, but only being circulated in the news media recently, the Denver office of the FBI has warned U.S. military personnel and families in Colorado and Wyoming that there have been multiple incidents of middle-eastern males approaching U.S. military personnel or family

members at their HOMES and harassing them. The middle-eastern males (probably muslims) try to pry personal information from the family members about their military background and history.

Locally, KOAA News 5, Colorado Springs, reported on July 23rd that the Pueblo Police Department has reported that the military recruiting center near Highway 50 has

received threats from the muslim terrorist group ISIS and was under a terror threat alert.

Please report any incidents similar to this to your local sheriff and to the FBI Fort Collins Resident Agency at 970-663-6224.

Below is the body of the FBI alert:

Middle-Eastern Males Approaching Family Members of US Military Personnel at their Homes In Colorado and Wyoming, as of June 2015.

In May 2015, the wife of a US military member was approached in front of her home by two Middle-Eastern males. The men stated that she was the wife of a US interrogator. When she denied their claims, the men laughed. The two men left the area in a dark-colored, four-door sedan with two other Middle-Eastern males in the vehicle. The woman had observed the vehicle in the neighborhood on previous occasions.

Similar incidents in Wyoming have

been reported to the FBI throughout June 2015. On numerous occasions, family members of military personnel were confronted by Middle-Eastern males in front of their homes. The males have attempted to obtain personal information about the military member and family members through intimidation. The family members have reported feeling scared.

To date, the men have not been identified and it is not known if all the incidents involve the same Middle-Eastern males. If you have any information that may assist the FBI in identifying these individuals, or reporting concerning additional incidents; in Colorado please contact the FBI Fort Collins Resident Agency at 970-663-1028, in Wyoming please contact the FBI Cheyenne Resident Agency at 307-632-6224.

This report has been prepared by the DENVER Division of the FBI. Comments and queries may be addressed to the DENVER Division at 303-629-7171.

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*Am I now
trying to win the
approval of men,
or of God?*

Galatians 1:10,
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Breaking News!

The Wet Mountain Fire Protection District has received word from ISO (Insurance Services Office) that the Custer County Community rating has been dropped to a 9! This will result in better insurance rates and improved coverage for homeowners! Watch the Sentinel for the full story, coming soon!



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 illegal, misleading and inaccurate thinking and use of "political correctness" but by truth, facts, logic and common sense.

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From the Editorial Board

PROTECTING THE UNBORN: THE 2015 CAMPAIGN CONTINUES



2014 was a good year for protecting those that cannot protect themselves. 2015 promises even more gains. Abortion has not been eliminated but many gains have been made that helped reduce the number. Today, there are 550,000 fewer abortions a year than in the peak year of 1990. There are still far too many. Laws are changing and pro-life candidates are being elected all over the nation. These accomplishments help the fight to stop the unnecessary killing of babies. You can help by supporting one of the many wonderful organizations that work hard all year long to reduce and eventually stop this horrible practice. Today we will highlight four of them:

Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF)

This is a national level organization with nearly 2,500 allied attorneys which help litigate religious freedoms and pro-life cases all across America. Recently, they won a decision that could be a turning point in the fight to expose America's largest abortion business, Planned Parenthood (PP). Sue Thayer spent almost 18 years with PP, but when she was ordered to implement "webcam abortions" she could no longer continue. She turned to ADF to expose the big lie. According to Sue, PP is not about helping women access "health" care. It is about making money and abortion is its moneymaker. You can help ADF continue with the initial victory to stop PP from Medicaid fraud, "voluntary" contributions from low-income women, and fraudulent billing for Medicaid services in connection with non-reimbursable abortions. Ms. Thayer, a long-time PP clinic director has exposed these alleged PP illegal activities in

Iowa. ADF has also recently won a 9-0 Supreme Court decision to strike down a Massachusetts law that created a 35-foot buffer zone around abortion clinics. In Maryland and Texas they were successful in having ordinances struck down that required pregnancy care centers (like our own Lighthouse Pregnancy Center) to post mandatory messages suggesting to the women they needed to look "elsewhere" before deciding to choose life. You can support and contribute to ADF at 15100 N. 90th Street, Scottsdale, AZ, 85260 or at their web site: AllianceDefendingFreedom.org.

National Right to Life (NRL)

This is another national level organization that focuses on federal legislation and the election of pro-life legislators. They were very successful in the 2014 elections. Their massive mail-outs and advertising campaigns helped elect 8 new pro-life U.S. senators and 15 new pro-life members in the U.S. House of Representatives. They also helped elect hundreds of pro-life candidates in state legislative races. These new pro-life representatives all over America will help pass significant pro-life laws at all levels. NRL continues the good fight against much better-funded opponents like Planned Parenthood, NARAL, and Emily's List. However, the successful 2014 campaigns have left their purses empty. With all these great legislative gains now is the time to pursue more anti-abortion laws. NRL is committed to helping pass one of the most significant federal pro-life bills in our history, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. This Act would provide nationwide protection from abortion for un-

born children who we now know are capable of feeling pain at 20 weeks fetal age, about the beginning of the sixth month. Sixty percent of Americans support this bill. Cases involving rape and incest are still exceptions. Ten states have already passed similar laws – Colorado is NOT one of them. NRL has been saving babies lives since 1968. You can support and contribute to NRL at 512 10th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20004 or at their website: nrcl.org or nrcl@nrcl.org

And Then There Were None (ATTWN)

This fairly new organization is taking a rather unique approach in its pro-life efforts. A young woman named Abby Johnson began working at a Planned Parenthood facility near Texas A&M University. As she progressed further up the management chain the horrors of what PP does became apparent to her and she became very concerned. These are her words: "In the last year of my employment, many things began to disturb me...the increase in our abortion quota, our new desire to expand late-term abortion services and in the end, watching a 13-week-old child in the womb struggle for his life during an abortion procedure." Abby learned first-hand the deceptions of the abortion industry. She wants to make sure no workers have to continue because of a lack of support. Abby has made this her ministry to help educate and turn PP workers, et al., from what they are doing. What better way to stop abortion in many places than by convincing the workers to turn to other pursuits. Clinic workers, like Abby, are often misled at first. Like the case of Sue Thayer described above, PP is not what so

many are led to believe. You can help Abby reach out to staff workers inside abortion mills and help them find life-affirming jobs at P.O. Box 2571, Round Rock, TX 78680 or at their website: attwn.org.

Lighthouse Pregnancy Center

Our local area is fortunate to have a facility which supports local women (and men) in their difficult times. The Center provides encouragement and hope as well as baby clothes, food, diapers, strollers, baby swings, books on parenting, and many other baby-related items. They now have an ultrasound machine and can provide Godly advice, choices, and comfort to women in their greatest time of need. Basically, they are here to listen and help with any number of issues for teenagers and young mothers and fathers alike. They need volunteers and donations of all kinds: money, time, expertise, baby items and items, for their annual yard sale. You can support and donate to the Lighthouse at P.O. Box 144, Westcliffe, CO 81252 or 417 Cliff Street in Silver Cliff. You can call them at 719-783-HELP or visit their web site at: LighthouseWestcliffe.org

Someone has to fight to protect these innocent young lives. They deserve the right to life. Can you even imagine that an abortion mill like Planned Parenthood would issue "quotas" to their directors? They now provide "webcam abortions" which is a doctor prescribing abortion pills to patients on a computer monitor that they never see or follow up with. We can all help stop these terrible and uncivilized procedures by supporting pro-life organizations like the ones identified above. Please help in any way you can.

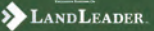




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Drugs in Custer County

Dear Editor,

The letter you printed from Douglas J. Schulz must have a response. First, I assume the premise of his novel, "Just When You Thought It Was Safe," is tongue in cheek. Americans are not safe. We have gangs everywhere, drugs are being sold everywhere, our police are under siege nationally, terrorism is a fact of life, and there are many in government, Hickenlooper and Obama, who would like honest Americans disarmed and unable to defend themselves and their families.

So Doug focuses on some candid remarks from the Sheriff to the BOCC and concludes that he is "afraid" and "unwilling" to do something about drugs being grown in our county. Well, I've got news for Schulz and all the other ignorant and uninformed Coloradans. They invited in to our communities the most vicious of criminals when they took the poorly thought through step of making illegal drugs legal. What did they think? Did they really believe that drug dealers and foreign cartels would just walk away from all those billions of dollars and do nothing? Did they really believe that there would be tax revenue to spare? This whole business has been a terrible mistake and Hick-

enlooper knows it. But, when has a politician ever admitted a mistake?

Here is what the sheriff said. He reminded all of us that making marijuana legal was a decision of the voters of Colorado and those who stand to make millions selling Mary Jane and all kinds of paraphernalia. Did any thinking politician, media representative, or dope-smoking citizen consider the added policing costs associated with legal drugs? Did any elected policy maker look for the unintended consequences of legalizing drugs? Did anyone consider that surrounding states may object to having their residents driving to Colorado and returning with illegal drugs? Did they really believe that the rules established for "legal" drug use would be obeyed by anyone?

Now, we have members of a drug cartel living and "working" in the Wet Mountain Valley. And, Doug expects a police force of 8 or 9 to take on well-armed, well-trained, hardened cartel soldiers in open-armed conflict. Schulz seems to have a problem with a sheriff being honest about the fact that Custer County can expect no help or support from the Colorado governor or the Obama DEA. Here is what Doug should do. Find out

what a Custer County deputy makes. Find out what equipment they have. Find out the kind of training they have. We seem to have all kinds of money to give to a failed clinic and a failing EMS Corps, but who would vote to give the Sheriff's Office an extra \$250,000 in tax revenue?

Instead of Sheriff Byerly, look at your neighbors and friends who voted for legal drugs in Colorado. Look at a local government who would like to legalize marijuana, but doesn't have the courage to vote up or down as a town decision-making body. No, these people want to leave it up to the voters. If I had to guess, it would be so that when Silver Cliff turns into Dodge City, they can say... "it was the will of the people." Maybe we need basic instruction in representative government.

If you want more from the Custer County Sheriff's Office, maybe you should live in New York (40,000 cops), Chicago (12,500 cops), or Los Angeles (10,000 cops). Keep in mind that, despite these numbers, all these cities have drugs, drug dealers, and millions in untaxed illegal drug income.

Joe Cascarelli
Westcliffe, CO

Local Mountain News & Notices

No Accountability: Colorado Veteran Dies After VA Negligence

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

insisted.

Another veteran wait-listed for health care has died, this time while sidelined for treatment at the VA hospital in Grand Junction.

It's disgraceful. Not a single bureaucrat was fired, although many were allowed to retire with full benefits.

The inspector general is investigating the death of 64-year-old Rodger Holmes, whose death appears to have been preventable.

With officials in Grand Junction claiming they can't even comment on the case because it's under investigation by the IG, we expect it will be a year or so before we find out what truly happened in this case.

A specialist who reviewed the case reported:

"An opportunity to intervene early in this case was definitely missed here. The patient should have been seen by a provider at this time."

And sadly, we don't expect anyone will be held accountable.

This tragedy is further proof that the death scandals due to wait-listing last year have not been resolved, as the Obama administration had

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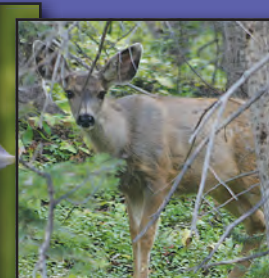


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Local Mountain News & Notices

Local to Star in "CANYON TRAIL" Movie Being Filmed in Custer County

by Carol "Scoop" Clemenson

Skeleton Creek Productions' western movie, "Canyon Trail," begins filming Monday, August 10th, at the Beckwith Ranch in the morning and then moves to the The Pines Ranch later to film a night scene. Skeleton Creek is bringing around 140 people and tons of equipment to Westcliffe to make the movie.

One of the actors in this movie is Michael Stewart from Pueblo West. He was born in Great Bends, Kansas, in 1957. His father had always told Michael that the reason he was born in Kansas was because the wheel broke on the wagon on the way to Colorado.

Raised in Pueblo, Michael has been a cowboy from the day he was born. He started riding horses at the age of three and has always been amazed and fascinated with the beautiful mountains in Colorado. His folks built a cabin in Montgomery Tracks in Westcliffe, and that is usually where you could find Michael when he was growing up, on his horse and being part of the beauty God created.

Michael went to college at Philips University College in Enid, Oklahoma. His dream was to either be a pitcher for a major league baseball team or be a cow-

boy actor. He was an insurance agent for ENT for 33 years.

Michael and his wife, Patti, live in Pueblo West. He did some acting when he was young, and five years ago his mother saw an ad in the Cañon City paper that Skeleton Creek Productions needed folks to audition for an extra in the film "Cactus Creek" to be filmed at Buckskin Joe's. Michael decided to try out for the part of "Drago" (a bad guy), and he got it. "Cactus Creek" went on to be one of the biggest hits for Skeleton Creek Productions.

Michael's ties to Westcliffe started with his Uncle Ray and Aunt Genevieve Stewart, who owned and ran the Creamery on Rosita Road, which used to be a blacksmith shop in 1932. Ray had learned the creamery business when he was younger, so he and his wife turned the blacksmith shop into the creamery, and it was a great success.

Michael has had many interests in Custer County over the years. He has been a part of the Pines Dude Ranch for many years, and also ran the Rainbow Valley Ranch, on the way to Cripple Creek, in 1999. He also managed Rainbow Falls in 2010, and was also a trout herder.

Some of the actors and



Pueblo West resident Michael Stewart with his horse that he will be using in "Canyon Trail."

Sentinel photo by Carol "Scoop" Clemenson

their roles in Canyon Trail are: Michael will be playing the role of "Deacon"; Buck Taylor has the role of "Marshall Trevor Cooper"; Bryana Holt will portray "Juliana Henderson"; R. W. Hampton portray "Logan"; Rick Simpson is playing "Stormy"; Kendra Lenseigne's role is "Belle Starr";

Larry W. Simpson is "Texas", and Tom Ward is playing "Cimarron". Stormy, Texas, and Cimarron are known as the "Justice Riders".

Let's give Skeleton Creek Productions a warm, western welcome here in Custer County.

Tragic Loss of Young Hiker

On Sunday, Aug. 2nd, 2015, the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office, Rye Fire Department, and the Pueblo County Coroner's Office responded to the report of a young male who had fallen off a rock cliff near the area of San Isabel, Colorado.

The Rye Fire Department was the first on scene and had determined five friends had been hiking near the St. Charles River and the "natural waterslide" located in the San Isabel National Forest just east of Lake Isabel. After climbing a rock cliff, the boys lost sight of one of their group members. While searching the area, they found him approximately 100 feet below where they had been resting. Two of the young men left the scene on foot to find help and the other two attempted to render aid to the injured party.

Due to the remote location the hikers were in, communication was difficult. Cellular service was not available and the young men had to hike out of the rugged terrain to San Isabel in order to contact 911.

The Pueblo County Coroner's Office was on scene and pronounced 18-year-old Austin Schindler deceased. The Pueblo County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue team was activated to assist with the recovery of the young man. The ravine is difficult to gain access into, however a successful recovery took place on Monday, August 3rd.

Rye Fire Chief Jim Beach thanked the ACOVA team for responding and providing information and assistance to the young men who witnessed this tragic event.

Sheriff Kirk M. Taylor said, "On behalf of all of us who responded, our heartfelt condolences go out to Austin's family and friends."

Pueblo School District 70 has counseling services available to any student who may be in need.

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I have mentioned before it is usually less expensive to fix a problem before a serious failure. Also a planned service versus a sudden unexpected loss of water is easier to deal with. System failures never happen at an opportune time.

A common sign that you need immediate service is the system blows a fuse or breaker. Don't just keep resetting the breaker or replacing fuses as usually the problem is simple but will become catastrophic if not remedied. So do yourself a favor and listen to your system when it's trying to tell you something.

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Changing of the Guard in the Clerk and Recorder's Office

During a tear-filled ceremony at the July 31st meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, outgoing Clerk Debbie Livengood swore in her replacement, Kelley Camper, as the new Interim Custer County Clerk and Recorder. Mrs. Livengood, who has held the position for over two decades and just won re-election this past November with the largest vote total of any race in the county, is looking forward to spending more time with her family in her retirement.

Already a veteran of the office and other county government positions, Kelley Camper is looking forward to the challenges of her new position.

The ceremony was also attended by Mrs. Mary Kattnig, mother of Commissioner Bob Kattnig, herself a multi-decade veteran of the Clerk and Recorder's position.

Sentinel photo by Paul Sage

Local Student Serves in Honduras

Braden Wilson, 22, a senior at Colorado State University and 2011 graduate from Custer County High School, recently participated in a week-long, service-learning experience in Central America. The international program, The Journey, is a leadership experience offered by FarmHouse Fraternity, of which Wilson is a member at CSU, Fort Collins. Ten FarmHouse members from nine chapters across the country participated in The Journey, May 31 - June 6, 2015.

Wilson and his fellow participants spent the bulk of their time in rural Honduras building a house for a family in need. The group also toured local agriculture projects and experienced Honduran culture. Additionally, the FarmHouse members found time for recreation activities, including soccer with local children and zip-lining over a 90-foot waterfall.

The Journey was hosted in partnership with Heart to Honduras, a Christian



Braden Wilson, with some of the kids from the village of Canchias, where he stayed.

mission organization that has spent nearly 30 years serving in Honduras and other locations in Central America. The organization avoids creating a culture of dependency on charity, and instead focuses efforts on development projects that are sustainable long-term. Learn more at hth.org.

FarmHouse International Fraternity is an agriculturally-related, men's social fraternity that is open to outstanding men of all collegiate majors and backgrounds. FarmHouse chapters are located on 33 college campuses across the United States and Canada. Learn more at farm-house.org.

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Middle School students will need tennis shoes and gym clothing.

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Backpacks are suggested for all students (appropriately sized)

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1 box Crayola brand crayons
1 box Crayola brand washable markers
1 Elmer's white glue
1 box Ziploc Quart-size bags
1 backpack- no wheels
1 box small safety pins
3 boxes of tissues

Kindergarten

1 box Crayola brand crayons (16)
1 box Crayola brand washable markers
1 package dry erase markers

1 Elmer's white glue
2 pocket folders
2 boxes Ziploc Quart-size bags
1 backpack- no wheels
1 pair non-marking tennis shoes
3 boxes of tissues

First Grade

1 box Crayola brand crayons
10 glue sticks
#2 pencils (24)
1 eraser (large pink)
4 pocket folders
4 fine point dry erase Expo markers
2 boxes Ziploc Quart-size bags
1 pair non-marking tennis shoes
1 backpack- no wheels
3 boxes of tissues

Second Grade

#2 pencils (24)
1 box Crayola brand crayons
1 box 24 count colored pencils
1 (4 pack) Expo dry erase markers
4 glue sticks
1 package erasers (large pink)
20 pencil top erasers
1 spiral notebook (1 subject, wide rule)

1 (2") binder
4 pocket folders
2 boxes Ziploc Quart-size bags
1 pair non-marking tennis shoes
1 backpack- no wheels
3 boxes of tissues

Third Grade

#2 pencils (24)
1 box colored pencils
1 box markers
2 large glue sticks
4 Expo dry erase markers
1 package pencil top erasers
Pencil box/container for loose supplies
2 Hi-Liters
3 pocket folder
2 1-subject spiral notebooks (wide rule)
1 package loose-leaf notebook paper (wide rule)
2 (2") binders
1 package 3x5 notecards
2 boxes Ziploc Quart-size bags
1 pair non-marking tennis shoes
1 backpack- no wheels
3 boxes of tissues

Fourth Grade

#2 pencils (24)

1 Elmer's glue
1 package erasers (large pink)
Hi-Liters: pink, blue, yellow, and orange
2 Composition Notebooks
6 pocket folders (different colors)
1 package loose-leaf notebook paper (wide rule)
2 1-subject spiral notebooks (wide rule)
1 package 3x5 notecards
1 (1 1/2") binder
1 pair non-marking tennis shoes
1 backpack- no wheels
3 boxes of tissues

Fifth Grade

#2 pencils (48)
2 erasers (large pink)
1 small pencil sharpener (with shaving holder)
4 pocket folders
1 spiral notebook
2 composition notebooks
2 packages loose-leaf notebook paper (wide rule)
1 (1") binder
8 notebook dividers with tabs
2 boxes Ziploc Gallon-size bags

1 pair non-marking tennis shoes
1 backpack- no wheels
3 boxes of tissues

Middle School

Blue, black, and red pens
colored pencils
index cards
notebook paper
#2 pencils
blue, black, and red pens
colored pencils
index cards
notebook paper
College-rule loose-leaf notebook paper
1 eraser (large pink)
7 pocket folders
7 spiral notebooks (1 subject)
2 Composition notebooks (reading & writing workshop)
2" 3-ring binder (writing workshop)
2 packages of ruled 3x5 index cards
3-ring zippered trapper keeper binder (optional)
1 3-ring binder with dividers (science)
Calculator

Math

1 box #2 pencils
1 subject notebook
Graph paper
1 package black dry-erase markers (chisel tip)

Algebra

Calculator T1-83 graphing calculator

(recommended for Algebra Students)

High School

#2 pencils
blue, black, and red pens
colored pencils
index cards
notebook paper

Art & Music Students

9"x12" spiral sketchbook
package #2 pencils
package erasers

English

1 3-ring binder
4 dividers

Yearbook

3-ring binder

Math

calculator T1-83 graphing calculator (optional)
graph paper
compass
protractor
3-ring notebook with paper

Physical Education - Middle & High School

T-shirt with sleeves (no tank tops)
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Building Trades Class is in Need of Project

The Custer County High School Building Trades program is looking for a project for the upcoming school year. The program is taught by Bruce May and helps students learn vocational skills in the building trades by doing a project for a local resident.

"It's a great hands-on experience for the students," said May. "They learn many of the skills necessary for construction and are ready for employment once they graduate."

Projects need to be within a 5-mile radius of Westcliffe and can include homes, additions, and garages.

Contact Bruce May at 371-4350 for more information.

Back to School with *YOUR* Help

It's time to get back in class. We only have two weeks to help ready our students to learn. They need your help! Many local families struggle to equip their kids to return to school.

The Custer County Community Sharing Center has been asked to spearhead the Back-to-School supply drive. We will be collecting donations of supplies at the Center at 120 North Third (the old Schla-bach's Marketplace). You may choose to fill a backpack for a student or purchase miscellaneous supplies to drop off. If you prefer not to shop, but want to participate, cash and/or checks (made out to the Custer County Community Sharing Center with "School" designated on the memo line) will allow us to do the shopping for you.

Additionally, donation bins and supply lists (by grade level) are available at:

**Westcliffe Super Market
Family Dollar Store
(This is) Nacho Mama's Restaurant**

Once again, the Sharing Center will provide a "Back to School Bazaar" shopping truck for the elementary students on the first day of school (Orientation Day, August 20th). We are requesting our local mom's to consider donating any good, school-appropriate clothing and shoes their children may have outgrown to the Center so we can get them on the truck. Please label bags/boxes of those items "School" and drop them by the Center.

May God bless you for your thoughtfulness and compassion for our children, 'the least of these'. We are so blessed to live in such a unique community where we can invite participation from people we do not know, but know they are friends we just have not yet met.

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John Adams - Second President of the United States

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National Night Out

The annual National Night Out last Tuesday was a great success, as the community came out to talk with members of the Sheriff's Office, Custer County Search and Rescue, and EMS. Everyone enjoyed a great meal and the chance to visit. Thank you to Sheriff Byerly for hosting this community event!

Sentinel photo by Fred Hernandez

CHURCH

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ees may not engage in religious activities with their students, such as praying with them, and they must avoid activities that would "reasonably lead students to perceive religious endorsement by the district." The decree also calls for:

- A district-wide ban on all school-sponsored prayers or other religious expressions before "school related audiences, such as school assemblies, classroom presentations, graduation ceremonies, and school sponsored scholarship nights.
- A district wide ban on all school sponsorship or endorsement of any religious group or organizations
- A district-wide ban on all distribution of religious literature by district employees acting in their official capacity
- A district-wide ban on all school-sponsored or school-endorsed religious activities, including sponsorship or announcements of

prayer by a school official acting in their official capacities

- A district-wide ban on all prayer boxes
- A district-wide ban on all ceremonies or gatherings, involving prayer or otherwise that impede safely entering or exiting any school building door
- A district-wide ban on all school-sponsored religious activities, regardless of whether those religious activities occur in school facilities or elsewhere

The district and The Cowboy Church at Crossroads have mutually agreed that the church will no longer use the facilities for its worship services. The district also will prohibit the use of district facilities by any group that impairs the district's ability to carry out its educational mission, including groups that creates a reasonable risk of liability or violation of constitutional mandates. The Cowboy Church is currently holding services at the Penrose Community Center. Florence-Penrose High School students and families will not lose contact with Pastor Randy after all. In the tradition of the West, they will simply

ride off into the sunset with him And yes, prayers will be permitted.

IF MY PEOPLE, WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME, WILL HUMBLE THEMSELVES AND PRAY AND SEEK MY FACE AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS, THEN I WILL HEAR FROM HEAVEN, AND I WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN AND WILL HEAL THEIR LAND. II CHRONICLES 7: 14

Contact Pastor Pfaff via email at rpffaff@bresnan.net by phone at 303-548-1082 or on Facebook: Cowboy Church@Crossroads.

(Editor/GG: All is not lost, fellow Christians. Student lead prayer and prayer groups are still allowed by our soulless secular masters. Also, and the case law is clear on this, Christmas pageants, choral presentations, etc., can use Christian songs and carols. So, our CCCS Christmas program is safe. But note, we are ONE U.S. Supreme Court justice away from a socialist/communist takeover of our country. When that happens, the pillars of our Constitution will be destroyed in quick time and the line will be drawn. Which side will you be on?)

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1 Corinthians 13:4-8, NIV

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2015 4-H/FFA Livestock Sale Results

SELLER	WGT	CWT	TOTAL Price CWT	F/C	FLOOR PRICE	BUYER	BUYER PAY
BEEF					\$1.50		
Billy Berry	1237	6.50	\$8,040.50	c	\$0.00	Town and Country Ford	\$8,040.50
Cash Rowley	1360	6.00	\$8,160.00	c	\$0.00	Beach Redi-Mix	\$8,160.00
Ed Berry	1364	4.50	\$6,138.00	c	\$0.00	Town and Country	\$6,138.00
Anastasia Berry	1219	4.00	\$4,876.00	c	\$0.00	Ranchers Roost	\$4,876.00
Nicole Lorenzen	1370	4.50	\$6,165.00	c	\$0.00	Boyer/LoPresti	\$6,165.00
Sheyenne Shy	1268	6.00	\$7,608.00	F	\$1,902.00	Colorado Quarry	\$5,706.00
Paige Lorenzen	1094	5.75	\$6,290.50	F	\$1,641.00	Kathy McLaughlin	\$4,649.50
Taylor Staton	1191	5.00	\$5,955.00	F	\$1,786.50	Trails End Ranch	\$4,168.50
Total Weight/Sales	10,103		\$53,233.00		\$5,329.50		\$47,903.50
Average Price/LB		5.27					

SELLER	WGT	CWT	TOTAL Price CWT	F/C	FLOOR PRICE	BUYER	BUYER PAY
LAMB					\$1.60		
Grace Watkins	112	16.00	\$1,792.00	F	\$179.20	Sangre De Cristo Electric/ Don Kaufman	\$1,612.80
Lindsey Gillmore	139	17.00	\$2,363.00	F	\$222.40	First State Bank of Colorado	\$2,140.60
Sierra Stepanich	145	15.00	\$2,175.00	F	\$232.00	Hobby Trucking	\$1,943.00
Morgan Foster	136	15.00	\$2,040.00	F	\$217.60	Beach Redi-Mix	\$1,822.40
Garrett Stepanich	149	15.00	\$2,235.00	F	\$238.40	Ranchers Roost	\$1,996.60
Kyle Rose	113	45.00	\$5,085.00	c	\$0.00	Kathy McLaughlin	\$5,085.00
Emma Rusk	127	33.00	\$4,191.00	F	\$203.20	Texas Creek Ranch	\$3,987.80
Total Weight / Sales	921		\$19,881.00		\$1,292.80		\$18,588.20
Average Price/LB		21.59					

SELLER	WGT	CWT	TOTAL Price CWT	F/C	FLOOR PRICE	BUYER	BUYER PAY
SWINE					\$0.68		
Lindsey Gillmore	261	12.00	\$3,132.00	F	\$177.48	Dynamic Ag Solutions	\$2,954.52
Kyle Rose	269	12.25	\$3,295.25	c	\$0.00	Carve BBQ	\$3,295.25
Garrett Stepanich	256	9.25	\$2,368.00	c	\$0.00	Seifert	\$2,368.00
Sheynne Shy	285	15.00	\$4,275.00	c	\$0.00	Rustler Implement	\$4,275.00
McKensie Penkoff	290	9.75	\$2,827.50	c	\$0.00	Texas Creek Ranch	\$2,827.50
Zachary Fischer	233	10.25	\$2,388.25	F	\$158.44	Ranchers Roost	\$2,229.81
Morgan Foster	249	12.50	\$3,112.50	c	\$0.00	A Painted View	\$3,112.50
Taylor Staton	279	10.25	\$2,859.75	c	\$0.00	Town and Country Ford	\$2,859.75
Cameron Penkoff	290	12.00	\$3,480.00	c	\$0.00	H Bar H	\$3,480.00
Halie Lemons	243	10.25	\$2,490.75	c	\$0.00	First Mountain Bank-Leadville	\$2,490.75
Sierra Stepanich	259	11.75	\$3,043.25	c	\$0.00	Seifert Ranch	\$3,043.25
Noah Tillotson	278	11.75	\$3,266.50	F	\$189.04	Trails End Ranch	\$3,077.46
Ben Penkoff	290	9.50	\$2,755.00	F	\$197.20	Westcliffe Supermarket	\$2,557.80
HailleyAnn Widger	220	9.50	\$2,090.00	F	\$149.60	Boyer Ranch/LoPresti	\$1,940.40
Billy Berry	255	12.25	\$3,123.75	F	\$173.40	First State Bank of Colorado	\$2,950.35
Ed Berry	261	11.50	\$3,001.50	c	\$0.00	Lyndseys Split Ends Hair Salon	\$3,001.50
Cash Rowley	290	13.50	\$3,915.00	c	\$0.00	Dynamic Ag Solutions	\$3,915.00
Bubba Widger	246	12.00	\$2,952.00	c	\$0.00	Trails End Ranch	\$2,952.00
Sam Dunlap	266	11.50	\$3,059.00	c	\$0.00	Seifert Ranch	\$3,059.00
Grace Moos	253	12.50	\$3,162.50	c	\$0.00	Salty Pine	\$3,162.50
Total Weight/Sales	5273		\$60,597.50		\$1,045.16		\$59,552.34
Average Price/LB		11.49					

SELLER	WGT	CWT	TOTAL Price CWT	F/C	FLOOR PRICE	BUYER	BUYER PAY
RABBIT					\$0.00		
Katelyn Roberson	1	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	F	\$0.00	Santa Fe Trail Rabbit Co.	\$2,600.00
Katelyn Roberson	1	2,100.00	\$2,100.00	C	\$0.00	Kathy McGlaughlin	\$2,100.00
Total Weight / Sales	2		\$4,700.00		\$0.00		\$4,700.00
Average Price/LB		2,350.00					

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CUSTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT C-1 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Great Room –

August 11, 2015 - 4:30 p.m.
“For the Good of the Students
of Custer County Schools”

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Welcome of Guests (Remind guests to sign-in and indicate if they wish to speak)
3. Modification/Approval of Agenda
4. General Public Comment Session - (Comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes)
5. Consent Agenda
 - a. Acceptance: Minutes of regular board meeting on June 9, 2015
 - b. Acceptance: Minutes of special board meeting on June 17, 2015
 - c. Acceptance: Minutes of special board meeting on June 22, 2015
 - d. Acceptance: Minutes of special board meeting on June 25, 2015
 - e. Acceptance: Resignation letter from Barb Bowers
 - f. Acceptance: Sale of school buses
6. Reports from Students/Staff
 - a. Graduation Certificate for Brianna Sullivan presented by Troy Bomgardner and BOE
7. Reports from Public
 - a. Excellence in Education report
8. Board Committee Reports - Accountability Committee, BOCES, FFA, Legislative Update, Preschool Advisory
9. Action Items
 - a. Approval: Personnel Hires
 - i. High School Boys Basketball
Head Coach: Shannon Byerly by Eric Prins
 - ii. Middle School Football Assistant
Coach: Gary Fischer by Eric Prins
 - iii. Bus Driver: Ron LeMoine by

- a. Approval: Check Vouchers - Amy Perschbacher
 - c. Approval: Financial Reports - Amy Perschbacher/Anita Gregg
 - d. Acceptance: Election IGA /Designated Election Officials– Amy Perschbacher
 - e. Acceptance: Propane Bids - Amy Perschbacher
 - f. Approval: Bobcat Subdivision Lot Listing Renewal – Mark Payler
 - g. Approval: Copier Proposal – Mark Payler
 - h. Approval: Sources of Strength – Mark Payler
 - i. Policy Updates:
 - (i) Policies BEC & BEDG – Executive Sessions, Minutes – Information
 - (ii) Policy GBEB – Staff Conduct (and Responsibilities) – Information
 - (iii) Policy GCO – Evaluation of Licensed Staff – Information
 - j. Approval: Board Retreat Date & Time – Board
 - k. Approval: Confirm Board Committee Assignments for Upcoming Year – Board
10. Principals’ Reports
 - a. Elementary – Holly Anderson
 - b. Secondary – Barb Jones
 11. Superintendent’s Report – News & Updates/Opening of School (Will be reported at board meeting with most current information for the board’s consideration)
 12. Items introduced by Board Members
 13. General Public Comment Session - (Comments will be limited to three minutes)
 14. Executive Session (If needed)
 15. Adjournment

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR SCHOOL DIRECTORS

CUSTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT C-1 CUSTER COUNTY, COLORADO

The Board of Education of Custer County School District C-1 in the County of Custer, State of Colorado, calls for nomination of candidates for school directors to be placed on the ballot for the regular biennial school election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

At this election three directors will be elected [representing director districts one, two, and three] for a term of office of four years. To be qualified, a candidate must have been a registered elector and a resident of the school district for at least 12 consecutive months before the election [and a resident of the director district which will be represented]. A person is ineligible to run for school director if he or she has been convicted of committing a sexual offense against a child.

A person who desires to be a candidate for school director shall file a written notice of intention to be a candidate and a

nomination petition signed by at least 25 eligible electors who are registered to vote in the regular biennial school election.

Nomination petitions may be obtained at the Custer County School Administration Office. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m..

Completed petitions shall be submitted to Amy Perschbacher or Mark Payler, the School District’s designated election officials, no later than 4:00 p.m. on August 28, 2015.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Education of Custer County School District C-1, in the County of Custer and State of Colorado, has caused this call for nominations to be given this 6th day of August, 2015.

Amy Perschbacher and Mark Payler
Designated Election Officials
Custer County School District C-1

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See Public Notices on page 10

Bobcats VolleyBall is Back!

The 2015 high school volleyball season is upon us and the Bobcats are ready! The summer has been spent in the gym, at the parade, car wash, and rodeo. It has been filled with excitement, injuries, and additions.

First, we would like to thank everyone that helped and support the team this summer. It still amazes us how much our community comes out and supports us. The concession stand at the rodeo was a huge success. It was great seeing fans outside the gym and having a great time. A special thanks goes to Shonda Curtis, Rebecca Gerringer, and the whole Benoit family for doing so much for our program.

The team played in a few team camps this summer and learned a lot about the game and our team. Several of them found themselves playing in different positions which was exciting to watch. The team won the Purple Division in Rye and Bronze Division in Buena Vista. The team is looking forward to take our successes this summer into the season.

Official practice starts on August 17th at 6:30 a.m. in the east gym. The girls will need to come in with a current physical



Some of the Bobcats Volleyball Car Wash Crew!

Courtesy photo

and the school’s code of conduct completed and turned into the office. We will practice Monday and Tuesday, 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and then in the evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. On Wednesday, August 19th, we will start practices at 4:00 p.m. and go until 7:00 p.m.

We are hoping to be competitive in league this year with dreams to make it to Regionals and State. We hope to see all of you come out and support our team.

Please see the complete Bobcats Volleyball Schedule on page 15.

KIDS Friday, August 7, 2015

VJ Day

VJ Day simply means Victory Over Japan Day. Its achievement, however, was extremely more complex. To begin with, there are three dates in history considered VJ Day in the year 1945: August 14 and 15 as well as September 2. Here is a brief background about those memorable days.

After almost a decade of deteriorating relations between the United States and Japan, the latter suddenly launched a surprise attack on the U.S. Naval base at Pearl Harbor on the island of Oahu in Hawaii. That historic date described as “a day of infamy” by then President Roosevelt was December 7, 1941. The United States immediately issued a declaration of war against Japan whose European ally was Germany led by Adolf Hitler. With that declaration the war in Europe became a truly global conflict that would last almost four years.

With superior technology, outstanding productivity, and an iron will to win, the U.S. and its Allies maintained a consistent path towards ultimate victory with Japan sustaining serial losses in the field over a three-year period. With a clear sight at the obvious outcome of the war, the Allied leaders issued the historic Potsdam Declaration calling for Japan to surrender. And, if it did, it was promised a peaceful government as willed by its own people. The alternative, however, would be to face “prompt and utter destruction”. The Imperial Government of Japan refused.

In the meantime, the Allies were preparing for the final stage of the war, the invasion of the Japanese homeland. Militarily known as “Operation Downfall”, this was a two-part strategy to subdue the enemy in their own territory. Hundreds of thousands of Allied soldiers were being assembled in secret locations in the Pacific islands, along with thousands of ships, aircraft, and countless number of tons of war material in preparation of the massive attack on Japan. Calculations by U.S. strategists indicated possible losses of tens of thousands of American and Allied lives. Not to mention loss of equipment and military assets.

Japan was belligerent and refused surrender. The U.S. had just developed the Atomic bomb and on August 6th, President Truman ordered the bombing of Hiroshima, Japan. Still the enemy refused to surrender and on August 9th a second bomb was dropped on the city of Nagasaki, Japan. Five days later, on August 14th, Emperor Hirohito cabled the United States his surrender and acceptance of the conditions in the Potsdam Declaration. The news was announced to the world on August 15th and formal surrender ceremonies took place in Tokyo Bay on board the U.S. Battleship USS Missouri, chosen because it bore the name of the President Truman’s home state. And so, the three days in history are known as VJ Day as a joyful world welcomed the end of the Second World War.

by Fred Hernandez

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NOTICE

The following is a list of all bills presented, audited, and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Custer County, Colorado, from their respective funds at the regular meeting on July 31, 2015.

Custer County Payments for Airport Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ASCENT AVIATION GROUP INC	POS CHG	30.00
CENTURYLINK	SRV	104.88
CUSTER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	DIESEL	33.46
DIVERSE DATUM WIRELESS	SRV	60.00
QT POD	FUEL STATION COVER	119.92
SANGRE DE CRISTO ELECTRIC	SRV	343.55
	Final Totals...	691.81

Custer County Payments for Capital Improvement Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
UNITED REPROGRAPHIC SUPPLY	ASSR COPIER MAINT AGREE	81.00
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING	ASSR MAPPING COPIER	262.64
	Final Totals...	343.64

Custer County Payments for General Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ALTUS-ENVIRONMENTAL LLC	WESTCLIFFE LNDEL SAMPLES	2,149.75
AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE	DS W/H	289.42
AMERICAN PUBLIC LIFE	CN W/H	82.60
AT & T MOBILITY	SRV	897.03
ATTEBERRY/LYNN	TRAVEL REIMBS	349.50
BERG HILL GREENLEAF & RUSCITTI	PROF SRVS	410.50
BLACK KNIGHT FINANCIAL SRVS	JULY-DEC PRE-PAY REFUND	1,500.00
CDPH:	LNDEL QRTLY REPR	961.71
CDPHE ADMIN DIV & FIN SRVS	OWTS PERMIT SURCHARGE	320.00
CENTURYLINK	WCCI/FIRE SRV	447.06
CENTURYLINK	SRV	3,919.55
COLORADO WILDLAND FIRE ACADEMY	CANCELLATION FEE	50.00
CORDANT HEALTH SOLUTIONS	PROB CLIENTS DRUG TESTS	307.40
CRESTONE GRAPHICS	P & Z PAPER	19.00
CISI VOLUNTEER INSURANCE	COMM SRV WKRS COVERAGE	180.00
CURTIS/SONDA	TRAINING CLASS LUNCH	419.20
CUSTER COUNTY EMPLOYEES HIT	INS W/H	30,077.14
CUSTER COUNTY EXTENSION		929.75
CUSTER COUNTY MEDICAL CLINIC	INMATE SRV	62.00
CUSTER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	LANDFILL SALARY REIMBS	6,843.42
DELL FINANCIAL SERVICES		312.54
DELL FINANCIAL SERVICES	P & Z PCS	174.19
DISD NETWORK	ACCT# CUSTER COUNTY JAIL	145.09
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY	GARNISHMENT	442.00
GCR TIRES & SERVICE	SHERIFF'S DEPT	1,305.16
HALPIN/MICHAEL	REIMBS	41.82
HENRICH/JAMES D	REIMBS	55.43
HOLT FAMILY FUNERAL HOME	REMOVALS	325.00
IPPOITO/CHUCK		1,733.48
KATTING/ROBERT (BOB)	REIMBS	75.00
LANG/CHRISTINE	MILEAGE	27.59
LEDS LLC	CLERK SRVS	1,100.00
LEGALSHIELD	LS W/H	64.75
MARTIN/RHONDA K	STAMPS REIMBS	49.00
MB POLICE EQUIPMENT	UNIFORM SUPPLIES	122.96
MOUNTAIN PUBLISHING CO INC/THE	BOCC PUBLISHING	436.10

Custer County Payments for General Fund Payments Continued

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
NAPA AUTO PARTS OF WESTCLIFFE	LANDFILL REPAIRS	449.41
NAYLOR & GEISEL P C	PROF SRVS	400.00
NORUP GAS INC	SHERIFF-COMPLEX SRV	67.64
OAK DISPOSAL SERVICE	LANDFILL FACILITIES	201.50
OFFICE DEPOT	TREASURER SUPPLIES	8.85
OFFICE DEPOT	CCPHNS SUPPLIES	56.98
OFFICE OF THE DIST ATTORNEY	PROF SRVS	6,909.92
PIQUETTE ENTERPRISES LLC	JULY ACCOUNTING	771.50
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE METER REF INK	130.88
PSYCHOLOGICAL DIMENSIONS P C	PSYCH EVAL	200.00
RAINBOW PLUMBING & HEATING	JAIL SHOWER REPAIR	425.00
RANCHER'S ROOST CAFE	VSO MTG	82.43
ROUND MTN WATER & SANITATION	GRNDS SRV	320.60
SAM'S CLUB	JAIL NON-FOOD SUPPLIES	262.76
SANGRE DE CRISTO ELECTRIC	LANDFILL SRV	53.15
SBA STRUCTURES LLC	SITE RENTAL	131.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	ELECTION TRAINING CAMPER	60.00
SEY/CHRISTOPHER (KIT)	REIMBS	75.00
SMITH/CLINTON A	PROF SRV	1,255.00
STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL	SHERIFF OFFICE SUPPLIES	334.20
STATE OF COLORADO	AUGUST MVR DELIVERABLES	252.57
STOLTZBUS/GAIL	REIMBS	415.02
SYMBOLARTS LLC	SHERIFF BADGES	805.00
TASC PVR	FLEX PLAN W/H	900.00
U S POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE MACHINE POSTAGE	2,000.00
US BANK		341.80
VALLEY ACE HOME CENTER	SHERIFF SUPPLIES	362.17
WESTCLIFFE PETROLEUM	SHERIFF TIRES	271.90
WESTCLIFFE SUPER MARKET	JAIL FOOD	844.80
WET MTN FIRE PROTECTION DIST	VERDEMONT REPEATER MAINT	58.12
YOUNG/ROBIN	TRAVEL REIMBS	342.50
	Final Totals...	75,415.05
	Payroll...	94,359.54

Custer County Payments for Self Insurance Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
COLORADO STATE TREASURER	UNEMPLOY BENEFITS REIMBS	4,080.00
	Final Totals...	4,080.00

Custer County Payments for EMS Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ADVANTAGE GROUP/THE	GARNISHMENT	474.87
AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE	DS W/H	69.61
AMERICAN PUBLIC LIFE	CN W/H	20.00
CENTURYLINK	OEM	102.06
COLEMAN/CHRISTIE		241.55
CUSTER COUNTY EMPLOYEES HIT	INSURANCE	4,706.80
INVENTORY TRADING CO	DISPATCH UNIFORM SHIRTS	276.00
QUILL CORP	OEM SUPPLIES	208.83
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	RETAC EXP FOR CAD SYSTEM	476.37
TASC PVR	FLEX W/H	100.00
US BANK	DISPATCH NOTARY'S	78.00
	Final Totals...	6,754.09
	Payroll...	10,793.59

Custer County Payments for Human Services Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
	Final Totals...	10,354.06
	Payroll...	13,569.81

Custer County Payments for Road and Bridge Fund Payments From July 1, 2015 Through July 31, 2015

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
AFLAC	AF W/H	39.90
AIRGAS INTERMOUNTAIN INC	TANK RENTALS	409.81
AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE	DS W/H	555.12
AT & T MOBILITY	SRV	204.26
CENTURYLINK	WETMORE SHOP SRV	186.64
CENTURYLINK	WC SHOP SRV	301.16
CITY OF FLORENCE	WATER HAULED BY WETMORE	18.00
CUSTER COUNTY EMPLOYEES HIT	INSURANCE	13,112.56
DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS	RADIO REPAIRS	406.12
DIVISION OF RECLAMATION	SOUTH PIT ANNUAL FEE	791.00
DRIVE TRAIN INDUSTRIES	MISC PARTS	707.36
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY	GARNISHMENT	546.00
INTERSTATE BILLING SERVICE	TRUCK DIAGNOSTICS & SRV	1,416.96
JIM'S TIRE SERVICE	TIRES & SRV	810.92
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	MISC SHOP SUPPLIES	255.69
LEGALSHIELD	LS W/H	51.80
MCFARLAND OIL	FUELS	16,981.50
MOHR'S WOOD ITEMS AND TROPHIES	RETIREMENT PLAQUE	64.80
MOUNTAIN PUBLISHING CO INC/THE	HELP WANTED	27.50
NAPA AUTO PARTS OF WESTCLIFFE	MISC PARTS & FITTINGS	732.25
PRECISION HYDRAULICS INC	HOSE & FITTINGS	105.49
QUILL CORP	OFFICE SUPPLIES	191.01
ROUND MTN WATER & SANITATION	SRV	121.40
SEIFERT TRUCKING	CULVERT HANDS	65.40
SKYLINE STEEL	CULVERTS & BANDS	5,340.96
SMART WALL ENERGY	BHE DIRECT INSTALL	15,603.63
TACKER/GALEN	REIMB CIL PHYSICAL	70.00
TASC PVR	FLEX W/H	399.99
TRANWEST TRUCKS	MISC PARTS	72.19
VALLEY ACE HOME CENTER	MISC SUPPLIES	291.15
WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO	MISC PARTS	401.56
WESTCLIFFE SUPER MARKET	ICE	7.97
WHITEHALLS ALPINE BG	SLC GREASE	231.00
XEROX CORP	COPIER	52.79
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	MISC PARTS	1,283.81
	Final Totals...	59,837.70
	Payroll...	35,802.31

STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF CUSTER

I, Debbie Livengood, County Clerk in and for said county, and in the state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true, full, and correct list of all office bills allowed paid by the Board of County Commissioners of said county and state, at the regular meeting held in June 2015, as shown by the records and files of my office. Given under my hand and official seal this month of July A.D. 2015.

Debbie Livengood
County Clerk
Date published: August 7, 2015
Sangre De Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE

**Custer County
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Tentative Agenda
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2015
12:00 PM
Meeting Location:
San Isabel Restaurant**

Call meeting to order
Pledge of allegiance
Roll Call
Amend agenda
Audience introduction
Public Comment
Approval of minutes
Commissioner Items

Local Mountain News & Notices



CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Attorney Items
Executive Session
New/Old Business

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

Published 8/7/2015
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

PUBLIC NOTICE COMBINED NOTICE PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 10-15

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

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, 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.

First Publication 7/10/2015
Last Publication 8/7/2015
Name of Publication: Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF IN-

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

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

Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
P.O. Box 4503
Iowa City, Iowa 52244
(855) 411-2372
www.consumerfinance.gov

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 COMBINED NOTICE PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 04-15

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On February 10, 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): Greenhorn Ranch LLC, a Colorado Limited Liability Company
Original Beneficiary(ies): Jeri Saboe
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Jeri Saboe
Date of Deed of Trust: November 07, 2008
County of Recording: Custer
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: November 10, 2008
Recording Information
(Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.):
211471 Book: 617 Page: 322
Original Principal Amount: \$350,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$138,005.00

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

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THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (SW1/4NW1/4) AND THE NORTH-

WEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4NW1/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT (28); AND THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (N1/2NE1/4) AND THE SOUTH-WEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (SW1/4NE1/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-NINE (29), ALL IN TOWNSHIP TWENTY-FOUR (24) SOUTH, RANGE SEVENTY-TWO (72) WEST OF THE SIXTH (6TH) PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, TOGETHER WITH ALL ITS APPURTENANCES, COUNTY OF CUSTER, STATE OF COLORADO

Also known by street and number as: CO 81252.
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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, 09/23/2015, at the office of the Custer County Public Trustee, 205 South 6th Street, Westcliffe, CO 81252, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication 7/31/2015
Last Publication 8/28/2015
Name of Publication: Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

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DATE: 02/10/2015
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:
Dan Slater Attorney at Law 1415 Main Street, Suite A, Canon city, CO 81212 (719) 269-3315
Attorney File # GreenHorn/Saboe
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.

Westcliffe's 69th Annual Stampede Rodeo

The Softer Side of Rodeo



Local Mountain News & Notices

Classifieds

Announcement

CCPOA Annual Meeting will be held at 2 p.m. on August 9th at 18 Night-hawk Way.

Builders

WET MOUNTAIN LOG HOMES (719) 783-2883. Swedish cope, stick built, and metal buildings and addition. Helping you build on a budget!

For Sale

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

2010 Toyota RAV AWD. One owner, V6, pearl white, Limited, leather,

SR, and 70K. Immaculate condition. \$18,985. (303) 550-9206

Free

Free: Queen mattress and box spring. Used very little. Call (719) 783-0153

Garage Sale

Huge garage sale on Saturday, August 8, only. 1539 23rd Trail. Follow signs. 12 miles from Westcliffe. Crystal, tools, shoes, small girl clothes. Something for everyone. Too many to list. 8 – 5 p.m.

Help Wanted

MAINTENANCE POSITION available immediately – part time. Building and mechanical systems,

equipment maintenance and repair, swimming pool operator (must be able to pass certification course) at Club America. Pay negotiable depending on experience. Come by to pick up Application, due by August 20. 783-0750

IN-HOME ELDERLY CARE needed 2-3 days a week, days and nights. Cooking, light cleaning, and general assistance needed. 783-9174 or 269-7882

TECHNICIAN needed to work on all types of ATVs, side-by-sides, and snowmobiles. Wage depends upon experience. Call (719) 431-7072

High Peaks Animal Hospital is seeking applicants for a full-time Receptionist/Assistant. Animal handling is required, competitive pay based on applicant's experience. We also have a part-time Kennel Technician position, weekends are a must. Applications available at 1200 Broadway Silver Cliff or email resumes@highpeaksanimal@gmail.com. For more information: 719-783-3770

Real Estate

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SEPTIC PUMPING
(719) 783-2747 or
Cell (719) 371-3523
Please call Art Nordyke for your septic pumping and inspections.
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**Call 783-3360
to place
your ad**

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

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



*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*

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

Saturday and Sunday, August 8-9
The Wet Mountain Western Round-Up: Come enjoy an authentic meal prepared the cowboy way and two days of music! For more information, call 719-783-9100.

Wednesday, August 12
Noon: BOCC meeting, San Isabel

Thursday-Sunday, August 13-16
7 p.m. (2 p.m. on Sunday): Jones Theater: Youth Theater Musical: "Lady Pirates of the Caribbean", The lady pirates are out to dominate the Caribbean with songs and laughter. A fun performance by many of very talented local children; \$15 Adults, \$5 kids 12 and under

Saturday, August 15
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.: Bobcat Fun/K and Walk at The Bluff in Westcliffe (Registration starts at 7:30)

Monday, August 17
4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.: High School Open House

Tuesday, August 18
4:30 p.m.: Middle School Open House

Thursday, August 20
8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: School commences for grades 6-12

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.: Orientation for Early Bears in PK classroom
11 a.m. – 12 p.m.: Orientation for Late Bears in PK classroom
10 a.m.: Airport Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, August 21
7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: "Wyatt Earp – A Life on the Frontier" – A one-man show presented by the great grand-nephew of Wyatt Earp. Adults: \$15

Saturday, August 22
9 a.m.: U.S. Law Shield seminar at The Wild West Cowboy Church
7:30 p.m.: Jones Theater: "Wyatt Earp – A Life on the Frontier" – A one-man show presented by the great grand-nephew of Wyatt Earp. Adults: \$15

Monday, August 31
8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: First day of school for pre-kindergarteners
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting at CC Courthouse boardroom

Tuesday, September 1
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting at CC Courthouse boardroom

Wednesday, September 2
9 a.m.: BOCC meeting at CC Courthouse boardroom

Monday, September 7
LABOR DAY: COURTHOUSE, SCHOOLS, AND BANKS CLOSED

Saturday, September 19
Fremont County Airshow

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

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13, NIV

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2015 4-H/FFA Livestock Sale Results *continued from page 8*

SELLER	WGT	CWT	TOTAL Price CWT	F/C	FLOOR PRICE	BUYER	BUYER PAY
GOAT					\$1.60		
Grace Watkins	66	19.50	\$1,287.00	F	\$105.60	Sharpe's Implement	\$1,181.40
Anastasia Berry	81	21.00	\$1,701.00	F	\$129.60	Samuelson Ranch	\$1,571.40
Dalton Wommack	55	17.00	\$935.00	F	\$88.00	Westcliffe Super Market	\$847.00
Lucas Comerford	63	29.00	\$1,827.00	F	\$100.80	D&K Supply	\$1,726.20
Scott Freeburg	55	25.00	\$1,375.00	F	\$88.00	Trails End Ranch	\$1,287.00
Joshua Wofford	63	25.00	\$1,575.00	F	\$100.80	Farm Credit of Southern Colorado	\$1,474.20
Katlyn Freeburg	66	23.00	\$1,518.00	F	\$105.60	Hillside Colorado & Lamppost Lodge	\$1,412.40
Dillon Wommack	61	21.50	\$1,311.50	F	\$97.60	Big R of Pueblo	\$1,213.90
Total Weight / Sales	510		\$11,529.50		\$816.00		\$10,713.50
Average Price/LB		22.61					
GRAND TOTAL							
TOTAL SALES			\$149,941.00		\$8,483.46		\$141,457.54

Custer County High School 2015 Volleyball

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
8/28	La Veta	Custer County	5 pm
8/29	Sanford/ Crested Butte	Custer County	10 am
9/12	Center/Sargent	Center	3 pm
9/17	Cotopaxi	Cotopaxi	5:30 pm
9/19	Cripple Creek	Custer County	10 am
9/22	Sanford	Sanford	4 pm
9/26	Akron	Akron	9 am
	Tournament		
10/2	Del Norte	Custer County	10 am
10/9	Center	Custer County	10 am
10/10	South Park/ Crested Butte	South Park	10 am
10/13	Sargent	Custer County	5 pm
10/17	Cripple Creek	Cripple Creek	10 am
10/24	Del Norte/ South Park	Del Norte	10 am
10/27	District	TBD	TBD
10/30	District	TBD	TBD
11/7	Regionals	TBD	TBD
11/13	CHSAA	TBD	TBD
	State Championship		
11/14	CHSAA	TBD	TBD
	State Championship		

Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 190 calls for service from the Sheriff's Office and 9 from EMS. As of August 3rd there were 4 males in the county jail.

07/29/15 EMS
0839 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to the Custer County Clinic for a 16-month-old female in respiratory distress. The patient was transported to Parkview Hospital in Pueblo.

07/29/15 15-0481
0935 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Main Street in Silver Cliff to investigate a report of vandalism.

07/29/15 15-0484
1517 hours / Hwy 96 MM 26.5 / Traffic Summons: Dave Kasahn (DOB in 1966) of Florence was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 over, and for driving with a suspended license.

07/29/15 15-0485
1858 hours: A deputy was dispatched to investigate a disturbance on CR 220. Kamala Paris (DOB in 1968) was arrested on an outstanding warrant from the Aurora Police Department.

07/29/15 15-0486
2128 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Elk Lane in Lake DeWeese for a civil stand-by.

07/30/15 15-0489
1632 hours: Citation issued to Quinney, Jeffery (DOB in 1973) for driving while under suspension near 700 Broadway Street in Silver Cliff.

07/30/15 15-0490
1835 hours: Party (Bass, Micheal - DOB in 1971) was cited for speeding (20-24 over) in the area of Highway 69-South, MM 57.

07/30/15 15-0493
2321 hours: Party (Hilton, Myron - DOB in 1956) was cited for speeding (10-19 over)

near 425 6th Street in Westcliffe.

07/31/15 EMS
2053 hours: Medical personnel responded to a call for assistance on 3rd Street. One party was transported to Parkview Medical Center.

08/01/15 EMS
1540 hours: Transported party to Parkview Medical Center.

08/01/15 15-0500
1635 hours: Party (Leblanc, Mark - DOB in 1984) was cited for speeding (20-24 over) on 6th Street in Westcliffe.

08/02/15 WMFD
0803 hours: Fire personnel responded to a smoke investigation off of County Road 105. Smoke was from a controlled burn in the area.

08/03/15 15-0504
2415 hours: Officers performed a requested welfare check on a party at 941 French Street. Party was located

ed at a neighboring residence. Nothing further to report.

08/03/15 15-0506
1809 hours: Officers responded to a report of a verbal argument on Lea Lane. A report on a family dispute was taken.

08/03/15 15-5169
Deputies responded to a reported accident on Oak Creek Grade. It was later discovered the accident was in Fremont County.

08/03/15 15-5171
Deputies assisted Pueblo County in the recovery of an 18-year-old male party who was killed in a climbing accident.

08/03/15 15-5175
Deputies responded to 184 Sugarloaf on a disturbance. No crime was reported.

08/03/15 15-5178
Deputies responded to the report of two dogs at large in the town of Westcliffe. The owners were located and the dogs were caught.

Silver Cliff Town Council: Surveillance Cameras Wanted for Vandalism Epidemic

by Fred Hernandez

The Silver Cliff Town Council meeting was called to order at five thirty, August 3, 2015. After the Pledge of Allegiance the roll was called, all members were present, and the meeting moved on to the Agenda for the day. Under Old Business, final approval was given for the WI FI at the park. Vandalism at the park was also discussed with recommendations and plan for

camera surveillance directly linked to the office of the Sheriff.

Moving on to New Business, the board approved a date change for Bobcat Fun/K & Walk. The board then discussed Ordinance #4-2015 Park Curfew and approved as written the curfew for 10 p.m. weekdays and weekends. Next item on the agenda the board then considered for final approval Ordinance #5-2015

Park Usage. On motion duly seconded, with no discussions, it was unanimously approved.

Staff reports was the next item on the agenda. Mr. Camper reported on the condition of Ms. Ileen Lemons, town secretary, who recently had an accident. A basket will be sent conveying a message to get well soon.

The board took up and dis-

cussed at length the continuing problem of vandalism. It seems that this matter has to be addressed more aggressively before it can be contained. The use of security cameras is being considered seriously. In particular the Pavilion has been targeted again.

Important date to keep in mind: Board of Trustees meeting will be held September 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the Senior Center.

“What is written in the Law?”
he replied.

“How do you read it?”
He answered:

“ ‘Love the Lord your God
with all your heart
and with all your soul
and with all your strength
and with all your mind’; and,
‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”

“You have answered correctly,”
Jesus replied.

“Do this and you will live.”

Luke 10:26-28, NIV

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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.
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Florence Mourns the Loss of Councilman Mel Edwards

by Charlotte Burrous

Friend, peacemaker, and fun were just a few of the words used to describe Mel Edwards, who passed away on July 26, 2015, in a Colorado Springs hospital. According to the coroner's report, his death was caused by a self-inflicted gunshot wound. "(It happened late (July 25)," said Coroner Randy Keller. "He was taken by Flight for Life to a Colorado Springs hospital, (where) he died the next day." Born April 26, 1963, to Ronnie Dean and Betty Louise (Morris) Stone in Bristow, Okla., Mel moved to Cañon City in 1993 and moved to Florence in 2008, where he was appointed as a councilman in July 2013.

"He was one of my best friends," said Mayor Keith Ore. "He and I hung out quite a bit together. He was a great guy. Mel was very intelligent." In 2013, Mel was appointed to Florence City Council when Georgia Enslow resigned. Since then, Mel was appointed as mayor pro tem.

"He was a great benefit for our council," Ore said. "He came up with great ideas for the city and the council. He was just a great guy. He really cared about the people of Florence." "He kept everybody laughing all the time," Ore said. Florence City Manager Mike Patterson said he would miss

Mel, as well. "Mel was a big champion of economic development and really wanted to see the city focused on creating jobs," he said. "His No. 1 focus as a council member was job creation and he worked very hard for that. That was a huge push for Mel, but it wasn't just any kind of job. He was the deciding vote on the marijuana issue. He was one who said all along he wanted to do what made sense for the community."

After his constituents voiced their objection to retail marijuana, Mel voted against having it in the city. "It was a split council (with) a 3-3 vote," Patterson said. "He was the last to decide. He said it. 'I'm not telling you I won't change my mind, but right now I'm hearing from citizens who don't want retail marijuana' and he was worried about what it would do to our water system because there are still questions about whether you would lose the 0 or 1 percent low interest or the city would lose that funding. In spite of economic views, Mel wasn't willing to (vote for something) until he was sure it was good for the community. For all his craziness personally, Mel was the life of the party. There was not a more fun person than Mel. He was definitely cautious. He was a warrior at heart, but when it came down to it, he was actually a peacemaker," Patterson added.

"Personally for myself, City Council, and employees of City of Florence, we will greatly miss Mel," Patterson said. "We want to support his family and honor his memory. He's done some very good things for this community and most of them are things that people will never know. We greatly appreciate everything he's done for all of us."

Mel is survived by his wife, Jean; children, Samantha (Bryon) Edwards, of Val Verde, Calif.; Susan (Matthew) Howard, of Frederick, Md.; and Ronnie Dean Edwards, of Colorado Springs; grandchildren, Nolan Wusstig, Westley Wusstig and one on the way; his mother, Betty Byars, of Bakersfield, Calif.; sisters, Patty Berry, of Marysville, Calif.; Marcia Shepard, of Tallahassee, Colo.; Karen Edwards, of Ohio; and Carol Scroggins, of Bakersfield, Calif.; a brother, Rocky Edwards, of Wasco, Calif.; his best friend, Jay LeBlanc; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The memorial service was held at 2 p.m., August 5, 2015, at the Evangelical Free Church with the Rev. Jim Thulson officiating. Memorial donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, National Processing Center, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516.

Fremont County Residents Question Decisions Made by Board

by Barbara Penezic

Recent decisions on the part of the Fremont County Commissioners have left some residents, employees, and taxpayers crying foul.

During the 2013 election, taxpayers were asked to approve a one-cent sales and use tax increase. Voters were assured this financial gain would benefit the Sheriff's Department, period. The increase

was approved by the voters, a new pay scale was implemented by the Fremont County Sheriff's Office in February 2014 that included step raises for service at one, four, seven, ten, fifteen and 20 years of service. Fremont County Deputy Cyrus (CJ) Youngs said he was told in March of this year he would not receive a raise in 2015 for his ten year anniversary because of a new county-wide compensation structure.

Deputy Youngs accused the Commissioners of lying to the Sheriff, deputies, and the voters. "When one looks at the totality of the situation, it begs an interesting question, did the county commissioners attempt to subvert the voters to put the county in a better financial situation?" Youngs asked. "My research and educated hypothesis says 'yes'. The deputy claims the board mislead citizens with 'misleading propaganda in order to ac-

complish these deceptive actions." He said it was unethical in his view for the board to start charging the Sheriff for his utilities and redistributing that money among other departments for personnel costs. By doing so Youngs charged that the commissioners removed the Sheriff's pay scale and balanced the

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Summer Reading Program 2015 Enjoys Pool Party

by Charlotte Burrous

The Cañon City Public Library held a swim party on July 31st at the Icabone Swimming Pool for all participants of the Summer Reading Program, which was over at the end of the month.

"We're celebrating the end of our Summer Program and we're throwing a party for our amazing readers," said Deputy Director Kendra McFall prior to the event.

read (more than) 6,000 hours collectively. We had adults, teens, and all ages (participate)." In addition, numerous businesses and residents donated lots of prizes, she said. Also, a quilt auction raised more than \$500 for the reading program. "This is the first year we've done a swimming party," McFall said. "We're anxious to see how it's going to be." The participants enjoyed the opportunity to swim and were treated



Two readers prepare to dive into the Icabone Swimming Pool at the end of the Canon City Summer Reading program celebration.

Courtesy photo by Charlotte Burrous

To be eligible, the participants were required to read a total of 10 hours, but many of them read more than the required 10 hours during the summer. "We had (more than) 500 children sign up," McFall said. "They

to Domino's Pizza. The program sponsored by the Cañon City Library and area businesses is a great way to keep reading skills sharp and have some fun in the sun during the summer break.



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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.

The Stand of Accountability

On January 18, 2002, when I wrote the first Daily Jot, there were maybe one or two prophetic-related events per month. Over the years, these events increased to perhaps one a week. Then several a week. Then one a day. And, now, sometimes so many that it is difficult to pick which to write about. Irrespective of your eschatology, it is difficult to deny that we are living in an exciting, prophetic time. Hardly dinner table conversation in 2002, today the conversation doesn't even have to drift to the biblical significance of the day's events at our dinner table with family or friends. It gets there naturally and sometimes very quickly. I believe beyond a doubt that we are watching biblical prophecies take shape.

From the Caliphate in the Middle East to the US president as a catalyst to Islamic dominance, it is not difficult now to see how the epic end time battle of Ezekiel 38 takes shape and waits suspended for the LORD to set it in motion. World powers, such as the United States under the leadership of godless men and women, are shifting. They are abandoning traditional roles of standing in the breach for Israel and for holding the violent Islamic aggression at bay. Instead, they have taken the approach of engagement, aiding and abetting, tolerance and allowance of this aggression to be played out by the hands of brutal men who give new meaning to the contemporary definition of the word "terrorist."

The "church" is divided as much on doctrine as it is on who is Jesus Christ.

Self indulgence, emotionalism, and extra-biblical, even non-biblical teaching, has replaced sound doctrine in much of the church. Discussions on doctrine and theology often are now argued in terms of who wrote what book that is currently popular, instead of the context of the word of God. This is 2 Timothy 4:3,4 playing out: "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." This opens the door to great deception.

I cannot urge you enough to study the word of God on your own. Teachers, preachers, and others who self-proclaim their church offices will not stand in your place before the Lord on Judgement Day. It will be you, and you alone. You won't be able to quote passages from some so-called Bible teacher in your defense. It will be about your relationship with the LORD. With the exponential increase in events that can be related to prophecy and the desire of the masses to chase after the newest opinion on scripture, I now have a fuller understanding of what Apostle Paul wrote in Philippians 2:12 to "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." Read the Word in its context. Get close to Jesus. We are living in prophetic times.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!
Bill Wilson
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by Patrick Buchanan, Buchanan.Org, via ZeroHedge.com

(Editor/GG: Watching these RINO's squeal like little girly boys, blat like Bernie Sanders on a blind date, and whine like a rat dog gone bad just makes my day. The country's literally bankrupt. We are being invaded by hundreds of thousands of dirt poor, no job skill, American hating career welfare cases and the Republican Party is worried about freak'n IRS emails!!!! Jeb Bush wants to speak to the American people in spanish!! Barf bag, please. Donald Trump is kicking their pathetic, old, flabby white butts 'cause he is telling the TRUTH about the REAL problems we face: immigration, debt at all levels, and out-of-control federal and state governments ruling us like soviet peasants. He has finally EXPOSED these "republicans" for what they really are: frauds and charlatans. I'd take Trump any day over ANY of the RINO's except for Ted Cruz. Sure he's got baggage (and the rest DON'T? And at least his women are beautiful. Isn't that refreshing.). But he knows HOW TO WIN. And he has a REAL track record of success. Take no prisoners, Donald. Eat their lunch, brother. Clean this stink'n swamp of career statists destroying our country and put business people in charge of all these bloated, unnecessary bureaucracy filled with do-nothing drones. Oh, man, can you imagine the carnage. What was that line in Trump's TV show, The Apprentice: "You're FIRED". Amen.)

The American political class has failed the country, and should be fired. That is the clearest message from the summer surge of Bernie Sanders and the remarkable rise of Donald Trump.

Sanders' candidacy can trace it roots back to the 19th-century populist party of Mary Elizabeth Lease who de-claimed:

The great common people of this country are slaves, and monopoly is the master."

"Wall Street owns the country. It is no longer a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, but a government of Wall Street, by Wall Street, and for Wall Street. The great common people of this country are slaves, and monopoly is the master."

"Raise less corn and more hell!" Mary admonished the farmers of Kansas.

Can Trump Win?

William Jennings Bryan captured the Democratic nomination in 1896 by denouncing the gold standard beloved of the hard money men of his day: "You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns, you shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold."

Sanders is in that tradition, if not in that league as an orator. His followers, largely white, \$50,000-a-year

ton and Jeb Bush, are boring. He makes politics entertaining, fun.

Trump also benefits from the perception that his rivals and the press want him out of the race and are desperately seizing upon any gaffe to drive him out. The piling on, the abandonment of Trump by the corporate elite, may have cost him a lot of money. But it also brought him support he would not otherwise have had.

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folks with college degrees, call to mind more the followers of George McGovern than Jennings Bryan.

Yet the stagnation of workers' wages as the billionaire boys club admits new members, and the hemorrhaging of U.S. jobs under trade deals done for the Davos-Doha crowd, has created a blazing issue of economic inequality that propels the Sanders campaign.

Between his issues and Trump's there is overlap. Both denounce the trade deals that deindustrialized America and shipped millions of jobs off to Mexico, Asia and China. But Trump has connected to an even more powerful current.

That is the issue of uncontrolled and illegal immigration, the sense America's borders are undefended, that untold millions of lawbreakers are in our country, and more are coming. While most come to work, they are taking American jobs and consuming tax dollars, and too many come to rob, rape, murder and make a living selling drugs.

Moreover, the politicians who have talked about this for decades are a pack of phonies who have done little to secure the border.

Trump boasts that he will get the job done, as he gets done all other jobs he has undertaken. And his poll ratings are one measure of how far out of touch the Republican establishment is with the Republican heartland.

When Trump ridicules his rivals as Lilliputians and mocks the celebrity media, the Republican base cheers and laughs with him.

He is boastful, brash, defiant, unapologetic, loves campaigning, and is putting on a great show with his Trump planes and 100-foot-long stretch limos. "Every man a king but no man wears a crown," said Huey Long. "I'm gonna make America great again," says Donald.

Compared to Trump, all the other candidates, including Hillary Clin-

For no group of Americans has been called more names than the base of the GOP. The attacks that caused the establishment to wash its hands of Trump as an embarrassment brought the base to his defense.

But can Trump win?

If his poll numbers hold, Trump will be there six months from now when the Sweet 16 is cut to the Final Four, and he will likely be in the finals. For if Trump is running at 18 or 20 percent nationally then, among Republicans, it is hard to see how two rivals beat him.

For Trump not to be in the hunt as the New Hampshire primary opens, his campaign will have to implode, as Gary Hart's did in 1987, and Bill Clinton's almost did in 1992.

Thus, in the next six months, Trump will have to commit some truly egregious blunder that costs him his present following. Or the dirt divers of the media and "oppo research" arms of the other campaigns will have to come up with some high-yield IEDs.

Presidential primaries are minefields for the incautious, and Trump is not a cautious man. And it is difficult to see how, in a two-man race against the favorite of the Republican establishment, he could win enough primaries, caucuses and delegates to capture 50 percent of the convention votes.

For almost all of the candidates who will have dropped out by then will have endorsed the last man standing against Trump. And should Trump be nominated, his candidacy would make Barry Goldwater look like the great uniter of the GOP.

Still, who expected Donald Trump to be in the catbird seat in the GOP nomination run before the first presidential debate? And even his TV antagonists cannot deny he has been great for ratings.

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Why Does the Republican Party Exist

Why is it for?

What Principle Does It Serve?

It Is Hard to Say.

by Ben Domenech,
TheFederalist.com

(Editor/GG: Folks, this sums it up. Time for a change.)

Why does the Republican Party exist? What is its purpose as a political entity – to what end do its members work to elect their fellow Republicans? What are its priorities? Whose interests does it serve? Why is this political party still around so long after its primary motivations for creation – the defense of the Union and the end of slavery – were achieved? The Democratic Party exists to serve its clients – but the Republican Party’s justification is more ethereal. Is it just an arbitrary entity seeking a universal negative, designed to push back against Democratic policies and demand they be more something (efficient) or less something else (expensive)? Or does it have actual principles and priorities it seeks to make a reality?

The Republican Party’s voters and supporters certainly seem to have such beliefs. But they rarely seem to make it through the process of synthesis that turns such beliefs into actual policy priorities. Being a negative force is not nothing, and blocking bad policy is worthwhile. But when given the opportunity to put good policy into place, or to take steps to make such policy more feasible in the future, where is the Republican Party to be found?

David Harsanyi writes about this today in the context of explaining poll after poll which shows the Republican Party less and less popular among Republicans, even as rabble-rousers like Donald Trump are overperforming:

“It’s conceivable, and I’m just spit-balling here, that many conservatives are wondering: If the Republican Party is incapable or unwilling to make a compelling case against the selling of baby organs or the emergence of a nuclear Iran or the funding of a cronyist state-run bank—or all three—then really, what exactly can it do? Setting aside presidential politics for a mo-

ment, three issues have filled the conservative ether the past few weeks: the administration’s pact abetting Iran’s efforts to become a threshold nuclear power, Planned Parenthood’s organ harvesting controversy, and, to a lesser extent, the renewal of the Export-Import bank. None of these are hobbyhorses of the wild fringe. These are issues—ostensibly, at least—that strike at the heart of the modern GOP. And on all three, Republican leadership have, though they held plenty of leverage to raise a stink, capitulated. In fact, they have probably put more effort into evading confrontation than their standard response of pretending to court it.”

Perhaps you believe the Republican Party exists as the party of limited government and free markets. This is impossible after the past weekend, where Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell went so far as to blatantly make the lie he told his fellow senators – that no deal had been cut with interested Democrats during an earlier debate to reanimate an entity of pure corporate welfare, the Export-Import Bank – a priority so critical he would box out all other attempts to attach amendments to what is considered a “must-pass” measure, the highway bill.

Perhaps you believe the Republican Party exists as a national security party, which believes in a clear-eyed trust but verify approach to dealing with our enemies. This is impossible after the past few months, where the Senate Republicans completely ceded their constitutional duty regarding the Iran deal, putting them in the wonderful position (so politically advantageous in the realm of domestic policy) of decrying this deal as awful without being on the hook for anything that happens because of it.

Perhaps you believe the Republican Party exists as today the lone pro-life party in the United States. This cannot be possible after the weekend, where Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell blocked any attempt to force President Obama and all his fellow Senate Democrats to take a stand for

or against not even the legality, but the taxpayer subsidization of harvesting organs from aborted babies. The fact that McConnell did all this after telling his GOP colleagues that he definitely wouldn’t, and the fact that Texas Senator Ted Cruz pointed this out, is a breach of decorum. Orrin Hatch will be along with a ruler shortly to rap your knuckles, you naughty boy.

Taken together, the stance of the Senate Republican caucus on these three issues reveal the utter failure of post-Cold War fusionism. The Senate Republicans have in the space of a few short months dramatically undercut their ability to be considered serious on national security, fiscal conservative, and social conservative priorities. And for what? What is worth cutting all three flimsy legs of the stool shorter? Surely it has to be something worthwhile – avoiding a government shutdown, or repealing Obamacare? Surely it must be about achieving some greater legislative goal or laying the groundwork for taking the White House in 2016?

Well, actually, the aim is to pass a highway bill. It is a thousand page tax and pork-laden monstrosity which does not deserve to pass in the first place, and whose failure would be greeted as a positive development for any fiscal conservative. For conservatives, the highway bill is a bad thing that could be the vehicle for something politically useful. For Republicans, this is not the case. The passage of a Planned Parenthood defunding amendment would set up a direct conflict with the White House over the issue, and undercut McConnell’s priority of passing a highway bill with an Ex-Im resurrection attached to it – two things that are not a priority at all for Republican voters, mind you, but for the corporatist constituency the Republican Party actually serves, are near the top of the list.

And that is why the Republican Party exists.

Please see: <http://thefederalist.com/2015/07/27/why-does-the-republican-party-exist/>

Will Medicaid Expansion Sink Colorado’s Insurance Exchange?

by Marjorie Haun,
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(Editor/GG: Note the incredible numbers below. The number of Coloradans receiving “FREE” Medicaid insurance swelled a mind-blowing 58% to 1,244,031 in just three years while the number of people who HAD private insurance dropped dramatically!!

Hey, libs, I thought the idea was to provide us with low-cost, PRIVATE insurance instead of Medicaid? Whoopsie!!! (And doctors just LOVE Medicaid where they get pennies on the dollar billed.)

Colorado spent an incredible \$6 BILLION dollars on Medicaid in 2014. And that was before the Obamacare massive influx of new Medicaid recipients. The feds are paying for all the new Medicaid enrollees until NEXT year and then, guess what suckers? Colorado has to start coughing up 100’s of millions of dollars! And our contribution share will get bigger every year. The ol’ liberal bait and switch routine. So, the few of us who are still working jobs that pay above the poverty level are going to be socked with astronomical tax increases to pay for Obamacare’s wondrous blessings. Re-

member private health insurance? Wasn’t too bad, was it....?

The number of Americans on Medicaid has exploded, rising by 12.3 million since October of 2013. In a concurrent trend, between September of 2013 and April of this year, the number of Coloradans receiving Medicaid and CHIP–Children’s Health Insurance Program–has swelled a staggering 58 percent, to 1,244,031. New enrollees alone account for 460,611 Medicaid recipients in Colorado.

The purported goal of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), or “Obamacare,” was to help those without

medical insurance to find affordable private plans. But, ironically, Colorado’s “Obamacare” exchange seems to be responsible for the unprecedented numbers of new people receiving government-funded medical coverage, many of whom had private insurance prior to the implementation of the state healthcare exchange.

A report ran by the Associated Press on July 26, details “disappointing enrollment” in states’ healthcare exchanges:

See MEDICAID on page 23

Bennet Joins Fellow Democrats to Protect Planned Parenthood’s Funding

by *ColoradoPeakPolitics.com*

Senate Democrats filibustered and killed a measure today that would have defunded Planned Parenthood, and Michael Bennet helped.

Republicans needed 60 votes to break the filibuster, but only gathered 53 votes compared to Democrats and Bennet who delivered 46 votes ensuring that the most controversial organization in the U.S. would continue to receive taxpayer dollars. U.S. Sen. Cory Gardner voted to end the filibuster and funding.

In case you’ve been living under a rock, the measure was aimed at the recent revelation that Planned Parenthood, including the Rocky Mountain center, have been engaged in the vile and callous bartering and trafficking of fetal body parts.

Bennet did not have the courage to join the Senate debate to defend his position before the vote, but this is what his spokesman had to say last week:

“Anyone found to have done anything illegal should be punished to the full extent of the law,” said Bennet’s spokesman Adam Bozzi in an email to The Colorado Independent.

Planned Parenthood insists they have not broken the law, because they are not selling the body parts for profit. However, the video tapes strongly suggest otherwise.

Bozzi went on to defend other services Planned Parenthood claims to provide, completely ignoring the fact that 93 percent of its pregnancy services are actually the abortions from which these body parts have been harvested for money.

This debate was not about women’s health, as Bennet will insist when he’s pleading with voters to reelect him. There are 23 million community health centers in the U.S. that provide health care specifically for women.

The measure Bennet filibustered would have stripped federal funding from the political activists at Planned Parenthood, and instead sent the money to actual women’s clinics that perform vital services not provided by Planned Parenthood, like mammograms.

Let there be no doubt, a vote to divert Planned Parenthood’s funding to health centers that focus on women’s health services was a vote for women’s healthcare.

Bennet’s vote to filibuster the measure was approval of Planned Parenthood’s wholesale slaughter and sale of the lungs, hearts, livers, and limbs of the unborn.

Bennet will also try to argue that Planned Parenthood uses the federal dollars for health purposes other than abortion.

We don’t know of anyone who would donate money to an animal charity that says the money would only go towards funding a dog’s shelter, and not the euthanasia practices happening in the back room.

If the cubs of Cecilia the Lioness had been aborted and the kitty parts sold on the black market, we bet that Democrats would be as outraged as Republicans when it happens to humans.

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Trading Doomsday

by ol' Remus

(Editor/GG: Remus "un-retired" again for a brief essay on what it will look like when the inevitable worldwide financial collapse occurs. One month away? 6 months? Two years? Your guess is YOUR problem. Got canned meat?)

9-11, Boston, and other mass murders say government can't defend us.

By declining to inconvenience the criminal mobs which assaulted Ferguson and Baltimore, government showed they won't defend us. The attacks on military installations show government won't defend itself. The authorities have revealed themselves for what they are, gutless and spineless, promising what they can't, or won't, deliver and bullying the blameless for their failure. This is full-on "banana republic". The people have taken notice. Lesson learned. We'll rely on ourselves.

It's no mere coincidence gun sales routinely set new records, nearly doubling between 2010 - 2013 alone. Ammunition is in chronically short supply. Women, formerly reliable supporters of confiscatory gun laws, are arming themselves at a rate half again that of men. In fact, it's not unusual to see women at shooting ranges as instructors. Courses in self defense are increasingly popular, outright combat training isn't far behind, private ammo stockpiles are proliferating, reloading is becoming common, and neighborhood alliances are forming. Survivalism is now mainstream. We're preparing for the worst.

We pretty much know what the worst is, too. Put in antiseptic terms it's economic and civil collapse, but it's really the murderous "can't happen here" bloody maelstroms we saw in Europe during much of the 1940s, again in the genocidal Yugoslav wars of the 1990s, and currently in Syria and Ukraine. Some of us have seen the worst first hand, others in "viewer discretion is advised" video, in hi-def, at ground level where people actually live. Our 'worst' would be much the same, except without the subtitles.

So, what are all those guns and sweaty training exercises good for? Certainly not for taking on an armored division, say the hecklers, with a sneer. No indeed, nor for taking on any outfit with artillery or air support. They're good for what they've always been good for, taking out a bad guy with a gun. In case it needs saying, a good guy armed only with a first-rate argument for Jeffersonian self-rule will lose to a bad guy with a gun. That's what it comes down to. It always does. And there will be plenty of bad guys with guns.

Those who lived to tell about it say gangs are the main threat in a societal collapse, ethnic gangs being the worst. Think Crips and Bloods and



courtesy photo

MS13. Their competition won't be you; it will be gangs of opportunity made up of everyday criminals, perhaps some rogue military and police, all defending their turf and battling for more. Add fanatical partisans like ISIS. There's your basic bad guys with guns. It gets worse. Throw in freelance psychopaths—hobbyist torturers and recreational killers, mixed with a steady influx of military grade weapons, RPGs and the like, then subtract any form of effective order. Everywhere outside your door, assuming you have a door, is a No Go Zone.

Arming yourself is necessary but not enough. The bad news is, you have to go into that zone because you still have to eat. There's no workaround. You won't buy your way out of it. Survivors of civil collapse tell us gold and silver are useful at the beginning, and for bribes in the short window of time when there are authorities to bribe. Afterward precious metals are wanted in quantities you're not likely to have, by people too far away to be relevant. It's not wanted by people who are picking at the cracks in their floors for every last crumb. Barter sets in quickly. The unvarying long-term demand is for high calorie food, especially canned meat. Rice and flavorings are popular as well. MREs are good as gold. Not far behind is comfort stuff, coffee in particular, and tobacco, cigarettes mainly, traded by ones and twos. Also near the top of the list are candles and batteries in common sizes. Oddly, medical supplies, guns, and ammunition aren't often mentioned.

The prudent trader doesn't go around in cammies and tactical gear. He becomes the "grey man", uninteresting, difficult to describe, easy to forget. He looks like a nobody with nothing of value. He presents himself as a guy who can get things, not as a guy who has things. He trades in small quantities as opportunities arise. His stuff is always as promised, the brand names middling-good. He prefers to meet at neutral locations and trades only a few times with the same person—the

risk of ambush grows with each encounter. He may have a security partner shadowing him.

The survivalist may consider putting together a "grey man" kit. Such a kit would include plain, durable pants and shirts, in quiet browns or greens; a jacket, light but lined, with a rain hood and inside pockets, nondescript, in a subdued neutral color, with no graphics. Top it off with a plain baseball cap and a small backpack, the kind kids use for schoolbooks, in a dull color with no logo or gimmicks. Such a kit could get you in and out of a small town largely unnoticed, or a few blocks into a city and back, perhaps even past an unforeseen checkpoint.

The experiences of those who have survived the horrors and desperation of civil collapse are far more valuable than speculation by theorists and doomer novelists. Their best advice is worth keeping in mind: "don't be there when it happens." Going in, most were captivated by events and thought themselves merely observers. They stayed calm. They believed what they were told; it was just a rough spot, that the authorities would soon get things back to normal. Each new calamity seemed as bad as it could get. Then it got worse.

When they finally understood they were trapped in an unstoppable free-fall, events moved faster than they could adapt. Absolute collapse overtook them. What they had—in their physical possession—was all they were going to have. There was no way out, and even if there were, they had nowhere safe to go. The lesson is to be prudent, be suspicious, trust your own senses, have a prepared bugout location and get there before self-evacuation becomes as dangerous as staying put—better a week too early than a minute too late. And stay away from crowds.

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Colossians 3:23-24, NIV

A Crushing New Argument Against Gun Control: "Screw You"

by Bob Owens, BearingArms.com

(Editor/GG: About time.)

Kurt Schlichter, a Los Angeles trial attorney, recently-retired U.S. Army Infantry colonel, and all-around smart guy, has recently penned a nuanced and subtle response to those timid souls who claim that law-abiding American citizens shouldn't be able to own the sort of firearms they desire.

Nah, I'm totally kidding you.

Kurt doesn't do subtle.

American gun owners are beginning to respond with a fresh, powerful argument when facing anti-gun liberals. Here it is, in its entirety. Ready?

"Screw you." That's it. Except the first word isn't "Screw."

It's not exactly a tradition-

al argument, but it's certainly appropriate here. The fact is that there is no point in arguing with liberal gun-control advocates because their argument is never in good faith. They slander gun owners as murderers. They lie about their ultimate aim, which is to ban and confiscate all privately owned weapons. And they adopt a pose of reasonability, yet their position is not susceptible change because of evidence, facts or law. None of those matter – they already have their conclusion. This has to do with power – their power.

You can't argue with someone who is lying about his position or whose position is not based upon reason. You can talk all day about how crime has diminished where concealed carry is allowed, while it flourishes in Democrat blue cities where gun control is tightest. You can point to statistics showing that law-abid-

ing citizens who carry legally are exponentially less likely to commit gun crimes than other people. You can cite examples of armed citizens protecting themselves and their communities with guns. You can offer government statistics showing how the typical American is at many times greater risk of death from an automobile crash, a fall, or poisoning than from murder by gun.

But none of that matters, because this debate is not about facts. It's about power. The liberal anti-gun narrative is not aimed at creating the best public policy but at disarming citizens the liberal elite looks down upon – and for whom weapons represent their last-ditch ability to respond to liberal overreach.

Put simply, liberal elitists don't like the fact that, at the end of the day, an armed citizenry can tell them, "No."

And that, dear friends, sums it up in a nutshell, though you'll be doing yourself a grave disservice if you don't make the time to read the whole thing (see: <http://journal.ijreview.com/2015/07/245635-gun-rights-advocates-have-a-devastating-new-argument-against-gun-control-here-it-is/>).

When push comes to shove, and you strip the lies and subterfuge out of the way, the radical left (and many of their moderate Republican allies) believe that the government should have more power than the people, and they hate that the Second Amendment is an eternal check upon that power.

When push comes to shove, the Second Amendment is the right of rebellion and revolution.

The Founding Fathers had just won their liberty from the British Empire with a

long and grinding rebellion, a war that was triggered by a bloody gun control raid-turned-route in Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775. When war ended and they formed a federal government, they made sure to include the Second Amendment to ensure that American citizens would always retain weapons capable of overthrowing the federal government when it became tyrannical.

Note that that was "when," not "if."

The Founders knew that all governments inevitably drift towards tyranny if unopposed, and if these governments are unchecked, they inevitably start slaughtering those citizens who oppose them.

That tendency towards bloody tyranny by government against their own citizens put 262,000,000 to death in the 20th century alone, a practice now re-

viled as democide.

The Second Amendment is our democide insurance.

It ensures that we'll remain armed against tyrants with weapons of contemporary military utility. Today that means AR-15s, AKMs, and yes, even real machine guns. In decades to come, that could mean plasma cannons and man-portable rail guns. It was never meant to apply to just muskets.

Anti-gun politicians hate the Second Amendment because it ensures that they can't run roughshod over the American people, and that if they try, they'll wind up being shot to shreds.

God Bless America, and pass the ammunition.

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Massive Taurus Safety Settlement Could Include 100,000 Pistols

This Is Why the Second Amendment Exists

by Bob Owens, BearingArms.com

(Editor/GG: Important Taurus owners. The guns listed below are NOT SAFE. Contact Taurus immediately to have them fix them: 1-800-327-3776 or visit www.taurususa.com.)

Though it seems to largely be flying under the radar, a \$39 million class action settlement by Taurus Firearms could impact up to 100,000 handguns with alleged safety design issues:

Brazil-based handgun maker Forjas Taurus SA has agreed to a \$39 million settlement in a class action lawsuit alleging some of the company's most popular semi-automatic handguns can discharge when dropped and have a defective safety that allows the gun to fire even when it's engaged.

According to court documents filed May 15 in a U.S. District Court in Florida, the company has agreed to pay up to \$30 million to owners of nine separate handgun models who opt to send their pistols back, with owners receiving anywhere from \$150 to \$200 for their pistols depending on how many choose that option.

The agreement also will extend the warranty for the nine handgun models, allowing gun owners to send the pistols back to have the handguns inspected by Taurus technicians and address the "safety defects" alleged in the suit. Documents show the settlement could include as many as 100,000 handguns.

The settlement also calls for a maximum \$9 million in attorney's fees.

A Taurus official confirmed the settlement agreement, arguing the company does not admit any wrongdoing.

The settlement includes the following pistols.

- PT-111 Millennium
- PT-132 Millennium
- PT-138 Millennium
- PT-140 Millennium
- PT-145 Millennium
- PT-745 Millennium
- PT-609
- PT-640
- PT-24/7

The safety issues do not apparently affect the older metal frame pistols based upon Beretta designs, nor the G2 models.

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If you wonder why the Second Amendment is as clear as it is, this is the reason.

(Controversial Times) Tamon Stapleton, age 18, from Knoxville, Tennessee, was in the process of committing an armed robbery earlier this year when he was shot and killed by an armed citizen.

Stapleton was shot and killed by Isaac Scruggs. Scruggs is a convicted felon, however authorities decided not to charge him for possession of a firearm since he acted in defense of the store clerk. Stapleton was holding a loaded gun to the clerk's head.

The Second Amendment doesn't say "only if you've never previously committed a crime."

It says shall not be infringed.

This is exactly why it says that, and it is exactly why I have maintained that even if you're a convicted criminal once you have served your sentence (whatever it may be) the constitutional right to keep and bear arms still applies to you.

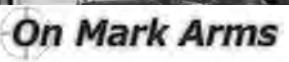
It is never the mere possession (keeping and bearing) of a weapon, no matter what sort, that is the problem. It is what you do with it. The person who has committed a serious (felony) crime and is thus under the public fact that he or she has done so is disadvantaged on a permanent basis simply from that public fact, and as a result is going to be living in a poorer part of town, have trouble renting a place to live, and finding a job. This doesn't void that person's right to self-defense; it in fact enhances it because they are more-likely to become the victim of a crime.

In this case the former criminal, who had served his sentence, used a weapon to stop a forcible felony in process.

He did a meritorious -- even valorous -- (as drawing was at risk to his own life) thing.

It is for this very reason that such "laws" must be struck; not only are they flatly unconstitutional but they serve to deter people who have served their sentences and have no intention of committing any further offense from acting in defense of themselves and, as was the case here, others.

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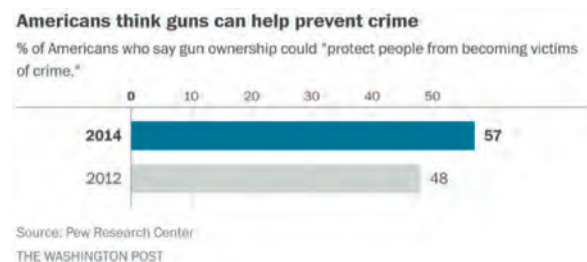
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Majority of Americans Now See Guns As the Solution to Mass Shootings

by Tyler Durden, ZeroHedge.com

Obama failed: in the aftermath of the 2012 Newtown, Connecticut, school massacre which left 26 unarmed, defenseless people dead, the president pushed as hard as he could to pass legislation that would enact strict gun control and further limit the applicability of the Second Amendment. Not only did he not succeed, but according to a 2014 Pew Research Poll there has been a 9% rise in the number of Americans who think gun ownership could “protect people from becoming victims of crime.”



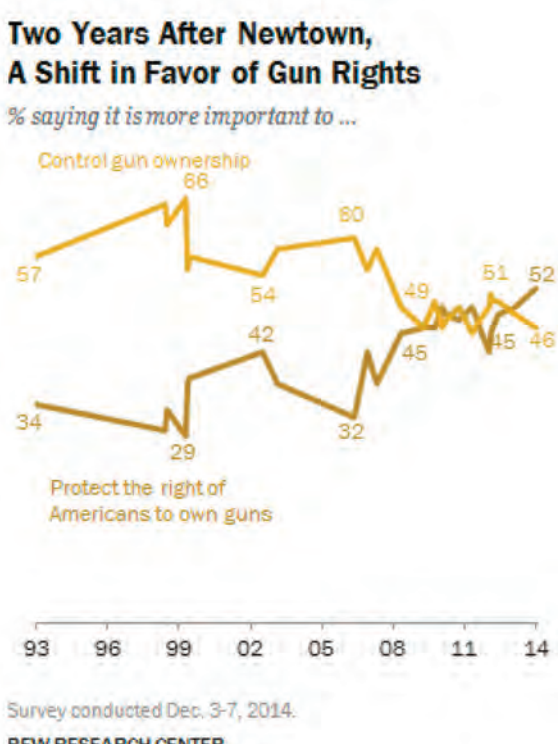
Incidentally, this conforms with what former Texas governor Rick Perry, and a 2016 GOP presidential candidate, said after last week’s deadly shooting at a Lafayette, Louisiana, movie theater when he claimed that Americans should be allowed to bring guns into movie theaters - and everywhere else - to prevent such crime.

It is also a recapitulation of what NRA head Wayne LaPierre has said in the past: “The only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun.”

According to Pew, the recent shift was driven by republicans who have become even more convinced their outlook is correct: in the two years since the Newtown attack, rose from 63 percent to 80 percent.

The poll also marked the first time in two decades of Pew surveys that more Americans supported gun rights rather than gun control (though public opinion had been shifting that way for years).

Incidentally, WaPo which caught these revelations first, despite its anti-gun bias was largely accurate in its conclusion: the findings “likely won’t move the needle on gun debate. Both sides can -- and are -- using



these two most recent incidents to argue their points: Gun-control supporters say they prove that the background check system needs to be revamped and expanded, while gun-rights supporters say a slip in the system does not a trend make.

It’s even clearer that gun laws likely won’t change when you zoom out to Americans’ overall feelings on guns; with every mass shooting, in fact, we seem to be embracing the idea of more guns rather than fewer.

Which means that the biggest loser is none other than the president, for whom his way of gun-control was one of the key targets, so to say, of his tenure.

It also means that current and future mass shootings will do nothing to change public opinion but merely further solidify beliefs. And while politicians debate who is right or wrong, and for what reason, many more innocent Americans will be, for whatever the reason may be, innocent casualties of what has become a very lethal political war.

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Heroic Navy Officer from Chattanooga Shooting to be Charged with Gun Possession!!!!

by Allen West,
AllenBWest.com

(Editor/GG: Obamama is bringing federal gun charges against the Navy Commander who fought back against the muslim terrorist who slaughtered our unarmed soldiers in Chattanooga!!! Our military heroes are crucified while Obama venerates muslim terrorists (Iran, et al.) slaughtering us daily. Satan is running this government, folks. There is no other explanation. Evil must be confronted. Support Colonel West in having this stopped.)

I never like to be reactionary and follow anything that may just be hyperbole or conspiracy theory. That’s why I held off on addressing this issue until I got confirmation — which came Friday afternoon via text message.

There are things which make you just upset, like the liberal progressive left and media accomplices’ rage over the shooting of a lion in Africa but abject disregard and disdain reference Planned Parenthood dismembering babies and selling their body parts.

But this story has me dog-fighting mad and seriously p****d off.

As reported ten days ago by Western Journalism,

“A Navy officer and Marine reportedly returned fire at the shooter who killed five service members in Chattanooga, Tennessee, even though current policy does not permit military members to carry firearms on facilities such as those where the attack occurred.

The cold-blooded assault killed four Marines and one active-duty Navy reservist. The center’s commanding officer, Lt. Cmdr. Timothy White, used his personal firearm to engage

facility that was supposedly a gun-free zone. The investigation into the attack is ongoing, and authorities will not know if White or the Marine hit the shooter until an autopsy and a ballistics report have been completed.

Ladies and gents, resulting from the text message I received yesterday, I can confirm

these damn Islamic jihadists?

Can you imagine the message this sends to ISIS and all the enemies of America? We are going to end his career and court-martial a man who drew his sidearm to protect his command, and the assigned Sailors and Marines.

What is the difference between

What kind of freaking idiots are in charge of our Armed Forces — pardon me, our “unArmed Forces”?

that the United States Navy is bringing charges against Lt. Cmdr. Timothy White for illegally discharging a firearm on federal property.

The text message asked if it would be possible for Lt.Cmdr. White to reach out to me. To wit I replied, affirmative.

What kind of freaking idiots are in charge of our Armed Forces — pardon me, our “un-Armed Forces”? What would they prefer that Abdulazeez had been able to kill all the Marines and sailors at the Naval Support Reserve Center? Let me draw an interesting contrast: Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus is more concerned about lifting the ban on transgendered Sailors. Mabus has a problem in that for the first time since 2007 the US Navy will not have a Carrier Battle Group operating in the Persian Gulf. But this knucklehead has no problem with the Navy seeking to destroy the career of a Sailor, a commander of an installation, returning fire against an Islamic jihadist attack. I do not care if it was his personal weapon, he deserves a medal for facing the enemy.

Lt. Cmdr. White and the reserve officer in Moore, Oklahoma who went to his vehicle and armed himself to prevent a second woman from being beheaded? Is it that we expect less from our uniformed warriors? Are they just supposed to sit and be butchered, gunned down, until local law enforcement come along? Let’s be very clear here, I can attest that there are many reserve and National Guard troops who are carrying concealed during their drill periods...why? Because they are lions, not sheep, like the imbeciles who are making the decision to punish Lt. Cmdr. White.

Doggone, what does it take? Here we have a known deserter, Bowe Bergdahl, out getting picked up smoking marijuana, or at a house growing marijuana. According to Susan Rice, he served with honor and distinction. The real men of honor such as Army 1LT Clint Lorange, and now it seems Lt. Cmdr. White, are forced into jail.

Ponder this, Obama will pardon drug dealers, but men who fight the enemy are imprisoned? Now, can someone, any one of you inane characterless liberal progressive trolls explain that to me? Explain it to us that you would rather have had more Sailors and Marines die than for this Navy Commander to draw his personal weapon in defense of his command. That’s what the Naval Support Center was for Lt. Cmdr. White — his responsibility to defend, protect.

Here we have a president and secretary of state sitting down with a sworn enemy in Iran who holds four Americans hostage, and we’re going to bring charges against an American Naval Commander who returned fire against the enemy.

This is indeed FUBAR!

Ponder this, Obama will pardon drug dealers, but men who fight the enemy are imprisoned?

the shooter during the attack, according to sources quoted in the *Navy Times*. A report from *The Washington Post* said that one of the Marines killed in the shooting might have been carrying a 9 mm Glock and possibly returned fire on the shooter.

At the time, *Western Journalism* wrote, Lt. Cmdr. White could face disciplinary action for violating policy about possessing a weapon on the

Folks, this has become the Obama military that will not implement policies for our men and women in uniform to be protected — but will punish them if they do protect themselves. What ever happened to the Navy of John Paul Jones, Farragut, Halsey, and Nimitz? What has happened in our America where we believe that our men and women in uniform — especially the commanders — are just targets for

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.



Leave The Herd

One of the reasons Donald Trump continues to do well in the polls is his refusal to conform to all the usual political expectations. Our observations lack endorsement, but it is amusing to watch the media a step behind the brash businessman who appears to owe allegiance to no one. The other GOP candidates would do well to shake off the fleas of past performance and acquire more steel in their spines. If Mr. Trump can inspire that alone, his candidacy may serve a very useful purpose.

A large percentage of Americans are bone weary of politicians tiptoeing through the tulips attempting to please all the vocal minorities while sacrificing the good of the majority. Various spirits are attached to time frames in history. For example: the spirit of independence (1776); the pioneering spirit; the industrial period, etc. The winds of political expediency in our present age blow in the direction of "conformity to the wishes of the minorities." Societal compliance is demonstrated in ways that make little difference but they do show a herd mentality which invades higher priorities. Example: last week a friend and I took horses to a mountain trailhead for a day of riding the back country. When we arrived there was a collection of Subarus and kindred vehicles with people exiting who were by all appearances clones. It was immediately obvious that mountain hiking was not acceptable unless one was equipped with the preferred type of boots, socks, shorts, backpacks, water bottles, and other accessories. Even though each costume was slightly different, the similarities overshadowed the minor contrast. The same could be said of the modern bicyclist clothed in colorful spandex, helmets outfitted with rear view mirrors, knee pads, fingerless gloves, and electronic gadgets wired to a box stuck in their ears. Is it possible that all these folks are original thinkers or has Madison Avenue and other economic interests been successful in capturing the gullible? Unfortunately, this willingness to be herded into the corrals of congruity frequently leads to acquiescence in the far more critical arenas of life.

In the world of political correctness certain words have been employed to keep the mavericks penned up. One of the most utilized is "offend-

ed." If a person of any minority group utters this highly charged syllable, the masses are expected to bow and scrape in attitudes of anguished repentance. The liberals have fine-tuned this procedure, utilizing it to advance an agenda of tolerance for all except conservatives.

Jesus spent a good deal of his earthly career offending others while never offering apologies to anyone. Matthew 13 features the Lord teaching seven profound parables which were so far over the heads of his adversaries that they could only look stupid if they opened their mouths, but as expected the temptation was too much. The Scripture concludes their attempt of character assassination (the usual approach when the accuser has nothing) with: "And they were offended in him." Well, of course, they were! When common sense makes the liberal look intellectually challenged, they can only swell up like a toad of defiance.

Matthew 15:1-11 finds Jesus demonstrating that many of the Jews' religious traditions were self-serving rather than having any biblical basis. His conclusion was that the purveyors of this propaganda were hypocrites. The aftermath was predictable: "Then came his disciples, and said unto him, knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?"

Those closest to the Lord (advisors in today's world) were quite concerned about the impressions of the influential. After all, the Pharisees were the equivalent of the modern major media, able to shape public opinion into a pliable blob of conformity. Jesus' conclusion was: "Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch." In the plainest words possible...you can't convince a liberal steeped in ideology that the ditch of overwhelming debt, insane immigration procedures, failed foreign policy, and ridiculous social programs even exist.

Jesus gave a clue of the last days: "And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another." (Matthew 24:10). It's past time for Christians to relinquish any concerns for offending if the hammer of offense is the Word of God. Use it and leave the consequences to God.

A Sheepdog Barks!

Let's analyze what just happened in the U. S. Senate with respect to defunding the despicable Planned Parenthood (PP) facilities. The Republicans made it clear that they would NOT delete the over \$500 million PP gets each year for women's health. They made it clear that the money would be given to other medical facilities so that women's health care would NOT be affected. Even with that assurance the LPSDs refused to stop funding PP's abortion efforts. They ran to the microphones and falsely alleged that the Republicans were restarting their war on women. HOWL! This is, and always has been, a lie that is intended to fool the women in America. There is, however, a war on abortion and the selling of baby organ tissue as there should be. But, as expected, the LPSDs accused the Republicans of trying to deny health care to women. What they really meant was that the Republicans wanted to stop federal taxpayers' money from being spent on this heinous and illegal PP practice. We've all seen the videos. Most Americans were sickened by the PP executives and their callous attitudes on selling baby tissue carefully preserved during an abortion in order to protect its value. Not the value, mind you, of a baby, just the value of its parts. Harry Reid claimed the Republicans have lost their moral compass. Elizabeth Warren claimed the Republicans wanted to return to the 1950s or the 1890s. Actually that is exactly what I want. It would be great to turn the clock back to pre-Roe v. Wade times in America. Even HiLIARy chimed in that the Republicans wanted to hurt women. That is blatantly false. PP has about 700 clinics. Other medical facilities funded by our tax dollars number over 10,000. The Republicans just wanted to redirect the money to those

facilities. What is wrong with that? NOTHING! PP doesn't even do mammograms. The other facilities do. More women's health care would be available, not less. The only thing that would be done less is abort babies so their parts could be sold! Remember what is at stake here. One PP executive might not get her Lamborghini. And that would suit me just fine. What that woman needs is prison time. WOOF! Harry Reid is dead wrong. It's the LPSDs that have lost their moral compass. Actually they haven't had a moral compass for a long time. The president of PP, Cecile Richards (daughter of LPSD Ann Richards, former governor of Texas) actually said the makers of these horrible videos are the ones that are depraved. REALLY? I believe we know who is depraved. Remember these lies and PP's criminal acts. This should be just another reason to awaken the sleeping and silent majority in this country. Make sure you keep your family and friends informed on this ghastly issue. We need to take these LPSDs out of power. You can do your part in November 2016. WOOF!

And we must not forget that while America's liberal progressives are defending PP, they have also reacted angrily to the death of Cecil. Cecil is a lion. They want his killer to go to jail. But they want the killers of babies rewarded with more taxpayer money so more babies can be killed and their body parts sold. These "bass-ackward" attitudes perfectly describe LPSDs. The outcry over Cecil is ridiculous. The lack of an outcry over PP is pathetic. Is this the America we want? Not this sheepdog. WOOF!

And speaking of misguided outrage: Where are the 'Black Lives Matter' people with regard to Baltimore? They were outraged over the death of one black man under



questionable circumstances. In the month of July alone, 45 people were murdered in Baltimore, mostly black. Not a peep out of the 'Black Lives Matter' organization. However, they went ballistic over LPSD Martin O'Malley's comment that ALL lives matter. Apparently they don't believe that. O'Malley was shouted off the stage and had to apologize. Apparently black lives only matter if they are killed by white policemen, not other blacks. And ole Barack hasn't spoken out either about "Baltimore in July." Why? It doesn't fit his agenda, that's why. More LPSD hypocrisy! WOOF!

I end today with an alert. Keep your eye on the U. S. Navy. There are indications that the officer that was carrying a personal weapon in Chattanooga, which he fired at the Islamic Terrorist that killed five servicemen, might be punished. Yes, punished! The fact that he fired back at the shooter (from what the shooter was sure was a gun-free zone) probably saved many lives. He needs to be honored. And keep this in mind. DOD directives allow the Service Chiefs to arm their members if they are serving in harm's way right here in America. It's pretty clear that is the situation as Islamic terrorists have declared open war on our soldiers and their families. Why haven't the generals and admirals acted to arm our military recruiters and other vulnerable service members immediately? Because they are cowards.

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



Texas Murders by Illegal Aliens

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(Editor/GG: Folks, look at these unbelievable numbers. In just ONE STATE: 611,234 FELONIES committed in just 5 years by illegal aliens!! Murder, rape, armed robbery, kidnapping, on and on. And they (republicans and democrats) are STILL letting them simply walk across the border, every day, to kill and rob us. And look how many Texans were KILLED by illegals in just five years: 7306!!!American men, women, children slaughtered by illegals AND OUR POLITICIANS. Do you think republicans Boehner, Mitchell, Gardner, Tipton, or Coffman are going to stand up against this? Think again.)

From pjmedia.com:

PJ Media obtained a never-before-released copy of a Texas DPS report on human smuggling containing the numbers of crimes committed by aliens in Texas. According to the analysis conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety, foreign aliens committed 611,234 unique crimes in Texas from 2008 to 2014, including thousands of homicides and sexual assaults.

The precise number of homicides (presumably murders and non-negligent manslaughters) is listed as 2,993. From the FBI UCR, Table 20, the murders and non-negligent manslaughters listed for Texas in those years are the following:

- 2008: 1372
- 2009: 1325
- 2010: 1246
- 2011: 1089
- 2012: 1141
- 2013: 1133

The period of the Texas DPS study is listed from October of 2008 to April of 2014. That would be a period of five years and seven months, or 67 months. From the FBI UCR, we see total murders and non-negligent manslaughters for the years 2008 - 2013 in Texas. That number is 7306 for the 72 months, or 101 per month.

The periods overlap for all but four months, so we would expect the average per month to be very close. At 101 x 67 that would be 6,767 total murders and non-negligent manslaughters for the 67 month period.

That is all murders and non-negligent manslaughters, solved and unsolved. The clearance rate for all murders and non-negligent manslaughters for the South, West, Central region is 65.8% for 2012, according to the FBI UCR.

The illegal aliens reported in the DPS report were all arrested. It is likely that a third who committed murders and non-negligent manslaughters were not arrested. That would increase the number of illegal immigrant crimes by 50%, to 4,489. That does not take into account that only illegal aliens who already had their fingerprints in the criminal database were counted in the DPS study.

If that number is close to correct, over the 67 month period that we have records for, 66+%, or 2/3 of all murders in Texas were committed by illegal aliens.

That is an astounding number. I would like to see the actual DPS study. If the Daily Caller has the study, they should release it.

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Here's what needs to happen. Flood the phone of SecNav Ray Mabus and SecDef Carter and ask them whose side they're on. Demand the charges being brought against Lt.Cmdr White be immediately dropped. If those charges are not dropped, I will personally lead the charge to have Carter and Mabus removed from their positions.

America, this cannot be tolerated and must not be allowed to stand. I guess the life of an African lion means more to these liberal pro-

gressives than one of our brave Sailors. It is beyond belief that the Navy would embark upon this folly — they could simply issue a "local letter of reprimand" that would not enter into Lt. Cmdr Wright's permanent personnel file — then immediately pin a medal upon his chest and fast track him for promotion to Commander.

White exemplifies the highest and finest of character and tradition of the US Navy. Those who would bring charges against him are indeed cowards and need be exposed.

Lieutenant Commander Timothy White, I await your call, and I will not rest until these charges against

you have been dropped. You stay strong. You showed that you are Steadfast and Loyal. And we will not allow you to be abandoned to the perfumed princes of the Pentagon...and the White House. America shall rally to your cause!

This is just another in the long line of reasons why we must NEVER allow a progressive socialist to be commander-in-chief.

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state-run health insurance markets that offer coverage under President Barack Obama's health law are struggling with high costs and disappointing enrollment. These challenges could lead more of them to turn over operations to the federal government or join forces with other states.

Colorado is among several other states and the District of Columbia that have set up their own exchanges. The report continues:

Colorado officials are considering big changes to the state's marketplace, from pooling call centers with other states to dismantling the exchange and relying on HealthCare.gov instead. Although the market is on solid financial footing, it has fallen short of best-case enrollment goals. **(Editor/GG: The health market is NOT on "solid financial footing". Many of these new insurance companies that were established to milk the obamacare system are horribly under-reserved for losses. Many are going out of business already around the country. Disaster coming folks.)**

Despite snowballing enrollment in Medicaid, it appears that people applying for and enrolling in actual private health care plans has fallen dismally short of Colorado's health

insurance exchange, Connect for Health Colorado, goals.

Connect for Health Colorado was created in response to a stipulation in the ACA that placed states without their own health exchanges under the control of federally-facilitated health insurance marketplaces. A Republican in the Colorado House of Representatives, Amy Stevens, in 2011 helped pass a bill creating Colorado's own health insurance marketplace, and opponents derisively nicknamed the exchange "Amycare."

Those who devised the state exchange hoped to facilitate the access of health insurance for more Coloradans, but from the start, the expansion of Medicaid was embedded in the language of the ACA.

Although the June 2015 Supreme Court ruling gave states the right to opt-out of Medicaid expansion, Colorado, led by Democratic Gov. John Hickenlooper, was among the states opting to continue expanding Medicaid. The metrics of Colorado's health insurance marketplace bring into question that choice. On May 14, the *Denver Post* reported that Connect for Health Colorado would begin seeking reimbursement for Medicaid costs. The article states:

"The state health insurance exchange's financial viability hinges on recovering millions of dollars in costs inflicted by Medicaid expansion, officials say, but Connect for

Health Colorado wasn't set up to either count or collect reimbursement.

"We right now have zero in terms of our Medicaid reimbursement," said Kevin Patterson, the exchange's new interim CEO. "Zero is not the right number."

The article quotes Colorado state Sen. Kevin Lundberg (R-Berthoud) as saying, "The exchange has been fabulously successful at driving people to Medicaid." His remarks are supported by the statistics. While new Medicaid enrollments are approaching half a million in Colorado, the number of private insurance enrollees lags at around 143,000.

During fiscal year 2014, Colorado spent \$5,959,722,512 on Medicaid, and with a projected yearly growth in the double digits for the foreseeable future, that number will continue to balloon. Those in the Colorado Legislature who formulated "Amycare" likely did so to maintain some state control over ACA-related federal mandates.

Despite their best intentions, the demands on the state created by Medicaid expansion may leave Colorado broke and with no options except to join the other states whose health insurance marketplaces are under federal control.

Please see: <http://watchdog.org/231696/medicaid-sink-insurance-exchange/>

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budget on the backs of deputies. Russ Hickman, regional president of the Fraternal Order of Police, spoke in support of Youngs' issue saying he represents several deputies who share the same concerns about the county's pay plan. If wage and labor attorneys determine that anything illegal has happened with the new system, Youngs will pursue legal action.

The recent appointment by the board naming Matthew Koch, director of Fremont County Planning and Zoning, has also left a sour taste in the mouths of many Fremont County residents. Nicholas Colcash is just one such resident. As recently as April 2nd, 2015, Mr. Koch stood beside Chris Haight as representative for marijuana interests at the historic Apple Shed. An interest that received unanimous approval by the board. Nicholas came before the board to make an official complaint against the Apple Shed property. "I can show you pictures of what I'm talking about," he said. "The lighting as it is right now definitely affects my repose." Nicholas did not

get to have his complaint heard nor his pictures seen however, as Commissioner Norton told him, this was not the proper venue for his complaint. "Procedurally," Commissioner Norton explained, "if there are zoning complaints, those zoning complaints would have to be filed with the planning department."

Many residents question the fairness of having their complaint against Apple Shed heard and decided by the very man who represented the operation during the licensing procedure two short months ago. The Fremont County Department of Planning and Zoning is a service, information, and enforcement-oriented entity, primarily dealing with land use issues in the unincorporated areas of Fremont County. As head of this department, Mr. Koch will have the authority to hear complaints against the marijuana interest and to re-zone land for specific usages. We asked the commissioners and Mr. Koch for an interview, a chance to address some of the questions and misgivings from area residents. The request was denied. Commissioner Payne said we don't feel there is anything to talk about.

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NO ACCOUNTABILITY YET!

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NO ACCOUNTABILITY YET!

NOW ON DAY #819

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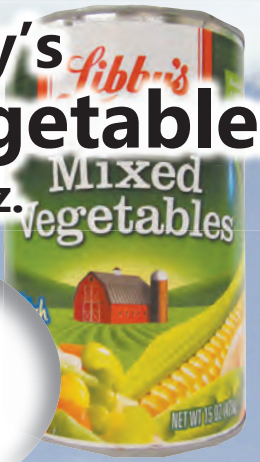
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