

“Trump Street Team” Gets It Done

Grass Roots Effort Turns Blue Pueblo Red for Trump

by Becky Mizel

Election night showed an unprecedented sea of states going from Blue to Red. All against the predictions of “experts” in main stream media and political establishment status quo pundits from the Democrat and GOP elite. Looks of horror and dismay could not be hidden on the faces of those who predicted a Trump win would never happen— in fact Trump would certainly bring ruination and disaster upon the GOP according to “experts” such as *National Review* globalist William Kristol, Red State’s Erick Erickson, the Bush family, Romney, Lindsey and our own Colorado legislators Cory Gardner and Mike Coffman. The sea of now Red states was spread across the country in states such as Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan.

Viewing the United States ‘sea of red’ map, minus the usual

states of California, Washington and Oregon and a few east coast states such as New York, we see Colorado. Blue. Sticking out like a sore thumb. Colorado should have, like so many other states, gone Trump. Our voter numbers are almost equally divided between Democrat and Republicans. We lost by a narrow margin. However, nowhere else was the #nevertrump movement more virulent regarding Trump. The Colorado State GOP Chairman, Steve House, stated in a public meeting that “Trump’s candidacy was a joke and he couldn’t wait for Carly Fiorina to wipe the floor with him in a debate.” No reprimand came his way, despite the fact party officers are bound by bylaws to stay neutral in the primary. After the Colorado State Convention, the tweet, “We did it.” #nevertrump appeared on



Becky Mizel, part of the “Trump Street Team”, getting it done in Pueblo County.

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Passing Emergency Vehicles: The Law Explained

by Sheriff Shannon K. Byerly

November 25th, 2016 was another sad day for law enforcement, and specifically the Colorado State Patrol when Trooper Cody Dougherty was killed while conducting a traffic accident investigation on Interstate 25 near Castle Rock. As law enforcement officers continue to be under attack across America, this tragedy is more concerning because it could have been prevented by a basic understanding of traffic safety and the dangers associated with emergency vehicles on the roadways. Because of this tragedy and the several close calls your deputies and I have encountered over the past few months, I wanted to take a moment to explain the laws regarding your responsibility to yield to emergency vehicles.

Colorado Revised Statute 42-4-705, **Operation of vehicle approached by emergency vehicle** – operation of vehicle approaching stationary emergency vehicle or stationary towing carrier vehicle is quite lengthy but requires specific actions by drivers encountering emergency vehicles on the roadways. As outlined in the statute, “Upon immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle making use of audible or visual signals,

the driver of every other vehicle SHALL yield the right of way, and where possible shall immediately clear the farthest left hand lane lawfully available to through traffic and shall drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right hand edge or curb of a roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in that position until the emergency vehicle has passed.” Additionally, the statute states: “A driver in a vehicle that is approaching or passing a stationary authorized emergency vehicle that is giving visual signal by means of flashing, rotating, or oscillating red, blue, or white lights or a stationary towing carrier vehicle that is giving visual signal by means of flashing, rotating, oscillating yellow lights shall exhibit due care and caution and proceed by – on a highway with at least two adjacent lanes proceeding in the same direction on the same side of the highway, the driver of an approaching or passing vehicle shall yield the right of way by moving into a lane at least one moving lane apart from the stationary emergency vehicle. If movement to an adjacent moving lane is not possible due to weather, road conditions, or the

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Obituary Jeanne Schmutzler

Savolia Mae “Jeanne” Schmutzler passed away at home on November 27th, 2016. She was born in Sulphur Springs, TX, on October 17, 1925. Jeanne was a member of America’s “Greatest Generation” and for those who knew her, she certainly exemplified that title. Women of that generation were tough, resourceful and smart. Jeanne never said “no” to a challenge, and gave her full effort to whatever she took on.

Jeanne married Robin Schmutzler on November 28, 1958, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. They moved to Westcliffe upon retiring. Along with her husband, Jeanne served in so many ways here in Custer County, including All Aboard Westcliffe, the Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club, and the Sheriff’s Posse. For nearly 40 years, Jeanne was also a certified Red Cross first aid instructor and an emergency medical technician.

Jeanne was a charter member of the Custer County Sheriff’s Posse and served tirelessly alongside Robin, who was the Captain of the Posse for 10 years. Despite her small stature, she was



a person to be reckoned with. Many times she could be seen helping out at the annual rodeo as a volunteer in her Posse uniform doing double duty. It was important in maintaining order at local events to provide a uniformed presence. Jeanne had the grit to do it.

Custer County had some pretty bad wild land fire years. The Posse supported first responders at road blocks and providing security for evacuated houses. It was

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You, O Lord,
and we will be
restored;
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as of old.

Lamentations 5:21
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FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN....

When Jesus Christ was born a little over 2,000 years ago, and then died for our sins, it became known as "The Good News." Recently we have received some more "good news" and some hope for the future. Today there are 600,000 fewer abortions a year in America than in the peak year of 1990. That's good news and much of that dramatic drop has been due to the passage of pro-life laws and an increase in pro-life education. Fourteen states have passed laws that restrict abortion because of the scientific proof that unborn babies can feel pain. That's not great but it's a good start. Six states have passed bans on dismemberment abortion. That's also not great but a good beginning. Passing pro-life laws directly save lives.

We all remember the undercover videos of the

Planned Parenthood (PP) employees gleefully discussing how they sell baby parts for profit and even how they carefully and unlawfully avoid damaging tissue that can be sold. PP denied that what was clearly captured on video happened. Reminds us of the old question – "who you going to believe, PP or your lying eyes." Well here's the good news. A U.S. House Subcommittee investigation, chaired by Congresswoman Marsha Blackburn, has completed most of its investigation and has recommended numerous criminal charges to the Department of Justice and to several of the state Attorneys-General. Some of our hope is that these law enforcement agencies will do their jobs and prosecute those who broke the abortion laws to profit from the sale of unborn baby parts. We do not believe a more heinous crime can

be committed in the USA. We have long reported on the terrible practices of PP. The liberals argue that they do so much more for women's health. If that were true we would have no problem with them. The reality is they are the organization that performs the most abortions in the world and we know they do that with taxpayer money even though that is prohibited by the Hyde Amendment. It is very hard to prove because of the way PP "mixes" all the money up. We also know that they abort more black babies than any other ethnic group. Nick Cannon, a well-known black music artist and host of the popular TV show "America's Got Talent", has recently criticized PP and charged it with committing "black genocide." It must be stopped. When Americans like Nick speak out that is good news.

The greatest hope that we have is that President-Elect Trump has spoken out

forcefully for pro-life issues. He has admitted that he was once "pro-choice," a euphemism for killing unborn babies. He has matured in his thinking and now believes in the sanctity of life that many of us do. He has stated publicly and repeatedly that any judge he nominates for the Supreme Court, and other judicial levels, must be pro-life. That is good news and gives us serious hope. It is possible that with the appointment of a few judges who believe in the rights of the unborn child, the scourge law of our nation, Roe v. Wade, could be overturned. That would be great news. Roe v. Wade was based on a phony constitutional right to privacy and since then over 60 million babies in America have been aborted. Overturning that terrible ruling would be a very great thing. We can all help make that happen.

Last week we acknowledged that this is the "giv-

ing" season. We encourage all our readers to consider giving to the efforts of the National Right to Life. It is one of the premier organizations in the USA that has been defending life since 1968. They work very hard to pass pro-life laws, help elect pro-life candidates, and most importantly, help educate high school and college students about fetal development, crisis pregnancy help and alternatives to abortion. These efforts are saving lives and are more good news. You can help support these wonderful efforts by making a tax deductible contribution. You can mail donations to NRL at 512 10th Street NW, Washington D.C. 20004 or visit their website at www.NRLC.org. You can also call them at 202-626-8813. Please consider supporting this worthwhile effort. It will help create more hope and more good news in 2017. It's also the right thing to do.

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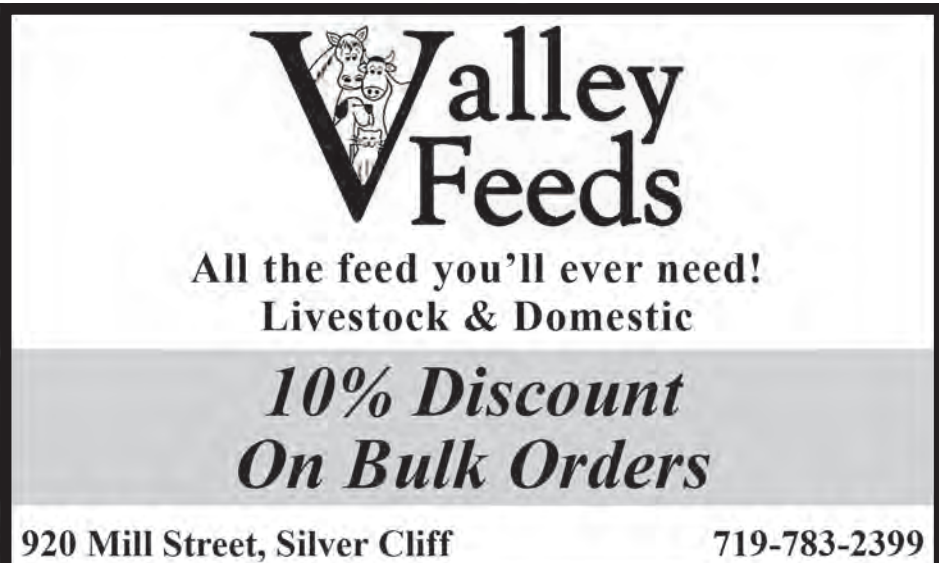
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A Thank You

The Custer County Sharing Center would like to thank the Second Street Kitchen, various members of the community, and other volunteers that provided food and their time to serve the Sharing Center clients on Thanksgiving Day as well as the Friday and Saturday clients over that weekend. We appreciate your time and efforts of giving to our community.

—The Board of the Custer County Sharing Center

Post 170 Chaplain; "The Holidays"

Dear Editor,

As we enter the month of December we see all the fanfare about "The Holidays". As Chaplain of The American Legion Westcliffe Post 170, I want to share with everyone the many religious holidays in December.

8- Bodhi Day- Buddhist Holiday

8- Feast of the Immaculate

Conception - Catholic Holiday

12- Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe -Catholic Holiday

24- Feast of Christmas Eve - Catholic/Protestant Holiday

25- Feast of Christmas -Catholic/Protestant Holiday

25-1 Jan- Hanukkah - Jewish Holiday

12- Mawlid an Nabi - Muslim Holiday

22 - Winter Solstice (Yule) - Pagan Holiday

26- 1 Jan- Kwanzaa -Celebration of African-American Heritage- Many organizations.

So when someone wishes you "Happy Holidays" you shouldn't be offended. It is very proper to reply with your wish of your religious holiday.

The important thing is, your and their wishes to send a showing of love and caring to each other. So greet them with a happy face. Remember the reasons for these holidays.

Thank you, God Bless America, God bless our communities and God bless our veterans. Happy Holidays /Merry Christmas.

Carol Kennedy,
Chaplain Post 170

Thank You Voters

Dear editor,

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me during the general election. I appreciate all of the support! I also want to thank my elections clerk, Peggy Miller, and all of the election judges. They all worked their tails off and did an awesome job!

In all the years I have worked elections, this was by far the busiest and craziest election ever. Now that it's over, I hope that everyone can move forward and work together doing what's best for the county and the country.

Sincerely,

Kelley S. Camper

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immediate vehicular or pedestrian traffic, the driver shall reduce and maintain a safe speed with regard to the location of the stationary authorized vehicle or towing carrier."

While this statute may cause some confusion, the critical element of the law is that when you encounter

an emergency vehicle on the side of the roadway or in the roadway, you must move over if possible and if it is not, you must reduce your speed so that you can proceed safely in due regard of personnel who may be on the roadway. Understanding this, the term "proceed safely" is ambiguous and can be interpreted differently. While you may believe passing an emergency vehicle at 45 miles per hour is safe, all

of us who have had close encounters with vehicles at that speed know it is not safe. Please consider the individual who is working that accident scene probably has a family expecting them to come home after their shift.

In closing, I would ask all drivers to be cautious when you encounter emergency vehicles in transit, or stopped on the roadway. They are there for your

safety and are working to help everyone get to their destination safely. Imagine what it would do to your life if you were to critically injure that emergency responder who is handling a car crash. Think of this each time you pass an accident or a traffic stop. If you consider the consequences of your actions, we can all get home safely.

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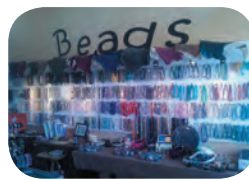
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Viscount's Silver Exploration An Update

by Fred Hernandez

At the Town Hall meeting of Silver Cliff Monday night, included in the agenda was a brief presentation by consultants of Viscount Mining who came in to inform the Mayor, Steve Lasswell and the Board of Trustees, the latest developments in the ongoing efforts by Viscount to determine if there is justification to continue with further exploration and mining for silver in the area.

Geologist Jim Ebisch, based in Washington State, is the consultant of Viscount Mining and has been in charge of the exploratory digging that have been going on within the boundaries of Silver Cliff. So far seven holes

have been dug to a depth of approximately 125 feet. Two more are scheduled through this week for a total of nine. Samples are then sent to the technical labs and groups of experts who will assess the probabilities of minerals including silver, manganese and other minerals. The quantities will also be estimated and a value given to whatever can be projected to be extracted if full mining operations are deemed to be viable. The other pictures show the rock samples that have, so far, been taken from the seven holes. All will be sent for examination and according to Mr. Ebisch, will take about five or six weeks before any more information can be shared on this venture.



Above; Geologist Jim Ebisch. Left and right below are samples from the seven exploratory digs done in Silver Cliff.

Photos by Fred Hernandez



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Jeanne who tirelessly manned the phones scheduling Posse members for needed tasks. When volunteers are expected to be at their posts for eight plus hours at a time. Jeanne made sure that all assignments were filled.

As Joe Cascarelli put it, "I can say from firsthand experience that it was difficult to tell her "no". She was my colleague and my friend and I will miss, but never forget her." Which is a sentiment shared by anyone blessed enough to have known her.

Jeanne is survived by her husband, Robin, a son, Robin Schmutzler II of Custer County; a daughter Virginia Dismuke of Albuquerque, N.M., and her beloved grandchildren Amanda Schmutzler, Hannah Dismuke, Gia Joan Dismuke and great grandson Joseph.

A memorial service will be held at the Saddle Club on Sunday, December 11th, at 2 p.m.

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Cotopaxi Fall Sports Banquet

by Cotopaxi School Staff

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Football: Presented by Head Football Coach Jeremy Cole who said, "They were the easiest group of guys to work with because they were super coachable. Every single one of them was committed to the team. There were 12 total 1st team players distributed between 7 teams and we had four players who made all-conference. The team made that possible. That teamwork and camaraderie all started with the senior leadership."

Those receiving 1st Team All Conference Distinction:

Wyatt Tezak--SR
Cody Lyons--SR
RJ Banta--SR
Kurt Voll--JR

Honorable Mention:

Owen Voll--JR
Steven Tunstall--SO

1st Team All Academic Team: 3.60 or higher GPA.



Cotopaxi High School recognizes athletic achievements at annual banquet.

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(Only awarded to Juniors and Seniors)

Kurt Voll--JR
Owen Voll--JR

Honorable Mention All Academic Team: 3.30-3.59

Aubrey Whipple--JR

Girls Volleyball: Presented by Head Coach Kelia Tezak who said, "I was very happy with the team's growth this year. They are a young team, and the experience and knowledge they gained this year will definitely make them better next year!"

Those receiving 1st Team

All Conference Distinction:

Aspen Serfoss--SR
Chellis Richards--SO

1st Team All Academic: 3.60 or higher GPA. (Only awarded to Juniors and Seniors)

Cassie Brill--JR
Aspen Serfoss--SR

Athletic Director Ryan Christensen closed the evening by saying, "What a pleasure. A wonderful evening, not only for the coaches and athletes, but for the parents and community as well. These programs continue to make the Cotopaxi community proud."

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Lunch MS & HS Chili Cheese Tots Combread, Carrots Corn & Fruit Milk	Lunch MS & HS Supreme Pizza Tossed Salad Gr. Beans & Fruit Milk	Lunch MS & HS Waffle w/Sausage Link Potato Wedge Fruit Milk	Lunch MS & HS Chicken Parmesan w/Pasta Mixed Veg & Fruit Milk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**Custer County School District C-1
Regular School Board Meeting:
Library – December 13, 2016 – 4:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call – Board Attendance
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Correspondence to the Board: Dr. Terre Davis
5. General Public Comment Session - Comments will be limited to 3 minutes, Admin Response (If Needed)
6. Bobcat Pride Certificate(s): Mark Payler / Dr. Terre Davis
7. Consent Agenda
 - a. Acceptance: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on November 8, 2016
 - b. Approval of Sub-Contractors for Teacher Housing Project: Monty Lee/Housing Committee
8. Reports from Students/Staff
9. District Financial Report – Monthly Overview – Amy Perschbacher
10. Reports from Public: Excellence in Education (Lori Short), Accountability (Shelly Penkoff)
11. Board Committee Reports: Accountability, BOCES, FFA, Legislative, Preschool Advisory Committee
12. Executive Session: Personnel - Superintendent’s Evaluation - BOE
13. Action Items:
 - a. Approval / Personnel: Substitutes-Lisa Guarnere, Jim Bensheimer, Ron Kruis, and Christine Mohr; Brenda Benoit – Custodian
 - b. Approval: Statement of Authority and Warranty Deed: First State Bank of Colorado
 - c. Approval: 360 Energy Engineers Additional Services & BEST Grant Support – Mark Payler
 - d. Approval: Early Notification Incentive – Mark Payler
 - e. Approval: Superintendent Goals Update – Mark Payler
 - f. Approval: EARSS Colorado College Overnight Visitation Trip – Victoria Stone
 - g. Approval: Superintendent Contract Extension - BOE
 - h. Approval: Check Vouchers & Financial Reports - Amy Perschbacher
 - i. Approval: Insurance Renewal – Amy Perschbacher & Mark Payler
 - j. Approval: Certify Mills - Amy Perschbacher
 - k. Approval: Draft Audit - Amy Perschbacher
 - l. Information: Holiday Activities – Mark Payler
 - m. Discussion: Board Evaluation Instrument – Dr. Terre Davis
14. Principal’s Reports:
 - a. Elementary/Middle School: Holly Anderson
 - b. Secondary/AD: Jack Christensen
15. Superintendent’s Report - Mark Payler
16. Items introduced by Board Members
17. General Public Comment Session (Comments limited to 3 minutes)
18. Looking Ahead: Regular Board Meeting, January 17, 2017
19. Adjournment – **HAPPY HOLIDAYS !**

Bobcats Schedule

Elementary Basketball Program

When: Sat, December 10, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Where: EAST GYM

HS Wrestling v Salida

Departure TBD
When: Sat, December 10, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Where: Salida High School, 26 Jones Ave, Salida, CO.

HS Boys & HS Girls Basketball v Sierra Grande

Departure time TBD
When: Sat, December 10, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Where: Sierra Grande

HS Boys & HS Girls Basketball v La Veta

When: Thu, December 15, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Where: Custer County High School

MS Girls Basketball Game v Cotopaxi

Departure time TBD
When: Fri, December 16, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Where: Cotopaxi School District

HS Boys & HS Girls Basketball v Evangelical Christian Academy

Departure TBD
When: Fri, December 16, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Where: Evangelical Christian Academy Colorado Springs, Co.

Elementary Basketball Program

When: Sat, December 17, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Where: EAST GYM

Wrestling v Walsenberg

Departure TBD
When: Sat, December 17, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Where: John Mall High School 355 W Pine St, Walsenburg, CO.

HS Boys & HS Girls Basketball v Sangre de Cristo

When: Sat, December 17, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Where: Custer County High School

KIDS Friday, December 9, 2016

The Nobel Peace Prize

The first Nobel Peace Prizes were awarded in Stockholm, Sweden on December 10, 1901. They were awarded in the fields of physics, chemistry, medicine, literature, and peace. What and why are the Noble Peace Prizes?

Alfred Nobel was born October 21, 1833, in Stockholm, Sweden. When Alfred was nine years old his mother moved him and his brothers to Russia to join their father.

Alfred was home schooled till the age of 16. He was a trained chemist and fluent in five different languages. He worked in a laboratory in Paris and after traveling to the United States he returned to work in his father’s factory. He also established a small factory of his own near Stockholm to manufacture nitroglycerine. However, nitroglycerine is a very dangerous material to handle. In 1864, Alfred’s factory blew up - killing several people, including Alfred’s younger brother, Emil.

The explosion did not slow Alfred down. In 1867, Alfred invented a new and safer-to-handle explosive – dynamite. He was a quiet man and a pacifist at heart. Though he recognized the destructive power of dynamite, Alfred believed it to be a harbinger of peace. He told Bertha von Suttner, an advocate for world peace;

“My factories may make an end of war sooner than your congresses. The day when two army corps can annihilate each other in one second, all civilized nations, it is to be hoped, will recoil from war and discharge their troops.” (As quoted in W. Odelberg (ed.), *Nobel: The Man & His Prizes* (New York: American Elsevier Publishing Company, Inc., 1972) 12.

Unfortunately, he never saw peace in his lifetime. He died alone on December 10, 1896. After his funeral service and cremation the will was opened and shocked everyone.

He left approximately 94 percent of his worth to the establishment of five prizes in physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, literature, and peace to be awarded to “those who, during the preceding year, shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind.”

Because of the incompleteness of Alfred’s will, it took five years of hurdles before the Nobel Foundation could be established and the first prizes were awarded on the fifth anniversary of Alfred’s death.

Today the Nobel Peace Prizes are awarded and the recipients are selected by the Norwegian Nobel Committee, a five-member committee appointed by the Parliament of Norway, not without criticism, however. The awards given to Mikhail Gorbachev, Yitzhak Rabin, Shimon Peres, Menachem Begin and Yasser Arafat, Henry Kissinger, Jimmy Carter, Al Gore, Barack Obama, and the European Union, just to mention a few, have all been the subject of controversy.

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

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Wet Mountain Fire Protection District Report

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On 11/18, four firefighters and two engines responded to a reported vehicle rollover. Sheriff deputies stood fire down when it was determined the vehicle was off the road, unoccupied and not leaking fluids.

On 11/19, four firefighters in two wildland trucks responded to reports of smoke in the north part of the district. Firefighters found the property owners burning slash in a fire pit. Due to the Type II fire ban, the fire was extinguished and the owners were cited by the S.O.

On 11/26, one firefighter responded in a wildland truck to reports of smoke in the north central part of the district. A land owner was burning slash in a fire pit. Because of the fire ban, the fire was extinguished and a Sheriff's deputy cited the owner.

On 12/01, firefighters were toned to respond to a pickup that had rolled down a bank, landing on its side. Two people were reported trapped. Upon arrival, it was determined that the driver had managed to exit the vehicle, but that an un-injured

passenger remained inside the cab. After careful assessment by the EMS crew, it was decided that the passenger could be removed through a propped-up door. The vehicle was stable, so a firefighter climbed into the cab to assist in boosting the passenger out of the vehicle. Two firefighters and a deputy received the passenger and immediately escorted the individual to the waiting ambulance and crew for further assessment. The passenger refused medical transport when it was found to be unnecessary.

On 12/3, three firefighters in one engine responded to a reported vehicle fire east on St. Hwy. 96. Upon arrival on scene the fire was found to have been extinguished. The truck was checked for any fluid leakage and it was determined that debris in the engine compartment was the source of the fire.

On 12/3, three firefighters in two engines responded to reports of smoke in the Verdemont area. After the responding Sheriff's deputy and the firefighters decided the smoke was from a wood-burning heat

system, the crew started to leave the scene. At that time, they noticed smoke coming from a dumpster in the vicinity. Upon investigation, it was determined hot coals had ignited the contents. The fire was quickly extinguished.

On 12/3, two firefighters and two engines responded to a request to land a medical helicopter in the Centennial Ranch area. The crew was stood down when it was determined the helicopter was not necessary.

On 12/3, a single firefighter in one truck was dispatched to transport an elderly gentleman with a full white beard and bright red suit from a parking lot near the Country Store in Silver Cliff. After depositing the gentleman at Jess Price Park in Westcliffe, the engine returned to the Main Station after it was determined the fellow reportedly had return transportation in the form of a large air-worthy sled powered by eight deer-like animals. Sheriff's deputies were attempting to check registration and insurance on the unit.

Sheriff's Report...

On the dates below, there were 185 calls for service to the Sheriff's Office, 9 to EMS, and 4 to the Fire Department. SO Report for 12/9/16.

As on 12/4/16 there were five males and two females in the county jail.

11/29/16:
Missing Person: The Sheriff's Office participated in an agency assist with the Fremont County Sheriff's Office in attempting to locate a missing person.

Harassment: A deputy was dispatched to Lea Lane regarding a harassment complaint.

Fire: The Wetmore Fire Department was dispatched to a grass fire on Highway 96 in the area of MM 21.

11/30/16:
Bad Checks: A deputy took a report from two parties in the lobby of the Sheriff's Office regarding two checks returned due to insufficient funds. The two checks, both written by the same individual, totaled \$3,600.

Traffic Summons: Shawn

Waymont of Cotopaxi for speeding 10 - 19 over.

Brent Johnson of Longmont for speeding 10 - 19 over.

Arrest: Patrick Cessnum of Silver Cliff was arrested on an outstanding Custer County warrant.

12/1/16:
Business Check: A deputy conducted a business check of a merchant on Main Street in Westcliffe after observing lights on at the location.

12/2/16:
Traffic Summons: Thomas Clardy of Cotopaxi for operating an unregistered vehicle and failing to obtain registration within 60 days of purchase of a vehicle.

Michael Tyler of Westcliffe for operating an unregistered vehicle and failing to obtain registration within 60 days of purchase of a vehicle.

Rollover: EMS, the Wet Mountain Fire Department, and a Sheriff's deputy were dispatched to CR 323 MM 3 for a single vehicle rollover. EMS processed a refusal to

transport. Donald Darnell of Westcliffe was issued a summons for driving a vehicle improperly on a mountain road.

Accident: A deputy stopped for a two-car accident, with no injuries, on Main Street in Silver Cliff. Daniel Crockett of Westcliffe was issued a summons for driving a vehicle with unsafe tires.

12/3/16:
Possible Suicide Attempt: A Sheriff's deputy and EMS were dispatched to S. 4th Street and Hermit Lane for a report of a possible attempted suicide. The subject, who had not taken any action, was temporarily detained at the Sheriff's Office.

12/4/16:
Possible Attempted Suicide: A deputy was dispatched to Electric Avenue in Centennial Ranch for a possible attempted suicide. The Wet Mountain Fire Department was dispatched to establish a landing zone should Flight for Life be necessary. The patient was transported to a hospital by Huerfano County EMS.



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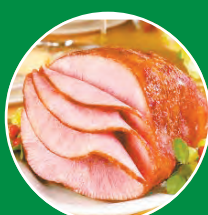
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Announcements

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CAMP HAPPINESS AT THE LIBRARY

Grinch Party
Friday, December 16th, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

Kids K-3rd can slither and slink to the West Custer County Library for a Grinch Party. This month's Camp Happiness will be devoted to all things Grinch-y, including Grinch games, stories, science and art. As with all Camp Happiness sessions, the party is totally free and no RSVP is required.

Sponsored by West Custer County Lirary, Camp Happiness is a highly interactive program that gives children the opportunity to learn through play, singing, stories, art and hands-on science. Camp takes place once a month at the library from 1:00 p.m. until about 2:30 p.m., September through April.

For more information about Camp Happiness stop by the library or call Jessica Carter at 783-9138.

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Events Calendar

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“Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them”
Adventure | Fantasy | PG 13
At **THE JONES THEATER \$\$**

Saturday, December 10, 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Sangre de Cristo Community Band Concert
West Gym Custer County School

Saturday December 10, 7 p.m.
Sons and Brothers Special Holiday Concert
At the Hillside Hall
Tickets available at Candy's Coffee
Call Lori Short 719-371-4601 \$\$

Tuesday December 13, 4:30 p.m.
School Board Meeting
School library.

Wednesday December 14, 4:05 – 5:30 p.m.
Girl Scout Meeting
School Library

Saturday, December 17, at 7:30 p.m.
Special Free Film
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Tuesday December 20, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Elementary Christmas Program
School West Gym

Recurring Events

Monday

6 -7 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 Emily at (719) 371-5974.

3rd Monday

4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Writers group at the Library. If you write or would like to start writing, please join us in the Community Room for peer editing, feedback, ideas, comradery, and more.

Tuesday

12 – 4:30 p.m. Bridge Club meets in the Library Community Room in downtown Westcliffe.
6 p.m. Bible Study at Wild West Cowboy Church. Call 719-783-2676.

1st 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.

Wednesday

9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Line dancers meet at the Methodist Church. Call Clem at (303) 909-7370.
6-7 p.m. Closed Big Book Study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emily at (719) 371-5974.
6:30 p.m. Men's and Women's Bible Study. First Baptist Church of Westcliffe Call 719-783-2498.

6:30 - 8 p.m. Custer County Community Band practice in the band room at the high school.

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

3 p.m. Scrabble Group West Custer County Library.

Last Wednesday of the Month

11 a.m. Book Club meeting at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.

Thursday

Second Thursday of the Month

10 a.m. – 11 a.m. “Ask a Nurse” at the library.

Friday

6 -7 p.m. Open Discussion Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emily at (719) 371-5974.
7 -8 p.m. Bible Talks with Domenic Enrietta and John Hartig. At the Library Community Room. All welcome. No charge.

Third Friday of the Month

Camp Happiness for 0-6 yrs old.
1-2:20 p.m. at West Custer Library.

Saturday

10 a.m. Wet Mountain Al-Anon Family Group meets at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Call Dee (719) 404-1851 or Jean (719) 371-1229.
2 p.m. Laughter Yoga at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.
3 p.m. Open Drum Circle at the West Custer County Library. All ages welcome! If you have a drum, please bring it. We have a few spares.

3rd Saturday of Month

9 a.m. VFW meeting at Cliff Lanes Conference Room for more info call Commander Randy Knight 783-9340.

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*Those who are planted in the house of the Lord
Shall flourish in the courts of our God.
They shall still bear fruit in old age;
They shall be fresh and flourishing.*

Salty Pine

"All I want for Christmas"



All I Want for Christmas and every other celebration and holiday throughout the year is something from Westcliffe's own Salty Pine Floral and Boutique.

Owner Pepper Stafford celebrated the fourth anniversary of the boutique and flower shop located at 411 Main Street on December 1, 2016. It has been a wonderful four years, said Stafford during a recent interview, and she is looking forward to continuing to offer a first class shopping experience for all.

That shopping experience features top notch customer service while perusing through exceptional one-of-a-kind clothing, accessories and gift items, as well as floral arrangements, for every occasion and budget.

The shop is comprised of a main store area and a large attached greenhouse. It is the only full service floral shop serving Custer County. Stafford offers flowers, bouquets, and arrangements for all events, including weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, funerals and proms. Additionally, floral arrangements can be sent to friends and family anywhere. Throughout the holiday season, fresh cut Christmas wreaths, garland, poinsettias and more are available. Ordering early is always suggested.

Among the most popular clothing lines to be found at Salty Pine are Pretty Angel, Umgee and Grace jeans for teens and adults; and Mud Pie for babies and young children. Accessories include the Mona B handbag line, scarves, boots, fleece lined leggings, boot socks, leg warmers and more.

The boutique is also stocked with stuffed animals, books, booties for the wee ones on your list; the KOPA Naturals line of soaps, lotions, scrubs, sea salt and bath bombs; Swan Creek Soy Candles and Drizzle Melts; gourmet food such as dips, soups, jellies and mustards; Boulder Bands (made in Canon City); greeting cards, Clara Clark luxury sheet sets and more.

Not sure what to send to a loved one? A gift basket filled with unique treasures found at the shop and handpicked by you is always an option.

Recently added to the store is an instant photo processing machine that can make color prints from 4x6 to 8x10.

Furthermore, through December shoppers get a little bit more through the "Salty Pine Bucks" program. For every \$50 spent before tax is added, the customer receives \$10 worth of "Salty Pine Bucks" that can be spent January 2nd through the 14th.

While Salty Pine Floral and Boutique is ready for the holiday season, it is open year round. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The shop phone is 783-9393, cell phone is 371-3597; email is saltypinefloral@yahoo.com; Facebook is Salty Pine Floral & Boutique.

For those who have not stopped by, you need to see what all the excitement is about! For all those folks who do know Salty Pine Floral and Boutique, it is always a pleasure to serve you!



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Alissa Comerford Weds Alex Arbuckle

Alissa Comerford and Alex Arbuckle celebrated their marriage in an outdoor ceremony on October 9, 2016, at Willow Vale Event Center in Hillside, CO. The groom's uncle, Mark Rushing, officiated. The bride is the daughter of John and Jeanene Comerford of Westcliffe, CO. The groom is the son of Tad and Dianne Arbuckle of Montgomery, TX. Cari Frink, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Ian Arbuckle, brother of the groom, was best man. Eli Frink, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

Guests came from as far away as Virginia and Hawaii to party with the joyful couple. Feasting and

dancing were the order of the evening at the Hillside Hall and a good time was had by all!

Following the wedding festivities, the couple enjoyed some much deserved time off in the Colorado mountain air. They now live in North Carolina where Alex is a pilot in the Air Force, and Alissa is working in the Air Force Reserves while getting in as much time as possible on horseback!

Alissa is a 2003 graduate of Custer County High School and a 2008 graduate of Colorado State University. Alex is a 2005 graduate of Klein Collins High School and a 2009 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy.



Mr. and Mrs. Alex Arbuckle.

Courtesy Photo

Middle School Boys Basketball Off To a Good Start

by Shelly Penkoff

The Custer County Middle School Boys Basketball Team had their first game of the year at home on Friday, December 2nd, against the South Park Burros.

The B team started the day out well and got their first win of the season 20-14. The team of twelve includes Zach Fisher, Ty Bomgardner, Weston Jones, Joey Arnone, Andrew Slawski, Cameron Penkoff, Brey Chippis, JD Morris, AJ

Stolzfus, Tucker Jewel, Jake Lafary and Tony Tomassoni.

Ty Bomgardner played well at point guard and got the ball to Cameron Penkoff who was high scorer on the day with 6 points. JD Morris put in a nice jump shot to start the scoring!

The A team played hard but came up short on the day 31-37. This team has great potential with some stellar athletes. The team has the following players: Zach Fischer, Matthew Kienbusch, Dillon Kinsey, Chad

Lewis, Sam Babcock, Ben Penkoff, Brey Chippis, Wesley Curtis, Wyatt Aldrich and Garrett Stepanich. Garrett Stepanich led the team with 10 points and Matthew Kienbusch grabbing key rebounds. The team showed a lot of heart playing a fast paced game with tough defense causing many turnovers.

The boys are coached by Eric Thompson and Shelly Penkoff.

The team travels to Cripple Creek on Friday where they will take on the Pioneers



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and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead,
you will be saved.*

John 10:9 ES V

Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center

The Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource wishes to express their profound gratitude to the Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation and all the other patrons and supporters who have so generously contributed in money and time to their success. The hard working ladies and gentlemen of the Lighthouse will be at the bowling alley function room on Saturday, December 10th, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. to meet and greet everyone and to answer questions about their work in the community. We look forward to your continued support in the coming year and anticipate seeing you all to express our deep gratitude, in person, on Saturday, December 10th, 1-4 p.m. at the bowling alley.

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Nonprofit Org	<u>Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center</u>	Amount \$	_____
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Total nonprofit		\$	_____

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Here's My Total Donation to the Matching fund \$ _____

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The Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation was founded in 1999, and since that time has distributed approximately \$3.3 million to just over 100 nonprofit organizations in Custer County. Grants and gifts have been given to the arts, education, recreation, historical preservation, emergency services, health care, and related fields of service. The annual Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation Spirit Campaign is a program of matching gifts awarded by the Community Foundation based on individual donations to nonprofit organizations in Custer County. The Spirit Campaign has generated over \$2 million in donations for the local nonprofit community since the campaign's inception in 2004. It allows residents to focus their donations on nonprofits of their choosing while knowing a matching gift will be awarded by the Community Foundation. The Spirit Campaign matched contributions by over 670 individual donors to over 63 Custer County nonprofit organizations totaling more than \$320,000 in 2015 in charitable contributions.

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

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Nonprofit Chart 2016

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Animal Advocates of Colorado, Inc.
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Custer County Affordable Housing
Custer County Cares About Cancer
Custer County Clinic
Custer County Community Sharing Center
Custer County Conservation District
Custer County Economic Development Corporation
Custer County Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
Custer County FFA Chapter
Custer County Historical and Genealogical Society
Custer County Medical Foundation
Custer County Merchants and Chamber of Commerce
Custer County Search and Rescue
Custer County Senior Citizens Center, Inc.
Custer County Sheriff's Posse
Custer County Transitions
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Dark Skies, Inc.
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Frontier Pathways Scenic and Historical Byways
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High Altitude Garden Club
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High Mountain Hay Fever Children's Health Fund
High Mountain Hay Fever Festival Association

Historic Willows School Society, Inc.
In Concert: Classical Music in the Valley
Junior Achievement
KLZR 91.7 FM
Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources
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Olde Schoolhouse Quilters
Outdoor Buddies, Inc.
Paca Peace Ranch for Youth
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Pet Project Wet Mountain Valley
Ranch of Hope Counseling
San Isabel Land Protection Trust
Sangre de Cristo Hospice & Palliative Care
Sangre de Cristo Volunteers for Change
Sangres Art Guild
Southern Colorado Space Museum & Learning Center
Sustainable Ways, Inc.
The American Legion, Westcliffe Post 170
The Bluff Project
Town of Silver Cliff Museum
Uplift Mountain
VALI Assisted Living and Home Care
Valley Park Recreation and Youth Center, Inc.
West Custer County Library
West Custer County Library Friends
Westcliffe Center for the Performing Arts
Wet Mountain Fire Protection District
Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Community Service, Inc.
Wet Mountain Valley Rotary Foundation
Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club
Wet Mountain Wildlife Rehabilitation, Inc.
Wetmore Community Library
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Local Mountain News & Notices

CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES



NOTICE

The following is a list of all bills presented, audited, and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Custer County, Colorado, from their respective funds at the regular meeting on November 30, 2016.

Custer County Payments for Airport Fund Payments From November 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ASCENT AVIATION GROUP INC	MONTHLY POS CHARGE	30.00
CENTURYLINK	SERVICE	107.88
DDW INC	AIRPORT INTERNET SERVICE	60.00
NORUP GAS INC	SERVICE	31.38
ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIRE	HIRE EXT SERV	115.00
SANGRE DE CRISTO ELECTRIC	SERVICE	140.82
VALLEY ACE HOME CENTER	SUPPLIES	28.46
	Final Totals...	513.54

Custer County Payments for Capital Improvement Fund Payments From November 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
H E WHITLOCK INC	WCCLP	83,052.02
UNITED REPROGRAPHIC	ASSESSOR COPIER	90.00
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING	ASSESSOR MAPPING COPIER	285.40
	Final Totals...	83,427.42

Custer County Payments for Emergency Services Fund Payments From October 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
CENTURYLINK	OEM LANDLINE	107.43
CRESTONE GRAPHICS	EVAC ORDER CARD STOCK	82.15
CUSTER COUNTY EMPLOYEES HIT	EMS INSURANCE	4,794.80
CUSTER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	OEM FUEL	134.37
DIGITCOM ELECTRONICS	DISP FIRMWARE UPGRADE	274.95
HOWARD/CINDY	OEM CELL PHONE	1,085.06
MCCASLAND GLASS	REPLACE DISPATCH WINDOW	527.72
MIDWEST CARD AND ID SOLUTIONS	SOFTWARE LICENSE KEY	250.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	OEM RADIOS	1,070.33
TETRA TECH INC	TETRA TECH CONTRACT	22,019.49
US BANK	DISPATCH EXP	181.22
WDSL	WDSL PROGRAMMING	900.00
WEST CUSTER CO HOSPITAL DIST	RETAC REIMBS	1,498.92
	Final Totals...	32,926.24
	Payroll...	12,844.09

Custer County Payments for General Fund Payments From November 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ALL AMERICAN PUBLISHING	SHERIFF EXPENSE	354.00
AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE	DS W/H	129.58
AMERICAN PUBLIC LIFE	CN W/H	161.10
AT & T MOBILITY	EPR SERVICE	201.45
ATTEBERY/LYNN	REIMBS	401.09
BERRY/SHERON	ELECTION JUDGE	335.00
BISTODEAU/LORI	ELECTIONS	50.00
BOB BARKER CO INC	INMATE SUPPLIES	321.75
C & C DISPOSAL INC	JUNKINS FIRE	498.10
CAMPER/KELLEY	TRAVEL	54.00
CANON GLASS INC	SHERIFF WINDSHIELDS	320.00
CCEDC	CCEDC PROJECT # 2	15,741.79
CENTURYLINK	WCCL SRV	365.27
CENTURYLINK	SERVICE	4,008.64
CHEMATOX LABORATORY	SHERIFF BLOOD COLLECTS	84.70
COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	GARNISHMENT	135.00
COLORADO DEPT OF AGRICULTURE	SCALE LICENSE RENEWAL	200.00
COX/CHARLES	OCTOBER EXP	216.00
CRENSHAW/LYN	COOKING MATTERS REIMBS	87.97
CRESTONE GRAPHICS	P & Z SUPPLIES	359.05
CSU COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	R YOUNG QRTLY FORMULA	3,325.00
CUSTER COUNTY EMPLOYEES HIT	INS W/H	33,479.64
CUSTER COUNTY EXTENSION		659.99

CUSTER COUNTY PLANNING	CAR WASH REIMB	6.00
CUSTER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	SHERIFF FUEL	2,564.94
CUSTER COUNTY SCHOOL DIST C-1	CONTRACT LABOR	954.55
DELL MARKETING L P	SECURITY CAMERA SERVER	700.50
DISH NETWORK	CUSTER COUNTY JAIL SRV	76.27
DOI FILM	ROW COMM SITE RENTAL	2,940.40
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY	GARNISHMENT	442.00
GMACK ENTERPRISES LLC	SHERIFF ATV MAINTENANCE	101.95
GOOD BULB	CRTHS SUPPLIES	133.67
HART INTERCTVIC INC	2016 GENERAL ELECTION	9,591.96
HENRICH/JAMES D		186.41
HOWARD/CINDY	JUNKINS FIRE	143.29
HWY 96 ROADHOUSE	JUNKINS FIRE	32.00
IAAO	ASSR MEMBERSHIP DUES	175.00
IPPOLITO/CHUCK	REIMBS	3,638.47
JLM	WASTE TIRES REMOVAL	1,096.00
KATINIG/ROBERT (BOB)	REIMBS	75.00
KEFFER/MARILYN	ELECTIONS	50.00
LEGALSHIELD	LS W/H	38.85
LEHN/LISA	REIMBS	78.10
LEITSCHUI/JUDITH	ELECTION JUDGE	755.00
LOWE'S PAY & SAVE INC	JAIL FOOD	1,717.80
MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING LTD	JAIL BULBS	605.06
MARTIN/RHONDA K	REIMB	57.10
MCFARLAND OIL	LANDFILL FUEL	1,347.78
NAPA AUTO PARTS OF WESTCLIFFE	SHERIFF REPAIRS	65.42
NEWCOMB/DOREEN	ELECTION JUDGE	565.00
NORUP GAS INC	SHERIFF COMPLEX SRV	342.76
OAK DISPOSAL SERVICE	JUNKINS FIRE	436.50
ODLE/CARMALENE	TRAVEL	147.29
OFFICE DEPOT	TREAS OFFICE SUPPLIES	26.71
OFFICE DEPOT	CCPHNS SUPPLIES	107.94
OFFICE OF THE DIST ATTORNEY	PROF SRV	7,645.83
PIQUETTE ENTERPRISES LLC	NOV ACCT	914.66
PTNEY BOWES	POSTAGE MACHINE ORTRY	775.89
RUIDA/BRIDGETTE	COVA CONT REIMBS	129.30
ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIRE	SERVICING	341.00
RONI/RANDALI		43.18
ROUND MTN WATER & SANITATION	SHERIFF COMPLEX SRV	249.60
SAGE/CANDI	ELECTION JUDGE	95.00
SANGRE DE CRISTO ELECTRIC	LANDFILL SRV	75.73
SCHOCH/BRANDON	CORONER REIMB	235.78
SHAW/JOHN	ELECTION JUDGE	717.50
SHY/CHRISTOPHER (KIT)	TRAVEL/REIMBS	167.00
SMITH/CLINTON A	PROF SRVS	1,600.00
SSR AUTO SUPPLY INC	SHERIFF HEADLIGHTS	202.80
STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	SHERIFF SUPPLIES	119.82
STATE OF COLORADO	NOV MVR DELIVERABLES	176.48
STEIGERWALT/SUSAN	ELECTION JUDGE	337.50
STODOLA/TIM	COOKING MATTERS REIMBS	67.54
STOLTZFUS/GAIL		856.64
STREBIG/JERRY	ELECTION JUDGE	465.00
SUGAR & SPICE MTN BAKERY	FLU SHOT CLINIC SNACKS	183.48
SWARTZ/TIM		203.54
SYMBOLARTS LLC	BADGE REPAIR	50.00
TASC PVR	FLEX W/H	999.99
TECHNICAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	PROB CLIENT TESTING	196.30
TENNESSEE CHILD SUPPORT	GARNISHMENT	316.00
FERRY/TRACI	COOKING MATTERS REIMBS	91.79
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE & TRAILERS	SHERIFF TRLR VENT	19.99
US BANK		1,630.85
VALLEY ACE HOME CENTER	LANDFILL REPAIRS	399.83
WARRIOR KIT	SHERIFF SUPPLIES	1,260.00
WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY	CRTHS PAPER PRODUCTS	144.99
WEBER/JUNE	JUNKINS FIRE	524.79
WET MOUNTAIN TRIBUNE	TREAS DELINQUENT PUBS	3,569.47
WIGGIN/TED	MRC MTG SUPPLIES	108.60
WILLIAMS/MARIAN	COOKING MATTERS REIMBS	220.47

XEROX BUSINESS SERVICES LLC	ASSR DATA PROCESSING	6,229.27
YACKLEY/DEBORAH	ELECTION JUDGE	735.00
YORK/NANCY	ELECTION JUDGE	702.50
YOUNG/ROBIN	TRAVEL	291.47
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	LANDFILL REPAIRS	159.79
	Final Totals...	123,923.21
	Payroll...	106,910.49

Custer County Payments for Human Services Fund Payments From November 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
	Final Totals...	12,313.22
	Payroll...	15,268.60

Custer County Payments for Road and Bridge Fund Payments From November 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ACORN PETROLEUM INC	FUEL	12,976.40
AFLAC	AF INSURANCE W/H	53.00
AIRGAS USA LLC	CYLINDER RENTAL	420.99
AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE	DS INS W/H	394.44
AMSTERDAM PRINTING	2017 CALENDARS	222.60
BATTERIES PLUS BULBS	BATTERIES	405.79
BLUE FLAME GAS	WETMORE SHOP SERVICE	187.50
BOBCAT OF THE ROCKIES	SKID STEER RENTAL	643.80
CANON RENTAL SALES	COMPRESSOR RENTAL	871.20
CENTURYLINK	WETMORE SHOP SRV	183.28
CENTURYLINK	WC SHOP SERVICE	331.56
CITY OF FLORENCE	BULK WATER	99.00
CUSTER COUNTY EMPLOYEES HIT	INSURANCE	12,441.56
ENVIROTECH SERVICES INC	DURABLEND	17,162.18
FASTENAL	SHOP SUPPLIES	69.54
FRANK'S UPHOLSTERY	RE-COVER GRADER SEAT	225.00
IPPOLITO/CHUCK	REIMBS OFFICE SUPPLIES	172.13
KS STATE BANK	MACK TRUCKS LEASE PYMNT	71,888.77
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	MISC SUPPLIES	135.00
LEGALSHIELD	LS W/H	51.80
LITZ AUTO SUPPLY	BLUE DEF 2.5 GAL	24.82
LOWE'S PAY & SAVE INC	MISC SUPPLIES	23.44
MCCANDLESS TRUCK CENTER LLC	MISC REPAIR PARTS	420.12
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	RADIOS	6,950.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS OF WESTCLIFFE	REPAIR PARTS	280.98
PUEBLO BRAKE & CLUTCH	REPAIR PARTS	142.00
PUMPS AND MORE LLC	FOOT VALVE	155.83
QUILL CORP	OFFICE SUPPLIES	129.98
ROUND MTN WATER & SANITATION	BULK WATER	707.52
SKYLINE STEEL	GALV ANNULAR BAND	8,866.15
SQUIRE/ROGER	TRAINING CLASS	15.00
TASC PVR	FLEX W/H	574.98
TONY'S MOUNTAIN PIZZA	MSHA TRAINING	90.82
TRI STATE OIL RECLAIMERS	USED OIL PICKUP	120.00
VALLEY ACE HOME CENTER	MISC SUPPLIES	73.33
WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO	MISC PARTS	235.43
XEROX CORP	COPIER	100.20
	Final Totals...	137,826.12
	Payroll...	39,188.16

Custer County Payments for Tourism Fund Payments From November 1, 2016 Through November 30, 2016

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
TONY'S MOUNTAIN PIZZA	EVENT ROUNDUP MEETING	200.00
	Final Totals...	200.00

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COUNTY OF CUSTER

I, Kelley S. Camper, County Clerk in and for said county, and in the state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true, full, and correct list of all office bills allowed paid by the Board of County Commissioners of said county and state, at the regular meeting held in November 2016, as shown by the records and files of my office. Given under my hand and official seal this month of November A.D. 2016.

Kelley S. Camper
County Clerk

Date published: December 9, 2016
Sangre de Cristo Sentinel
Westcliffe, Colorado

Cliffs Community Christmas Parade



Festival of Trees





Actually, No One Cared: Mountain Towns Have Better 2016 Without Defunct Bike Race

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

We’ve always looked sideways at the absurd claims made by tourism bureaucrats that the USA Pro Cycling Challenge attracted a million spectators to Colorado each year. Even if they counted people who were tied up in traffic because of closed roads, the number wouldn’t come anywhere close.

Now a year has passed

since the defunct bike race last shut down Colorado streets and we have some interesting data about the economic impact of the race and all of these spectators: none of it mattered. At all.

In fact, 2016 tax receipts were up in mountain towns now that the bicycle race is gone. Aspen, Steamboat, and Breckenridge all saw increased tax collections in August, a year after the

race shut down their towns for a few hours.

So it turns out it was all spin by PR hacks and the state’s tourism office, who bragged about how “amped” Coloradans were to have this bike race – so “amped” that the race went out of business and failed to deliver any tax boost to the communities it impacted.

And we wonder if Gov-

ernor Hickenlooper still wants to burn \$100 million of our dollars to make Colorado – a state where you cannot ride a bike outside for almost half the year, the “best biking state.”

Of course, Hickenlooper is perpetuating the lie that this will “fuel economic growth and tourism.” Looking at 2016 tax receipts, it is apparent that the only economic growth that the bike race fueled was with his

buddies at OnSight Public Affairs and the so-called “tourism officials” who helped him promulgate this hoax.

So out of touch are these tourism bureaucrats that one of them commented in an *Aspen Times* article “the fact that visitation and sales tax revenues continued to climb without the race this August proves the strategy [of hosting the race] worked.”

Sorry, but what planet is she living on where she thinks that a tourist will come to Aspen this year based on a bike race that happened there last year?

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A Reckoning: Colorado Will Struggle to Pay for Medicaid Expansion

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

When the next Colorado General Assembly comes to order in January, budget issues will take center stage. Chief among those issues is the convergence of Medicaid expansion, TABOR and the hospital provider fee. And the stage was set for this showdown almost four years ago.

As you may recall, PeakNation™, 2013 was a bad year for freedom in Colorado. While Democrats controlled both houses of the legislature and the governorship, they used their narrow majorities to pass ill-conceived

legislation such as the renewable energy mandate and gun control laws that ultimately cost the Democrats two state senators via recall.

Also in the 2013 mix was the decision to expand Medicaid. This waved in hundreds of thousands of adults who, prior to the expansion, were enrolled in state-sponsored healthcare. This was one of the most expensive mistakes that Colorado has made in a long time; as of today, two-and-a-half times more Coloradans signed up for this gravy train than the planners projected.

At first, the federal government was paying the full

bill for the new Medicaid patients, but slowly, that federal subsidy is rolling off, and we are stuck holding the bill.

At the same time that the Medicaid expansion liability is ballooning, Coloradans are due to receive a TABOR refund because of revenues collected by the Hospital Provider Fee, which is essentially a tax on medical services provided at hospitals.

This TABOR refund is in the cross hairs of Democrat lawmakers, hungry for additional revenue to feed the rapidly-expanding budget, which will come in at more

than \$28 billion in 2017 – a staggering increase of more than 50% from just a decade ago.

Democrats have already started their PR campaign in defense of Medicaid expansion with think tanks, lawmakers, and blogs peddling the theme that Medic-

aid expansion is not hurting the state budget. They have even gone so far to argue the absurd claim that it is a “boon to the state’s economy.”

It’s time to prioritize our budget instead of growing it unchecked. Dialing back the 2013 Medicaid expan-

sion and getting these new, able-bodied beneficiaries off taxpayers’ backs is a good place to start.

Please see: <http://coloradopeakpolitics.com/2016/12/02/a-reckoning-legislature-will-struggle-to-pay-for-medicaid-expansion-in-2017-and-beyond/>

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Fremont County Bulletin

News, Opinion, Commentary

IMPORTANT DATES IN FREMONT

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

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

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

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

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

Fremont Republican Central Committee
4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
603 Main Street

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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Inside Cañon City's New Youth Center

by Charlotte Burrous

For years, there has been nothing to do for the youth in Cañon City, but now a dream has become a reality for them, thanks to one couple and a church who believed in the concept.

The dream began when Justin and Lori Smith got married.

“We both have a heart to open a youth center for a long time,” said Justin, who is working with his wife, Lori. “We’ve been going to Living Stone Calvary Chapel for a year and a half. The opportunity came together (in April).”

The couple took it to Pastor Sean Meagher and his wife, Autumn, who thought it was a good idea. At that point, the board approved funding then they found the former New Horizons building on Main Street.

“Everything came together,” Justin said. “This community has had a number of problems in terms of youth. We had the Sexting scandal last year (and gained) national (notoriety).”

What sparked the idea was when Lori read an article about the youth in the community and the issues they’re struggling with, including homelessness, drug problems and being neglected. Some of them are dropped off in public buildings and left all day without supervision or food.

“This broke my heart,” Lori said. “I felt like it was time to do something about it.”

The main thing is to provide a safe and constructive environment for the youth

pong, foosball, pool, air hockey and arcade games. Also there will be a full coffee shop and food, along with a place to study. Also, computer stations will be set up for the youth to use



The Bridge is located at 310 Main Street in Cañon City.

Photo by George Gramlich

to spend time after school and on weekends to do their homework, Justin said.

“It’s a place they can find a home,” he added. “There’s so many kids in the community that are coming out of broken homes. One statistic that came out if you take the population of Florence and Cañon City, 38 percent are incarcerated. What that equals are a lot of broken homes; a lot of kids that have no real semblance of a home.”

To overcome those issues, The Bridge will offer a plethora of games and video games, including ping

to study as well. Children between the ages of sixth through 12th grades will be involved in the youth center.

But they also will be offering larger events. December 3rd, The Bridge had its grand opening on the night of the Christmas Parade of Lights. During that event, there was a concert, featuring Felling Giants, which is a Colorado-based band out of Castle Rock. The next event will be an Ugly Sweater Party with a movie to celebrate Christmas. More details will be available in the near future.

“A lot of those nights, we’ll have an event night style, charge people at the door (then) they’ll have dinner and drinks and something to do on a Friday night,” Lori said.

Justin noted there is almost nothing to do for the youth in the area.

“They’re hanging out at the park, street, the parking lots,” he said. “A lot of this is try to pull these kids out of the drug culture and some of that bad environment that kids get sucked into because there’s nothing else to do.”



The center has a coffee and refreshments meeting area, couches, separated games areas and a study area.

Photo by George Gramlich

Events December 9 – 24

Free lunch to those in need will be offered from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. the third Saturday of the month in the Fellowship Hall at the First United Methodist Church at the corner of Ninth and Main Streets.

COG lunch is served at noon every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 100 Railroad St. in Florence. Call 784-6493 before 9:30 a.m. for reservation. Meals cost \$2 for 60 and older and \$6.50 for 59 and younger.

Free lunch is served from noon-1 p.m. Tuesdays at Mercy Today Ministries in the back of the First Christian Church at 320 N. 16th St. in Cañon City. For more information, call 276-9242.

Lunches are served at noon Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Penrose Center at 405 Broadway in Penrose. Everyone is welcome. Meals are \$3 per person. Please call 372-3872 for reservations. Thrift Store is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Friends of the Penrose Community Library hosts its weekly used book sales from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. every Wednesday in the shed behind the library at 35 Seventh Ave. in Penrose.

Dec 10, Santa will greet children at 11 a.m., in Florence in the **Rocky Mountain Bank & Trust parking lot** at Main Street and Pikes Peak Avenue. Be sure and stop by to see Santa and enjoy small town America.

Dec. 10, Santa Claus will be available for photos with children from 9 a.m.-noon, at the **Cañon City Chamber of Commerce office** at 403 Royal Gorge Blvd.

Dec. 9-10, Light Up the Park Festival will take place from 5:30-9 p.m. in **Penrose Park** at 415 Fifth Ave. in **Penrose**. Food, fun, music, lights and more will be available to celebrate Christmas.

Dec. 10, Santa Clause will visit children from noon-2 p.m. at the **Cañon City Public Library** at 516 Macon Avenue in Cañon City.

December 10th, 18th Annual Living Nativity at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, from 5 - 7:30 p.m., at 801 N. Sheridan Ave. in Cañon City. Animals and actors from **Penrose Horses & Hounds 4-H Club**. Canned food donations for Mercy Today Ministries will be accepted at the event.

Dec. 17, Santa will greet children at 11 a.m. in **Florence in the Rocky Mountain Bank & Trust parking lot** at Main Street and Pikes Peak Avenue. Be sure and stop by to see Santa and enjoy small town America.

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Dec. 16-17, Cañon Signature Mortgage and KRLN/Star Country will host its **Annual Christmas on Main Street from 4-7 p.m.** Dec. 16-17 in downtown Cañon City. Come see what your downtown merchants have to offer its residents. Santa Claus, candy, hot cider, hot chocolate and more.

Dec. 17-18, Fremont Civic Theater will present “**A Christmas Story**” at 7 p.m. Dec. 17th and at 2 p.m. Dec. 18th in the Washington Elementary School at Ninth and College Avenue. Bring a can of food and receive a discount.

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A Blessing Multiplied Uniquely

The closing out of this year and moving ahead into 2017 presents an awesome time to be alive. We, as a Christian people, are seeing more prophetic events on a daily basis than ever before. Throughout the year, The Daily Jot has tried diligently to provide you with information and analysis from a Biblical world-view. These are times when we must watch and pray, and act each day because the Day of the Lord draws closer. Without you, we could not operate; we could not reach out even in the little way that we do. What I'm trying to say is that I value you and your readership, your prayers, your active goodwill. Without it, we could not do what we do. We believe there is a "blessing multiplied" between us.

As we close out the year, please consider the value that The Daily Jot provides to yourself and others. We have subscribers around the world. Subscriptions are free. We are an online church that preaches the word everyday in a very distinctive way as it relates to current events. In addition, we put our words into action through various ministry works, especially to the impoverished rural area of Ghana, West Africa, where Islam threatens lives and tries to anchor itself through leverage of force and intimidation. Clean water, food and clothing given freely in the name of Christ go a long way in providing hope, comfort and a Christian example to the children and families there.

Your support of this ministry, whether it is financial or in prayer, empowers The Daily Jot to do what it does. Without you, we could not operate; we could not reach out even in the little way that we do. Your reading of The Daily Jot blesses me because you are fulfilling part of my God-given mission in watching current events and writing about how they

relate to the holy scripture. Your readership is also a blessing in that it may equip you in some way to share the word using current events, or give you a perspective of value. Here is what a few readers say about The Daily Jot:

"I read a sign this week that said, "Truth without love is too hard, and love without truth is too soft." I think you manage to speak the truth in love very well. Keep it up."--EM

"God bless your ministry and you, for standing fast and speaking the truth to preserve our country. We are thankful for your work through the "Jot" and thankful to God, who has shown us his power and mercy, at least for a time."--R & M O

"Your wisdom in this column helped me convince other Christians to vote Biblical standards. Very much appreciated!"--RR

"I cannot thank you enough for your boldness, honesty and integrity during this present darkness in our country."--SC

"You did what was right, and you did it very effectively. I do not know how many people are on your email list, but I think that you reached a whole lot more people than just those, as people who are on your list also forwarded your commentaries on to others...thank you again for standing for the truth when many others ran in the opposite direction."--DW

"Thanks again for the Jot. I read every one of them. I still value and appreciate them. I pray that our God will multiply your access and exposure geometrically over these next few years and I pray that He will grant you favor and give you rest and peace."--ES

From these comments (and there are many more), you can see how there is a "blessing multiplied" with this ministry. There is no staff at The Daily Jot. It's my wife and me. We take

The "Special Snowflake Second Class" Award Goes to....

by Mason Dixon Tactical

This is Trent. Trent is a Millennial. Trent is a "Special Snowflake" of the liberal variety and he apparently owns a gun (I know, scary isn't it) and wants "Fascists" (Trump and his supporters) to know he will protect those who he thinks will be persecuted by Trump.



Photo and post from Facebook



Special Snowflake Second Class
w/Crossed Diaper Pins



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I'm curious what Trent thinks Hillary (he probably was a disenfranchised Bernie supporter) would have done with his "privacy" if she'd taken the field on November 8th? What about the Muslims who aren't your "friends", and have vowed to kill you (the western devil) Trent? "Marginalized", you mean like Christians, heterosexuals, or Americans with a Southern Heritage were in the last eight years? That kind of marginalized? "Immigrants"? You don't mean immigrants, you mean "Illegals", don't you Trent? "Refugees"? Like the ones who have murdered or raped how many Americans in just the last year?

Do you even know the answer to the last question Trent? Of course you don't, because you get your information from social media and/or MSM outlets that were proven to be biased before, during, and after the election. Tell you what "Snowflake", you might want to check your enthusiasm at the porch, before you jump off of it. (At least his gun isn't blue.... right?). Generally, the shotgun you have there would never be considered an "assault shotgun, simply due to its limited magazine capacity (but it is good for squirrels, BTW).

Before you try and take your Modern Warfare 3 fantasy into the bloody, scary reality, I'd suggest you consider taking up airsoft or paintball. It will give you the thrill you think you're looking for, without the finality of someone ending your participation in the defense of some of the criminal

elements you so admire. There is no "Participatory Award" in the real world Trent, and the fact that you believe Trump and his supporters are fascists, shows that you are not ready for that kind of a reality check.

Here's something a Buddy made using my description LOL. (See left.)The Special Snowflake Second Class w/ Crossed Diaper Pins.

"Special Snowflake Second Class w/crossed Diaper Pins" is about the closest you will come to an award in our world. The sooner you and your type accept the reality I've spelled out, the better and SAFER it will be for you. We will no longer tolerate fools. Realistically, that's what this election was about. Unfortunately, along with the entitlement crowd, your generation has shown its a**, and the adults in the room are now taking over. Put that in your pipe and smoke it Trent!

JCD

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Possible DNC Chair Keith Ellison Once Proposed Making a Separate Country for Blacks

by Justin Caruso, Daily Caller News Foundation

Some newly discovered columns shed light on the shocking views expressed by one of the Democrat's favorite politicians.

Rep. Keith Ellison of Minnesota, now in the running to be DNC Chair, has attracted the support of Sens. Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren and Harry Reid. Many think that Ellison, an African-American Muslim, would make a powerful statement leading the DNC. Ellison's past has gained attention from the media, with Ellison being accused of anti-Semitism and ties to the Nation of Islam.

Back in 2006, when Ellison was first entering national politics, Scott W. Johnson wrote in the *Weekly Standard*:

"Ellison was born Catholic in Detroit. He states that he converted to Islam as an undergraduate at Wayne State University. As a third-year student at the University of Minnesota Law School in 1989-90, he wrote two columns for the Minnesota Daily under the name 'Keith Hakim.' In the first, Ellison refers to 'Minister Louis Farrakhan,' defends Nation of Islam spokesman Khalid Abdul Muhammad, and speaks in the voice of a Nation of Islam advocate. In the second, 'Hakim' demands reparations for slavery and throws in a demand for an optional separate homeland for American blacks."

The *Washington Post* also recently wrote about Ellison's past columns, with an article published last week citing an Associated Press article about Ellison:

"Around 1990, Ellison, then a University of Minnesota law student known as Keith E. Hakim, wrote several columns in the student newspaper that are getting a second look."

One column defended Farrakhan against charges of anti-Semitism; a second suggested the creation of a state for black residents. In 1995, Ellison helped organize a delegation to Farrakhan's Million Man March in Washington."

The *Daily Caller News Foundation (DCNF)* did some digging to find the columns written in the *Minnesota Daily* under the pen name "Keith E. Hakim."

The DCNF obtained scans of four columns written by "Hakim" as a law student. Ellison was around 26 years old at the time these columns were written and published.

Over four columns, "Hakim" advocates cash reparations paid from whites to blacks, calls the Constitution the "best evidence of a white racist conspiracy to subjugate other peoples," and proposes making a separate country for black people.

The first column, published on November 1, 1989, is titled "African-Americans are best equipped for fighting drugs."

The piece opens up with the sentence, "Years ago, it was slavery and, more recently, the Jim Crow system. But today it appears that the rationale for black people having 'no rights which a white man is bound to respect' is crime."

In the column, Ellison writes that the black community does a better job keeping drugs off the streets than the police do. The Nation of Islam is specifically mentioned and praised for having the "most notable results" in fighting drugs.

The Southern Poverty Law Center describes the Nation of Islam as having a "bizarre theology of innate black superiority over whites."

Ellison writes, "In Minneapolis and across the country, this black crime thing manifests itself as the War on Drugs and as police brutality. The white perceptual link between the two is simple: Drugs are out of hand; in fact, America is at War Against Drugs."

"Also, black criminals are out of hand. They rape; they form gangs; they drive down property values. When the black crime problem and the drug problem intersect, all African-Americans become drug suspects and any violent act is justified."

The next column, coming later the same month, ran on November 27, 1989 and is titled "Minister Farrakhan never claimed to be a 'Malcolm X.'"

The article discusses the nature of racism.

"Racism means conspiracy to subjugate and actual subjugation. That means planned social, economic, military, religious and political subjugation of whites. It cannot be intelligently argued that the Nation of Islam is doing this. In fact, blacks have no history of harming or subjecting whites as a class. On the other hand, whites have it written into their very Constitution that blacks shall be considered three-fifths of a person for purposes of taxation and representation of their white owners. Their Constitution also makes provisions for the return of runaway slaves. Their constitution is the bedrock of American law; it's the best evidence of a white racist conspiracy to subjugate other peoples."

The column also seems to defend the opinion that asserting interests of a racial group doesn't make one a racist.

"I would like to offer an explanation of why anyone who boldly asserts the interests of blacks is assailed as a racist, a philanderer or a criminal," he continues. "It goes back to those old American laws forbidding anyone from assisting a slave to gain freedom. Any person, black or white, who attempts to disrupt the slavocracy or white supremacist hierarchy will come under attack by the white supremacists and their trained stooges."

In the same issue, another writer criticizes Hakim and accuses him of anti-Semitism, writing, "Keith Hakim should name the 'certain forces' who were opposed to Dr. Muhammad's speech on campus. These 'forces' are Jews, myself included."

A scan of the entire column can be viewed here. (See this article on line for the link.)

The third column, from Novem-

ber 30, 1989, is titled, "Daily editorial staff should feel ashamed." This column addresses some conflict with the staff of the *Minnesota Daily* over the previous column Hakim penned.

"The news media prints only the most sensational bits and pieces, never the whole story. This leaves people believing that the Nation of Islam is some kind of black Ku Klux Klan, and they immediately dismiss all of its laudable work," Hakim writes.

In the same issue, Hakim is criticized by another writer for the newspaper who writes, "To hear Hakim blather, one might think that slavery was invented and employed solely by Western Europeans (ever heard of the Zulus?). One might think that blacks are a very unique group of humans in that they are incapable of practicing racism."

A scan of both Hakim's columns and two others criticizing him can be viewed here. (See article on line.)

The fourth and final column written by Hakim is the most inflammatory. Published on February 2, 1990 and entitled "Affirmative action does not make up for past injustice," the article pushes for reparations for slavery and giving black Americans the option of a separate black homeland.

"Since no one but the WASP [White Anglo Saxon Protestant] elite really appreciates affirmative action, I have a challenge for all fair-minded middle and working-class white people: I will urge black people to abandon white-dominated, integration-oriented, give-away programs, if you urge white people to justly compensate black people for 250 years of slavery, 90 years of Jim Crow and 25 years of neo-Jim Crow."

The settlement could be a straight cash transfer for all the black exploitation. This means just compensation for all the labor hours put in by the slaves and just compensation for all the intellectual and artistic property ripped

off by all the Elvis Presleys and Pat Boones. It means compensation for all the money ripped off through sharecropping and just compensation owing to all the black athletes of yesterday, such as Jack Jefferson and Joe Louis. It means back payment of the 'black tax,' which is the price hike that ghetto merchants and pawnbrokers charge black consumers."

The article proposes a separate country for blacks as well, writing,

"Finally, blacks would have the option of choosing their own land base or remaining in the United States. Since black people toiled most diligently in the southeastern section of the United States, this land, quite naturally, would be most suitable. That means Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi. Blacks, of course, would not be compelled to move to the black state, and, of course, peaceful whites would not be compelled to move away."

This is a bargain.

Whites would be relieved of the burdens of the black-faced but white-dominated social programs. Blacks would employ themselves, teach their own children the truth and control their own neighborhoods. Black-white interaction would be voluntary instead of compelled. No more busing, no more affirmative action and, best of all, no more white guilt. White people could righteously say they have 'settled their debts with blacks. Urban blacks, long alienated from society by poverty, forced segregation and media-vilification, would no longer strike fear in whites. Think of it, whites could reclaim their cities — without dispossessing anyone."

Now the liberals may oppose this reparations program because, of course, they justify their existence by championing so-called lost causes."

Read more: <http://dailycaller.com/2016/11/26/keith-ellison-once-proposed-making-a-separate-country-for-blacks/#ixzz4RJRCf5Qm>

The Dissidents and the Media

by The ZMan

Back in the 80's, one of the more irritating things about following politics was watching stupid Republicans walk onto liberal news programs and get ambushed. It was as if they were just made aware of the fact that the Left never plays fair. It was not just Republican politicians. Conservative chatters would also fall into these traps. It was very frustrating until I figured out that it was all a show. The "conservative" was hired to play a role in the drama. George Will, in private, thought you people were gross and disgusting.

This model persisted through the 90's and it was only when Fox News came on-line that we see some

fair treatment of people outside the Progressive orbit. Even there, the obsession with being fair often resulted in being stupid. Exactly no one gives a crap what Juan Williams has to say about anything. Yet, FoxNews Channel (FNC) felt they needed to decorate the set with him. Even so, it was just one outlet among many, so the prevailing model was a Progressive gang-up on anyone not professing the One True Faith.

What made it most infuriating is that so-called conservatives would go on moonbat networks and do taped shows. The producers would then cut up the recording to make the conservative sound nutty or unresponsive. When confronted, the so-called con-

servative would admit to knowing it was a setup, but they would say they did it to try and change minds. In reality, they were just taking the check. The boys and girls from Official Conservatism™ on the payroll of PBS and CNN were taking a dive on purpose so they could get paid.

It's why the Tea Party was doomed from the start. (Editor/GG: Agree on the national level that the Tea Party concept was quickly corrupted, but local level Tea Parties and the like were crucial in all elections, especially this last one. Think local folks.) When guys like Dick Arney got involved, you knew it as a con. More important, the organizers were clawing each other's

eyes out trying to get on TV. These were not people motivated by a cause. They were motivated by the desire to be famous and hang around green rooms with the Lefties they saw on television.

What has always been encouraging about Trump is he seems to get this. He has done almost no taped interviews and he avoided private interviews with news sites like the *NYTimes* and *Washington Post*. In the former case, he knew they would edit the h3!! out of his interview because he saw it firsthand while doing his TV shows. In the latter case, he knew these people were not honest. They lie on spec and giving them a private interview would only enable them make up

fake news about Trump.

Trump's live events were big enough to require coverage, but he put the media in pens so they could not pretend to be talking to Nazis and Klansmen in the crowd. The only thing they could do was show the video and moan about it. You also note that Trump uses lots of hand gestures when speaking. He never used to do this, but I suspect he started doing it because it makes editing impossible. As you can see in this Breitbart story, editing is now the main tool of the media.

National Public Radio ombudsman/public editor Elizabeth Jensen has recommended that the taxpayer-funded radio news service bar future live interviews of conservatives

who may have controversial views, following an interview November 16th with Breitbart News' Joel B. Pollak.

Pollak, who serves as Breitbart's Senior Editor-at-Large and In-house Counsel, defended its Executive Chairman Stephen K. Bannon from false and defamatory claims of antisemitism and "white nationalism." He also turned the tables, pointing out that NPR has "racist programming," including a story that called the 2016 election results "nostalgia for a whiter America."

NPR listeners were apparently outraged that anyone



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"Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, And my fingers for battle—"

A Psalm of David, Psalm 144:1

Black Man Shoots Attacker; Protected by Sheriff

by Dean Weingarten,
GunWatch.Blogspot.com

It was Saturday afternoon, the 26th of November, on Highway 138 in Georgia. The traffic was heavy after the college football game between Georgia and Georgia Tech. The game had been a nail biter. Georgia Tech beat Georgia 28-27 in the last 30 seconds of the game. In the heavy traffic after the close game, emotions may have been running high.

That was when Dontavious Chancy pulled in ahead of four men in a pickup truck. Chancy said that they tried to run him off the road. All the vehicles ended up stuck in traffic near Forrester Cemetery Road. The four men approached Chancy's vehicle, a large, late model, silver grey van. They were yelling. Chancy said they called him a monkey, and one of them had a knife. From Atlanta Journal-Constitution's site, ajc.com:

The men got out of the truck and confronted the driver, Chapman said. One of the men swang at the driver multiple times through the car's window. At this point, the driver got a pistol and shot the man who was trying to hit him.

From wsbtv.com:
Eric Levett, Rockdale County Sheriff happened to be stuck in the traffic, several cars back from the shooting. Immediately after the shooting, he left his vehicle and took control of the scene.

"They began yelling, 'this guy just shot my brother, he just shot my brother,'" Levett told Artz.

Levett said he was headed home Saturday, when he witnessed the end of the road-rage incident on Georgia 138 in Walton County.

He said he heard men yelling and then gunfire rang out seconds later.

"I can tell you the one gentleman was in the car by himself, he was solo, alone. And you have four guys approaching you yelling, it appeared to me he feared for his life," Levett said.

Chancy had a concealed carry permit. Sheriff Levett said that he cooperated fully.

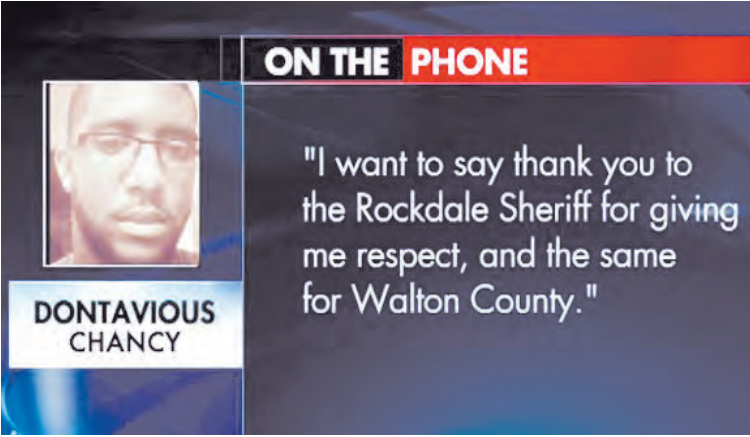
Chancy has not been charged with any crime. It's unclear if the four men are going to be charged.

Some interesting things are not mentioned in the news reporting. It is likely that the four men who

approached Chancy are white. In the video taken directly after the incident, three white men are standing near the man who was shot. They are moved away by local law enforcement. We have a

Investigators on Sunday updated that the shooter was acting in self defense and will not face charges.

It blows apart the whole Black Lives Matter narrative.



likely interracial incident where a single black man shoots a white man. The sheriff, who is on the scene within seconds, protects the black man, does not shoot him, and gives interviews saying that he was probably justified. Chancy is not arrested.

From 11alive.com:
Police believe heavy traffic and high emotions from the game contributed to the incident.

Sheriff Levett is black. But as shown by the recent Crime Prevention Research Center study, black police officers are slightly more likely to shoot black suspects than are white police officers.

From my experience, it is unlikely that the individual shot will be charged with a crime. The wounding and hospitalization will be considered sufficient punishment.

This shooting will not be considered a "justified shooting" in the FBI Uniform Crime Reports (UCR). The FBI UCR definition of a justifiable homicide is that it has to happen during the commission of a related felony. If no felony is reported, there can be no justified shooting, according to the FBI UCR definition. In addition, no one was killed. The FBI UCR does not have a category for justified shooting, only justified homicide.

Because of this and other problems, the FBI UCR grossly under-reports justified homicides. The UCR may catch about one in five.

A black man with a concealed carry permit shoots a white man who was assaulting him. Law enforcement on the scene protects the black shooter.

It will not be reported that way. It does not fit the establishment media's narrative.

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Activists Excited About Future of Silencer Legislation

by Stephen Gutowski,
The Free Beacon

"I'm very excited," Knox Williams, President of the American Suppressor Association (ASA), said. "Honestly, I can't wait to start getting after it."

Sources from within the leading gun rights organizations have pegged reform of silencer laws in their top three priorities, alongside the appointment of a pro-gun Supreme Court justice and a national gun carry reciprocity law. The current silencer legislation, the Hearing Protection Act (HPA) has received significant support, but has yet to make it through Congress.

That bill would remove silencers from the purview of the National Firearms Act of 1934, the law that also regulates fully-automatic firearms. Currently, anyone who wants to purchase a silencer must pay a \$200 tax stamp and wait several months for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to process the required registration forms. It's a process firearms enthusiasts have long complained is more complex than

buying an actual firearm and restricts an item they see as safety equipment.

"They make hunting and shooting safer," SilencerCo CEO Joshua Waldron told the *Washington Free Beacon* in March. "That's an issue that everybody can get behind on both sides of the table."

Williams said the ASA plans to reintroduce the Hearing Protection Act in the next Congress. Right now the group is working to nail down sponsors for the bill in both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

"There's a lot of unknowns," he said. "Trump's going to need to go through and pick out his cabinet. Once that happens we're going to have a lot more of an ability to forecast. I know that we've got a lot of support and I anticipate us getting a lot more support especially since there's no longer the backdrop of 'well, the president is going to veto it anyway so why are we wasting our time?'"

He said ASA plans to reach out to members from both sides of the aisle. "Our primary goal right now is to

get folks in both chambers from both sides of the aisle." Williams said. "On the state level we have a tremendous amount of bipartisan support."

He pointed to recent legislation in New Hampshire that legalized hunting with silencers, the 40th state to do so, as an example of bipartisan success. That bill passed with unanimous support in the Senate. He hopes the Hearing Protection Act can achieve similar bipartisan support.

Williams said his confidence level that the HPA would be passed in the next Congress is "pretty high."

"Will it happen in the first hundred days? Who knows," he said. "That's what we're going for. We're trying to get it done as quick as possible."

He cautioned that it may take longer than many people anticipate because of the many other agenda items President-Elect Trump is likely to pursue, including a Supreme Court nomination.

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"The most important six inches on the battlefield is between your ears."

--General James "Mad Dog" Mattis

Silly Carry Permit Requirements

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Carry permits do not have to be expensive and complex. The New Hampshire permit has been fairly easy to obtain for many years, if you already had a permit from your state of residence.

During the last few months I have renewed a couple of carry permits. It is not intensely difficult, but when you have better things to do, it can be irritating.

Some of the requirements make no sense. Others were obviously put in as poison pills during the passage of the original bill. Many seem designed to discourage people from obtaining a permit.

As John Lott has noted, the more expense, in time or money, or both, that it takes to obtain a permit, the smaller the percentage of people who will make the effort to obtain one. It is not a straight slope. At the end of that scale are people who choose their career so that they can carry the means to protect themselves and their family.

Here are some silly requirements I have noted to obtain a carry permit.

Fingerprints. Silly. Not needed. Several states do not require them. An unnecessary expense and expenditure of time. Florida adds another \$42 to “process finger prints”. Maybe it is a cash cow for them. Arizona recommends two fingerprint cards for their permit, doubling the printing expenditure on the applicant’s part. For Arizona, it is a way to

try to assure a good set of prints. They only submit one copy, and one copy will (if it is legible) be enough for a permit.

Taking of fingerprints by the police. Most people do not have the equipment or training to take their own prints. I do and did. Florida requires that the prints be done by a police agency.

Pictures. Several states do not require pictures. More time and expense. States that do not require pictures usually say that it is a good idea to have a picture ID with your permit. An old friend in Wisconsin just tapes a copy of an expired driver’s license to his Wisconsin permit.

Notary signature to show that you signed the application. I had to do this for the Florida permit. It is not required in most states.

Payment by a restricted method. Arizona, when they passed their law, required that payment be in the form of money orders or certified checks. I suspect that could be overturned by a court. No one has bothered to try. It is another minor inconvenience that must be overcome. Several states allow you to pay by credit card online.

Difficult and costly training. When Arizona started its Shall Issue permit system, it had the longest training requirement of any state. Sixteen hours of training was required. I enjoyed those training classes. You could fit them into a weekend. The instructor did not have much time

left over. But it cut down the number of people willing to obtain a permit substantially. Taking a whole weekend to attend a class is difficult for people with busy lives.

These requirements are small potatoes compared to some that are in place in the states that still have the archaic “may issue” system of

cratic obstacles that he faced were daunting.

Many people say that “The Second Amendment is my permit!” It is an admirable attitude. Unfortunately, in many parts of America, people who carry without big daddy government’s permission, take a serious risk of being arrested, convicted, fined, jailed and hav-

We reduced the training requirement to eight hours, then four, then we added numerous substitutes, such as having served in the Military (a DD214 is sufficient), a hunter safety course or having had training for another state’s permit. We reduced training for renewal from eight hours to four hours to no hours.

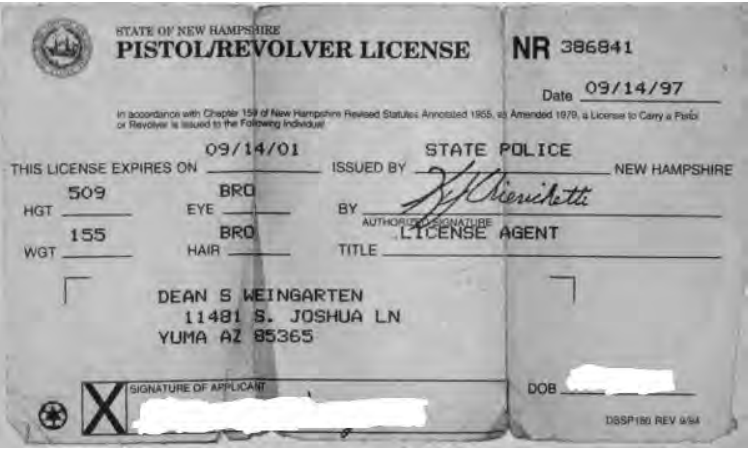
Eventually, we passed “Constitutional” carry, while keeping the much simpler and easier permit system.

Simplifying and making the permit system easier to navigate, moves the system toward “Constitutional” carry. When obtaining a permit is easier, the number of people with permits increases. This increases political clout with the legislature, and reinforces the belief that carry and self-defense are widely supported, mainstream activities. It increases the number of Second Amendment activists.

The Arizona permit system can be improved considerably beyond what it is. But once you obtain “Constitutional” carry, the incentive to improve the permit system is diminished.

An intermediate step toward “Constitutional” carry nationwide, would be competition among the states for a cheap, easy, permit that is recognized nationwide.

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permits. I consider it a “feudal” system, in that it gives significant power to some authority, often a police chief or sheriff, sometimes a committee, to arbitrarily grant or deprive individual permits. The “may issue” system is invariably corrupted as officials, being human, are swayed into granting permits to people with political clout and money, and who find mechanisms and reasons to not grant permits to those who they dislike or are simply inclined to ignore.

John Stossel, who has money and clout, was denied a permit in New York City. He produced a TV segment on it. The bureau-

ing many rights taken away, including voting. I wish it were not so. Second Amendment activists work toward the day when the Second Amendment is fully enforced in all American territories.

The incremental approach with permits is working. In Arizona, we started with no permit. Then we passed shall issue with 16 hours of training. The 16 hours were intensely enjoyable for me as an instructor. With prep, I could fit it into a weekend of two long days. But many busy people find an entire weekend difficult to make time for. Exercise of Second Amendment rights was chilled.

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from Breitbart News had been given an opportunity to defend the website and its chairman.

In her response, “Listeners: Two Recent Interviews Are ‘Normalizing Hate Speech’,” Jensen concluded that the live format had allowed Pollak to get the better of host Steve Inskeep.

She suggested that future interviews be taped: “In addition, in my opinion, these interviews should not be

done live. Inskeep is an excellent live interviewer, but live interviews are difficult, especially when there is limited time. A little contextualizing never hurts.”

In other words, live interviews make it hard to fake the interview. In the Reagan years, the press complained that Reagan sat for few taped interviews and he preferred giving speeches to be covered live. Trump seems to have learned this and taken it to another level with the use of social media. What he was able to

do is keep the media on the wrong foot, always playing defense, even when they thought they had him, like with the fake bimbo stories. By being unpredictable, he was impossible to script.

It’s a good lesson for the Dissidents doing interviews on Lefty media. Avoid anything that is taped and only do live interviews. Supporting media that supports you has a corollary. Don’t support media that is at war with you. If you are at an event, just ignore the people with cameras and

microphones. When you see people claiming to be prominent members of the alt-right, for example, begging to be on CNN or FNC, it is a safe bet that they are just in it for the money and you would be wise to tune them out and drop them from your rotation.

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Politics & The Bible From Pastor Jim



Jim Modlish has been in ministry 50 years, pastoring churches from upstate New York to 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, happily returned to their home state in 2006. He is currently the founding pastor of Huerfano Community Bible Church in



Walsenburg. 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 the King James Version.

Go Hug A Liberal!

There is a fundamental difference between those who give credence to the Bible as the "Good Book" and those who accept it as the "Word of God." The "credence crowd" puts limitations on the Scriptures believing it only provides general guidance for wholesome living. In contrast, the "literal lot" embraces a faith that dictates a confidence in the "The Book" that is boundless. Simply put, the Word of God exceeds "containing truth," but is rather the depository of all truth. (John 17:17) One of the grand products of that conviction is the knowledge that all major human events, all politics, all ethnic groups, all perversion, all religion, all sin, all liberalism, all conservationism and all righteousness has already been addressed in the Scriptures. God leaves it to the "discerning workman" (II Timothy 2:15) to mine the nuggets of history that shine light on the contemporary.

More than ancient Greece, Rome, England or other Europeans, the record of Israel influenced our founders in the construction of the United States of America. It's important to note that it is the "United States," not "United People." The twelve tribes of Israel were each assigned a portion of real estate and told not to interfere with the business of others. (Numbers 36:7-9) This was the genesis of "states' rights" which cultivated the concept of the "Electoral College." Some of the tribes were numerically large while others were small. The disadvantaged tribe of Issachar deserved a voice along with the populated states. An effort to partially resolve this is demonstrated in I Chronicles 12:23-40 with special emphasis on verse 32. In the wake of the Democrats' loss, the Liberals are clamoring for a popular vote which would result in New York, California, Florida, Texas, Illinois and one or two others controlling any election. Most of those states are already bastions of blue; Wyoming would effectively be a non-vote.

Majority votes can be problematic if God's thoughts have been dismissed from the process. The last sixty years have witnessed an all-out assault by the media and the educational system on Biblical values and principles. Moses sent a reconnaissance patrol into the land of Canaan with instructions to return with a report. (Numbers 13) The spies delivered a glowing rundown about the productivity of the earth but the occupiers terrified them. When a proposal of advancement was submitted, only Joshua and Caleb gave a thumbs up. The nation was polled, responding with: "And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt." (Numbers 14:4) Individual liberty accompanied with equivalent responsibility has always been the choice of a minority. The masses prefer the safety net of total-

itarianism, even when slavery is the final "solution". A modern rendition could be: "Please give us a leader that will take us back to the land of high taxes, more regulations and little freedom. We will be content to live under the extended grace of Queen Hillary." (see Exodus 14:12) That was the message of the majority...thank God for the Electoral College.

The Bible is a journal of contrast, pitting evil against righteousness and liberty against bondage. "Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." (II Corinthians 3:17) Human history has provided a landscape of adversaries opposing emancipation, none more determined than the primitive Philistines. Their very existence was predicated upon a notion that has escaped the attention of the Scholars Union. "Now these are the nations which the Lord left, to prove Israel by them, even as many of Israel as had not known all the wars of Canaan; Only that the generations of children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof; Namely, five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites and the Sidonians, and the Hivites....And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of the Lord..." (Judges 3:1-4)

The Philistines were ruled by lords, an upgrade from kings, something akin to dictators with a phone and a pen. They favored cities for dwelling contrary to the red counties of the country. (I Samuel 6) God characterizes them as proud (Zechariah 9:6), vengeful (Ezekiel 25:15), superstitious (Isaiah 2:6), warlike (I Samuel 17:1; 28:1), and idolatrous (I Samuel 5). Their principal deity was Dagon the fish god, fulfilling Paul's comment: "And changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things." (Romans 1:23) Space will not allow expansion on these traits, but the knowledgeable reader can draw the necessary analogies.

When the Philistines trotted out Goliath to challenge Israel, a paradigm was issued that remains to this day.... Liberals select celebrities to espouse their cause, ignoring the factory worker at Carrier. The champion of the pagans was defeated by a shepherd illiterate of the protocols of the beltway; the vanquished ran for the weeds utterly dismayed that the polls were so inaccurate. Liberty enjoyed a reprieve, but the Philistines were always hanging around waiting for the next generation to be dumbed down a bit more. In the spirit of Christian charity, hug a Liberal today...they are needed if Conservatives will maintain a sharp edge.

A Sheepdog Barks!

I keep thinking that Obama cannot possibly do or say anything more outrageous than he already has. But I am wrong. I just listened to him poison the minds of our military in a speech at MacDill AFB. It was a biased, political, ideological rant that was almost totally false and mostly delusional. It was pure propaganda to prop up his legacy as our commander in chief. He went on and on distorting the realities of his haphazard war on ISIS. He blamed Bush for the failure to secure a Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) to keep troops in Iraq when they were most needed. He said HE did NOT create ISIS by prematurely pulling out of Iraq. He blamed everyone else. HOWL! He described taking the fight to ISIS which was a series of lies and deceptions about what he really did. He distorted everything he has done as commander in chief and had the troops so confused they actually applauded when he said he was the first POTUS in our history to be at war for his entire two term presidency. HOWL! That is nothing to be proud of and didn't deserve ANY applause. But he said it with his sing-song preacher voice and then paused, inviting the misguided applause. He spent a lot of time justifying his poor actions and in describing how one fights for many years without any intent to win. HOWL! It was fantasy-land rhetoric and I felt very sad that so many young servicemen and women were used as props as he delivered a partisan attack on the U.S. Congress and President-Elect Trump. It was all political Bullpoo and disgusting to watch and listen to and it was shameful. I wish some courageous soldier would have screamed out "you lie." WOOF!

I'm kinda mad at Trump. Now I'm gonna give him a chance to take care of business and I'm counting on him being unorthodox and non-establishment. But I have to tell you there are two things he's done already that have gotten my neck fur up. He has no business talking to that RINO Mitt Romney. Mitt is a loser. He was a terrible candidate and made no real effort to win. A chimpanzee could have beaten a second-term Obama. He

would be a Secretary of State like John Kerry. We don't need a darn diplomat. We need a Giuliani. The "Mayor" would send a real message to the world that America means business. Now I know Trump might be just playing us all, especially the LPSDs (Liberal Progressive Socialist Democrats) and the MSM (mainstream media), but I don't like it. I will hold back until he actually makes a selection but the thought of "Secretary Romney" makes me very angry. WOOF! The second thing is talking to the charlatan Al Gore. I don't believe one darn thing about his climate change/global warming lies. He got rich trying to convince everyone that the polar ice caps would be completely gone by now and that NYC would be under water by 2017. What utter LPSD nonsense. His book should have been titled "Convenient Lies." Why in the world would Trump provide Gore any credibility by meeting with him. That was wrong. WOOF!

I don't expect to agree with President Trump 100% of the time. I've always figured that if you can agree with a politician about 85-90% of the time that's good enough (*I know that I would be the only perfect president*). But there are a few promises that cannot be violated or broken to keep this sheepdog happy. Trump better darn well remember who "brung" him to the dance. Now having gotten that off my chest, I'll wait and see what he does. I know he likes to mess with everyone, especially the press. He plays them like a cheap set of bongo drums and that gives me a lot of pleasure. After eight years of Obama and zero years of HilLIARY I'm a little impatient. Sorry! WOOF!

Obama tried hard to get HilLIARY elected. And as usual he made it all about him. In the last desperate days he told his supporters that this election was all about his legacy. That if they didn't elect Clinton it was a failure of his policies and all the "good" he's done for America. It was about "me, me, me." HOWL! Well Barack, America spoke and they rejected you and your LPSD agenda. I can't imagine how it's gonna be – having to look UP at Jimmy Carter on



the rank-ordered chart of successful presidents. WOOF!

Alas, as Obama goes out the door let me be fair and give credit where credit is due. He accomplished two major things during his presidency and we must acknowledge those. First he very successfully accomplished his main promise and objective. He "fundamentally" changed America. We all know it just wasn't for the better. He has divided America more than it has even been in our history and set the world ablaze while apologizing for America and leading from behind. A terrible waste of eight years! Second and maybe his most significant accomplishment, was creating the strongest Republican Party since the 1920s. The net losses for the Democrats at the federal, state and local levels are "off the chart" good for conservative Americans who love and respect the Constitution of the United States. Good job Barack! For that we love you. WOOF!

The biased media cannot control themselves they are so upset. It's actually fun to watch. I'm most amused however by the big headline – Designer so and so will not "dress" First Lady Melania Trump. Really? I bet that has the Trumps sad and upset. What is Melania to do? How will she go out in public? This is a disaster for America! We all need to do something. Maybe a Go Fund Me site could be set up so she could afford to buy some nice clothes somewhere, anywhere. What silliness. I laugh when I think how those "designers" were going to "dress" HilLIARY! Just how many ways can you make pantsuits with stripes look presidential? WOOF!

More good news. Obama only has 42 days left to screw up America. WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



ther's ballot to the election department. I met a man who was also walking in to vote. He said, "I saw you early this morning waving your signs. I wasn't going to vote. I didn't think Trump has a chance to win. But when I saw your group out waving, I felt I needed to do my part and go vote." That said it all for us. The Trump Street Team did its part. The win in Pueblo for Trump in a Democrat bastion was indeed historic.

(Editor/GG: An outstanding effort by THE PEOPLE. An inspirational story of how to get it down at the street level. We only had two Trump sign wavers here in Westcliffe - should have had a hundred. The apathy of the republican base is appalling. Fox News, email and Facebook do NOT cut it folks if you want to save America. Get off your bu**. Thank God for people like Becky and The Trump Street Team. The Pueblo County results were Clinton, 35,875 and Trump 36,265. Wow.)

Becky Mizel's Bio:

Becky Mizel is the former Pueblo County GOP chairman. Her county was the only local county party to openly support the grassroots efforts in the historic recall effort of Angela Giron in 2013. Pueblo County had the highest percent of GOP Get out the Vote in Colorado in 2014. Becky openly exposed voting irregularities that occurred in Pueblo County in the elections of 2012 and 2014. Becky was Tom Tancredo's Pueblo Campaign Director in 2010, garnering over 19,000 votes vs. the Pueblo GOP numbers of 9800. Much of the outreach used in Pueblo in 2010 were used in the Pueblo Trump Street Team to help elect Mr. Trump in Pueblo County. She was a board member of Southern Colorado Tea Party and Liberty Action Group. She has been an active Republican for over 40 years in Colorado and Texas. Becky was responsible along with Council Woman Vera Ortegón, to have Pueblo officially recognize Constitution Day. She taught hundreds of students the Constitution through Liberty Day in the schools and through the Center for American Values.

Becky is widowed and has one son Max, who is attending UC Davis, working on his Doctorate in Environmental Engineering and Water.

Becky is semi-retired from a 34-year career in nursing and health care administration.

Pueblo Trump organizers distributed 5,000 yards signs to Pueblo and neighboring counties.

Photos Courtesy of Becky Mizel

George H W Bush

Pueblo Trump organizers Becky Mizel, Jennifer and Dr. Keith Lorensen, along with others, Susan Carr, Roxie McNames Paine, Jack Roberts, Joseph Santoro, Hal and Elaine Bowen, Dr. Bruce and Debbie Johnson, Bernice Rivera, Jennifer Krutshke, Marla and Steve Reichert, Carole Morenz, Dr. Chuck and Barb Schneider, Mary Tonne and many others organized early on with a mix of GOP, Tea Party activists, unaffiliated voters and former GOP party chairs Frances Mathews and Tom Ready. Before the primary, an early social media presence was formed on Facebook; Coloradans for Trump

The Pueblo group decided to approach campaigning and get out the vote effort with an outside out of the box in your face but friendly method. This effort was not coordinated with the Colorado GOP/ RNC or the Colorado Trump campaign which made the decision to let the Colorado GOP and RNC guide and direct the campaigns efforts. After the primary, the “Pueblo Trump Street Team” was developed and deployed. This team literally hit the streets on corners in the busiest times with positive messaging for Trump that would resonate with local Puebloans. Being on corners engaged in eye to eye direct contact, reaching thousands daily, we encountered drivers who were about 5:1 positive for Trump. We also encountered nasty anti-Trump vitriol, resulting in being sworn at with the worst possible language, things thrown at us and a few

contagious. The National Trump campaign heard of our efforts and designated 5,000 yard signs and eighteen 4x8 signs the team put together and distributed to smaller counties such as

ductive without a positive convincing message-to-go along with the face to face contact. “Who do you hate less, Trump or Hillary?” is hardly positive messaging and was used for a time



Pueblo Trump Street Team Patriot, Jennifer Lorensen, gets the word out with their own signs before the Trump campaign heard of their efforts.

Courtesy photo

Custer, Teller and Fremont. The team wore Trump hats to local bars, coffee shops, grocery stores and restaurants talking to all who would listen. Colorful eye catching banners were developed by Carl Lorensen with themes and messaging that resonate with Pueblos, such as, “Trump Loves Steel”, “Trump Digs Coal”, “Trump for Borders”, “Trump for Safety”, “Save our Guns - Vote Trump” and “Americans for Trump”. Endless hours were spent on street corners talking with drivers face to face and passing out yard signs. Phone calls and door knocking by the GOP also occurred. Telephone banks, though necessary, result in most recipients of the calls either not answering or hanging up. Hang

with the Trump get out the vote effort in Pueblo. Nor does it help down ballot candidates by setting negative messaging at the top of the ticket.

Many days the Trump Street Team was discouraged. We persevered due to the energy of the driver's honking and waving in encouragement. And the hope Trump could win and possibly we could play a part. Many said our street waving and outreach efforts were worthless, even discouraged us from doing it. Pundits and media said Trump had no chance.

Election Day the Pueblo Trump Street Team began waving early, until dark, talking to people and reminding drivers to vote. That day, I hand delivered my ballot and my aging fa-



Trump Street Team members Joseph Santoro, Becky Mizel and Jack Roberts bringing Trump signs to the people

Courtesy Photo

structed paid and volunteer door knockers to say, “Who do you hate least - Trump or Hillary?” – hardly an inspirational message to convince people to vote Trump.

While those in Colorado GOP power held their noses about the crass, brash, populist Trump, one completely unexpected county in Colorado voted and won for Trump, in a 3:1 Democrat majority: Pueblo County.

Trump's candidacy rang true with a few activists in Colorado early on. Es-

safety of citizens. Union labor leaders did little to push back against TPP. Voters had had enough. They stopped voting and left the Democrat and Republican Party in record numbers. Everyday citizens no longer believed politicians had the best interests of Americans in mind. Pueblo mirrored the other “Rust Belt” states that voted for Trump, across ethnic lines.

Then Trump came on the scene. Trump brought the average citizen an air of optimism with his theme “Make America Great Again”. Americans didn’t

If you want to know what vile despicable acts the left is up to you only have to look as far as what they are accusing the right of. If you study 1938 Germany and the Nazi takeover and propaganda machine, this is

abundantly apparent. Their old tried and true method of if they don't like anything claims racism is so overused and tired and worn now, it's almost laughable; when in fact it is the left that is moving minorities back towards slavery and dependence on the government as the slave owner.

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