

MARIJUANA ISSUE

Next Phase on to the Ballot? Most Likely

by Fred Hernandez

With the marijuana study committee now officially disbanded, the board of trustees assumes full command and control of this divisive issue affecting the Town of Silver Cliff and the whole of Custer County.

The scheduled public meeting between the board of trustees and residents of Silver Cliff was called to order by Mayor Weber at precisely five o'clock on the afternoon of September 28th at the Senior Center, ground floor of the town hall building on Main Street. The purpose of this meeting was to have

with their work. The mayor explained the rules for the evening's discussions by reminding all present that those who signed in as residents of the town of Silver Cliff would be given the opportunity to address the town trustees with regard to any question or comment they wished to share. Thereafter, time permitting, non-residents would be entertained. The mayor stated further that the time limits would be strictly adhered to and that the meeting would end after one and a half hours, or 7:30 PM.

The mayor called out the names of those who had indicated, upon signing in,

and/or grow facilities and if there would be a cap on the number of such locations. Most of the responses to the audience were handled by Mayor Weber. In this instance he seemed to indicate that, yes, there would be a cap and, yes, there would be proper zoning ensuring at all times appropriate distances from churches, schools, playgrounds, and other places sensitive to being exposed to the potential adverse effects of cannabis-based products. He went on to explain that once the issue was placed on the ballot and the residents of Silver Cliff town voted it in, the town trustees would then get to work on the proper ordinances, systems and procedures, rules, and regulations under which such entities would operate under strict supervision by town authorities.



Silver Cliff town trustees

Sentinel photo by Fred Hernandez

Mr. Lowe joined the mayor in additional explanations in response to questions posed regarding whether there would be a proper environmental impact study and, additionally, a professionally prepared, sound, business plan. They indicated that there was no point going through all the tedious work until and unless the town votes to accept marijuana operations within their town limits. In fact, they went on, the whole thing might be a moot question if it is eventually voted down by the town residents. It was also noted that the board indicated that they would not be the ones implement-

ing the decision the voters make since they would, by that time, be out of office. A new board of trustees would oversee implementation of the results of the election.

The standing-room-only meeting of about eighty members of both local Silver Cliff residents and others from the county, went on with the mayor calling out the names in the order each had signed in. Much back and forth discussion was heard regarding unconfirmed, unsubstantiated

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A Rare Treat

This moose has been spotted around Custer County over the last week from twelve miles east of town near Hwy 96 to taking a swim in Lake DeWeese. From time to time, moose wander through our area, and is always a welcome sight!

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The Blood Moon Over Custer County

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John 14:1, NKJV

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# Our Opinion...

## From the Editorial Board

## IT ISN'T A DEMOCRACY, FRIENDS!



Monday evening, September 28th, another crowd of about 100 or so county and Silver Cliff residents showed up to let the Silver Cliff Town Mayor and Trustees know how they felt about authorizing pot sales and production in Silver Cliff. In the past three meetings a large majority voiced their opposition. This crowd was a little more mixed. The majority of Silver Cliff residents that attended and spoke this time were still in opposition but only by a small margin. A few spoke out in clear favor of making pot sales and pot farms available but the rest didn't indicate their personal preferences. They just spoke in favor of putting the question on the April 2016 ballot. A common opinion offered by several attendees went something like this, "Hey, this is America. It's a democracy. Let 'the people' vote." It seemed to us that even the Mayor and Trustees have the opinion that the right thing to do is just throw it on the ballot and let "the people" decide. One problem with that is determining just who "the people" are that will decide such an important issue for this community. More on that later.

First, we believe there is a much more important issue. America is not a democracy. We are a Constitutional Republic. The people don't decide all the issues on a ballot. Our elected representatives make those decisions. And not always to everyone's liking. The people do vote and decide on some issues. But the majority of the time the elected leaders decide,

otherwise ballots would have hundreds of issues every year to be voted on by the public. Many times that public is uninformed. America is not a democracy, friends, or we wouldn't have Obamacare, late term abortions, baby body parts being sold, or the Iranian Nuclear Deal to name just a few. The leaders of Silver Cliff have the responsibility to make the decision based on one simple fact. Is this a good thing or a bad thing overall for Silver Cliff and the surrounding areas that would be impacted, yes or no? Their decision should be based on several factors not just revenue. But they should make that decision. Instead they are abdicating their responsibility and kicking what might be a hard decision to "the people" and a ballot. That's the easy decision. Reminds us of Pontius Pilate. One Trustee even said something to this effect, "We won't be here to deal with the problem. Four of us will not be running for reelection. A new board will have to make the hard decisions of how or even if pot will be sold or grown in Silver Cliff." That's abdication friends. It was also stated by a Trustee that it might take years to properly study all the factors, advantages, and disadvantages before any implementation. Exactly. So why put something on a ballot BE-

FORE all that study? The prudent thing would be to elect the new board in April and let them begin the real study before rushing to a decision. One attendee suggested that statement sounded a lot like Pelosi's Obamacare comment: "We need to approve marijuana for sale and grow in Silver Cliff, and then we can figure out if it's a good or bad thing and how we would implement and regulate it." That doesn't make sense. Since the current leaders don't seem to want to make the "hard" decision they should just let it be. There is no reason to rush into this. They know their friends and neighbors in Westcliffe and Custer County don't want this. Those community leaders had the courage to keep this out of our community. Legal marijuana is still very new to Colorado.

Statistics are just being collected and developed into useable data. Why rush? Take a deep breath. Let this play out a few more years. Watch and learn what really happens to small rural communities that embrace this for the windfall revenues. Let's see what the other effects really are. Some reports by local Trinidad residents are not good. Let's wait a while and see. There is no need to hurry into this for convenience or money. One attendee asked if the board had listened to any local, respected leaders. That wasn't answered. The answer is our most respected leaders have spoken against this. Local doctors, nurses, counselors, the school board, the school superintendent, teachers, clergy, and the Sheriff have all spoken against it. We urge the Trustees to listen.

There is no pressing need to continue. Do the right thing. Do not vote to put this on a ballot yet. Let the new board continue to properly study and decide this.

One last thought on what we mentioned above. Who are "the people" who would vote on this? Property and business owners cannot all vote on this. But the renters can. Temporary residents can. Something is wrong here. The transient demographic in play here could make a bad decision. That is all the more reason the board should make this decision and vote to not put the question on a ballot. We urge them to do what is the most responsible thing to protect our community and our young children and teenagers. The safety and goodness of the whole local community is paramount here.



## Wild Bill's Toy Ride

**Come ride with Wild Bill for his annual Toy Ride for Kids on Saturday, October 3rd, as part of the 2015 Homecoming Parade!**

**Wild Bill wants every child in Custer County to be remembered at Christmas. Parents, watch for further notice regarding applications.**

**In the meantime, donation jugs will soon be set at counters in local businesses. In the near future, boxes will be set up for donated gifts at the Westcliffe Super Market, Family Dollar Store, First State Bank, Nacho Mama's Restaurant, The Silver Cliff Mountain Inn and Restaurant, the Community Share Center, and the Sangre de Cristo Sentinel newspaper.**

**Back to the Ride: EVERYONE WHO WANTS TO RIDE IS WELCOME! Please meet at the Silver Dome at 9 a.m. before Wild Bill and his supporters join others at the parade staging area. Let no child or youth go without a toy and joy!**

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## Daniel Needed in Fremont County

by Charlotte Burrous

It troubles me more and more as I listen to the news around the world about Christians, who are being persecuted for their faith.

Recently, a Fremont County minister was notified he could not pray around the flagpole at the high school, all because one teacher said he was offended by his very presence. In fact, the minister cannot be on school grounds.

It reminds me of the story of Daniel, who was appointed as one of the three administrators in King Darius' kingdom in Babylon.

The administrators and the satraps did not like him so they tried to find "grounds for charges against Daniel in his conduct of government affairs," but they were unable to do so. ... Finally these men said, "We will never find any basis for charges against this man Daniel unless it has something to do with the law of his God," said Daniel 6:4-5.

So they devised a plan and went to the king, urging him to issue an edict, saying anyone who prays to anybody other than the king during a 30-day period would be thrown in the lions' den. So the king issued the decree in writing, which could not be repealed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians.

But Daniel was undaunted. When he learned about the decree, he went home, where he opened his upstairs window to pray on his knees, just as he had for his whole life.

At that point, the men reported that Daniel had prayed to God, three times a day. King Darius was distressed to learn Daniel had not obeyed his decree and made every attempt to save him, but he could not. He gave the order to throw Daniel into the lions' den, but told him in Daniel 6:16, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!"

The king went home and worried all night. At dawn, he ran to the

lions' den, where he called, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?" Daniel answered, "May the king live forever! My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, Your Majesty."

Then the ones who accused Daniel and their families were thrown into the lions' den, where they were destroyed.

In the same way, Cowboy Church at the Crossroads, Pastor Randy Pfaff has vowed he is not through yet.

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

## Temptation

by Frank L. Oberlin

One of the sub-prayers in the Lord's Prayer is "lead us not into Temptation". On the surface it appears to be a request for someone else to not lead us into Temptation. But reality is that others will always try; directly, indirectly, vehemently, subtly, openly, sinisterly to lead us into Temptation. It really is up to yourself. It doesn't take much these days with the Temptations of low moral and ethical character that the media bombards us with minute by minute. Not to mention a justice system that is far less interested in justice and more interested in what's PC, popular, the latest loophole, or how famous you are. This discussion really belongs under the heading of "perspective" but that's another topic.

Notice the choice of words in the Lord's Prayer: "lead me not into Temptation". It doesn't say rent a crane and lift my sorry self out of the muck of whatever my Temptation is after I've willingly waded in neck deep like some cesspool jumper. No, it says; don't even let me be lead toward it. Yet we live our lives wading neck deep in the excrement of Temptation and somehow expect that we can wash off the stench of it with a good shower.

Temptation is something that entices or allures us to abandon, no matter how briefly, our morals, ethics, and/or better judgement. It is the precursor to sin. Comedy is a great example. If I can make you laugh at something repugnant, I can disarm your morals and ethics. After all, comedy is how Hollywood sold the Nation on accepting the abomination of homosexuality.

All addictions are forms of Temptations; drugs, alcohol, power, sex, and a host of others. Temptations usually begin small, innocuous then rapidly expand into full blown addic-

tions and a downward degenerative spiral from which there is frequently no return. After all no one starts out day one as a serial killer. They devolve into it. It is for the reason that Temptations start small, that the prudent person remains vigilant against the smallest of Temptations. Temptations are like weeds in a garden. If you don't immediately pick each weed, pretty soon you have a garden of nothing but weeds that choke the life out of everything, including yourself. It's easy to justify Temptations but they are never in your best interest.

Several colleagues and I were in Amsterdam years ago on business. We walked about the city one night and stumbled into a red light district. I will never forget watching as virtually all of the male tourists, all but one, stared at the prostitutes in the windows exposing themselves. My friend Chuck averted his eyes and refused to look at them. I was so impressed. He clearly recognized the Temptation before him and took appropriate action.

One of the multitudes of Temptation's forms is familiarity, which we all know breeds contempt and cynicism. We then take for granted that which we should not. For example, this great Country of ours; most Americans are more interested in their latest tweet than the state of our Nation. The VIP's that run this country know this and count on you staying addicted to your distracting Temptation(s).

Invest five minutes in yourself, step back, out of your routine, gain perspective, and look for the Temptations that drag you down. Learn to recognize and deal with them. If you don't, you'll simply wake up one day, not recognize who, what, or where you are or how you got there. That's where our Nation is today and only you can change it.

## The Lighthouse Says, "Thanks"

Thank You, Community

On September 21st, Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources had our second annual fundraising banquet. We want to extend our thanks to the businesses and members of the community who so generously supported our efforts at the Lighthouse.

Thank You to Hope Lutheran Church for the use of Lange Hall, Westcliffe Supermarket for food discounts, Joey Lippis of Lippis Farms for donating produce, members of the Amish community who donated desserts, Su-

san Gillespie who donated the rolls, and Westcliffe Community Church and Valley Bible Fellowship for the use of their tables.

Thanks also to musical guest Amy Perschacher, speaker Christy Rodriguez, tech specialist and teacher Andrew Straight, Mrs. Hess' leadership students who served our guests, Fred Hernandez Jr., for his cooking expertise and kitchen management, Tess Sederio for her many hours volunteering in the kitchen, and the spouses of board members who helped with tear down and clean up at the end of the evening.

We are so grateful to all of you who donated to the ongoing work of the Lighthouse by attending our banquet or chose to donate through the mail. The banquet was a great success, thanks to everyone who participated in any way! If you've never visited the Lighthouse, please stop by on Monday or Thursday afternoon between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. to tour the facility and see what we're about!

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## On Women in Combat

Thanks to the *Sentinel* editorial board for printing the Marine Corps report on women in combat roles. In our increasingly politically correct culture such honesty is rare. Frankly, I do not believe that any thinking citizen really believes that mixed-sex combat units are stronger. Only the naive, the ignorant, and the irrationally ambitious could even take the idea of women in front line combat roles seriously. At least the Marine Corps commandant is willing to tell the truth.

I was born in 1944, so when the radical feminists movement burst onto the scene during the mid-60s, I was a working adult with a family. My position on this matter has not changed in 50 years. In that time, I have argued my point hundreds of times. Often, I've been

told by a defender of this ill-conceived proposal that, "someone or other could find a woman who could 'kick my a\$\$'." Ok, that is likely true, but that isn't the issue. Can they find 1,000 women who could do it? I doubt it. Yes, my point of view may be a generational issue. My generation protects its women; we don't send them to fight our wars.

It would be a waste of time to repeat the well documented data that the Marine Corps published. Likely, some brave team will get fired by Obama and his radical feminist advisors. What puzzles me is that so few Americans possess the common sense to see the folly of this plan. It frankly will diminish the fighting ability of our armed forces.

Here is the reality; it takes eight to ten members of the

military to keep one combat soldier in the field. A fighting force needs medical staff, supply personnel, intelligence, electronic surveillance, motor pool, and armored personnel to win a war. Women could make a significant contribution in any of these and hundreds of other support roles. But no; for some irrational motivation the irrational cry of radical feminism is "I am better than a man" even if it takes that most powerful military in the history of the world into a social engineering nightmare.

Given the choice, I will volunteer and fight with an all-male unit. God Bless the brave men who have kept us safe since 1776. Oh, I'd like to meet the person who put women on submarines.

*Joe Cascarelli  
Westcliffe CO*

## To Silver Cliff Councilmen and Mayor...

Councilmen & Mayor,

As a resident of Silver Cliff, I have great interest in the decision to begin growing marijuana within the city limits. In every scenario I have considered, there are likely negative consequences of this.

The bottom line is that our esteemed governor warned all state citizens that it was a mistake having made the decision to legalize it. He is likely the top political authority on the wisdom of this type of undertaking.

See: <http://thehill.com/policy/finance/230511-colorado-governor-legalizing-pot-was-bad-idea>

Worse than this, he has also characterized getting involved in it as outright "reckless".

See: [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/10/06/john-hickenlooper-marijuana-reckless\\_n\\_5942586.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/10/06/john-hickenlooper-marijuana-reckless_n_5942586.html)

There is a lot of state fiscal and other evidence supporting his statements.

As a landowner and state citizen, I feel the township should not even consider getting involved in the possibly even dangerous aspects of this 'business'.

I understand every other local government authority has rightly rejected this proposal. Is this going to be put a vote by the citizens that will be binding?

*Thank you.  
Mark Fowler  
Data Centers Management  
Colorado Governor's  
Office of Information Technology*

## Pot Will Harm the Community

Mr. Lowe,

I do not live in Custer County but live in Pueblo County. I subscribe to the *Sentinel* and therefore get all the news people do not get in the *Wet Mountain Tribune*. I have an affinity for your area and in the past vacationed at the Grape Creek RV Park during the time I had a camper. I was virtually upset and disgusted in your irrational behavior at

the meeting and so called dope study group. I am a volunteer with the Pueblo Police Department and I can tell you that I wish we here in Pueblo County had the opportunity to stop the sale of the narcotic pot. A bad drug is what it is. I witnessed its results on soldiers during my tour in Vietnam and how it leads to worse drugs. I witnessed what it does to the minds of these soldiers. The money

it brings in is not worth the harm it will do to the community. I wish there was a statewide effort to repeal this destructive law.

Please be more responsive to your community and listen to the people.

*Sincerely,  
Steve Levine, SFC,  
United States Army, Retired  
Pueblo West, CO*

## Return Local Control to Custer County

It would seem that a YES vote on Issue Number 1A (SB-152 Opt Out) is a "no-brainer". By voting YES on this ballot measure, we allow our local governments to participate in providing telecommunication, broadband, or cable services. Not that it does not require that participation, it merely permits it as may be determined appropriate at a future date. No public funding is required to opt out; we simply regain local control over our enhanced broadband services. To me the question is how did we ever get in the position that out local

governments were restricted for being involved in these necessary services.

To date, ten Colorado municipalities and two counties have successfully opted out of the SB-152 restrictions and additional entities are scheduled for 2015 and 2016 elections. A YES vote on Ballot Issue 1A is highly recommended to restore local control over our telecommunication, broadband and cable services.

*Jim Teghtmeyer,  
Rural Custer County*

### Ask a Pro: 3-Wire Pump Motor Control Boxes

A lot of folks are making plans to live in the area, some already have property here. We are seeing a return to an earlier time when people did their projects a little at a time or as they can afford it (take note Mr. President). I cut my teeth on these kinds of jobs so it's second nature now. When proceeding like this the only must is: Someone has to have a vision. A plan is a great start if the planner has vision, if not; it's just a dream. When developing a lot you need someone with vast experience and the ability to visualize the whole project. Some 'planners' have put the well in the only place a septic system could be installed. These kinds of pitfalls can be avoided. With a little thought and vision:

You can do a well and a septic before you build your home but only if you have chosen a house site and know the type of foundation. Will it have a basement etc.? Do not have a house pad excavated before knowing what type of foundation you will have. For those without a clue you can't make foundation changes after excavating and expect no costs for additional work. -David J. Nequette /Co. StateLic. 1043 Send Questions to: [nequettedrilling@gmail.com](mailto:nequettedrilling@gmail.com) Nequette Drilling & Dave's Pump Service 717-783-3000 [www.nequettedrilling.com](http://www.nequettedrilling.com)



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## Westcliffe Knights

The Knights of Columbus Council 1225 with headquarters in Florence has formed a round table of knights in Westcliffe under the auspices of Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church. The Knights of Columbus (KofC) is a fraternal order of Catholic men focused on Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism, and the Defense of the Catholic Church. Committed to the protection of human life from conception to natural death, the Knights are also committed to the preservation and defense of the family serving, supporting, and helping the families of our communities of Silver Cliff, Westcliffe, and Custer County, the Parish and all Parishioners. This organization prides itself in prac-

ticating and teaching our Catholic values through example. Committed to Our Lord Jesus Christ and the support of our Pastor, KofC witnesses and demonstrates their deeply-held values within the community, helping the needy and less fortunate members of our society giving time, talent, and treasure as we are able and as needed. Becoming a knight can transform ones life. We encourage the men in our community to learn more about the activities and substance of this orgnaization founded in 1882 and which now has more than 1.8 million members worldwide. Explore the possibility of joining the ranks of the knights of the round table at Westcliffe by calling Knight Steve Yackley at 719-213-0672.

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dollar income and expense projections and this was due to the fact that no formal business plan had been prepared, nor would it be until the issue was voted on and approved by the electorate.

One of the ladies seated in the front row was acknowledged by the board; she asked if the board was composed of elected officials. To the affirmative reply she then asked you work for me? Once again to the affirmative reply she posited, "Then why are you not listening to us." To this heartfelt query the response was that there were others to whom they were responsible who had not been given the opportunity to speak and that by placing this issue on the ballot they would be given that chance. They cited the figures of thirty-eight residents who had signed a petition against marijuana but that there were another five hundred, approximately, who had not expressed their preferences. "We don't know what the other constituents want", said Mr. Lowe and putting the issue on the ballot would give them the chance to be heard. The matter of giving the voters a chance to decide the future of the town was visited several times by different members of the audience. The board adhered to their uniform reply that the voters should be given the chance to weigh in on the issue. To passionate pleas and exhortations for the sake of the children coming from pastors and

members of the search and rescue teams, the board remained adamant in their stand to allow residents to vote.

One of the most important points brought up was the issue of morality. Retired General Bob Hollingsworth started off by saying that "missing from the lexicon is the word morality". According to him the message we send to the kids from the leadership of this community is that, since they are putting it on the ballot, they are undecided as to the consequences and thus the matter is not of a great importance. He went on to say that we need to return to the basics and consider morality or we would be missing the point and need to set the proper example. He ended by citing that the American Legion definitely considers marijuana a gateway drug and, finally warned about the criminal element that would be attracted. Mr. Smith responded to these statements by saying that cigarettes and alcohol (even food) are all "gateway drugs" and invited the audience to view a documentary called "Culture High" which he considers educational.

An "out of townner" who works for a facility in Salida was recognized and he gave testimony that the cannabis industry is highly regulated and that as far as he knew there were no problems to report from Salida. One of the high points came from Mrs. Candi Sage who spoke passionately of the divisiveness of only a small portion of the total county population voting on an issue

that had such impact on the whole area. She practically brought the house down when she suggested to the board that if it was money that was needed why not just merge with Westcliffe.

Another high point was when Commissioner Shy spoke about the problems of a "single industry" economy for the town. He gave the example of Silver Cliff's economy in 1878 when the sole focus was silver and how the town grew from a few blocks to more than a hundred blocks in a very quick period of time. Then, the federal government, through legislation, shut down the silver mines and just as quickly Silver Cliff was reduced to almost nothing.

The last speaker was Mr. Bob Senderhauf, chairman of the board of the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District. His emphasis was, "It's up to you to make your decision but you have to be informed." With that he submitted documentation to the board which had to do with recent deaths as a result of marijuana, plus information about a group working to take water rights away and give it to the federal government, and the difference between the state owning the water and citizens or entities, such as ranches, have the "rights" to its use but not outright ownership to begin with. To this the mayor responded that as far as agricultural entities are concerned, to which category marijuana belongs, the District is required by law to supply water and cannot deny it.

**One of the methods used by statistis to destroy capitalism consists in establishing controls that tie a given industry hand and foot, making it unable to solve its problems, then declaring that freedom has failed and stronger controls are necessary.**

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## Ribbon Cutting for New Playground at Westcliffe Park

On September 23rd, Westcliffe Mayor Christie Patterson, surrounded by town employees and several of the many volunteers who helped build the new playground equipment, performed the official ribbon cutting on the addition to the park. Funding for the project came through a grant from Great Outdoors Colorado, the Town of Westcliffe, and Custer County.

*Photo by Candi Sage*

## BOO at the Bridge! Halloween Fun for All Ages at the Royal Gorge Bridge & Park

**B**oo at the Bridge! Royal Gorge Bridge & Park offers a howling good time on Saturday, October 24th, 4:00 to 8:30 p.m., for this Halloween event designed for safe, unique, family fun with special entertainment and trick or treat stations at North America's highest suspension bridge.

For this one special evening the park will offer several activities including hay rides across the bridge, ghost train on the one-mile mini-train track, night flights on the gondolas, Tommy Knocker Playland, and Music by the Geezers.

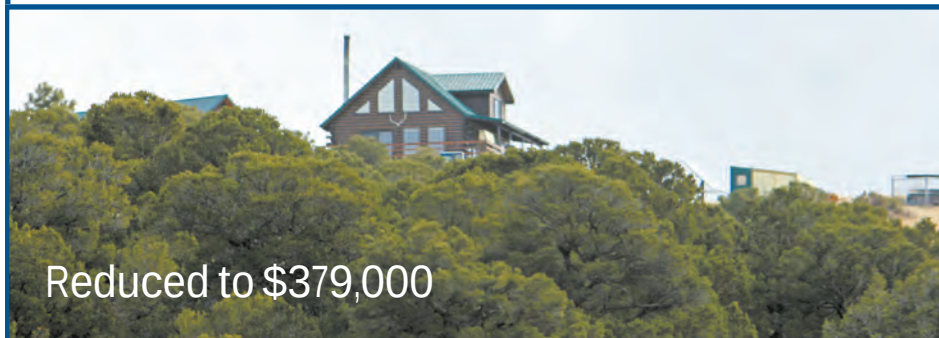
This event is sponsored by Cañon National Bank, San Isabel Propane Services, Star Country Radio 104.5 and KRLN News Ra-

dio 1400, *The Cañon City Daily Record*, and Bank of the San Juans. Several businesses will man trick or treat stations for the little ones.

Boo at the Bridge is \$10 per person with pre-purchase tickets online at [www.royalgorgebridge.com](http://www.royalgorgebridge.com), \$12 at the gate, and \$5 off for season pass holders, gate admission only. Extra pay features include North America's highest zip line, the Royal Rush Cloudscraper by ZipRider until dusk, and the Royal Rush Skycoaster—in the dark!

The park will close at 3:00 p.m. on October 24th, and reopen at 4:00 p.m. for the event.

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## Rotary's Newest Member

The Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Club is proud to announce that Mark Payler, Superintendent for Custer County Schools, is now the newest member. Mark came from the Weld County School District, where he was also a Rotarian, to take over as Superintendent of Custer County Schools. The local Rotary Club has been instrumental in helping our school children, including scholarships, dictionaries, career fair, and sporting activities.

*Courtesy photo by Monty Lee*

# Local Mountain News & Notices

## Bobcats Play Well in Losses to Swink and Fowler

by Coach Troy Bomgardner

The CCHS gridders traveled to the plains on Friday night, September 18 to face the Swink Lions and left with a gut-wrenching loss 18-22. The first quarter opened with the Lions receiving the kick-off and making a 13-play drive for a touchdown. The Bobcats stopped the 2-point conversion attempt, and Swink took an early 6-0 lead.

After a great run-back by Sam Dunlap on the kickoff, the Bobcats began a march of their own—which ran out of steam on the Lions 8-yard line. The Bobcats defense came up big on the next series and forced a punt, and the offense took over in good field position once again. However, the Bobcats were then stopped in the red zone by the Lions. “The first couple drives were really good drives,” stated Head Coach Troy Bomgardner. “But, we came up empty and that would haunt us in the 2nd half.”

On their next drive Swink used some trickery to score their second touchdown

with the hook-and-lateral play. A 2-point conversion would make the score 14-0 going into half-time. “At the half, we really felt like we had played well but still found ourselves down 14-0,” said Bomgardner. “We challenged the team to go out and score on the first drive, and then see what would happen!”

After another good run-back by Dunlap on the kickoff, the Bobcats took the challenge and began to dominate the Lions, marching down the field with run-after-run of 5 and 10 yards by Dunlap and Andy Feldmann. A 22-yard TD run by Dunlap capped the drive, with some great blocking by the offensive line: Bryce Roscoe, JJ Brady, Keith Stuart, David Kinsey, and Billy Berry. “Talk about a coach being proud of a team!” exclaimed Bomgardner. “It would have been easy to quit. But, as I am discovering, this team doesn’t have ‘quit’ in their vocabulary.”

But Swink wasn’t done, as they scored on another drive to make the score 22-6. The Bobcats, however, came fighting back again with

Kinsey pulling in a tremendous catch from QB Edgar Pedigo to aid in another drive which ended with Feldmann scoring from the 1-yard line.

The Bobcats D recovered a fumble on the next play when Thomas Dryer drove the Lions center into the backfield to allow Berry to snag the ball. With time dwindling down, the Bobcats pushed to score again. This time it was a 45-yard touchdown pass from Pedigo to Kinsey to make the score 18-22. “Edgar made a great throw to David on this play,” commented Bomgardner. “And what can you say about David! He was playing with a hurt thumb all taped up, but still making big plays. The future is exciting for these two sophomores!”

With a few minutes on the clock, Swink’s offense slowly burned up the clock. The dagger was a fake punt which the Bobcats defended well, but the punter escaped and made the first down.

See BOBCATS on page 9

## Custer County Schools to Host Scholastic Book Fair October 5th-8th

**What:**

Custer County schools will host a Scholastic Book Fair on Monday, October 5th – Thursday, October 8th, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Funds raised will help purchase books for the library and classrooms. Families, faculty, and the community are invited to attend this fun reading event that helps inspire children to become lifelong readers.

The Book Fair will feature a special Grand Event with refreshments on Wednesday, October 7th, at 7:30 a.m. in the school library. Students are encouraged to bring somebody “grand” in their life to share the Book Fair with before school that day.

**When:**

The Book Fair will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Thursday.

**Where:**

Custer County Schools is located at 709 Main Street.

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Information session and riding practice will be held Sunday, October 4th, at 1 p.m.

Pageant is Sunday, October 18th, at 1 p.m.

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# CCHS FOOTBALL TEAM

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Back from left: Assistant Coach Ernest Bain, Assistant Coach/ Athletic Director Eric Prins, Billy Berry, Kobe Lewsader, Thomas Dryer, JJ Brady, Tyler Howdeshell, Coach Troy Bomgardner, and Assistant Coach Sterling Hinson. Middle row from left: Edgar Pedigo, Andy Feldmann, Sam Dunlap, David Kinsey, Dylan Schoch, and Johnny Feldmann. Front row from left: Ray Perez, Bryce Roscoe, Jakob Riehle, Aden Hatton, Tait Parsons, Keith Stuart, and Chad Lewenkamp. Not available for photo: Josh Baturin, Daniel Moyer, and Assistant Coach Mark Pedigo.

## Custer County Bobcat 2015 Roster

| Number | Name             | Class |
|--------|------------------|-------|
| 4      | Ray Perez        | 9     |
| 7      | Edgar Pedigo     | 10    |
| 12     | David Kinsey     | 10    |
| 24     | Sam Dunlap       | 12    |
| 25     | Dylan Schoch     | 10    |
| 30     | Billy Berry      | 9     |
| 32     | Josh Baturin     | 9     |
| 34     | Andy Feldmann    | 11    |
| 35     | Chad Lewenkamp   | 9     |
| 40     | Jakob Riehle     | 9     |
| 45     | Tyler Howdeshell | 11    |
| 51     | Thomas Dryer     | 10    |
| 52     | Johnny Feldmann  | 9     |
| 54     | Tait Parsons     | 10    |
| 55     | Bryce Roscoe     | 11    |
| 56     | Aden Hatton      | 9     |
| 70     | Keith Stuart     | 11    |
| 75     | Daniel Moyer     | 10    |
| 80     | Kobe Lewsader    | 10    |
| 86     | JJ Brady         | 10    |

### Coaches

Troy Bomgardner - Head Coach  
Eric Prins - Assistant Coach/Athletic Director  
Ernest Bain - Assistant Coach  
Sterling Hinson - Assistant Coach  
Mark Pedigo - Assistant Coach



# Local Mountain News & Notices

## Homecooking Proves Beneficial to Carter and Cañon

by Coach Jack Swartz

The Custer County Cross Country teams traveled down the road to host the Mile and a Half High Invitational at St. Andrews Golf Course, right here in Westcliffe. Being at home provided some great races from Kayla Carter and Luke Canon. Teams traveling to Westcliffe got a little taste of what it is like to run at 8,000 feet.

The girls middle school got to show off without the boys in the first race of day. The Lady Bobcats were led by Kylie Carter placing 10th in 12:19 on the 1.55 mile course. Carter was closely followed by Kyliegh Martin in 11th at 12:28. With the absence of a third female middle school runner, the girls did not place as a team.

The middle school boys were next and Luke Canon is creating quite a name for himself. In three races this year, Canon has placed 1st, 2nd, and now another 1st. Canon led the middle school boys in a time of 9:14 to claim the middle school race and a new course record. Following Canon

was Elias Zellar (9th) in 9:57, John Shepherd (13th) in 10:28, Jeremiah Taylor (22nd) in 11:22, and Harrison Walter (41st) in 32:17. With only scoring the top 3 runners from each team, the middle school boys would place 3rd of 5 participating teams.

As for the varsity girls, it would be a breakout race for freshman Kayla Carter. Carter was patient through the first mile and a half until taking control of the race and placing first in a new course record of 22:07. Carter was followed up by teammates Katlyn Freeburg (14th) in 26:08 and Kayli Short (20th) in 28:30. Since the meet was scored with 3 runners, the girls finally placed, they would take 3rd of 4 participating teams.

The Varsity boys rounded out the day, led by Jerald Taylor. Taylor ran a gutsy race but came up short against a strong Cody Danley of Rocky Ford. Taylor would take second in 17:50. Second man on the team was Wesley Kagan running a season best time of 21:57 for 17th place. Dalton Wommack (23rd)

23:26 would round out the scoring. Wommack chased down Rye High School's third runner to ensure a top 3 finish for the team. Running extremely well for the Bobcats this season is Michael Batson (27th) in 23:56. This marks the 3rd straight race Batson has finished in the 23rd minute mark for a 5k. Rounding out the boys team was Scott Freeburg (31st) in 25:04 and Jess Franta (36th) in 28:08. Franta continues to make major strides as the season progresses, dropping 5 minutes off his 5k time from the beginning of the season. The boys would place 3rd out of 5 participating teams.

The team would like to thank all the volunteers and fans who came out to help and cheer on at our only home meet of the year. They hope to make this race a staple of Colorado High School Cross Country.

The Varsity team competes again on a short week, Thursday, October 1st, at the Royal Gorge for a meet hosted by Cañon City, while the middle school teams travel to Salida on October 2nd.

## BOBCATS from page 7

Dunlap finished the game with over 100 yards, with Pedigo adding 59 yards and Feldmann 35. Pedigo was 4 of 6 in passing for 92 yards. Kinsey led receivers with 2 catches—one for a touchdown. Defensively, Feldmann led the Bobcats with 17 tackles, and Pedigo and Berry added 9 each. The Bobcats played very solid football, with no turnovers and never sending the punting team onto the field.

The following week, the CCHS football team took it on the chin again—this time on the home field against Fowler on Saturday, September 26. The game seemed closer than the score showed, as the Bobcats were looking to head into the locker room with the score

14-6 at the half. But, Fowler completed a long pass with just a few seconds to go and added another touchdown. "That score really took the sails out of us," noted Head Coach Bomgardner. "To that point, we were hanging with Fowler, but that score made it tough on us."

The Bobcats came out the second half with a good drive, only to have that drive stopped by an interception. And another drive was stopped by a poor snap on a short 4th-down try. "This was the first game of the season when I felt we had some frustration by the team," said Bomgardner. "We knew we could play better, and that is a very good sign that we are improving. I'm actually pleased with that frustration. Now, we just have to do something with it."

Edgar Pedigo ended up

completing 10-16 passes which gives him a 65% completion average for the year. This is outstanding! Sam Dunlap led all receivers with 5 catches, and Billy Berry added 4. Pedigo also had a long kickoff return in the first half for the Bobcats only touchdown in the 42-6 loss. Defensively, Dunlap led the Bobcats with 14 tackles and was followed closely by Andy Feldmann.

"I keep saying it—I am really proud of this team," exclaimed Bomgardner. "They are giving great effort both on the field and in the classroom. The fact is, we are a young team and will continue to get better. I'm excited for this week!"

The Homecoming football game is Saturday, October 3 at 1:00 pm at Henrich Field against Cripple Creek-Victor High School.

## Lady Bobcats

by Coach Greg Cravens

The Custer County High School Volleyball team had a very busy and tough week. The team traveled to Sanford for an important league match on Tuesday night and then out to Akron High School on Saturday for a tournament against some very good teams from northeastern Colorado.

On Tuesday night, the Bobcats went up against the Sanford Indians for the second time this season. The Bobcats lost in four sets, 15-25, 24-26, 25-22, and 25-16. Elizabeth Mullet ended the match with 14 kills, which is the most for a Bobcat for a match this

season. Tish Schlabach had 3 aces for the night. The Bobcats are now 4-2 in league but still have a chance for a league title if they can win out in league play.

Saturday brought on new opponents and new challenges. The team went up across some of the best small school teams in northeastern Colorado. Though the teams didn't win a match they, came away with some invaluable experiences and came together as a team even more. Coach Cravens was impressed with the girls determinations and willingness to battle. The team

lost to Holyoke, Otis, and host team Akron.

Mckensie Penkoff lead the Bobcats with 13 kills on the day with Emily Crossley supporting her with 12. Sarah Gerringer had her best day at the serve line with 5 aces on the day. Serenity Ham finished the day with 44 assists and Schlabach had 51 digs on the day. The Bobcats had their best matches of the year with blocking led by Crossley with 5.

The Bobcats are now 5-6 on the season and return to action Friday when they take on the Del Norte Tigers for a big league match.



### Bobcat Menu • Oct. 5 - Oct. 8, 2015

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| <b>Monday Breakfast</b><br>Pancakes<br>Fruit<br>Milk<br><b>lunch</b><br>Hamburger<br>Choice of Veg.<br>Choice of Fruit<br>Milk | <b>Tuesday Breakfast</b><br>Scrambled Eggs,<br>W.G. Toast<br>Fruit, Milk<br><b>lunch</b><br>Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce<br>W.G. Roll<br>Choice of Veg. & Fruit<br>Milk | <b>Wednesday Breakfast</b><br>Bagel, Cream Cheese<br>Ham<br>Fruit, Milk<br><b>lunch</b><br>Hot Dog<br>Choice of Veg.<br>Choice of Fruit<br>Milk | <b>Thursday Breakfast</b><br>Sausage Gravy<br>W.G. Biscuit<br>Fruit, Milk<br><b>lunch</b><br>Chicken & Noodles<br>Choice of Veg.<br>Choice of Fruit<br>Milk |
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**Elementary: Main Dish, Bread, Milk, and Choice of 1 Veg. & 1 Fruit**  
**Middle & High: Main Dish, Bread, Milk and Choice of 1 Veg. & 1 Fruit**  
**Middle & High: Salad Bar**

## KIDS Friday, October 2 , 2015

### Yosemite National Park 125th Anniversary

On this day in 1890 an act of congress created Yosemite National Park.

John Muir (1838-1914) a Scottish-American naturalist campaigned for the congressional action and it was signed into law by our 23rd President Benjamin Harrison, creating the nation's third national park.

Native Americans were the main residents of the Yosemite Valley until the gold rush in 1849 brought many non-Indian miners and settlers to the region.

This caused damage to the natural environment. In 1864 conservationists convinced President Abraham Lincoln to declare the Yosemite Valley a public trust of California. This laid the foundation for establishing the national and state park system.

Yosemite's history is filled with different peoples that have left their mark on the area. From historic mining sites, the remains from miners who came to the area to seek their fortune in gold, to early lodging establishments, like the Wawona Hotel, which offered a primitive setting for the Valley's first tourists.

Yosemite National Park is known for its cliffs, waterfalls and giant sequoia trees which can live to be more than 3,000 years old. The park encompasses 747,956 acres of natural beauty and is situated in the heart of the Sierra Nevada range in California.

Annually, tourists come to Yosemite to check out stunning landmarks as the 2,425-foot-high Yosemite Falls, one of the world's tallest waterfalls. Other attractions include huge domes and peaks. The greatest of theses domes is El Capitan, a granite buttress that rises to 7,569 feet above sea level and towers some 3,600 feet above the valley floor. Hiking is also popular along Yosemite's hundreds of miles of trails, and thousands of climbers scale the domes and peaks annually.

Ansel Adams the famed black-and-white photographer at one point lived in the park and spent years photographing it. Thereby, immortalizing its beauty with his camera.

by Audrey Slater

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# Corner

## Bobcats Sport Schedule

### VOLLEYBALL

Friday, October 2  
10 a.m.: Del Norte at HOME  
Friday, October 9  
10 a.m.: Center at HOME  
Saturday, October 10  
10 a.m.: South Park/Crested Butte  
AWAY

### CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, October 1  
4 p.m.: Cañon City Invitational  
AWAY  
Friday, October 2  
3:30 p.m.: Salida Invitational  
AWAY  
Friday, October 9  
4 p.m.: Spartan Invitational at  
Colorado Springs

### VARSITY FOOTBALL

Saturday, October 3  
1 p.m.: HOMECOMING GAME  
Cripple Creek at HOME  
Saturday, October 10  
1 p.m.: Rocky Mountain Lutheran  
at Denver



# Local Mountain News & Notices

## CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

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

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

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

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

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

LOTS 78 AND 79, ACCORDING TO THE CORRECTION PLAT OF ROSITA HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. 2, COUNTY OF CUSTER. STATE OF COLORADO  
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THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

#### NOTICE OF SALE

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

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Iowa City, Iowa 52244  
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DATE: 07/07/2015  
Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee in and for the County of Custer, State of Colorado  
By: Virginia Trujillo, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP C/O Holly Shilliday, 7700 E. Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122  
Attorney File # CO-15-674498-JS  
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

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

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

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

Original Grantor(s): Jerry Ayers  
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Homes Loans, Inc.  
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2005-44, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-44  
Date of Deed of Trust: June 29, 2005  
County of Recording: Custer  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: July 05, 2005  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 201787 Book: 526 Page: 279  
Original Principal Amount: \$337,500.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$333,889.72

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

A tract of land located in the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 46 North, Range 12 East of the New Mexico Principal Meridian, Custer County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows; Beginning at a point that is 1061.6 feet North 89°33' East along the Section line from the SW corner of said Section 35; thence North 01°20' West 6.3 feet to a point on the Easterly line of the Bassett Tract; thence North 01°20' West 216.7 feet along said Easterly line to a point; thence North 01°20' West 37.6 feet to a point on the Southerly line of a road; thence North 63°12' East 190.7 feet along said Southerly road line to a point; thence South 78°20' East 128.6 feet along said Southerly road line to the NW corner of the Nelson tract; thence South 01°48' West 318.5 feet along the Westerly line of said Nelson tract to the Section line; thence South 89°33' West 280.0 feet along the Section line to the point of beginning.

County of Custer, State of Colorado  
Also known by street and number as: 3060 County Road 182, Westcliffe, CO 81252.  
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

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DATE: 07/09/2015  
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:  
Malcolm Cisneros, A Law Firm 6595 West 14th Avenue, Suite 100, Lakewood, CO 80214 (303) 586-1174  
Attorney File # Ayers/B26647  
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

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

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

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

Original Grantor(s): Jerry Meschke  
Original Beneficiary(ies): First Federal fsb  
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: MidCountry Bank, successor to First Federal fsb  
Date of Deed of Trust: April 02, 2003  
County of Recording: Custer  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: April 07, 2003  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 194598 Book: 456 Page: 35  
Original Principal Amount: \$144,500.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$117,910.10

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.  
Lot 155, according to the correction Plat for Rosita Hills Subdivision No. 2 a/k/a 5977 County Road 328, Westcliffe, CO 81252  
Also known by street and number as: 5977 County Road 328, Westcliffe, CO 81252.  
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#### NOTICE OF SALE

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## CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

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DATE: 07/21/2015

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:

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

Attorney File # Meschke

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

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered published by  
Vic Barnes, Chairman

Custer County Planning Commission

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS\*

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

All persons having claims against the above-named estate

are required to present them to the personal representative or to the District Court of Fremont County, Colorado on or before January 30, 2015, or the claims may be forever barred.

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

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

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### Custer County

#### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### Tentative Agenda

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015**

**9:00 AM**

#### Meeting Location:

**County Courthouse /Commissioners Room**

**Call meeting to order**

**Pledge of allegiance**

**Roll Call**

**Amend agenda**

**Audience introduction**

**Public Comment**

**Approval of minutes**

**Commissioner Items**

**Attorney Items**

**Executive Session**

**New/Old Business**

**FFPA**

**Staff Reports: Airport Advisory Board, Public**

**Health Agency, Human Resource/Finance,**

**Human Services Report**

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#### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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**9:00 AM**

#### Meeting Location:

**County Courthouse /Commissioners Room**

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**Pledge of allegiance**

**Roll Call**

**Amend agenda**

**Audience introduction**

**Public Comment**

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**Executive Session**

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**2016 Preliminary Budget Report – J. Piquette**

**Staff Reports: CSU Extension, Veterans Service**

**Office, Planning and Zoning, Road and Bridge,**

**Treasurer**

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## HAM RADIO OPERATOR TECHNICIAN TRAINING

Who: Anyone with an interest in becoming a licensed HAM RADIO Operator.

Where: Custer Search and Rescue Building  
710 Rosita Ave., Westcliffe, CO 81252

When: Thurs., Oct. 1 - 6 pm  
Thurs., Oct. 8 - 6 pm  
Thurs., Oct. 15 - 6 pm  
Thurs., Oct. 22 - 6 pm  
Thurs., Oct. 29 - 6 pm (License Test)



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To register or for more information contact Christe Coleman Feldmann at 783-2410 or ccoem@custercountygov.com

# The CC Cross Country Teams Hosted the Mile and a Half High Invitational at St. Andrews Golf Course with Five Schools Competing



Middle school team back row from left: Coach Robert O'Callaghan, John Sepherd, Elias Zeller, Luke Cannon, and Head Coach Jack Swartz. Front row from left: Kylee Carter, Jeremiah Taylor, Harrison Walter, and Kyleigh Martin.



High school team back row from left: Coach Robert O'Callaghan, Jerald Taylor, Jess Franta, Wesley Kagan, Scott Freeburg, Dalton Wommack, and Head Coach Jack Swartz. Front row from left: Kayli Short, Katlyn Freeburg, and Kayla Carter. Not available for picture: Michael Batson.



# Local Mountain News & Notices

## Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 144 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 4 to EMS, and 2 to the Fire Dept. On September 25th, there were 4 men and 3 women in the county jail.

09/22/15 15-0732  
0140 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hwy 96 MM 2 for a car versus a deer accident.

09/22/15 2015-06805

0845 hours: The Custer County Sheriff's Office dispatched Deer Mountain EMS to 17th Trail in Cotopaxi for a 52-year-old individual suffering from abdominal pain.

09/22/15 2015-06809  
0940 hours: A deputy served civil papers to a party on Edwards Avenue in Westcliffe.

09/22/15 015-06810

0954 hours: A deputy served civil papers to a party on Lea Lane in Westcliffe.

09/22/15 2015-06813  
1028 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Comanche Road in Cuerno Verde Pines to handle a livestock call.

09/22/15 15-0734  
1038 hours: A deputy and the Wet Mountain Fire De-

partment were dispatched to CR 305 in Centennial Ranch to investigate a report of smoke. It was discovered that a local resident was burning weeds without having requested a burn permit. The fire department extinguished the fire.

09/22/15 15-0734  
1049 hours: The Custer County Sheriff's Office assisted an employee from

the Department of Human Services to conduct a house visit at a residence on CR 305.

09/22/15 2015-06817  
1214 hours: A deputy served civil papers to a party on First Street in Silver Cliff.

09/22/15 2015-06820  
1500 hours: A deputy was dispatched to the Ophir Creek Campground to

investigate a report of 21 head of cattle grazing in the camping area.

09/22/15 2015-0735  
1531 hours: A deputy made contact with a male party, at MM 16 on Hwy 96, who was skateboarding on the highway. The subject had badly damaged

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## Customer Appreciation Days

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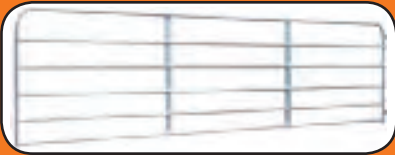
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| <b>Sale Price</b><br><b>\$8.99</b><br>Blue Shop Towel<br>200 CT<br>Item: 135058<br>Regular Price \$15.99    | <br><b>Save \$7.00</b> | <b>Sale Price</b><br><b>\$7.99</b><br>12' Camo Tie Down<br>2 Pk<br>Item: 169172<br>Regular Price \$18.99     | <br><b>Save \$11.00</b> | <b>Sale Price</b><br><b>\$2.99</b><br>Pure Life Water<br>24 pk .5L<br>Item: 647752<br>Regular Price \$4.99              | <br><b>Save \$2.00</b> |

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## Thank you, Deputies

*(Editor/GG: Sheriff Byerly forwarded this letter he received from a Ft. Lupton, Colorado, couple who have a vacation home here in the valley. Nice to see citizens taking the time out to thank public servants doing what they love - serving the public. Well done, guys. And thanks.)*

September 25, 2015

Sheriff Shannon Byerly  
Custer County  
702 Rosita Avenue  
Westcliffe, CO 81252

Re: Deputy Samuel  
Berkeland and Sgt. Harry  
“Buck” Wenzel

Dear Sheriff:

The purpose of this letter is to pass along a compliment about two of your

deputies. Late at night on September 10th, my husband swerved to avoid hitting a deer and as a result our truck rolled twice. Fortunately neither of us nor our pets was badly injured in the accident but our truck was totaled.

Your responding officers, Deputy Berkeland and Sgt. Wenzel, were very professional in their assessment of the accident scene but were also kind and concerned about our physical wellbeing. Not only did your deputies help us pick up items of personal property strewn all over the roadway, Deputy Berkeland gave us a ride to our cabin which was well out of his way back to Westcliffe. When we thanked him he

said “That’s what we are here for.” Even so, I believe both deputies went above and beyond their job descriptions.

Especially now, when there is so much criticism of our law enforcement personnel in this country, I wanted to make sure that someone knew that these deputies exemplify the everyday professional conduct of law enforcement officers. To that end, I am also sending a copy of this letter to the Custer County Board of Commissioners and Governor Hickenlooper.

Best regards,  
Tom and Jackie Banks  
Ft. Lupton, CO 80621

cc: Custer County  
Commissioners,  
Governor Hickenlooper

## SHERIFF from page 14

his vehicle but could not recall how it happened. It was subsequently discovered that he had collided with a guardrail. Joseph Vallieres (DOB 19900323) of Broomfield was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, careless driving, drinking from/possessing an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle, displaying a fictitious license plate, and failing to register a vehicle within 60 days of purchase.

**09/22/15 15-0736**  
1740 hours: The Sheriff’s Office received a call from a security company reporting a residential alarm on Shining Mountain Road in Macey Creek Ranch. A deputy was dispatched to the location to investigate.

**09/22/15 2015-06827**  
1838 hours / Ambulance Run: EMS was dispatched to the Custer County Sheriff’s Office to conduct a blood draw on an individual who was arrested.

**09/22/15 15-0737**  
1954 hours: A deputy was advised that a party had called to report being harassed by an individual over the telephone. The

deputy made contact with the complainant.

**09/23/1515-0738**  
0837 hours: A party came into the Sheriff’s Office to file a report stating that his neighbor’s dogs are killing his livestock and his neighbor is stealing his property.

**09/23/15 15-0739**  
1039 hours: A deputy was dispatched to CR 255 to investigate a report of a dangerous dog.

**09/23/15 15-0740**  
1309 hours: A deputy and EMS were dispatched to a two-vehicle accident at Main Street and 6th Street in Westcliffe. The individuals involved refused transport. One of the parties involved in the accident was issued a summons for following too closely.

**09/23/15 15-0741**  
1521 hours: A deputy was dispatched to the Custer County High School in response to a report of the theft of a track uniform and sneakers valued at approximately \$170.

**09/23/1515-0742**  
1635 hours / CR 255 MM1 / Traffic Summons: Fernando Medrano (DOB in 1990) of Pueblo was issued a summons for speeding 20-24 over.

**09/23/15 15-0743**

1933 hours / Bassick Place and Hermit Lane / Traffic Summons: Marcus Patton (DOB in 1989) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for failing to stop at a stop sign.

**09/23/15 15-0744**  
2224 hours / Main Street and 4th Street / Traffic Summons: Douglas Burgdorff (DOB in 1965) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for failing to stop at a stop sign.

**09/24/15 15-0745**  
0937 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Ohio Street in Silver Cliff for an assault in progress. The female party was transported to Parkview Hospital in Pueblo. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the assailant.

**09/24/15 15-0747**  
1216 hours: A party came into the Sheriff’s Office wishing to file an anonymous report of alleged child abuse. Case is being investigated.

**09/24/15 15-0748**  
1627 hours, 700 block of Main Street, Westcliffe, Traffic Summons: Kandie Trujillo (DOB in 1984) of Florence was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 over in a school zone.

**See SHERIFF 2  
on page 23**

## Classifieds

### Classes

New Classes for Seniors at Club America with instructor Janie Bolte starting October 5. Chair Strength meets Tuesday/Thursday, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. – don’t let decreased mobility keep you from being strong! Seniors in Motion on Monday/Friday, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., works on balance, flexibility, and strength to keep an able body self-sufficient. TONE! Meets Monday/Wednesday, 5-6 p.m., for those ready to get in shape. Free to members. \$7 drop-in fee for nonmembers.

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Kids Zone After School Program, grades K-5 at Club America on Tues., Thurs., 4 p.m. – 6 p.m., Friday, 10:30 a.m. – noon. Introductory price: \$3 for 1 hour or less; \$5 for over 1 hour, Kids Zone membership \$30 per month, includes public swim. An activity-based child development program, not child care/babysitting. Develop strong kids, with kind-hearted values. Your child escorted from school to Club. Call 783-0750 or come to Club America for details.

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## Events Calendar

**Friday, October 2 – Saturday, October 3**

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

**Saturday, October 3**

**9 a.m. – 3 p.m.:** German colony reunion at the school’s multi-purpose room  
**9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.:** “Just Gals Conference” at Eagles Summit Ranch  
**10 a.m.:** Homecoming Parade, Hullabaloo Arts Parade, and Wild Bill’s Toy Ride  
**1 p.m.:** HOMECOMING GAME: Cripple Creek at HOME

**Sunday, October 4**

**1 p.m.:** 2016 Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club Royalty Court Pageant at the saddle club grounds.  
**2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.:** National Life Chain at the

school parking lot to pray silently for the unborn. More info, call Pat Schulze (719) 783-2265.

**Monday, October 5**

Elementary School: Fire Safety Day

**Saturday, October 10**

**12 Noon:** Fatima Rosary Rally at Jess Price Park  
**12 - 1 p.m.:** Community invited for a show of honor, support, and appreciation for our law enforcement officers at Veterans Park in Cañon City at the All American Freedom Festival.

**Saturday – Sunday, October 10-11**

**8:30 a.m.:** Set up and sign in for Project Appleseed at Sangre Shooting Sports Club. Register at [www.appleseedinfo.org](http://www.appleseedinfo.org)

**Saturday, October 17**

**6 p.m.:** “Whisker Ball” hosted by the Friends of the Pueblo Animal Shelter at the Pueblo Convention Center, 320 Central Main St., Pueblo.

## 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

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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 10 a.m.**  
**El Alazan Mexican Restaurant**  
**1925 Fremont Dr. Cañon City**

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

by Charlotte Burrous

During the September 21st meeting, the Florence City Council appointed Patricia Smith as a councilwoman in Ward One to replace Mel Edwards, who died earlier this year.

“You can bring her on now or later on, or just wait until the election,” said Mayor Keith Ore during the discussion. At that point, City Attorney Bryan Fredrickson clarified the statement made by the mayor. “You can make an appointment within 60 days from the date council declared the vacancy, but it’s only until the next election,” he said. “That person still has to stand for election in November. So by bringing her on or anyone now

does not bring her on for full term.”

Councilman Dick Upton pointed out Smith is basically running unopposed so she would be elected in the November election anyway.

“If we brought her on now, it would give her time to (get oriented to the council),” Upton said. Councilwoman Charlette Henager agreed.

“We might as well put her in the seat now,” she said.

City Manager Mike Patterson said he was approached by a citizen in Ward One, who stated, they felt like they only had one vote on council while the other wards have two votes.

Fredrickson reminded them that

the appointment would be within the time limit set by law.

Under unfinished business, the council approved an agreement to trade a parcel of land behind Willie’s Antiques near Skateboard Park and a parcel near the River Park for a 3/4 inch water tap in Pathfinder Park.

“The county is asking the city to trade two (parcels of land) in the River Park and the other one right behind Willie’s Antiques. The county is at the point they’re trying to sell a lot of their parcels they no longer use or need. (The parcels are) valued at \$8,700 (in land) in exchange for an \$11,200 tap,” said City Manager Mike Patterson. “They will pay the difference in

cash, (which is) \$2,500. (In addition), the county will give us two Union Ditch water shares.”

The advantage of accepting the trade would be the city would get one more water tap that could eventually lower debt retirement for the rest of the citizens, said Councilmen Paul Villagrana.

“I would strongly recommend that we accept the proposal for the county,” he said.

In conjunction, the county has indicated it would probably apply for a 2-inch water tap for the park in the future.

After discussing it for several minutes, the council approved it unanimously.

## Apple Day

by Charlotte Burrous

With the harvest season in full swing, Penrose will celebrate its 80th Annual Apple Day with ‘Apple Day Throughout the Decades’ as its theme.

The festival kicks off at 7 a.m., October 3, with the Penrose Volunteer Fire Department serving a pancake breakfast at 207 Broadway in downtown Penrose. In the meantime, participants in the pie contest will enter their famous pies between 7:30-8:00 a.m. in the Wells Fargo Community Room at 210 Broadway.

“The county commissioners will be judging again,” said Penrose Chamber of Commerce manager Misty Dawn Scoles. “We’ll announce (the winners) right after the parade.”

During the day, numerous activities will feature vendors between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. along with a fun run, an antique car show, a parade, a car show, a craft fair, a bake sale, and silent auction. The Apple Day Pre-Parade will feature floats from kindergarten through fifth grades, along with animals and various entries at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Apple Day Parade at 11 a.m., featuring Al Kaly Shriners, school bands, horses, and more.

After the parade, food will be available at the Penrose Senior Center and at the



Kindergarteners ride on a float in the 2013 Apple Day Pre-Parade in downtown Penrose.

Photo courtesy of Penrose Chamber of Commerce

Kirkwood Presbyterian Church. On the main stage in front of the center, local musicians Greg Moody and Julie McKissack of Colorado Country Music Association will play a variety of songs between 12:30-3 p.m. at the booth in front of the Penrose Senior Center. In conjunction, Atomic Fireballs Band will perform

its own brand of music between 12:30 and 3 p.m. then again for the dance from 8 p.m. to midnight in the VFW at 402 Broadway.

Sponsored by Penrose Chamber of Commerce since 1999, the idea of Apple Day began in the fall of 1935 when Penrose School decided to host a

Rural Invitational Softball Tournament in October. The school also decided to invite visitors to play in the tournament, as well as watch it.

During a PTA meeting, former superintendent of schools, R.A. Peterson encouraged the members to expand the festivities by

centering the event around apples and by giving prizes to visitors. That’s when one of the board members suggested handing out free apple pie slices, which has since become a tradition during the annual Apple Day festivities. For more information, check the Penrose Chamber of Commerce website.

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(Hwy 50) in Cañon City

**Here 4 You**  
2975 CR 27A (Copper Gulch Rd)  
in Cotopaxi

### Mr. Ed's Family Restaurant



**1201 Royal Gorge Blvd., Cañon City**  
**719-275-5833**

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## Ideological Subversion and American Leadership

Former Soviet KGB agent Yuri Bezmenov, who defected from the Soviet Union in 1970, was interviewed in 1984 about Soviet infiltration methods. Bezmenov said that by 1970 the Soviet Union already had infiltrated the US through brainwashing left-leaning people in the news media, entertainment, politics, business, education, and religion. He said the Soviet Union used a brainwashing strategy called ideological subversion designed to change the perception of reality of every American so "no one is able to come to sensible conclusions" to defend themselves, their families, and their country. Sadly, many advocates of Soviet socialism, now called progressives, are currently in high places within the US government.

Marxism-Leninism ideology to several generations of American students. He said that these teachings included feminism, sexual liberation, hedonism, anti-war sentiments, liberation theology, and globalism. He said these students are now the people who are the business, religious, political, educational, media, and entertainment leaders of American society. He said, "You are stuck with them. They are contaminated. They are programmed to think and react to certain stimuli...You cannot change their mind, even if you expose them to authentic information...the process of demoralization is complete and irreversible."

To reverse this process, Bezmenov said writing letters will not work. He said, "There must be a very strong national effort to educate people in the spirit of real patriotism, number one. Number two, to explain to them the real danger of socialist, communist, welfare state, big brother government...The moment at least part of the United States population is convinced that the danger is real, they have to force their government...to stop aiding communism." I will add another way to reverse the process: Mark 16:15, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." And Ephesians 6:20, "...that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak." Christian Americans must see clearly and act decisively.

*Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!*  
Bill Wilson

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Bezmenov said that the Soviets used brainwashed leftists to teach

## Poll of U.S. Muslims: Most Want Sharia Law Instead of U.S. Constitution

by Press Release, June 23, 2015,  
Center For Security Policy

According to a new nationwide online survey (Below) of 600 Muslims living in the United States, significant minorities embrace supremacist notions that could pose a threat to America's security and its constitutional form of government.

The numbers of potential jihadists among the majority of Muslims who appear not to be sympathetic to such notions raise a number of public policy choices that warrant careful consideration and urgent debate, including: the necessity for enhanced surveillance of Muslim communities; refugee resettlement, asylum and other immigration programs that are swelling their numbers and density; and the viability of so-called "countering violent extremism" initiatives that are supposed to stymie radicalization within those communities.

Overall, the survey, which was conducted by The Polling Company for the Center for Security Policy (CSP), suggests that a substantial number of Muslims living in the United States see the country very differently than does the population overall. The sentiments of the latter were sampled in late May in another CSP-commissioned Polling Company nationwide survey.

According to the just-released survey of Muslims, **a majority (51%)**

**agreed that "Muslims in America should have the choice of being governed according to shariah."** When that question was put to the broader U.S. population, the overwhelming majority held that shariah should not displace the U.S. Constitution (86% to 2%).

**More than half (51%) of U.S. Muslims polled also believe either that they should have the choice of American or shariah courts, or that they should have their own tribunals to apply shariah.** Only 39% of those polled said that Muslims in the U.S. should be subject to American courts.

These notions were powerfully rejected by the broader population according to the Center's earlier national survey. It found by a margin of 92%-2% that Muslims should be subject to the same courts as other citizens, rather than have their own courts and tribunals here in the U.S.

Even more troubling is the fact that **nearly a quarter of the Muslims polled believed that, "it is legitimate to use violence to punish those who give offense to Islam by, for example, portraying the prophet Mohammed."**

By contrast, the broader survey found that a 63% majority of those sampled said that "the freedom to engage in expression that offends Muslims or anybody else is guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution and cannot be restricted."

**Nearly one-fifth of Muslim respondents said that the use of violence in the United States is justified in order to make shariah the law of the land in this country.**

Center for Security Policy President, Frank J. Gaffney, Jr., observed:

*The findings of the Center for Security Policy's survey of Muslims in America suggests that we have a serious problem. The Pew Research Center estimates that the number of Muslims in the United States was 2.75 million in 2011, and growing at a rate of 80-90 thousand a year. If those estimates are accurate, the United States would have approximately 3 million Muslims today. That would translate into roughly 300,000 Muslims living in the United States who believe that shariah is "the Muslim God Allah's law that Muslims must follow and impose worldwide by Jihad."*

It is incumbent on the many American Muslims who want neither to live under the brutal repression of shariah nor to impose it on anybody else to work with the rest of us who revere and uphold the supremacy of the U.S. Constitution in protecting our nation against the Islamic supremacists and their jihad.

Please see: <https://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/2015/06/23/nationwide-poll-of-us-muslims-shows-thousands-support-shariah-jihad/>

## You Can't Make This Up: Saudi Arabia Chosen to Head UN Rights Panel

by Mike Krieger,  
Liberty Blitzkrieg Blog,  
via ZeroHedge.com

**(Editor/GG: Liberals (i.e., the UN bureaucrats in this story) love tyrants and fascists. Mirror images, folks?)**

If you were trying to put together a global all-star team of the most authoritarian, human rights abusing nations on earth, **not only would Saudi Arabia be at the top of the list, it would be captain of the squad.**

In a move as embarrassing, laughable, and tragic as Barack Obama receiving the Nobel Peace Prize just as he was about to embark upon several overseas wars and drone countless civilians to death without due process, **the United Nations has, remarkably, named Saudi Arabia head of its human rights panel.**

Of course, this is something I warned of back in May in the post, Saudi Arabia is Making a Play to Head the U.N. Human Rights Council. Here are a few excerpts:

**Saudi Arabia is making a bid to head the United Nations' Human Rights Council (HRC) just days after it posted a slew of new job openings for executioners who would help carry out beheadings amid a massive uptick in state-sanctioned killings in the country.**

**U.N. Watch, a nonprofit group that monitors the international body, disclosed Saudi Arabia's intentions in a recent report and urged the United States to fight against it, describing the move as "the final nail in the coffin for the credibility" of the HRC.**

**Neuer compared the possible ascension of Saudi Arabia to the top slot to electing "a pyromaniac as the town fire chief."**

All hail the pyromaniac in chief. From the *Independent*:

The United Nations has been criticized for handing Saudi Arabia a key human rights role – despite the

country having **"arguably the worst record in the world" on freedoms for women, minorities, and dissidents.**

Critics, including the wife of imprisoned pro-democracy blogger Raif Badawi – sentenced to 1,000 lashes for blogging about free speech – labelled the appointment "scandalous", saying it meant "oil trumps human rights".

UN Watch, an independent campaigning NGO, revealed Mr. Trad, **Saudi Arabia's ambassador at the UN in Geneva, was elected as chair of a panel of independent experts on the UN Human Rights Council.**

As head of a five-strong group of diplomats, the influential role would give Mr. Trad the power to select applicants from around the world for scores of expert roles in countries where the UN has a mandate on human rights.

Such experts are often described as the 'crown jew-

els' of the HRC, according to UN Watch, which has obtained official UN documents, dated 17 September, confirming the appointment.

The Saudis' bid emerged shortly after it posted a job advertisement for eight new executioners, to cope with what Amnesty International branded a "macabre spike" in the use of capital punishment, including beheadings, this year.

"Saudi Arabia has arguably the worst record in the world when it comes to religious freedom and women's rights, and continues to imprison the innocent blogger Raif Badawi," he said.

**Of course, the Saudis seem to get away with everything.**

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# The Real Race War the Government is Covering Up

by Derrick Wilburn,  
AllenBWest.com

As you no doubt know by now, Donald Trump burst into the GOP presidential race with his statements accusing the Mexican government of dumping its criminals into the USA. Predictably, Trump endured the wrath of the liberal left (though that wrath has done zero damage to him in the polls), was called a racist, bigot, and so on. But not only did Trump stand by his assertions, he successfully managed to shift the national narrative from being about “the Donald” to the question of, “Is what I said the truth?” He parlayed that central campaign theme to the top of the Republican pile.

The high profile murders of Katie Steinle and Air Force veteran Marilyn Pharis — among others — have done nothing to assuage fears. Nor does our president’s “open borders” attitude, which rolls out the red carpet and keeps it rolled out even when criminals have been deported again and again. But, of course, it’s racist or xenophobic to point that out.

Meanwhile, race relations appear to be at an all-time low since the election of the nation’s “first black president.”

Unfortunately, it would appear the left is right regarding the appalling level of racial violence in this nation. But there’s a big reason why the government is hiding its true nature.

According to Fox News, “the federal government can tell you how many “Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islanders” stole a car, the precise number of “American Indian or Alaska Natives” who were arrested for vagrancy or how many whites were busted for counterfeiting in any given year. But the government agencies that crunch crime numbers are utterly unable — or unwilling — to pinpoint for the public how many illegal immigrants are arrested within U.S. borders each year.

In the absence of comprehensive data, FoxNews.com examined a patchwork of local, state, and federal statistics that revealed a wildly disproportionate number of murderers, rapists and drug dealers are crossing into the U.S. amid the wave of hard-working families seeking a better life. The explosive figures show illegal immigrants are three times as likely to be convicted of murder as members of the general population and account for far more crimes than their 3.5-percent share of the U.S. population would suggest. Critics say it is no accident that local, state, and federal governments go to great lengths to keep the data under wraps.”

The estimated 11.7 million illegal immigrants in the U.S. represent about four percent of the total population, yet according to statistics compiled by Fox News, they account for 13.6 percent of all offenders sentenced for crimes, including twelve percent of murder sentences, 20 percent of kidnapping sentences, and 16 percent of drug trafficking sentences.

*“There are a lot of reasons states don’t make this information readily available, and there is no clearing-house of data at high levels,” said former Department of Justice attorney J. Christian Adams, who has conducted exhaustive research on the subject. “These numbers would expose how serious the problem is and make the government look bad.”*

And, speaking of “making the government look bad,” here are some other statistics on race and violent crime the government would rather you not know about.

The Black Lives Matter folks are building a cottage industry on the idea that black people are basically being systematically hunted down and killed by the police and white racists like nutcase Dylann Roof.

But the fact is, according to the DOJ’s own data, white violence against blacks is dwarfed by black-on-white violence. As the National Review reports, in 2012, “blacks committed 560,600 acts of violence against whites (excluding homicide), and whites committed 99,403 acts of violence (excluding homicide) against blacks, according to data from the National Crime Victimization Survey. Blacks, in other words, committed 85 percent of the non-homicide interracial crimes of violence between blacks and whites, even though they are less than 13 percent of the population. Both the absolute number of incidents and the rate of black-on-white violence are therefore magnitudes higher than white-on-black violence.”

By the way, this is the first time the Department of Justice released this category of statistics since...2008, the year Obama was elected president. Do you think there was any reason the DOJ stopped releasing the stats? And could there be any particular reason the DOJ decided to take a look at the figures now? Unfortunately, they don’t support the agenda.

How can we have an “honest conversation on race” if the government won’t even discuss the statistics? I suppose that’s purely a rhetorical question.

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Please see: <http://allenbwest.com/2015/09/the-real-race-war-the-government-is-covering-up/>

# Florida College Abolishes Tenure

by Blake Neff,  
DailyCaller.com

**(Editor/GG: Finally, some sanity in the Alice In Wonderland world of academia.)**

A public college in Florida has taken a decisive step to eliminate tenure, putting one of the largest cracks yet in a gradually-crumbling edifice.

Instead of receiving tenure after five years of employment, from now on professors at the State College of Florida will only receive annual contracts the school can decline to renew at any time.

The change only applies to new hires and does not affect currently-tenured faculty, but it still had to overcome a storm of protest from staff. Some said the school will be unable to attract any talented applicants, while others said it would make it too easy to fire faculty who aroused controversy.

“If not for tenure, professors would be attacked every time there is a change in the wind,”

faculty senate president Robyn Bell told the Bradenton Herald. “Part of our jobs as professors is to challenge the norm, the standard, and to get our students to think outside of the box. A continuing contract means I can do that without losing my job.”

But members of college’s board of trustees says tenure was more of a hindrance. Board Member Lori Moran cited an alleged instance where a professor started “ranting” to their class, and said the school had to be able to quickly dismiss misbehaving professors.

“I support academic freedom, but academic freedom is not academic immunity,” added fellow trustee Craig Trigueiro.

Ultimately, despite faculty complaints, the board voted a decisive 7-1 to ditch tenure.

Tenure has been under severe attack in K-12 schools by critics who say it mostly serves to protect low-quality teachers. But it’s held up better

in colleges and universities, where professors argue tenure is critical for preserving their academic freedom. Still, it’s been an increasingly popular punching bag for reformers who say such protections are simply outdated.

But even in academia, there are signs of disintegration. In Wisconsin, Gov. Scott Walker’s most recent budget revoked the state’s statutory guarantee of tenure, and also redefined tenure in a way that makes it far easier to lay off professors even if they have it. At colleges across the U.S., there is a trend of hiring more and more adjunct professors who are ineligible for tenure, while tenured professors who retire simply aren’t replaced. State College’s move, though, signals that four-year colleges may be ready to take the next step of simply abolishing tenure entirely.

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Read more: <http://daily-caller.com/2015/09/24/florida-public-college-abolishes-tenure/#ixzz3mktD5PCX>

## TABOR in Action: Refunds Means It’s Working

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

Democrats like to lament any tax refunds as a sign the Taxpayers Bill of Rights (TABOR) is screwing over Colorado. Except, as Sen. Kevin Grantham points out in this morning’s *Denver Post*, these refunds just remind people why they like TABOR and that it works.

In addition to ensuring that no tax increase can pass without voter approval, TABOR also ensures that the size of state government doesn’t spiral out of control. It includes a formula that calculates population growth plus inflation, so that government keeps pace with growth instead of surpassing it during prosperous years. Refunds are the result of revenues exceeding this cap. Put another way, TABOR reminds us that we don’t have a revenue problem, we have a spending problem.

But even the mention of a potential TABOR refund and the left hits the red panic button, threatening significant budget cuts and fretting about having enough money to spend. It’s the same old knee jerk assumption that everything is underfunded and there is never enough money when that’s not necessarily true.

The truth is that governing is about making hard choices and setting priorities. The current budget is \$25 billion and was passed with biparti-



Senator Kevin Grantham

Courtesy photo

san support, so we know it can be done.

Yes, there may be challenges ahead. But instead of trying to dismantle a popular taxpayer protection at every turn, Democrats should try some optimism for a change and work with the revenue they are generously given by the people of this state.

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# While U.S. 'Can't Afford' Protection for Marines, Look What Incoming Muslim Refugees Are Getting!

by Ashley Edwardson,  
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While many of our military families must rely on food stamps and the United States Marine Corps claims it can't afford bullet proof glass to protect its rifle-less riflemen, President Obama is offering piles of cash to "refugees" coming to America. Yep, that'd be YOUR tax dollars.

And the tax dollars required to support these "refugees" — many of whom, it's turning out, are actually NOT coming from war-torn Syria — are about to explode, given new directives from the Obama administration.

According to Yahoo! News, the administration is now saying that what was supposed to be 10,000 refugee settlers has now mushroomed into a reported 100,000 newcomers to the U.S. by 2017.

"We will now go up to 85,000 with at least 10,000 over the next year in Syria specifically. And in the next fiscal year, we will target 100,000," Kerry said.

As we reported last week, many of these desperate refugees are shopping around for the host country with the best benefits. So what will the United States be doing to "compete" in this market for refugees — some of whom may not be quite as tired and poor as they are portrayed to be?

The United Conference of Catholic Bishops recently posted the list of freebies President Obama's offering to those thousands of

"refugees" he and the United Nations are demanding America accept. The information came from our very own Government Accountability Office.

As reported by the Daily Caller:

*Each refugee is offered a placement grant of \$1,850 from the Department of State. This includes: pre-arrival, reception, initial housing, food, clothing, referral services, and social programs. The benefit eligibility are for those refugees who have been in the U.S. for up to three months.*

*Refugees needing cash assistance can get it through Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). This is temporary financial assistance and social services for those eligible low-income refugees with dependent children. Cash assistance for refugees who do not qualify for TANF can also be obtained through Refugee Cash Assistance. This is available for those in U.S. for up to 8 months.*

*Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is also an option for incoming refugees and those who settled in the U.S. for up to nine years. This is cash assistance for those low-income individuals who may be elderly, blind, or disabled.*

*Refugees who've been in the United States up to seven years are also offered medical financial assistance through Medicaid as well as through the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). Otherwise, Refugee Medi-*

*cal Assistance is available for up to eight months for those individuals who are not eligible for Medicaid.*

*The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is made available to refugees for up to nine years while social services for refugees — including job training, placement, and retention for those settled in the U.S — are available for up to five years.*

## President Obama is offering piles of cash to "refugees" coming to America.

Ann Corcoran, founder of Refugee Resettlement Watch, first noticed the posting and comments, "At the top you will see that each refugee gets \$1,850 as a one-time payment from the US Dept. of State (a family of 6 would receive \$11,100). However, the contracting (non-profit) agency keeps about \$750 of each refugee's allotment for its own overhead."

She later noted, "But, that is not all the contractor receives, most get tens of thousands of federal dollars to run myriad other programs through their offices including English language lessons, employment counseling, and even are granted federal dollars to develop community gardens for their refugee cli-

ents." You do the math. That means at least \$342,250,000 of U.S. funds over the next couple of years.

Meanwhile, according to Marine Lt. Gen. Mark Brilakis, providing bullet-proof glass for Marine recruitment offices would cost about \$100 million dollars the U.S. government just doesn't have.

General Brilakis, I think I just found your \$100 million, even if it means that those refugees coming to America will have to suck it up and divide the remaining left over \$243 million amongst themselves.

I don't know about y'all, but Monday morning I'm going to light up the phone lines to my Congressmen to demand our Marines be taken care of before any refugee who sets foot on our soil. Be sure and contact us if you need any assistance contacting your representatives.

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# Blacks For Trump? Only Republican Candidate Getting 25% of Black Vote!

by Karl Denninger,  
Market-Ticker.Org

See, I told you so... A SurveyUSA poll released Friday shows in a hypothetical matchup with Hillary Clinton, Trump is ahead 45% to 40%.

But digging into the racial breakdown of the respondents is revealing. For example, the poll finds 25% of black respondents say they would vote for Trump over Clinton.

How come?

Simple: Who gets screwed the worst by our current illegal invader, full

employment policy?

**Lower-educated and skilled people, of which there is a gross overrepresentation of black individuals.**

**Get rid of the illegal invaders and the sub-group of our citizen population that would benefit most would be..... BLACKS!**

It's not hard to figure out, folks.... and this is a rude warning for the Republican Establishment:

**Trump is the only candidate who can win a large piece of the Black Vote because he is the only candidate willing to expel all the illegal invaders and build a fence to make sure no**

**more of them come in. He will do it by enforcing E-Verify and prosecuting employers who hire illegals (thus creating a huge wave of self-deportations among those unable to find work) and, if necessary, physically deporting the rest.**

The result of such a policy would be a **monstrous** growth in employment among Blacks.

**Everyone ultimately votes their wallet, and the Democrat Party cannot win the White House, no matter who they run, with one quarter of the Black population voting Republican.**

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## Protecting America's Children

by Jenn Jacques, [BearingArms.com](http://BearingArms.com)

School shootings shock us because schools are supposed to be safe havens from guns. Bold signs in school zones declare they are "Gun and Drug Free," but as we know, signs and laws don't stop criminals. That's what makes them criminals.

So why don't we arm our teachers to protect our children?

Twenty-seven year old Kasey Hansen is a special needs teacher, working at multiple schools throughout the Granite School District around Salt Lake City, Utah each day, and she proudly carries a concealed weapon. Additionally, all of her students have hearing aids or a cochlear implant, which could make an emergency situation more imperative for her to handle swiftly.

"I never really thought about it before Sandy Hook," says Hansen, who was in a classroom teaching when she heard news of the school shooting. "It just killed me. It's something personal when you mess with students or children. ...It's as if you were messing with one of our own."

Hansen got her concealed-carry permit and took advantage of a free training course which was offered to teachers. She then bought a Cobra 380 handgun which she named Lucy and started carrying it in K-12 classrooms.

*"I think every teacher should carry," Hansen said. "We are the first line of defense. Someone is going to call the cops and they are going to be informed, but how long is it going to take for them to get to the school? And in that time, how many students are going to be affected by the gunman roaming the halls?"*

She further explains, "I based it (Lucy) on *Despicable Me 2*, on the spy who Gru falls in love with. She's a secret agent spy, and she likes to carry her lipstick Taser or her weapons with her and uses them on the bad guys, so I named my gun Lucy after her."

In the 10 years since teachers have been allowed to carry guns in Utah, ***no fatal K-12 school shootings have occurred***. With teachers like Hansen, there's little question as to why.

Hansen goes on to declare, "I want to protect my students; I'm going to stand in front of a bullet for any student that is in my protection and so I want another option to defend us."

In 2013 more than 80 bills were introduced in at least 33 states related to arming teachers or school staff, but only Alabama, Kansas, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Texas enacted laws affecting public schools, according to a report by the Council of State Governments. In the state of Wisconsin, concealed carry permit holders can request permission to carry from the principal of their local school, and a new law just went into effect this year allowing both off duty and retired law enforcement officers to carry in schools as well. The Outdoor Channel's in-depth documentary Safe Haven hosted by Katie Pavlich was an eye-opening look into just how ineffective gun-free zones really are.

As the fight to allow campus carry on colleges rages on, let's not forget that primary schools deserve our attention as well. All of our children's lives have value, regardless of their age, and they all deserve to be protected by any means necessary. I wish we had more teachers willing to arm themselves on behalf of our nation's children. I know for my own children, I would appreciate a teacher like Kasey Hansen willing to stand and fight against the threat of any attacker wishing to harm students.

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## Concealed Carrier Stops Attempted Mass Shooting in Cincinnati

by Bob Owens, [BearingArms.com](http://BearingArms.com)

A 62-year-old Cincinnati man is in jail after pulling two guns and opening fire on four people, including an infant:

*A 62-year-old man with a gun in each hand fired at four people – including a 1-year-old boy – before a civilian with a concealed carry permit returned fire and wounded the shooter, cops told FOX19.*

*Thomas McCary is being held without bond on four counts of felonious assault.*

*McCary was arguing with a woman around 8 p.m., Sunday night and, when the woman's brother, Patrick Ewing, approached, McCary pulled out a .38-caliber handgun and fired three shots at him, Cincinnati police said.*

*Ewing didn't get hit, but he did get his own gun and returned fire, wounding McCary in the leg. Ewing had a permit to carry a concealed weapon.*

Ewing provided cover fire allowing the other man, his sister, and the baby to retreat as McCary fired at them again. McCary is presently in Hamilton County jail awaiting charges. He will likely face four counts of assault with a deadly weapon.

This was a slam-dunk case of self-defense for Mr. Ewing, who is not expected to face charges for using his weapon to defend his life, and the lives of the three other people McCary was attempting to shoot.

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## Donald Trump's Policy on the Second Amendment

by Dean Weingarten, [GunWatch.Blogspot.com](http://GunWatch.Blogspot.com)

***(Editor/GG: Whether you like "The Donald" or not, EVERY republican candidate should have done this. Why haven't they?)***

Donald Trump has put his Second Amendment position on his web page for the 2016 election cycle. The positions put forward are not new or bizarre. They follow the Donald pattern of political positions that are enormously popular, but which have been declared "non-viable" by political correctness and the Washington Cartel. Donald Trump, once again, ignores the political taboos created by the ruling elite to prevent the electorate from enacting changes that the electorate desires, but the elite fears. Here is a summation of the Donald's Second Amendment positions. You can go to Trump's site, [donalddonald.com](http://donalddonald.com), and read them yourself.

1. Declaration that the Second Amendment is a fundamental right that existed before the Constitu-

tion, and is protected by the Constitution, not created by it. This is the Founders position, based on natural law.

2. Change the focus of fighting violent crime from restricting law-abiding citizens to enforcing the law prohibiting violent felons from possessing firearms. Trump explicitly references Project Exile, which reduced the murder rate in Richmond by 60%.

3. Empower law-abiding gun owners to fight crime, by putting the law on their side.

4. Fix the mental health system to help prevent mass shootings.

5. Oppose "assault weapon" and magazine bans, and all bans on firearms.

6. Fix the existing background check system to make it instant, accurate, and fair. Do not expand the existing system.

7. National reciprocity for concealed carry permits.

8. Eliminate the Gun Free Zones at military bases and recruiting centers by allowing the military to be armed and to defend themselves.

Donald Trump has not held elected office, but he has hit on a winning strategy. Refuse to follow the restrictive, politically-correct rules about what is allowed, and what is not allowed in political discourse. His Second Amendment position follows the same pattern as his immigration position.

Take the popular position that the vast majority of the American electorate wants, in spite of the opposition of the ruling elite. State it in common sense language, then fight for it.

National reciprocity is a prime example of this approach. National reciprocity for concealed carry of firearms has passed majority votes in both houses of Congress, at different times. With all 50 states, D.C., Guam, and Puerto Rico having concealed carry permits, this is a popular position. It only needs presidential support to pass and become law. Donald Trump is the first presidential candidate to make it part of his platform.

Donald Trump is putting into practice what the American governmental system was designed to do. That is, determine what the people want, formulate it into a practical policy, and pass it into law.

For a hundred years, the political elite have followed a different paradigm, called "manufacturing consent". Under that paradigm, the political elite determine what they want to do, manufacture consent among the population through propaganda in the mass media, and pass their desired program into law. With the falling power of the elite to control access to information, the system of "manufacturing consent" is failing, and the original system of consent of the governed, is gaining ground.

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# Hypocrisy Alert! Buddhist-Inspired Boulder College to Exterminate Prairie Dogs

by ColoradoPeak-Politics.com

Naropa University, the private Buddhist-inspired liberal arts college in Boulder, has a bad case of first-world problems – how to dispose of prairie dogs that are destroying what we can only surmise is an immaculately kept lawn?

One would presume the nature-lovers would simply relocate the critters, but one would be wrong.

Faced with no other options, it seems, the university has applied for a lethal control permit from the city, and environmental outrage has ensued.

The folks that brought us the Great Castle Rock Prairie Dog Revolt are now eating their own, so to speak, and have turned on the peace-lovers with an activ-



Courtesy photo

ist vengeance.

In other words, they've circulated a petition.

"It is a Buddhist university and the fact that a Buddhist university would even apply for a lethal application for prairie dogs is totally against any Buddhist concepts," said Deanna Meyer, Colorado director for WildLands Defense. "You don't do that. You don't kill animals. So that inspired a lot of people like, 'Are you kidding me? A Buddhist university is going to kill the native populations

there? Why?"

We suggest the two sides agree to a cage fight, Nature Lover vs. Animal Lover, a duel to the death to determine whether the rodents should live or die.

We'd be first in line to purchase front-row tickets.

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# While Pope Touts Open Borders, Vatican Takes in Only Handful of Refugees

by Ashley Edwardson, AllenBWest.com

Today, the Vatican announced it would be tearing down its ancient walls in an effort to accommodate the thousands of refugees migrating from poor and war torn countries in the Middle East and Africa.

Just kidding.

But this is apparently exactly what the leaders at the walled-in Vatican want the rest of us to do.

As the New York Times says, "in his speeches so far this week, Francis has clearly focused his attention on the migrants who see him as their champion.

"When you have these two rights in conflict, which one has to bend?" said Greg Burke, the senior adviser for communications at the Vatican. "The Gospel answers that it has to bend in favor of human dignity."

Hmm...the last time I checked — ten minutes ago — the Vatican was still surrounded by massive centuries-old walls, which were built by previous Popes to protect the inhabitants of the city. In fact, in 2014, the Vatican actually stepped up security after threats against the Pope.

According to the Telegraph, the measures were adopted after a foreign intelligence agency, possibly American, intercepted a conversation between two unidentified Arabs in which they reportedly discussed

'doing something in the Vatican.'

And of course ISIS has threatened to overtake Rome.

But that's all just crazy talk, right? And no reason for Europe and America to feel a bit queasy about opening their borders to any and everyone after ISIS has said it has embedded fighters in the refugees.

Or the fact that most of the refugees are in fact military-aged men.

No, no. None of that should matter, and the United States should completely open its borders and let everyone in, according to the Pope.

So just out of curiosity, we checked to see how welcoming the Vatican has been to refugees.

According to The Guardian, a Vatican parish has taken ONE family of four refugees from Syria. The family is Christian of the Catholic Greek Melkite rite. And they might take in one more family.

As the Washington Times says, "the Vatican...welcomes millions of visitors a year — but allows only a very select few, who meet strict criteria, to be admitted as residents or citizens."

Oh I see, Holy See, do as I say, but not as I do. How very liberal.

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# Ben Carson: USA Shouldn't Elect a Muslim President

by Pamela Geller, FreedomOutPost.com

Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson is under attack for saying: "I would not advocate that we put a Muslim in charge of this nation. I absolutely would not agree with that."

Candor about Islam will guarantee you the hot seat at the center of a media firestorm.

The GOP is the only one of the two parties that will even discuss the 800-pound elephant in the room: jihad and Muslim terrorism. Islamic supremacists and their leftist lapdogs in the media are waging their own jihad to silence this debate, and it is critical that we push back and support candidates who dare to speak against the gravest threat to our national security.

The enemedia is in an uproar and the Hamas-tied Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) is howling for his head. CAIR is calling for his withdrawal — the terror-tied advance team is laying down the law, sharia law, making it perfectly clear that jihad terrorism and criticism of Islam is off-limits, in accordance with sharia. Interestingly enough, they cite religious freedom, something that is forbidden in Muslim countries under Islamic law.

But we (and Mr. Carson) are not talking about the religious component of Islam. Islam is not just a religion. It is a comprehensive system which deals with all aspects of human life and behavior: legal, religious, dietary, political, et al. It is political Islam that poses a threat to our national security.

Why doesn't CAIR issue action alerts against jihad?

Why hasn't CAIR instituted programs to stop jihad recruitment? And while CAIR has made rote statements concerning the Islamic State, where are they teaching against the ideology that gave rise to it?

Right now, nothing is being done to stop jihad recruiting in U.S. mosques, even as several hundred young Muslims from the U.S. have gone to wage jihad for the Islamic State. What has CAIR done to stop that?

CAIR is part of the problem, not the solution.

If the moderates really reject extremism, let them show it by instituting genuine programs to teach against this view of Islam, so as to stop American Muslims from joining the Islamic State.

"ISIS is here": ISIS sympathizers or jihadis have held up signs in Ferguson, Missouri, outside the White House, and in Chicago. There have been several Islamic State-inspired jihad plots in the U.S. already.

The lines are drawn: which GOP will stand up against terror groups in the U.S.?

Ben Carson is right. Electing a Muslim president would be dangerous. We have seen the Islamic pattern of previously moderate Muslims becoming devout and then aiding and abetting jihad. How could we be sure a Muslim president would not do the same?

And look at Barack Obama. Why do people believe that Barack Obama is a Muslim? He claims he is a Christian, but his father and his stepfather were Muslims and he was raised in a Muslim country. He went to an Islamic school and took Qur'an classes while growing up in Jakarta.

Because of his upbringing, he is islamophiliac, and his foreign and domestic policies reflect this. Obama's advancement of Islam has been disastrous for freedom and freedom-loving peoples across the world. He has sided with jihadis in Egypt, Libya, Syria, Iraq, Gaza, and their counterparts in America, i.e., terror-tied CAIR.

Obama's pro-jihad policies and his sharia adherence ("the future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam") tell us more about him than words or agitprop ever could. He rules like a Muslim leader. And the media wonders why so many people think Obama is a Muslim? Obama has banned the word "jihad" and any discussion of Islam from State, Defense, and Justice Department vernacular and counter-terrorism materials.

He is denying that jihad is the enemy, while his Justice Department acts as the de facto legal arm for Muslim Brotherhood groups in America. And the Obama administration has held hundreds of meetings with U.S. Hamas front groups.

It's not a question of "Islamophobia" or "racism," or ignorance, for that matter. You can't know what's in a man's heart, but "by their fruits ye shall know him, and so we know him."

The Obama experience is the best proof of all that Ben Carson is right. The risk is too great.

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# Politics & The Bible

## From Pastor Jim

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

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

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



# Papal Possibilities

Vehicle confinement while traveling can become tedious which often leads to seeking relief from the radio. Such was the case on a recent morning when I was headed to a favorite fishing hole. A talk show host had invited Catholic listeners to call in to render their impressions of the papal visit. I was quite surprised to hear every one of them register their disappointment. The general consensus was the Pope didn't hit some of the moral issues facing America with the force that his office mandates. It appeared that at least this small representation of the faithful was not nearly as concerned with climate change, wealth distribution, and international immigration as they were with more pressing social issues.

The conversation helped clear the cobwebs of the morning mental fog as I pondered this body of information. Americans are visual as indicated with millions of cell phones with photographic ability. Most would prefer to watch football on a widescreen HD television as opposed to listening to the game on the radio. Network cameras followed every step of Francis' movements which would leave no stone of body language unturned. With this in mind, the Pope could have spoken volumes by doing more than speaking. The Vatican is under no obligation to consider my recommendations, but in the spirit of ecclesiastical camaraderie, I humbly submit a selection of possibilities.

Had the papal motorcade made an unannounced stop in front of a Planned Parenthood Clinic, every network would have been compelled to switch current broadcasting to cover the unexpected. If the protector of the unborn had exited from his vehicle with the ultrasound image of an infant in hand and proceeded to the main entrance, halted and fallen to his knees in a position of petition while looking at the picture and praying for those without recourse.....that picture would have been more valuable than 10,000 words. No speech would have been required, and the only crumb left for the media would have been speculation on "what did he pray?"

Only veiled references to religious freedom would have been necessary when Francis addressed the U.N. if he had held up a photo of the Egyptian Coptic Christians being marched to their beheadings. The point could have been further emphasized by the Pontiff then lifting a killing sword in one hand and the

living sword (the Bible) in the other. A brief explanation as to why the Sword of the Spirit is in all ways superior to the other would have been a masterful "show and tell." Let your imagination run wild ---Francis concludes his message by throwing the blade on the floor, stepping on it, holding the Word of God high with both hands and marching down the aisle to the tune of "Onward, Christian Soldiers." The Liberals would be rushing to the restrooms to seek positive relief!

If the Pope had announced that the preparation of a secret video was now complete and ready for congressional viewing, the place would have been covered with twinkle dust. The thirteen-minute film would be in concert with his urging the U.S. to think in broader terms concerning the immigration issue. The lights are dimmed, anticipation is running at 10,000 rpm's, large red letters flash on the screen presenting the title, "Immigration Begins at the Vatican State." Huddled masses are gathered at the gates with dozens of cardinals standing with open arms ready to receive the downtrodden. Food and clothes are distributed as the forlorn are escorted to temporary housing covering St. Peter's Square. Medical teams are assembled waiting to examine every malady and prescribe necessary treatment. A portion of the giant facility has been converted into a mosque to accommodate the needs of the Islamic brothers. Warm, fuzzy feelings dominate the atmosphere, and John Boehner's tears cascade into unmitigated sobs. What a picture!

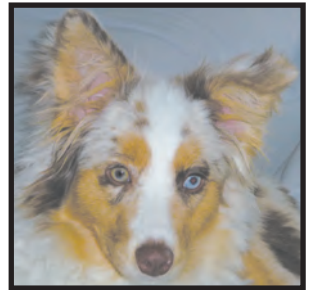
The Catholic Church stands opposed to same sex marriage without apology, but pronouncements of disapproval create little change. Visualize this... Francis accompanies three or four Catholic heterosexual couples into a courthouse to acquire their marriage licenses; upon exiting, they pause on the steps and receive a papal blessing. The next day the patriarch of the church officiates at their weddings with great pomp and pageantry. Multiple prayers are offered in behalf of those in matrimony as well as their prospective children. Scriptures of reinforcement are read; an excellent selection would be: "Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is his reward." (Psalm 127:3)

I suppose fantasizing has its own rewards; if no other, it's amusing to think about media reaction and reporting of such events.

# A Sheepdog Barks!

I'm beginning to question civilian authority over our military. I know why it exists. George Washington knew that a powerful military under the control of power-hungry generals could lead to military takeovers of the government. This happens in many countries around the world. Dictators have seized power by military takeovers. The problem for me is that the civilians being put in charge of our military don't know their "Sh\*t from Shinola" about military power or military justice or military cohesiveness. Civilian secretaries are too often political appointees being "paid back" for their support to the current administration. And it's not necessarily a problem that they don't have some personal military experience. Chuck Hagel was a veteran and was still a horrible Secretary of Defense (SECDEF). In the end even he couldn't stomach Obama's treatment of the military and his stupidity with respect to the terrorists in the GITMO prison. Chuck Hagel was a low-ranking enlisted man who served in Vietnam. We respect his service to our country. That did NOT qualify him to be the SECDEF. He was a liberal senator and overall did not do the services any good. He was sent there by Obama to do several things and he did his best to accomplish them. Under his watch women, gays, and transgenders were made totally acceptable anywhere they wanted to serve. Now the demise of our military is not all the fault of the civilians by any stretch. At the insistence of the civilian leaders the Military Service Chiefs signed off on the "Human Goals" Policy for all the services. More on that later. Back to the civilians and my concerns. Over twenty years ago a female civilian Secretary of the Air Force overruled the Chief of Staff of the Air Force for punishing a female B52 pilot for disobeying direct orders to quit having an affair with her married commanding officer. She was properly punished for violating one of the most sacred rules in the military - obeying lawful orders (yes, the CO was also punished). This was in the beginning of the era of the over-feminization of the military. My point? She got special treatment from a civilian leader. This has progressed on and on until we've reached our current dilemma - women in di-

rect combat roles. This is not necessary and is not good for the overall good order and discipline in our military. The civilian leaders (and many military flag officers) are guilty of forcing America's liberal social agenda on our armed forces. Proof of this "it's gonna' happen" attitude is the recent graduation of two women from the U.S. Army Ranger School and the very recent remarks of the Secretary of the Navy, Ray Mabus. First, the Army Ranger School. There is no doubt in my mind, nor will there ever be, that unreasonable and wrong-headed command influence was exerted on the school cadre. I'm positive it went something like this - "THERE WILL BE A WOMAN SUCCESSFULLY GRADUATE FROM THIS COURSE." This mantra started with the White House, went through the SECDEF, Ash Carter, and on down the military chain of command. Guess what - two women after reportedly being specially pre-trained, recycled more than once and receiving special attention just graduated from the tough and demanding Ranger School. (The Army denies this but I don't believe them) So what does that prove? NOTHING! The civilian leadership of our services WANT women in combat positions and, by God, they will make it happen. The Commandant of the Marine Corps, Joseph Dunford, is the only service leader that has resisted. General Dunford sent a letter to the SECDEF asking for an exemption to the 1 Jan 2016 civilian mandate that women be allowed in all combat positions. His immediate civilian leader, the Secretary of the Navy, made these remarks: "I'm not going to ask for an exemption for the Marines and it's not going to make them any less fighting effective. In fact, I think they will be a stronger force because a more diverse force is a stronger force. And it will not make them any less lethal." WOW. This from a civilian who doesn't know what the hell he is talking about. He is obviously an LPSP. General Dunford said a USMC Report found that all-male units performed at higher levels than units with women. The report went on to state that all-male units shoot better (therefore more lethal) and that women in the Marines suffered more stress fracture injuries from heavy loads than men. Mabus



doesn't care about that reality. He WANTS women in combat and, by God, he will have them. Mabus went on to say, "I've been pretty clear, and I've been pretty clear about this for a while. I'm not going to ask for an exemption for the Marines." He has no facts to support his comment that diversity makes a stronger force and he's made it clear that he is close-minded on this. His mind was made up BEFORE the Services were allowed to report. He doesn't care whether this is good or bad for the Marines. It's good for his legacy and continued employment. This attitude prevails in the face of a conclusion in the Presidential Commission Report on Women in the Armed Forces. The report concluded that "risking the lives of a military unit in combat to provide career opportunities or accommodate the personal desires or interests of an individual or a group of individuals is more than bad judgement. It is morally wrong." AMEN to that! The flag officers ought to be screaming this as loud as they can to the American public. Apparently, only General Dunford has the fortitude and courage. The rest of them must be concerned about their own career opportunities. It's bad enough that the civilians don't understand this is a problem. For a military leader, it's a cardinal sin. SHAME on them all! There are only misguided, social justice reasons to do this. There are thousands of human nature, practical, physical, and common sense reasons not to do this. I know this first hand. There is not enough space in this whole newspaper to explain and discuss all these reasons. I will be glad to debate anyone on this issue. I offer one more "nugget" of information for Secretary Mabus to think about. 70% of the women on a naval cruise deployment come back pregnant. It's pretty clear why. So, THAT diversity makes us a stronger force? WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America!



# Federal Taxes Set Record: Government Steals \$19,346 From Each Person Working!! Despite This, Deficit Still Over \$500 Billion!!!

by Terrence P. Jeffrey

*(Editor/GG: And as noted below, our lovely Republicans agreed to Nobama's proposed monstrous tax increase on us gulag peasants in 2012 further punishing the few of us left actually working. I feel so good for having voted for those straight-talking "conservatives" for helping us keep the money we sweated blood for. At least for me, this WILL NOT HAPPEN AGAIN. We have been "stuck on stupid" too long with the lies and deceit from the big money republicans. Time to go radical. At this point, with our nation near collapse, what can we lose?)*

CNSNews.com  
The federal government raked in a record of approximately \$2,883,250,000,000 in tax revenues through the first eleven months of fiscal 2015 (Oct. 1, 2014, through the end of August), according to the Monthly Treasury Statement released Friday.  
That equaled approximately \$19,346 for every person in the country who had either a full-time or part-time job in August.  
It is also up about \$198,425,330,000 in constant 2015 dollars from the \$2,684,824,670,000 in revenue (in inflation-adjusted 2015 dol-

lars) that the Treasury raked in during the first eleven months of fiscal 2014.  
Despite the record tax revenues of \$2,883,250,000,000 in the first eleven months of this fiscal year, the government spent \$3,413,210,000,000 in those eleven months, and, thus, ran up a deficit of \$529,960,000,000 during the period.  
According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, total seasonally adjusted employment in the United States in August (including both full and part-time workers) was 149,036,000. That means that the federal tax haul so far this fiscal year has equaled \$19,345.99 for

every person in the United States with a job.  
In 2012, President Barack Obama struck a deal with Republicans in Congress to enact legislation that increased taxes. That included increasing the top income tax rate from 35 percent to 39.6 percent, increasing the top tax rate on dividends and capital gains from 15 percent to 20 percent, and phasing out personal exemptions and deductions starting at an annual income level of \$250,000.  
An additional 3.8 percent tax on dividends, interest, capital gains, and royalties--that was embedded in the Obamacare law--also took effect in 2013.

The largest share of this year's record-setting October-through-August tax haul came from the individual income tax. That yielded the Treasury \$1,379,255,000,000. Payroll taxes for "social insurance and retirement receipts" took in another \$977,501,000,000. The corporate income tax brought in \$268,387,000,000.  
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## Ted Cruz On Obama Meeting Communist President

by Michele Hickford,  
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Such. Ted Cruz unleashed a number of zingers during his speech yesterday at the Value Voters Summit, an event produced by the Family Research Council.  
As the Daily Morning News reports, "The crowd was on its feet for much of his 20-minute speech, as he delivered one line after another than many, if not most, had heard before – red meat lines skewering Hillary Clinton and Democrats, vowing to abolish the IRS and Education Department, end Common Core, protect Israel, shred Obamacare and reverse all manner of Obama-era policies."  
But the best one may have been when Cruz noted that Obama was meeting today at the White House with China's President Xi Jinping.  
"Media all across the world are reporting on this historic meet-

ing of the world's most powerful communist – and the president of China," Cruz quipped, drawing laughter."  
The mainstream media has been somewhat quiet, all things considered, on this latest slight against the president. I find it curious that calling someone a communist doesn't cause more outrage, considering nearly 100 million people have been killed in the name of communism. But clearly, the left-leaning media doesn't see all that much wrong with the tenets of communism — and the little inconvenient truths about the number of people murdered or the fact that communism has basically failed wherever it has been tried mean little.  
Anyway, touché to Senator Cruz for calling a spade a spade. OOPS!!! Can't say THAT, can I?  
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19 over in a school zone.  
09/24/15 15-0749  
2046 hours / Hwy 69 S MM 57.5 / Traffic Summons: Virginia McClutche (DOB in 1963) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for speeding 10-19 over.  
09/24/15 15-0750  
2133 hours / Hwy 69 N and CR 241 / Traffic Summons: Robert Gillespie (DOB in 1953) of Westcliffe was issued a summons for failing to stop at a stop sign.  
09/24/15 15-0751  
2217 hours / South Street and Mill Street, Silver Cliff / Municipal Summons: Norma Hughes (DOB in 1959) of Silver Cliff was issued a summons for parking on the wrong side of the street.  
09/25/15 2015-06916 0746 hours: A deputy was dispatched to CR 255 to investigate a report of a suspicious person.  
09/25/15 2015-06917 0837 hours: A deputy was dispatched to CR 255 for a potential domestic dispute.  
09/25/15 15-0752  
0924 hours: A deputy was dis-

patched to Mill Street in Silver Cliff concerning a criminal mischief complaint.  
09/25/15 15-0753  
1022 hours: A deputy and the Wet Mountain Fire Department were dispatched to CR 255 MM 6 for a one-vehicle accident. The driver and her passenger were not injured in the crash. Mary Cartwright (DOB in 1964) of Silver Cliff was issued a summons for driving a defective vehicle.  
09/25/15 2015-06922 1031 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Kit Carson Lane in Lake DeWeese to investigate a report of a broken window in a vacant home.  
09/25/15 2015-06923 1142 hours: A deputy was dispatched to Hwy 96 in Wetmore to secure the scene of a medical call in advance of EMS arriving. Fremont County Dispatch was called to activate the EMS response to the scene.  
09/25/15 2015-06925 1218 hours: A deputy was dispatched to South Street in Silver Cliff for a welfare check of an individual who made suicidal statements. Another deputy was dispatched back to the scene later in the day after the subject again al-

luded to suicide when talking to a second person. This call was unfounded.  
09/25/15 2015-06931 1636 hours: The Sheriff's Office received a report of people target shooting in the area of the first campground near the Duckett Trailhead.  
09/25/15 15-0754  
1828 hours / Hwy 69 S MM 58 / Traffic Summons: William Schupbach (DOB in 1986) of Idaho Springs was issued a summons for speeding 20-24 over.  
09/25/15 15-0755  
1846 hours / S 6th Street, Westcliffe / Traffic Summons: Benjamin Ladish (DOB in 1986) of Cañon City was issued a summons for speeding 20-24 over.  
09/25/15 15-0756  
1912 hours / CR 241 / Traffic Summons: Benjamin Ladish (DOB in 1986) of Cañon City was issued a second summons for speeding 10-19 over.  
09/25/15 2015-06948 2150 hours: EMS and a deputy were dispatched to Butler Street in Silver Cliff for a male complaining of chest tightness and difficulty breathing. The patient refused transport.

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# Local Mountain News & Notices

## Hillside Come Back to Life

by Charlotte Burrous

As a child, he enjoyed visiting his grandparents on their ranch in Hillside, which is nestled in the Wet Mountain Valley a few miles north of Westcliffe.

About 30 years ago, Chris Seegers and his family moved to the Wet Mountain Valley, where he graduated from Custer County High School.

As an adult, he has worked for an energy company in Midland, Texas. As part of his duties, he visits agricultural clients all over the Midwest, where he notices towns being abandoned by their residents. He didn't want it to happen to Hillside. So when the town came up for sale in January, Seegers vowed he would bring it back to life.

"We fell in love with the beauty of the area, and the incredible people that call it their home," he said. "Some say this is inevitable, but I do not believe that to be the case, and I did not want that to happen to Hillside. I was constantly saddened by how many small towns were abandoned or falling apart as residents moved to other places with more dynam-

ic job markets."

At that point, he and his wife, Tara, spent several months researching the idea and decided to buy the whole town, which consists of a post office, a general store, several cottages along with other structures.

In conjunction, Chris said the town would be ideal to expand its lodging, which is an industry he and his wife are familiar. As a result of his business model, he said Hillside would grow and flourish for many years and "not dry up and blow away like so many other towns in the U.S."

In addition, he and Tara are working to build a coalition of small business owners, farmers and ranchers, who live in Hillside.

"(When we) purchased the town in January of 2015, it was in need of some renovation work," he said. "We are a young couple with energy and a willingness to listen to what the community wanted out of their town. The previous owners had done a great job of keeping the town going for many years and have been some of our biggest advocates."

Along with his work in the energy field, Chris and Tara, a financial analyst, also own Lamp Post Lodge, a bed and breakfast in Westcliffe.

But the couple said they also have big plans for Hillside, in which they would offer outdoor concerts, farmers markets, plays, and much more.

"There is a sense of community out here -- second to none, and we want to provide fun events for all of us to spend time with our neighbors, enjoying music and the fresh mountain air," Chris said.

The view of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains alone will bring people to the area to enjoy the outdoor activities, such as fishing, hiking, bicycling, and more, he said.

"It is an incredible place, and people just naturally gravitate to the area," he said. "We are hoping to create a positive relationship between visitors and residents, so they can both benefit from the interaction."

The couple also hopes to build a coalition of small business own-



The beautiful view of nearby pasture and Sangres from Hillside.

Courtesy photo

ers, farmers and ranchers in the Hillside area, to create positive growth to sustain the current businesses, which in turn will provide a healthier middle class.

Chris also pointed out that Hillside is full of talented, educated people that connect and ask each other how to collaborate and make everyone's business thrive, as well as create a better quality of life for all the residents.

According to Chris, he and his wife have worked to restore each building in Hillside to provide

more value for local residents and tourists passing through town. He also noted that the general manager, Barb Koch, has worked hard to provide local goods and art to sell in the General Store, as well as quality items for the guests visiting the area for the first time. The couple also plans to expand the lodging in Hillside for tourists driving through the valley.

But wherever he travels, it's Hillside that he misses.

"I love this valley more than anywhere in the world," he said.

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