

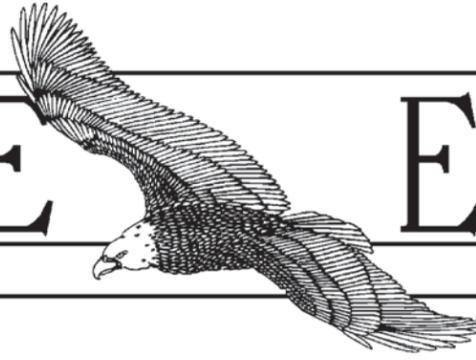
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Hacking the vote: Vulnerabilities in the American election system

by Lisa Cyriacks

Awareness of election security issues has increased slowly since the 2016 general election.

The Department of Homeland Security had testified before the US Senate Intelligence Committee that more than half of states' elections systems had been infiltrated in 2016. While all system owners had been informed of the breach, hardly any state and local election officials were informed.

Mid-July Justice Department Special Counsel Robert Mueller re-

vealed, in an indictment accusing a dozen Russian military intelligence officers of illegally hacking top Democrats, that some of them visited county election websites.

Russian meddling in the 2016 election is now almost universally acknowledged thanks to Mueller's investigation. And while there's no evidence that Moscow's cyberactivity changed vote totals, we know Russian agents targeted voting systems in at least 21 states—and that whatever methods the Russians

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Everyone was happy learning about solar ovens at a previous Crestone Energy Fair. This year's fair is Sept. 7, 8, 9. **See feature on page 12.**
photo by Lori Nagel

Busy month for Search & Rescue

by Mary Lowers

The month of August saw Sa-guache County Search and Rescue (SCSR) on two back-to-back rescue missions on opposite sides of the county. The rescue call on August 10 was for the Willow Lake head-wall area and the mission on August 11 was for the area of Marshall Pass west of Villa Grove.

In the mid-afternoon of August 10 a man phoned 911 telling

the emergency operator that his 60 year-old wife was experiencing intense abdominal pain while they were hiking near the Willow Lake headwall. He told the dispatcher that they had water and food but no warm clothes or rain gear. SCSR called in the Flight for Life helicopter and was communicating with the Forest Service who had contact with the hikers. The Gunnison Hot Shot Search and Rescue ground

team was called.

At around 4:30pm the Flight for Life helicopter landed among the search and rescue vehicles at the Crestone soccer field. They had, despite lightening their load, been unable to land at Willow Lake. SCSR immediately sent up a two-person ground team, with another team carrying a litter following them up the mountain shortly thereafter. At about 7:40pm the

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Thanks for the beauty

Dear Editor,

Giving thanks, love and much gratitude again this summer for the beautification of downtown Crestone with the wonderful flowers and trees. It is a pleasure and joy to drive through town with their loving presence.

Thanks to all who have participated to help our community be unique. Wishes for light, peace and love to all.

Julie Kove

Art for Neighbors thank you

Dear Editor,

Local artist Nick Keefer's America in Stone show at Shumei in July was a rousing success. The artist very generously donated over \$900 from his sales to Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN), our local nonprofit helping people in crisis. Nick's pieces in this show drew the viewer into images reflecting the layers, distances, and forms of life's continuous journey. The hues and history of the San Luis and Taos valleys along the Rio Grande's journey are depicted in several pieces. Keefer says, "I guess I think the true artist should walk that line. That line between darkness and light, happiness and misery, madness and sanity." Keefer's art takes the viewer on that walk.

With great appreciation,

Mary Lowers & NHN Board of Directors

Cooperation, communication, consideration & compliance

Dear Editor,

I am writing to announce that I am seeking re-election to the Baca Grande POA Board of Directors (BOD).

When I was first elected 4 years ago, I had no idea how legally binding our governing documents are. And how legally bound the BOD is to uphold them.

I notice that when elections for the BOD come around, the word "transparency" starts to pop up, the purpose being to cast suspicion on the current board and imply some sort of conspiracy of withholding vital information.

The word I want to use is "communication". And communication is a 2-way street.

We have a hard-working office staff here to answer your questions and help in any way they can. You may not get an answer right away, as research may be required. You may not like the answer you get. But there is no effort to withhold any information that members are entitled to. Mistakes and miscommunications have happened but we are making better communication

Crestone Eagle Community Media non-profit created, funders welcomed to make it soar

The Crestone Eagle is moving forward to becoming a non profit tax exempt entity. The non profit, *Crestone Eagle Community Media* (CECM) was created this spring. It has a five-person board of directors, Frank Judson, Daniel Frelka, Kizzen Laki, David Elliot and Peter Anderson with Cindy Pearson Garcia as an alternate. CECM is now waiting to get approval from the Internal Revenue Service to have tax-exempt status. It is hoped this process will be completed by the end of this year.

Exciting ideas have been discussed at the board meetings—to continue with *The Crestone Eagle* publication, to expand the website, to broaden the ability and scope of the *Eagle* to be a place for information and news about Crestone and the greater region.

The CECM's mission statement is:

"*Crestone Eagle Community Media* (CECM) is established to be a continuing resource for community-networking and information-sharing for the Town of Crestone, the Baca Grande and the Northern San Luis Valley in Colorado—a low-income, underserved, rural population.

"The mission of *Crestone Eagle Community Media* is to facilitate an informed and interconnected citizenry by publishing a local newspaper/magazine, managing a website, and using other communications designed to inform and engage the public. The community needs CECM will address encompass the publication of local events, necessary public health and safety notices, reports on cultural and historical issues of local interest, assist with economic development, connect businesses with patrons and provide information on the numerous spiritual centers in the region.

"CECM educates locals and visitors about the hundreds of thousands of acres of public lands that surround our communities. The CECM reports on the arts, education, outdoor recreation, tourism opportunities, wildlife and our region's natural beauty."

Currently, the goal is to have sufficient funds committed to be donated to *Crestone Eagle Community Media* in order to purchase *The Crestone Eagle* from Kizzen Laki and to have an amount in reserve to ensure a good start to the non profit. The new *Eagle* is looking for those individuals or organizations that wish to be founding members. Please contact CECM Secretary/Treasurer Dan Frelka for more information on how to be a funder at P.O. Box 28, Crestone, CO 81131, or dfrelka@gmail.com or call him at 1-602-790-0021.

Your participation in this exciting endeavor is welcomed and greatly appreciated. Let's keep the *Eagle* flying.

Editor's Notes

A place in the heart

This past month has been hard for our greater community. Several deaths have caused heartbreak. Some were expected, yet still deeply touched our hearts. Others, a real tragedy. In such a small community, we know and feel each other. Whether we are close or not, we are part of the web of life here.

We welcome new life, and we grieve our losses. We stand in a moving circle under these mountains and stars. Let us acknowledge each other. And as the magnificent Ms. Aretha would say, respect each other.

The world is crazy right now. We all feel and see the earth responding to the stresses we've placed on her. The politics are beyond crazy . . . and yet, and yet . . . there is a core of good and beauty.

This morning I stepped outside to a wonderful world. Garden is at its finest. Bees are all over the sage buzzing happily. Deer are in velvet. The sky is a clear blue, finally free of smoke. My family is well. I'm blessed with much love. I give thanks for this moment. I feel so fortunate to live where I do with the people who also live here.

Now more than ever it is important to appreciate the good. Important to reach out because we all have days of heavy hearts. Important to maintain our balance in this shifting world. To stand in this place of beauty and hold firm to a place in our heart.

The Teyuna came and reminded us of that. They came a very long ways to tell us to honor the Earth, ourselves and each other. Seems simple enough. Yet it is our biggest challenge.

I send love to all those who have suffered loss. Take care.

The wheel keeps turning. Summer is moving into a glorious fall. From the top of the Rockies,
 —Kizzen

our priority.

This is a POA and living in this community requires cooperation, communication, consideration of your neighbors and compliance with our governing documents. I am proud to be a part of this community and to serve on the BOD.

Sincerely,
 Joanna Theriault

Ed Sbarbaro for the POA Board

Dear Fellow POA-ists

The important annual POA election is nearing and we will all get to vote for three candidates to fill the three open slots. The current board has worked harmoniously and efficiently to collect unpaid dues and fines and to move forward on many new projects for the Association. Therefore, we are enthusiastic about the re-election of currently serving Joanna Theriault and Mark Repp to continue this progress and to take advantage of their experience. The third open slot is that of Matie Belle Lakish, retiring after a distinguished role that only she could have played. We feel that this now open spot should be filled by Ed Sbarbaro. Ed serves on the Environment and Architectural Committee and attends practically every meeting of the POA board. A retired college teacher, Ed has built his own home in Crestone. A sociologist by profession, he is a keen believer in the importance of the communicative process and he looks to engage the many of us who aren't very involved. We have here three very good candidates.

Bill Sutherland and Judy Gilbert

Crestone Energy Fair

Dear Readers,

We invite you to kick off this year's event with our Community Potluck on Friday, Sept. 7 at 4pm to celebrate our seeds, gardens and food, which bring us together in sharing abundance. This will be followed by our Opening Reception to honor past and current coordinators, presenters and musicians to highlight past successes, showcase Building Design Guidelines and view our new Energy Fair slideshow.

In addition to our usual alternative energy, solar and building design workshops, we encourage you to take a deeper look at how our relationships affect the overall energy of our community. Presenters will host discussions that dive deeper into our communication methods, restorative circles and how we repair harm for the benefit of all. We also have body movement modalities offered such as breathwork, Tai Chi and Qi Gong that help move emotions and stagnant energies as well as our amazing music lineup so we can celebrate and connect through dance! Many volunteer opportunities are still available and we encourage you to see how you can creatively contribute your unique skills and energy! We are actively seeking sponsorships and donations in an effort to value all of the hard-working folks who have volunteered their time—visit our Go Fund Me page at www.gofundme.com/crestone-energy-fair.

In service,
 Lisa Bodey,
 CEF Co-Coordinator



Stephanie Elizabeth Reininger

May 18, 1956-June 15, 2018

Stephanie Elizabeth Reininger went to be with the Lord on June 15, 2018, in Crestone, Colorado at the age of 62.

Stephanie was born in Chicago, Illinois to Harold and Edna Larsen on May 18, 1956. She was married to Joseph for 40 years. Stephanie worked for Widefield Elementary School in Colorado Springs for 16 years. She lived the last 2 years of her life in Crestone, which she considered “the most beautiful place on earth.”

She is survived by her husband, Joseph, and daughters Sarah Oliver, Susanna DeSersa, and Serenity Reininger; brothers Harold, Samuel, and David Larsen, and sister Malinda Mann; and three grandchildren, Michael, Mia, and Elise Oliver.

Celebrations of Life were held for her in Colorado Springs in June for family and the many friends she made during her 30 years there and in Moffat at the Free Spirit Church, which she so dearly loved, in July for her new friends in the Crestone area.



Edward Jamar Ross Reid

March 4, 1987-August 9, 2018

Edward Jamar Ross Reid, 31, was born on March 4, 1987. Kidding around, Edward who had a great sense of humor, said he was “born to march forth.” He passed away at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs on August 9, 2018 following complications from surgery and the physical stress of lifelong Type I Diabetes

Edward and his mother Joan Marie Stock moved to Crestone to make a fresh start. As they drove down the T Road he told his mom, “Can’t you see the mountain’s pulling me in.”

Edward graduated from the Crestone Charter School (CCS) in 2007. He loved CCS and his classmates. Some of his favorite school experiences include working with Ivan Lakish in a metal working mentorship where he made a treasured knife, and the class trip to New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina where the students helped in rebuilding efforts.

Edward loved sports, from snowboarding to football. In basketball Edward was often the player called in for three-point shots because his aim was so accurate. He was an avid gamer and a jokester who got great joy from making people laugh.

Edward attended a culinary arts school in Virginia after graduating high school. He got a lot out of the two-year program. He told friends and family, “Cooking is bliss.” Joan and Edward moved back to Crestone where sadly his health went downhill. Joan said, “Edward loved life despite his health challenges. He fought to live because he loved life.”

Edward was laid to rest in a green burial ceremony at Crestone Cemetery on August 16, 2018. Shumei, Threshold Choir singers, Juniper, Kofi and Isaline and a circle of friends and family sent Edward’s spirit off. He was lowered into the grave by six of his friends. Edward is survived by his mother Joan and his dog Sunshine. His grave faces the mountain he loved. May he rest in peace.

Ilene Aliyah Jaffe Alexander

July 17, 1953 ~ August 5, 2018

On Saturday, August 5, in the town of Crestone, Colorado, Ilene Aliyah Jaffe Alexander, 65, left this world, or as she would say it, “went home.” Present with her were her adoring daughter and son Casey Miller Atre and Jordan Alexander (39 and 32), her close friends, and a number of devoted caregivers. Ilene’s beloved grandchildren and the lights of her life, River and Luc Atre (6 and 4), attended her open-air cremation ceremony on the following Wednesday, August 8, offering their artwork and love to “Gram,” following what had been a beautiful and unconventionally honest final summer together.



Ilene, who later in life adopted the Hebrew name Aliyah, meaning “spiritual ascent,” personally designed the ceremony for her own end of life ascension. Aliyah’s loving brothers and sister-in-law, Dale, Lee and Suzanne Jaffe, gathered on Wednesday alongside the members of the Crestone community at the country’s only open-air cremation site where everyone opened their hearts to fulfill Aliyah’s final wish. Accompanied by the songs of the Native American flute, Aliyah’s beloveds sang and read poems, offering exaltations to the grandness of her life, the wealth of her warm spirit, and her trademark Jaffe humor, which accompanied Aliyah throughout the length of her days.

From her childhood in her home town of Scranton, Pennsylvania where she enjoyed competitive swimming and aquatics, she cruised south on her motorcycle to school in Miami, Florida, before gaining her masters in Social Work at Tulane in New Orleans, and settling down to begin her life’s work of practicing psychotherapy. Many years, many friends, and many horses later, she found herself with the greatest challenge of her life: “The Illness.” It was the manner in which she met this challenge, with the unprecedented levels of grace and beauty (expressed adeptly in the Songs of the Labyrinth writings), which inspired all of those around her to smile more, complain less, and to let love into their hearts.

Aliyah found the challenges of her degenerative illness to be a gift. Using her computer’s voice dictation software Aliyah wrote a book on the subject, never wavering in her belief that through her complete physical immobilization she would finally be able to calm her mind and begin the work of learning her true self; in her words, to follow her “soul’s curriculum.” As all who knew her would attest, the illness had won the battle over her (beloved) body, but it never could, and never would win the war for her indomitable spirit.

Her spiritual beliefs ranged wide, at the core of them was her belief that the Universe is an inherently loving place. This faith carried Aliyah through the hardest of moments, the fears of mortality’s end, the losing of functionality of her body; she teetered on the edge of life for so long that she became acquainted, even comfortable with the liminal space between life and death.

Rather than take this illusive spiritual journey alone in darkness, Aliyah sparked a candle in the place we so infrequently allow light in, offering seeds into the labyrinth of living and dying for the rest of us to wander in and follow, to truly be with her in the elegance of death. May her flame guide us now as we share our own love and laughter together, remembering those who came before, those who will come after, and the lives of those of us in-between.

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Carjacking is not the way to travel

(really, next time take the bus)

by Mary Lowers

Evidently John Christopher Rhees of Texas was bound and determined to keep going down the road no matter what happened to get in the way. The story begins around 9am on August 3 when Sergeant Richard Pascoe of the Saguache County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) was dispatched to a Saguache residence to take a report on a stolen 1997 green Chevy Lumina.

The woman whose car was stolen told the Sergeant the following story, explaining how her car got stolen: a white Chevy Blazer SUV pulls into her driveway off US Hwy. 285 and an unknown male gets out of the Blazer and hops in her Lumina, starting it up. The woman leaves her house and yells at the man in her car. He gets out and gives her a story about his vehicle being out of gas, having an injured wrist and how his "buddy" had said he could use the Lumina to get to the hospital. The woman told him that his buddy did not live at her house, it was her car and he could not use it. He got out of the car full of apologies and the woman started to go back inside. The man then jumped in her Lumina and raced south down the highway.

As Sergeant Pascoe examined the Chevy Blazer the carjacker had abandoned he observed it sported yellow caution lights on top and that there was a construction helmet on the back seat. After running the license plates he found the Blazer was registered

to Pavement Maintenance Services out of Salida. Turns out a Mr. Powers had reported that his work truck was stolen from his home on the top of Poncha Pass. Pascoe went to the residence to interview Powers and then gave him a ride to Saguache to pick up the vehicle. Powers said nothing was missing from the Blazer and it was undamaged. The paving company did not feel the need to press charges.

While up on Poncha Pass, Sergeant Pascoe noticed a pickup parked on the shoulder of the highway. When he ran the plates on the gray Toyota pickup it was registered to a John Christopher Rhees out of Texas. The description of the thief given to the sergeant by the Powers family was of a white male with longish blond hair and a large black backpack. This description matched Texas motor vehicle records for Rhees. The Toyota was towed to be used as evidence.

The following day when Sergeant Pascoe went to work at the SCSO he had a report that the missing Chevy Lumina had been located in Durango. Police there had impounded the car and sent the driver to the hospital for a wrist injury. The driver as it turned out was none other than John Christopher Rhees. The Lumina was not harmed and was returned to its rightful owner and Rhee's carjacking journey landed him in jail.

Saguache County Crime Report

by Mary Lowers

In August a Denver man, 45, was fined \$510 for violating the county-wide fire ban on July 14. He faced two charges: one for having an open fire and another for burning trash. While we have had barely enough moisture to lift the fire ban, it is lifted in the county. People need to be extra careful as the valley is still dangerously dry. Check if the town you are in still has a ban in effect. Open fires are not allowed in the Town of Crestone.

Sheriff Dan Warrick says illegal marijuana grows are down as compared to last year. "We do not have as many large, illegal grows as last year. A lot of them have picked up and left." So maybe the pot gold rush is leveling out.

Robbery, violation of a witness/victim, violation of bail/bond conditions, theft, and third degree assault landed a Romeo man, 51, in jail with a bail amount of \$100,000 listed. A Center man, 34, was jailed in Saguache for DUI, driving under restraint, vehicle eluding, driving while ability is impaired, reckless endangerment, and criminal impersonation. His bail was set at \$5000. A Crestone man, 29, was booked on charges of domestic violence, child abuse, harassment, and false imprisonment. His bail amount was \$3000. A Cordell, OK man, 48, was jailed for second degree criminal trespass with \$250 bail listed.

As the county-wide warrant sweep continues, a Center man, 21, was given \$300 bail on failure to appear charges. Failure to appear and fugitive from justice charges landed a Center man, 18, in jail with a \$750 bail. A homeless man, 37, was jailed in Saguache on two fugitive from justice charges. His bail was listed as \$1000.

Kidnapping & sexual assaults

by Mary Lowers

Two Saguache County sexual assault cases were filed with the District Attorney in August. The first incident occurred July 13. Gerald Nusbaum, a La Garita man, 18, was charged with sexual assault on a child by a person of trust. The molestation occurred while the perpetrator was working for the family of the four-year-old male victim. The accused man was jailed in Saguache with \$50,000 bail listed. The second sexual assault case happened at Valley View Hot Springs. Charles Hastings, 40, of Pueblo was charged with sexual assault on child, age six. No bail amount was listed in this case.

In August Baca resident David Freeman, 60, was extradited from Utah to Saguache County and booked into jail. Freeman faces charges of second degree kidnapping and enticement of a child. He left the state with a twelve-year-old boy in July, prompting a nationwide Amber Alert. The child told authorities in Utah he did not feel safe at home. Doctor's examination indicated the boy had been hit with a belt hard enough to leave a mark days after the punishment was dealt. The child's father admitted to using a belt to punish his son, the boy is now in custody of a family friend and both parent and child are receiving counseling. Saguache Social Services Director, Linda Warsh, said her office is carefully monitoring this case.

Moffat woman killed in car crash, two children seriously injured

by Mary Lowers

According to the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) and Valley Publishing, Mitzi Hunter-Young, 50, of Moffat died on the scene of an accident when her truck rolled over. Two children, also from Moffat, who were passengers in Hunter-Young's pickup, a boy, 9, and a girl, 10 were transported by ambulance from the scene with serious injuries.

The two-vehicle accident occurred in Alamosa County on August 20, at 6:20pm at the intersection of CR 4N and CR 6E. According to the CSP report, Cindy Tucker, 32, of Center was driving east on CR 4 in her VW Jetta. She failed to stop at the intersection of CR 6E and struck Hunter-Young's Toyota pickup on the right rear of the vehicle. Tucker's car came to rest on the east shoulder of the road. The Toyota pickup spun a quarter turn and rolled one and a half times landing on its top. Hunter-Young and the two children in the truck with her were all ejected. None of the Toyota's passengers were wearing seat belts.



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Death investigations in Saguache County

by Mary Lowers

Mid-August brought two untimely deaths in the Town of Saguache. Undersheriff James McCloskey investigated both cases for the Saguache County Sheriff's Office (SCSO).

At 5:44am on Tuesday, August 14 Undersheriff McCloskey was dispatched to Otto Mears Park in the Town of Saguache to look into a possible suicide. The ambulance arrived before the Undersheriff sadly found a young man hanging by his neck from a piece of playground equipment. They removed the ligature and tried to resuscitate the victim to no avail.

The SCSO had been called by the principal of Mountain Valley Schools who heard screaming coming from the park close to her home. She went outside and saw a girl standing near the southwest corner of the Community Building right next to the park. The young woman was the girlfriend of the victim who had discovered him dead.

When Undersheriff McCloskey arrived on the scene the girl was sitting at the park with her father who had come for support. She told McCloskey that she and the victim had had a fight because he felt she was getting too close to another young man. She left the house and sat in her car. Her boyfriend came out to the car and told her if she left she'd never see him again. She

figured this was at about 5:30am. She stated that she sat in the car awhile longer and then went back to the house but was unable to find her boyfriend. The house was a short distance from the park where she discovered him hanging.

Later in the day on August 14 Undersheriff McCloskey was sent to investigate a death in the Town of Saguache. A man who had shown up to take his common-law wife to a doctor's appointment found her dead. He told the undersheriff that he'd last spoken to her about 11pm the night before when she'd asked him to drive her to the doctors the following day.

McCloskey found the woman, whom he knew, in a seated position on a couch. He found her cold and unresponsive and knowing she was indeed dead he called Saguache County Coroner Tom Perrin. According to McCloskey there were several syringes in the house including one lying on the floor near the deceased. But he knew one of the residents of the house used insulin medically. He also found a half gallon bottle of vodka behind the couch. Her husband shared she'd been having problems with alcohol and was considering going into rehab. There were no recent marks or bruises on either husband or wife which might have indicated a fight.

Both cases are still under investigation as we go to press.

Car chase ends in two deaths

By Mary Lowers

According to a CBS News7 report, a car chase on CO Hwy. 17 on Saturday, August 25 ended in the deaths of a man and woman during a highway shootout with authorities. It began when Saguache County Sheriff Office (SCSO) deputies tried to pull over a suspected stolen silver Jeep Patriot in Moffat. The male driver, with a female passenger, did not stop and a chase ensued. The Colorado State Patrol (CSP) joined the pursuit along with an Alamosa County Sheriff Office (ASO) Deputy. As the chase south continued the female passenger in the Jeep was observed to have a shotgun.

Stop Sticks designed to puncture tires were rolled across the highway in the path of the chase. They stopped the Jeep in the middle of the road. The two suspects jumped out of the vehicle with the shotgun and appeared to be running toward an uninvolved vehicle pulled off the road due to the car chase. A CSP trooper fired multiple rounds toward the suspects who fired back. It is thought the female died in crossfire and the male suspect shot himself. Identities of the dead car thieves have not been disclosed as we go to press. The incident is under investigation by the Colorado Bureau of Investigations (CBI).

Search & Rescue

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woman's condition was improving but she still could not walk. She passed a kidney stone and her condition began to improve further according to her husband who was an emergency room nurse. The couple began hiking out with assistance from SCSR at around 7:30pm. They made it down the mountain before full darkness set in.

The next day, Saturday, August 11, SCSR was called to help a

man, 60, with head and shoulder injuries including a possible broken collar bone in the Marshall Pass area west of Villa Grove. SCSR cancelled a Flight for Life as the man's condition improved and despite his injuries he was able to hike out. However a woman, 56, with shoulder and rib injuries was stuck in the same area and had called for help.

At around 4pm SCSR had the injured woman packed on a litter. Flight for Life landed and transported the patient to Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center in Salida.

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Saguache County News

by Sandia Belgrade

Land Development Code revised

Many people have worked on the revised Saguache County Land Development Code, which runs over 40 pages. It states that the purpose of these regulations is designed to protect the health, safety and welfare of county inhabitants by insuring that all structures and dwellings conform to current state electrical, plumbing, gas and sewerage regulations. It also governs barns, storage facilities, greenhouses and other structure not intended for human occupancy. Marijuana is just one section of this extensive and well considered document. The BOCC approved the revisions just before the marijuana moratorium ended on August 21. It is important for residents to check out the full document on the County's Land Use website: <https://bit.ly/2NfV1J7>. There is also an interview in this issue with Jeff Shook of the Saguache County Planning Commission, who offers insights into the document process.

Marijuana penalties still to be determined

The BOCC approved revisions relating to all areas of legal cultivation and medical numbers/variances before the marijuana moratorium ended on August 21. While the Land Use Development Code has been revised, the County is responding to a need to adopt a penalty structure that will be added as a section to the Land Use Code. County Attorney Ben Gibbons has conferred with a judge and has determined that there may be two systems for penalties and violations. The first set of penalties would cover most misdemeanor violations—construction or blight, for example—and would go through the Land Use administrative process and be subject to fines. State statutes provide for misdemeanor penalties, some of which could be as little as \$100 or jail time for 10 days. However, if there is a summons for certain illegal activities that are criminal offenses they will go through the courts which can impose fines, jail time and court fees depending on the nature of the crime.

The state of the Colorado River

Given our drought situation, this is significant information. Andy Mueller, General Manager of the Colorado River District, reported on the significant challenges that the Colorado River faces. The district which was formed in 1937 has two missions. The first is to protect the Colorado River and its tributaries in the Colorado basin through beneficial use. This includes assisting owners in positive use for not only agriculture but also recreation, fishing, environmental rights and endangered species. Colorado is in the Upper Basin division which

gets the full impact of the drought, and the compact states it must not deplete the flow of the river below 7,500,000 acre feet (9.3 km³) during any period of ten consecutive years. Currently, according to Mueller, we are in the 19th year of a historic drought.

The district has grown from 8 counties to 15. Secondly, the district is also charged with protecting Colorado's share of the compact with Mexico. The situation today shows the effects of warming will result in a 20% or more drop by the end of the century, and the river is already over-appropriated. Colorado is perilously close to the point where we can't meet our obligations to the compact. Water doesn't reach the Sea of Cortez anymore but it does cross into Mexico and then is diverted by Mexico. The potential ramifications are that water users will face the possibility of being cut off. Chaos could ensue. It is the District's goal to keep all communities viable. He noted that farmers only use 25% of water, contrary to popular view. As the growing season is getting longer, there is more water consumption. So with inflow decreasing, the result is a real societal problem.

Communities That Care widens youth perspectives

With climate change in the form of drought and political division painting a negative world view, some of the youth of our county represent a hopefulness to counter that negativity. David Daboll, Public Health Director introduced two young people from Communities That Care who attended the community anti-drug coalitions of America (CACA) conference in Florida along with their coordinator Ani Rinchung. Isaiah Archuleta of Center appreciated getting information right from other youth about drugs and underage drinking. In poverty-stricken areas he saw hopelessness. But if youths came from wealthier communities they have a different mentality which is defined by more hope and opportunities. This spectrum offered him a larger perspective as well as a strategy, to start from problems and develop specific plans to implement change. Summer Quintana, a senior at Mountain Valley School, echoed some of this and noted there's an embarrassment factor if drinking is in the family. She says youth must ask what are the possibilities, and how to create change.

Seniors prompt Commissioners to act

Linda Warsh, Director of Social Services, introduced Monica Wolf, the new director of South Central Seniors which is part of the San Luis Valley Region (8). Her group uses the Social Services building for their activities. It is an older building and not well heated. The Seniors have been appealing for heating improvements to the building since the beginning of last April. While the Commissioners are certainly interested in their well being and that of the Social Services employees housed there and said it would be taken care of before cold weather, they had not yet acted. Wolf's appearance hastened the process. Warsh

noted that proper heating been an ongoing issue and the expenses are included as part of her budget. The BOCC moved to approve a new furnace and have it installed within 30 days. Warsh also brought up two other items. She pointed out that the open plan of the building is not working. Sometimes clients come in who are stressed or have other issues. To address security matters, she suggested a wall with a window that has an electronic button. Warsh will present a concrete drawing or plan for the Commissioners to peruse. She and David Daboll, Director Public Health, are discussing whether the public health department and social services can share the same building in the event that is needed.

Inmate medical services

The County has agreed to a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Rio Grande County for shared nursing and medical services for inmates. According to Sheriff Dan Warwick the intergovernmental agreement means the jail will receive service by skilled professional employees of Rio Grande County. Saguache County will pay mileage rather than provide a car for the nurse. Reimbursement will be up to 20% of costs for services. The nurse position will also limit liability. It should be noted while the Sheriff's Department must provide medication, they will not be stocking opioids.

County Sheriff report

Deputy Ken Wilson presented the County Sheriff's report. There were 1,667 calls for service including 279 criminal cases. They are averaging 16 inmates/day plus 3 from other counties. They now have access to a video law library at no cost. Three new hires are being trained and there are still 2 positions open. Fiscally there has been \$20,000 in jail revenue and they have expended 47% of their budget on the jail side.

Progress on landfill

Commissioner Tim Lovato clarified the situation regarding the landfill. Randal Arredondo, Supervisor of Road and Bridge had advised the Commissioners that if they chose to expand the landfill it is likely it would have to shut down until the new cell is completed. They are still entertaining the possibility of providing at least one transfer station in the county, though Ken Anderson feels they don't have sufficient information on what it would cost. The motion by Lovato to keep the landfill open with the possibility of providing at least one transfer station carried.

Valley demographics

Demographics presented at a recent SLV economics conference revealed that growth is skewed towards the retirement population at a rate of 6-1, which doesn't move the economy forward. Legal marijuana is the only growing economic sector creating jobs. Affordable housing and improvement to the quality of life will come only after more jobs are created.

4-H Club yearly report

Ten members of the Saguache County 4-H Club explained their projects and expressed their thanks to the County for supporting them. Many of them excelled in their areas, which included raising chickens, pigs, rabbits, and steers. Several grabbed First Place and Grand Champion awards for showmanship. One member in his 4th year said he was prepared for the livestock industry. Besides working in agriculture, one person credited it to helping her start our own business. Another member is working with robotics. Khristine Hoffner, in her 8th year, said the leadership aspect was important to her. The 4-Hers also acknowledged her as their leader, who is also the Organizational Leader for the Valley 4-H. The chapter also did two community service projects this year, including one for migrant workers and one for those in chemotherapy. The program supports positive youth development and Jason Anderson said he'd like to see a chapter in Crestone.

Is Tourism Council getting bogged down?

Theo Boudreaux reported that the Saguache County Tourism Council has a whopping \$75,000 in the bank, perhaps an indication that they are not making headway or utilizing all their resources. It seems that they propose different plans to draw tourists into our county but are unable to follow through for various reasons. There is a tourism meeting in the fall in Grand Junction which may help them focus their efforts and perhaps facilitate a move into social media which will reach more youth.

Short takes

Peter Peterson, County Assessor, gave an update. Assessments in Chalet 1 and 2 in the Crestone Baca area have been completed. The Grants will be done by the end of the year.

After a meeting in Denver Ken Anderson reported that the farm bill has money for soybeans and corn. Since those crops are not grown here it means 12 million dollars is going elsewhere.

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Jeff Shook offers perspective on Land Development Code

by Sandia Belgrade

Many people have worked on revising the Saguache County Land Development Code which runs over 40 pages. In particular, the Saguache County Planning Commission has had a vital role in setting some of the parameters for it. Several members of the Planning Commission were present for the last meeting in August when the revised Code on which they had spent many hours was approved. I talked with Jeff Shook, former president of the Planning Commission, to get his views on it.

Jeff is a Villa Grove resident who has been on the Planning Commission for 34 years. That's devotion. He explained that he loves this county, and he values people's input, especially if it's reasonable and doesn't go against the vote/will of the people. The process of completing the 40-page revisions had to be daunting. According to Jeff, the nine-member board spent a lot of time in the last few months making revisions that had to be in compliance with the state and satisfied the County Commissioners as well as making the regulations realistic for the county and its people. That is some kind of balancing act. Updating the conditional use permit requirements alone meant going over and updating innumerable lists of what is permitted as well as the variances. All of it necessitated a focused attention to detail.

Revising the marijuana regulations may have spurred the overall revisions, but Jeff points out that those regulations are just one small chapter of the document. Structures and building requirements, construction permits for diverse styles as well as economic considerations for a county that is rural and agricultural all had to be taken into consideration. In the marijuana section the County Commissioners provided input which shows how all those involved were willing to adapt to the realities. As one example, it had been required that there be a residence at the site of a marijuana grow. That cost could be an economic deterrent. The Commissioners' input here was invaluable in removing that requirement with a marijuana conditional use permit.

Jeff commented on how he felt marijuana fits into the overall picture of the county. It is an industry that can generate economic growth. He said all of us welcome more services and economic conditions that are better for us all. His comments underlie the finding of a recent SLV economics conference: Legal marijuana is the only growing economic sector creating jobs. Affordable housing and improvement to the quality of life will come only after more jobs are created.

Once the code was approved and it was time to go, Jeff stood and thanked everyone who had worked on it. After we talked, Jeff sent me an email because he wanted to make sure that the many people who participated in drafting this revision of the Land Use Code get credit for their hard work on the project: the members of the Planning Commission, the Commissioners, and Land Use Administrator Wendi Maez and her staff. A lot of time and effort went into the end result and the County can be thankful for their dedicated efforts in trying to meet everyone's concerns.



Jeff Shook.

POA seeking grant money to secure safe routes to Charter School

by John Rowe

The August POA Board meeting was held on Thursday, August 16, at 10am in the POA Hall. All five Directors were present as well as about ten property owners.

Member Forum was much shorter and less eventful than in recent months. One man who wants an overhaul of POA rules and regulations was much more conciliatory than at previous meetings and spoke of his concerns only briefly. A discussion about flooding on Cottonwood Creek around the intersection of Splendid Way and Graceful Way took place and the Board promised to look into correcting the problem.

The first item brought up under new business was a suggestion to turn Willow Creek playground into a dog park as it is seldom used by children and is already fenced. The Board and audience was receptive as many here would love to see their dogs have a safe place to be turned loose and play with other dogs. This idea came up at a community meeting held by new Communications Director, Freddie Clark, who said she looks forward to many more such meetings and welcomes all ideas people may have to make the Baca a better place to live. Freddie has an open door policy towards the membership but says that "an open door policy is a good thing only if property owners actually walk through the door" and encourages everyone to participate. Contact the POA office for meeting scheduling information.

Keeping the Camper Village bathhouse open all year was voted for by all five members. Previously it has always shut down in the winter because of the expense. The Board feels that the new higher rent (\$450/month) enacted earlier this year justified the added expense.

The Board meeting minutes will no longer contain member

comments as a man complained about being misquoted. A suggestion that the meetings be recorded to take care of any such issues was made by an audience member and was received only lukewarmly by the Board. They don't seem ready to take that step right now.

Department reports were headlined by an announcement that two crew members have signed up for the Basic EMT course and one more enrolled in the Intermediate course. The Fire crew continues to progress slowly in the South Crestone Creek mitigation project. Staffing issues have slowed things down here as sometimes not enough people have been available for the work.

Burt Wadman spoke for a variety of groups being represented by the local Trails Coalition and wants to petition the state Department of Transportation for money to secure a right of way and to build a safe route for school children to go into town to the Charter School. This trail would start around Two Trees and continue roughly along but well off of Camino Baca Grand. An exact design will be forthcoming as funding becomes available. Burt was joined by County Commissioner Jason Anderson and others in a passionate plea to have the Board join them in being a co-applicant in this endeavor. The Board was more than happy to do so and voted unanimously to support the measure.

A contest has been held for best new Baca logo suggestion by a Baca property owner and a winner of the \$500 prize will be announced soon. Despite the hefty sum of cash being offered, not many entries were submitted, despite the contest having been announced for a couple of months now.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 and moved into executive session (public excluded) at this time.

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Upcoming Annual Board of Directors Election & Candidate Forum

The Baca Grande POA will have three (3) Board of Directors Positions open and your vote counts! This year there are seven (7) candidates running for three open seats for the Board of Directors.

The election will take place at the Annual Members Meeting, which is set for Friday, September 21st, 2018 at 7 pm. We will also have a Candidates Forum on October 19th, 2018 at 6 pm so community members can meet and speak with the candidates. These events will take place in the Baca Grande POA Hall located at 68575 County Rd T, Crestone, CO 81131.

Members will receive the election materials via United States Postal Service in September 2018. To vote, you must be a member in good standing which means as a property owner in the Baca Grande, all dues or fees are paid in full. If you do not receive a ballot and believe you should have, please contact the POA Office at (719) 256-4171.

Seven (7) candidates are running for three (3) open POA Board of Director Seats. They are: Joanna Theriault, Brandon Bussard, Mark Repp, Ed Sbarbaro, David Peak, Joy Hill & Bruce McDonald.

Call for Election Tellers
For the October 19, 2018 Board of Directors Election

The Baca Grande POA is looking for at least two (2) Tellers to count ballots for this year's Board of Director's election. If interested, please contact the POA office for more information at 719-256-4171 or email: info@bacapoa.org.



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August 13, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting

The meeting began at 9:30am and was held in the meeting room located at 111 S. Alder Ave.

The Board of Trustees passed the following motions:

- To approve the application for the MOU with Saguache County for their Safe Routes to School Grant that will create a trail from the Baca Grande into town and end at Galena Ave.
- To grant Water Manager Ann Bunting the authority to make decisions about taps
- To allow Kimberlie Ryan to rent the old museum space at 101 S. Alder St. beginning in September and use it as a retail space
- To allow Maureen VanWallegan to coordinate a chalk art family event on Saturday, September 8 along the town sidewalk on S. Alder St. and next to the Sangre de Cristo Inn building
- To adopt Ordinance #2018-005, granting an electric franchise with SLVREC at a rate increase of 2% with a future maximum cap of 5% for electric utility users.
- To adopt Ordinance #2018-006 for amending sewer services
- To adopt Resolution #007-2018 with amendments to the Town's fee schedule
- To allow trained fire mitigators to limb up trees for property owners

Public/Citizens' comments

- John Stromberg, Mayor of Ashland, Oregon, came to introduce himself while on vacation
- Town resident Fred Bauder reported that he noticed that the survey stakes on Cottonwood St. between Silver Ave. and Galena Ave. were not in a straight line, and the recent survey pins were angled for the Phase II project
- Tom Monaco from the SLV Business Development Center introduced himself and said he would be in town once a month at the Cloud Station as a resource for businesses

Reports

The Treasurer presented a detailed financial report and the month's bills for approval. The following was discussed with the Trustees:

- Mileage expense policy for elected officials
- Crestone Town Center loan payments will end in December.
- Sales tax revenue chart for review and revenue for the month of July totaled \$22,063.04
- Current income and expense report and confirmation that the Town is still overspending
- EQR billing status and increases coming for commercial business owners

Mayor Kairina Danforth discussed the following in her report:

- A grant request being prepared for a Safe Routes to School Trails Project by Saguache County
- The visit by the Teyuna Tribe in town that was a success, with 212 participants in the park
- A request for supplemental funding to Department of Local Af-

fairs (DOLA) to complete the Phase II Downtown Improvements Project with details from Burt Wadman regarding Phase I irrigation and improvements for Phase II, as well as calculations for irrigation water use for planted beds (4,100 gallons per month)

- Verification by Trustees that almost five times that amount was actually used to irrigate Phase I beds due to excessive winter-summer drought

Clerk Allyson Ransom discussed the following in her report:

- Clerk training and Board meeting liability concerns
- Procedural concerns regarding official meetings
- News regarding the Golden Ave. building with owners still anticipating the exterior being completed this season.
- Crestone Municipal Court seeing more cases each time and often dog or noise-nuisance related
- Sheriff Dan Warwick's patrol schedule began in Town limits
- Successful completion of the Town's Firewise status application
- Potentially redesigning the Town's website at no cost through SIPA

Water Manager Ann Bunting discussed the following in her report:

- Large amounts of water required to maintain Phase I and future Phase II planters
- Her meeting with Division of Water Resources regarding Town wells
- Update on Karen Kenney's project on Block 59 off of Copper Ave. with discounting tap fees only while the line is exposed and asking adjacent property owners if they want to hook up to the Town's system at a discounted rate

- Drought management
- Annual water testing coming up soon

- Simplifying water system tap applications
- New projects and water hookups including Jim McCalpin's out-of-town extension

- Draft reimbursement policy and new proposed EQR chart

- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's (CD-PHE) approval to remove the water sampling station by Town Hall

Attorney Eugene Farish discussed the following in his report:

- The Municode project, which will organize, cross-reference and consolidate all past Town ordinances and codes, should be completed by the end of this year with another extended work session on the part of the Trustees
- Changes to the franchise agreement with San Luis Valley Electric Cooperative completed as per the Board's direction and that it had been signed and approved by Loren Howard of SLVREC; the median increase will be about \$2.00 per month.

Discussions & presentations

Trustee Bairstow presented a



Crestone is undergoing more road construction this year, this time on Cottonwood St. as you enter town. photo by Lori Nagel

new logo to potentially add to the Town stationary, which came from the San Luis Valley Branding Initiative after an extensive period of research and meetings.

Nathan Good discussed his action plan for the Energy Fair and verified he had turned in his proof of insurance and would be responsible for campers, cleanup and safety for the event. Only 15 campers will be allowed to camp in the Town park near the creek (W. Silver Ave.) and absolutely no fires, smoking or dogs will be allowed. Applications will be required for camping and parking. No vehicles will be allowed to drive into the park and people who park farther away will be advised not to cross private property when returning to their campsites. The Energy Fair was also approved to use the Alder Meeting Room on Saturday, September 8 from 9am-4pm for various educational speakers.

Various changes to the Town's fee schedule were proposed and other discussion about the State approving more funding to be used for homeowners for fire mitigation in 2019.

Announcements

Ordinance #2018-004—Strict Fire Ban—is still in effect within the Town limits that encompass Copper Ave. to Mica Ave. and Birch St. to Piñon St.

Crestone is unique in comparison to other SLV towns in that it is situated where the road ends and the trails begin. Fire safety is even more crucial here where we have no paved secondary roads or highways leading out of town for an easy escape.

Please do NOT light campfires, BBQs, or use any tools that may spark as everything is still very dry with the exception of the green and well-watered lawns around Town Hall. All fire dancers and fire spinners must use LED lights in lieu of live fire.

The Crestone Museum and Welcome Center, now in the historic schoolhouse at 240 N. Cottonwood St., is bigger and better than ever—an exceptional museum with lots of historical books and a great reading nook too! It is open Saturdays 10-4, Sundays 10-4, and Tuesdays through Thursdays from 1-4.

Free brush pick-up for Town residents takes place at the beginning of each month, but contact Town Hall to schedule a pick up. Only trimmings, weeds and brush piles accepted, which must be in one pile at the edge of the road. Please contact the Saguache County Landfill and recycling center at 719-221-

1956 for disposing of actual trash, old appliances, batteries, lumber scraps or recyclables.

A Certified Notary Public is usually available during regular office hours in Crestone Town Hall; the cost is \$5 per signature being verified, as per the Colorado Secretary of State Guidelines.

Just in case (you did not know)

Crestone is a statutory town, incorporated in 1902. At one time it purportedly had 2000 residents but is now home to approximately 149 people living in an eight-square block area. We have law enforcement coverage from the Saguache County Sheriff's Department and our hometown code enforcement department. Here are a few reminders from the code department:

All dogs must be leashed and under control of a person—not running loose with a leash attached; building permits and business licenses are required as per state statute; trash receptacles left out continually must be bear proof.

Crestone is also a Court of Record with Judge Friesell presiding every other month on the third Friday at 10am in the meeting room. The next court dates are October 19 and December 21, 2018. Court dockets are posted outside the meeting room door at least 24 hours in advance.

You may contact your Board members via email links from our website at townofcrestone.org under the "contacts" tab. They may also be met with individually during their Hear to Listen sessions held every first Monday of the month from 10am-noon at the Cloud Station, 222 S. Cottonwood Street.

Planning Commission meetings are normally held in the meeting room on the first Monday of each month at 5pm; however, this month the Commission will meet on Wednesday, the 5th due to the Labor Day holiday.

Public notices and agendas are posted in the following public locations:

Locked bulletin boards outside the Town Hall front door at 108 W. Galena Ave., outside the meeting room at 111 S. Alder St. and inside the Post Office lobby. Online locations include the Town of Crestone's website and *The Crestone Eagle's* online calendar. If you would like to receive agendas and meeting minutes via email, please join our list-serv by contacting Andrew in Town Hall at 719-256-4313 or email your request to townhalloffice@gmail.com.

Denver's Zikr Dance Ensemble comes to Crestone Sept. 27



Denver's nationally acclaimed Zikr Dance Ensemble will present at the Crestone Charter School on Thursday evening, September 27 at 7 pm.

Denver's nationally acclaimed Zikr Dance Ensemble will present their critically acclaimed 2018 program "Runes" at the Crestone Charter School on Thursday evening, September 27 at 7pm. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door. Doors open at 6:30pm. Please consider carpooling as parking is limited.

Several organizations and in-

dividuals helped bring this event to our community. A big thank you to Cristina Cabeza-Kinny on behalf of the Crestone Charter School, The Crestone Creative District, the Golden Light Sufi Circle of the Nur Ashki Jerrahi Tariqat and Shumei International Institute.

The Zikr Dance Ensemble offers a spectrum of works that are based on dance rituals from

many different ancient world cultures along with original and contemporary pieces. The Zikr Dance Ensemble's presentation is both rare, historic and multi-cultural dances, which include numerous dances from the Gurdjieff sacred movement repertoire. The dances in performance are supplemented by stunning slide projections and visual effects, completing a multi-media experience that audiences and presenters alike have found to be both visually and artistically stimulating as well as intellectually captivating. The Zikr Dance Ensemble's company members are some of the finest ballet-trained professionals in the nation.

"Runes" is also the title of the company's critically acclaimed world premiere, which has as its focus the ancient magical northern European alphabet as it was used in its symbolic form for divination and prophecy. This stunning new work features the use of a cyr wheel along with a breathtaking set of monolithic structures.

Also on the program is a major new work created by guest choreographer and internationally acclaimed Persian dance master Shahrzad Khorsandi, entitled "Atash" ("fire" in Farsi). This beautiful piece was created especially for the Zikr Dance Ensemble's female dancers and features an original score performed on authentic Persian instruments by Denver's Farabi Ensemble.

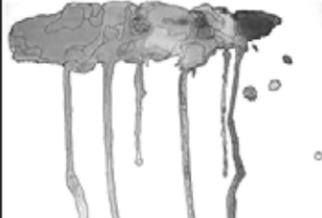
The program will also include one of the most intriguing and historic samples of The Gurdjieff Sacred Movements, a 2000-year-old work titled "The Assyrian Women

Mourners", along with the Zikr Dance Ensemble's signature work and audience favorite, "In Your Eyes".

Artistic Director David Taylor has been professionally involved in the Colorado dance community for the past forty-eight years. During the course of a twelve-year dance career, he began choreographing in 1976, and since then has created over 100 original works. In 1979, he founded the David Taylor Dance Theatre, which for thirty-two years was recognized as one of the Rocky Mountain region's most acclaimed dance organizations, and Denver's original contemporary ballet company. Mr. Taylor has received three National Endowment for the Arts grant awards along with the City and County of Denver's first Individual Artist Fellowship award for dance, and in March of 1997, he and his company were proud recipients of the State of Colorado's Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts. Currently, Mr. Taylor serves as the Artistic Director and upper level ballet program faculty member for Denver Ballet Theatre, a Vaganova-based pre-professional ballet academy in Centennial, Colorado. His extensive background also includes a longtime involvement with metaphysical studies, sacred dance and ritual. In 2009 he founded the Zikr Dance Ensemble, a unique professional company that has its singular focus, dance as a medium for spiritual expression.

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Crestoneartists.com Open Studio Tour gets better & better

From noon to five, Saturday and Sunday September 22 and 23, fifteen Crestone artists will invite the public to share and experience their art for the seventh annual free CrestoneArtists.com Open Studio Tour. Before the tour, a free preview reception will take place at Bob's Place, Friday, September 21, from 5 to 7pm. Further information and a full tour catalog with downloadable map and images of the artists' work is accessible at www.crestoneartists.com/crestone-studio-tour-2018.html or as free catalogs at Crestone business-

es and many locations throughout the San Luis Valley and Arkansas Valley regions.

Crestone artists work in a glorious setting of majestic mountains, moody skies, dazzling sunsets and quaking aspen that will just be turning gold. There is a landscape that startles, unsettles and captivates and can't fail to inform the work of the artists who live here and refresh those who visit. This year's tour includes the magical tones of found-art artist Rose Burek's "wind art;" the visionary questing and otherworldly work of



Crestone Artists

photo by SD Youngwolf



Once Upon a Time by Jane Kwan



Paradox by Don Calledare

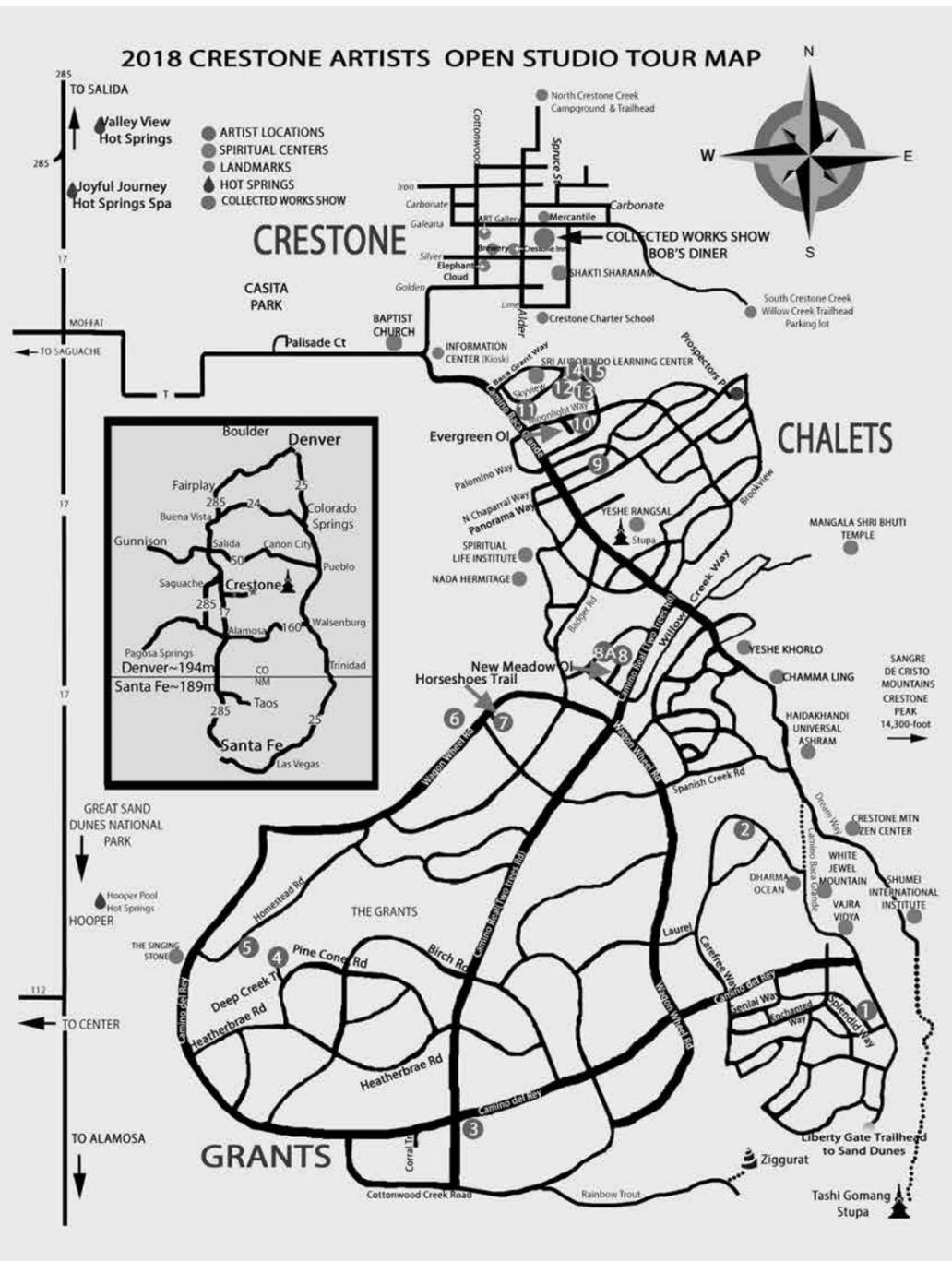
painters Blue Starseed, Domé and Donald Calledare; the expressive and mythic paintings and works on paper of Noah Baen and Jandi Namba that explore and celebrate the human soul as much as the soul of color and paint; the explorations in the texture of grace and mystery in the works of Allison Wonderland and Jane Kwan; the sensuous use of materials in the whimsical and playful works of David Nelson, Stephen "Ish" Futral, Al Sutherland and the late Julie Reinhart-Sutherland; the engagement with nature and mystery in the landscapes of Emmy Savage; the beautifully composed and colorful quilts of Pat Tullos; the ethereal water and ink imagery of Leigha Nicole; and the traditional sculptures of Jeff Beard. The offerings of these artists are

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2018 STUDIO TOUR
September 22-23
12-5pm

PREVIEW RECEPTION
BOB'S PLACE
Friday Evening
September 21, 5-7pm

- 1 Leigha Nicole
719-209-8518
- 2 Domé
719-588-7020
- 3 Rose Burek
719-256-4830
- 4 Blue Starseed
970-764-5759
- 5 Allison Wonderland
adralawonderland@gmail.com
- 6 Jeff Beard
719-256-5835
- 7 Emmy Savage
410-708-1859
- 8 Jane Kwan
719-480-7167
- 8A David Nelson
719-480-7167
- 9 Pat Tullos
719-937-7663
- 10 Donald Calledare
720-366-4488
- 11 Stephen Futral
719-256-4809
- 12 Julie Reinhart
Sutherland
- 14 Jandi Namba
207-593-6227
- 15 Noah Baen
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Strathearn is Shumei's September featured artist; Symposium Sept. 16

Kathy Strathearn's weavings will be on display at the Shumei Gallery in Crestone for the month of September. A symposium with Kathy will be held on Sunday, September 16 starting at 3pm. A reception will follow.

Weaving is Kathy Strathearn's passion. She began weaving in the summer of 2001 in the small northern New Mexico town of Los Ojos. She says, "My greatest influence comes from Navajo weaving designs, as you can see in many of my Rio Grande weavings. Both styles can have designs that range from simple stripes to very complicated and intricate designs. My teachings come from master weavers on the Navajo Indian Reservation as well as Northern New Mexico"

She weaves Navajo-style weavings, but in reverence to her Navajo friends and teachers they are not for sale. She has traded a few of these weavings with her Navajo friends for silver jewelry and other Navajo weavings. Kathy feels blessed to have these special people in her life. She loves learning about their culture and the spiritual beliefs. She has been honored to be invited to attend sacred ceremonies; these memories she treasures. Weaving is a spiritual process. The parts of

the loom represent the four sacred directions, rain, thunder, Mother Earth and Father Sky. The most obvious one is the warp, which represents the sacred rain. There are songs to be sung during the weaving process. One is never to weave in anger because it places bad vibes into the weaving. Only good vibes are woven into Kathy's weavings. The tools are to be respected and cared for, for they help with the creation.

"I pride myself in using Churro sheep wool in all of my weavings. I prefer this wool as it is soft, strong and traditional. With fewer and fewer Rio Grande weavers, it is my desire to help keep this art form alive as well as decorate the homes of those who find my handwoven tapestries appealing."

Kathy enjoys creating her weavings in her casita studio. It is a place of peace and tranquility. Along with her large Rio Grande loom, she has many sizes of Navajo looms and an extensive yarn stash. She is a member of the Crestone Artisan's Gallery, Crestone Creative District and Crestone Artists.

Come meet Kathy and learn more about her work on Sunday September, 16, 3 to 5pm. This event is free to the public. Please visit www.shumeicrestone.org or call 256-5284 for more information. The Shumei gallery is open every day 9am to 5pm.



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(719) 256-6200 Joanna and Eli Dokson



Island by Don Calledare



Ghosts by Emmy Savage

Studio tour

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sophisticated and exceptional and promise to both deepen and expand their viewers' perceptions.

The CrestoneArtists.com Open Studio Tour lasts two days, offering visitors a chance to step out of their daily lives and experi-

ence art and hospitality at its best and savor the natural world at its most exquisite.

Crestone lodgings that support this year's tour are: Mystic Mountain Retreat, the Crestone Inn, Lili Zohar's Creekside Crestone, and the Silver Star Lodge. Further listings for lodgings may be found at www.crestoneeagle.com.

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The Energy Fair & climate awareness

On September 8, communities around the world will rise together!

by Nathan Good

Your participation is wanted at the Energy Fair on September 7, 8 and 9, right here in our little town. Bring your questions and concerns and get ready to celebrate being alive on this day. You have a say in the direction this community is heading. This invitation is extended to everyone who can bring a vision and heart-centered solution to the issues that will affect our town's future for generations to come.

Become aware and get educated about the importance of 7G. On September 8, communities around the world will rise together for cli-

mate. Go to <https://350.org> for more information. Please join us!

I congratulate you, who by your presence may demonstrate your concern and commitment to an issue that is more than just a matter of survival. If we are to remain healthy, some critical questions are coming up.

There is evidence of a broad new global concern that cuts across generations and ideologies. It may be symbolic of a new communication between young and old about our values and priorities. Take advantage of this opportunity to create broad new agreements. Listen deeply and don't drop out. Help



EQ Solutions demonstrates their energy/heating unit at the 2014 Crestone Energy Fair. photo by Lori Nagel



Tim White does a presentation on Mason Greenstar Blox, a papercrete product, and Earth Science interior and exterior finishes. photo by Lori Nagel

pull together new coalitions, whose objectives are to put gross national quality on par with gross national product. Let's elect a Congress of ecology as our next Congress that will build bridges between our citizens, between humanity and Nature's systems, instead of building more highways and dams and new weapon systems that just continue an endless war on life as we love it. Humanity can support climate earth by solving the problems that threaten our symbiosis with life. The solutions can be found within

the problems . . . modern-day institutions can choose regenerative practices.

Be part of the movement that's ending the era of fossil fuels and building 100% renewable energy for all. Visit <https://primamundi.com/step-up/partners>.

Enjoy the festivities, it wouldn't happen without you, (you know who you are) so thank you in advance!

Read about the Energy Fair origin story on page B-7

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September 7, 8, 9

Map for Events

Legend:

- (A) Willow Stage
- (B) Brewery Stage
- (C) Eagle Stage
- (D) Cloud Stage
- (E) Energy Circle
- (F) Town Hall Talks
- (G) Sun/Animal Energy

	(A) Willow Stage	(B) Brew Pub Stage	(C) Eagle Stage	(D) Cloud Stage	(E) Energy Circle	(F) Town Hall Talks	(G) Sun/Animal Kids Area	
Sep. 7	Friday							Sep. 7
4 pm	COMMUNITY POTLUCK				MUSIC			4 pm
5 pm	OPENING RECEPTION				COMMUNITY			5 pm
6 pm			VALLEY CATS		DEMO/TALK			6 pm
7 pm					DJ ELF ARROW W/ METAMYTH			7 pm
8 pm								8 pm
Sep. 8	Saturday							Sep. 8
10 am							GOATS MILKING	10 am
11 am			KIRTAN W/ VAMADEVA		CAGAO BREATH		SHEEP/CHICKENS	11 pm
12 pm	STRAW BALE	COMPUT BUILDING	BARRY MONROE	TAI CHI QI GONG		SOLAR WATER	RIVER CROSSING COMPOST & SOIL	12 pm
1 pm	RIVER'S EDGE	VIT D DISEASE	BIO REG HERBAL	MAYAN CALENDAR		5G HEALTH	SOLAR COOKING	1 pm
2 pm	TAIKO BUILDING OLD WLD	COR DWD BLD	CB JAZZ	GROWING COMM			SOLAR BAKING	2 pm
3 pm			REPURPOS REV	CHRONIC JOY	CEREMONY SONGS	CRESTONE TECH	COMPOST TOILET	3 pm
4 pm	THE AUDIENCE			REWRITING STORY	HEMP IN SILV	REAL LOVE	PLAYFUL YOGA	4 pm
5 pm	EARTH SHIP	WAVERLY ROAD	OUTDOOR LIVING SKI	HUMAN BIOME	SEKHEM ALCHEMAL BREATH			5 pm
6 pm								6 pm
7 pm	JAH KINGS							7 pm
8 pm					YOUTH MALANA, THERRAN			8 pm
9 pm					YASH AKASHA			9 pm
Sep. 9	Sunday							Sep. 9
10 am	HOME DESIGN TOUR				DONOVAN'S COFFEE TALK			10 am

Crestone Artisans Gallery News

Our August event, Artists in Action, was a lot of fun. Hope you made it. We had Patrick Moore as the artist of the month. Bruce Becker, one of our own, with his haunting flute provided the music. Bruce makes flutes and sells them in the gallery. They are truly works of art. Our many talented artists provided homemade treats which were served with your choice of drinks. A great thank you to our events committee who put together our events and see that they always run smoothly: Rose Burek, Lynn Drake, Sasha Lovelace, Judy Arnold and Jane Adorney. As the name, "Artists in Action," implies, artists were strewn across the long porch painting, drawing, weaving, sculpting and carving. Hope you didn't miss it. The drawing prize was a photographic print donated by Patrick Moore.

Our Artist of the Month for September is Kay Litz. She calls her work "Interpretations: Exploring Possibilities in Found Objects and Natural Materials." She especially likes oxidized metals (rust and all the other patinas) which she then combines with wire, sculpture and other objects nature has to offer. "I enjoy the juxtaposition of weathered manmade objects with representations of the natural world. I have also been greatly influenced and inspired by the arts and crafts of the native peoples of the Amer-



Art by Kay Litz, combining metal, wire and sculpture.

ican West and Southwest and by the pre-Columbian art of Colombia where I lived for a time as a child." She says. She has a list of awards as long as your arm and humbly starts off with a "Best of Show" from the Chaffee Council for the Arts, and it gets better from there. One of my favorite phrases that I believe describes Kay is the closing on all her e-mails, "Have Fun Today, Let Your Imagination Get in the Way."

Pat Tesaro Jackson, our lamp-maker, has embarked on a new endeavor: walking sticks. You really need to see these. She finds limbs fallen from local trees and turns them into hiking and walking sticks. She finds sticks with worm tracings on the surface and enhances them with coral, onyx and turquoise. The grips she makes with leather and beading. On some she has carvings done that are also enhanced with semi-precious stone. They are truly beautiful but don't rush her, she is just getting started.

The Gallery is looking for a few new members. We do maintain a wait-list for membership and at present it is very short. To maintain the variety of mediums that you find so refreshing and professional we like to have a bigger pool to choose from. So, spread the word.

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Charter School students working on the dragon.



The finished dragon.

Present & Creative hosts found object dragon sculpture

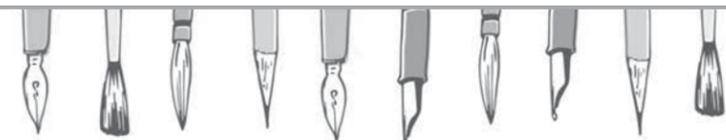
Present and Creative Art Supply is proud to present the found object sculpture created by our very own Crestone Charter School students. They worked during the summer to collect, reuse, re-pur-

pose and decorate objects to create a wonderful water dragon. The Crestone Artisans Gallery found a place for it right outside their door. Its christening was Sunday, August 19. Come by and see it.

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Jewish High Holiday services for the year 5779

Please join us for the 16th year celebrating the Jewish High Holidays in Crestone. All services will be held at the home of Meryl Ennis. Please email merylemail@gmail.com for directions. Please enter the downstairs glass sliding doors on the west side.

Rosh Hashanah starts on Sunday, September 9 with Services beginning at 7pm followed by a sharing of sweets for a sweet New Year. Morning Services begin on Monday, September 10 at 11am.

Yom Kippur services start with Kol Nidre Services on Tuesday, September 18 at 7pm. Morning Yom Kippur Service begins at 11am on Wednesday, September 19. Afternoon, Memorial, and Concluding Services begin at 4pm.

There is no charge for services. All are welcome to respectfully attend. For more information, please call Meryl Ennis at 256-4890. L'Shana Tova!

Saguache County Tourism Council seeks members

The Saguache County Board of Commissioners invites interested citizens to apply for an appointment to the Saguache County Tourism Council. The term is for 4 years.

To express interest, please send a letter describing your interest in the position and any experience or knowledge that specially qualifies you for this appointment.

The letter needs to be addressed to: Saguache County Board of Commissioners, Attn: Tourism Council Appointment, PO Box 100, Saguache, CO 81149; Fax 719-655-2635 or wmaez@aguachecounty.co.gov. Letters of interest must be received by September 28, 2018 at 4pm.

Forum on sales tax for law enforcement

Join us! Get informed! Come learn details on Wednesday, September 19 at 6pm at the Saguache Road & Bridge meeting room, 305 3rd St., Saguache, and get your questions answered about the 1.5% public safety sales tax question that will be on the Nov. 6 ballot. Speaker will be Ken Wilson of the Saguache County Sheriff's Office.

This 1.5% public safety sales tax is specifically for hiring, employing, training, and equipping deputies, investigators and civilian support personnel; conducting investigations; replacing obsolete and failing equipment; and facility maintenance. The revenue generated from the sales tax will help meet statutory obligations of Saguache County to provide adequate facilities for law enforcement operations.

For more information, contact Lynne Thompson 719-754-9163, sheebalt@yahoo.com.

Spay/Neuter Clinic coming to Crestone Sept. 12-13

On Wednesday, September 12 and Thursday, September 13 there will be a Spay/Neuter Clinic for cats and dogs over 8 weeks old and 2+ pounds at the old Pro Shop by the golf course on T Road. The treatment includes Distemper-Parvo/Rabies vaccinations.

A \$20 donation for Pet Partners is asked.

Don't give the animal food after midnight the night before surgery; water is ok overnight. Drop off the animals at 7:30am, dogs on leashes and cats in carriers please.

By appointment only—please call Crestone Mobile Veterinary Service at 719-588-4024 or sign up at the Crestone Mercantile.

Be bear aware

Learn how to promote conservation through coexistence in bear country, September 7, 6pm at the POA Hall.

A Q&A session will follow the presentation with a Parks and Wildlife representative on hand.

This event is brought to you by the Baca Grande POA in conjunction with Colorado Parks and Wildlife. For more information, call 719-256-4171 or email communications@bacapoa.org.

Poetry reading & conversation Sept. 11

On Tuesday September 11 at 10am we'll discuss Meditation and Marijuana, and why bother. Poetry from *Extensions of Mind* by Vince Palermo. 262 Moonlight Way, 256-4135.

CEOLP/IFC October events planned

Plan ahead for October events hosted by Informed Final Choices (IFC), the Crestone End of Life Project's educational outreach branch. The first event is the annual Death Café set for Saturday, Oct. 6, from 2 to 4 pm at the Desert Sage. A Death Café is a comfortable, informal yet structured opportunity to sit down with others and talk about any aspect of death that is on your mind. With cookies and tea.

Also in October: the annual CEOLP registration party; a free screening of Adam Sekular's new film, *Tomorrow Never Knows*; a one-day workshop on arts and mortality; and other events to be announced. Watch the *Eagle*, Crestone Facebook pages, visit informedfinalchoices.org under News & More, or call 588-7415.

Fundraiser for the San Luis Valley Ecosystem Council (SLVEC)

On Saturday, September 8, 9:30am to 4:15pm, enjoy the Rites of Nature and exploring your inner relationship with nature through art.

There will be a presentation by Christine Canaly, painting/drawing with Jennifer Thomson, a landscape installation with Noah Baen, a snack and veggie lunch and an ending talk with Christine Canaly.

Cost is \$45. Please RSVP to 719-937-7694 or sunstudio.thomson1@gmail.com.

Art in the Garden tours August 5



Heather Shaffer and Dawn St. Clair showed others what they accomplished in their first year of gardening with the hugelkultur method of building garden beds. Nutrient-rich, water-retaining hugelkultur is perfect for high desert gardening. Meryl Ennis played her guitar and sang at Heather and Dawn's garden. photo by Lori Nagel



Cheap Therapy played music at Matie Belle's garden during this year's Garden as Art Tour August 5. Matie Belle grows vegetables, fruits and flowers adapted to this environment and watered with soaker hose. Christina Lakish also showed her beaded work and cards, and Ron Dessain showed his photographs and sold his cards. photo by Lori Nagel

Now, more than ever, it takes a Village

... and the Crestone/Baca Village needs your support to stay strong.

The public is invited to is a community potluck and re-organizational meeting at 1pm on Sunday, Sept. 16, at the home of Pat and Don Tullos, 383 N. Chaparral Dr.

CBV, founded in 2011, provides a safety net for elders who might be feeling lonely and isolated and who might need a little extra help, particularly when experiencing illness or injury.

CBV also provides volunteer opportunities for retirees and others seeking to get involved, help others and make a difference. It's an informal network of folks dedicated to sharing their skills and life experiences to care for one another and build community.

Please come if you are already a member and want to stay connected. Please come also if you are a newcomer or interested in becoming a new member.

Bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share; bring your friends and neighbors and bring your ideas about how to strengthen our Village support systems.

For more information, email crestonebacavillage@gmail.com or phone 719-480-8757. Your call will be returned promptly.



Shahna Lax poses in her large garden with fruit trees and berry bushes, medicinal and culinary herbs, veggies and flowers. Studio Moresca Copperwork Illuminations were on display throughout the garden and there were even chocolates! photo by Lori Nagel

Turn your clutter into cash: Community yard sale September 22

There will be a community yard sale September 22 at the Baca Golf Course, 9am-3pm. Booths are free—bring your stuff and/or come shop! For more information or to reserve a space call 719-256-4171.

Community Calendar—September 2018

Get the details at www.crestoneagle.com // NOW UPDATED DAILY ONLINE!!!

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It's free and easy to place an item on our online calendar any time of month. Just fill out the form at www.crestoneagle.com/myevent.

To list your event in the upcoming edition of the *Eagle*, please submit it by the 22nd of the month via our website, www.crestoneagle.com/myevent (preferred) ~or~ e-mail to: events@crestoneagle.com ~or~ submit in writing to PO Box 101, Crestone CO 81131.

The print calendar is free for non-profit events; for-profit classes/events are \$5 per

Monthly Events

Saturday, September 1

- Yoga, Astrology & Healing Music – Joyful Journey Hot Springs 2:00 pm-5:00 pm \$20 <http://joyfuljourneyhotsprings.com/events> 719-256-4329

Wednesday, September 5

- Town of Crestone Planning Commission Meeting – Alder Meeting Room 5-6pm 719-256-4313
- Dakini Tsok (Feast Offering Potluck) – Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 6-8pm

Thursday, September 6

- Baca Nat'l Wildlife Refuge Tour, 9:00 am-12:00 pm Free 719-256-5527
- Sufi Dhikr. All Welcome! – 7:00 pm-8:30 pm nurashkijerrahi.org 719-588-8602

Friday, September 7

- Annual Crestone Energy Fair – Little Pearl Park 6:00 pm-10:00 pm 719-588-1067, 480-5925
- Bear Aware community course – BGPOA Meeting Room 6:00 pm bacapoa.org 719-256-4171

Saturday, September 8

- Fundraiser for SLVEC – Sun Studio 9:30 am-4:15 pm \$45 719-937-7694
- Annual Crestone Energy Fair – Little Pearl Park All Day 719-588-1067, 480-5925
- Amateur Astronomy Night@ Great Sand Dunes Nat'l Park 8:30-11pm Free www.nps.gov/grsa 719-378-6395

Sunday, September 9

- Annual Crestone Energy Fair – Little Pearl Park 8:00 am-4:00 pm 719-588-1067, 480-5925
- New Moon fire ceremony followed by a meal – Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10:00 am-12:00 pm www.babajashram.org 719-256-4108
- New Moon Riwo Sangchö (Outdoor Smoke Offering) – Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 10:00 am-11:00 am
- Monthly Sampa at Shumei Sanctuary 10:30 am-noon Free www.shumeicrestone.org 719-256-5284
- Rosh Hashanah - Jewish High Holiday Evening Services – Ennis home 7-8:30pm, free, donations accepted 719-256-4890

Monday, September 10

- Crestone Board of Trustees Meeting – Alder Meeting Room 9:30 am-5:00 pm 719-256-4313
- Rosh Hashanah - Jewish High Holiday Morning Services, Ennis' home 11am-12:30pm 719-256-4890

Tuesday, September 11

- Poetry & Conversation, Meditation – Vince Palermo's 10:00 am Free 719-256-4135

Wednesday, September 12

- Spay/Neuter Clinic – The Pro Shop 7:30 am \$20 donation for Pet Partners 719-588-4024
- Crestone End of Life Project & Informed Final Choices open meeting – Little Shepherd, 7-9pm informedfinalchoices.org 719-588-8602

Saturday, September 15

- Year of the Bird@Sand Dunes, Great Sand Dunes Nat'l Park 4-5pm Free www.nps.gov/grsa 719-378-6395

Sunday, September 16

- Crestone/Baca Village community potluck – Tullos residence 1:00 pm 719-480-8757
- Symposium for weaver Kathy Strathearn, Shumei Gallery 3-5pm, free www.shumeicrestone.org 256-5284

Tuesday, September 18

- Reading program for babies & toddlers – Baca Library 12:00 am Free 719-256-4100
- Yom Kippur Morning Services – Meryl Ennis' home 11:00 am-12:30 pm 719-256-4890
- Yom Kippur Afternoon, Memorial & Concluding Services, Ennis home 4-5:30pm 719-256-4890
- Kol Nidre Services for Yom Kippur, Ennis home 7pm, free, donations accepted 719-256-4890

Wednesday, September 19

- Guru Rinpoche Tsok (Feast Offering Potluck), Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 6-8pm
- Forum: Sales Tax for Law Enforcement, Saguache Rd & Bridge Meeting Room 6-8pm 719-221-8434

Thursday, September 20

- Rumi Study Circle. All Welcome! – 4:00 pm-6:00 pm nurashkijerrahi.org 719-588-8602

Friday, September 21

- Friends of BG Library Board Meeting – Crestone Town Hall 3:00 am-4:15 am None 719-256-4045
- Open Studio Tour reception, Bob's Diner 5-7pm www.crestoneartists.com 256-4182

Saturday, September 22

- Community Yard Sale – Challenger Golf Course 9:00 am-3:00 pm
- CrestoneArtists.com Open Studio Tour – around the community 12:00 pm-5:00 pm

Sunday, September 23

- Banned Books Week – Baca Grande Library All Day 719-256-4100
- Fall Equinox – Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) All Day
- CrestoneArtists.com Open Studio Tour – around the community 12:00 pm-5:00 pm

Monday, September 24

- Tantrato Love Immersion – All Day www.ginambarrett.com 719-345-6007
- Full Moon Fire Ceremony followed by a Meal – Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10:00 am-12:00 pm babajashram.org 719-256-4108
- Full Moon Riwo Sangchö (Outdoor Smoke Offering) – YES office 10:00 am-11:00 am

Thursday, September 27

- Zikr Dance Ensemble at Charter School – Crestone Charter School 7:00 pm-9:00 pm \$15 303-884-1910

Friday, September 28

- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training – BGPOA Meeting Room All Day SaguacheCounty-co.gov 719-588-0197

Saturday, September 29

- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training – BGPOA Meeting Room All Day SaguacheCounty-co.gov 719-588-0197

Sunday, September 30

- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training – BGPOA Meeting Room All Day SaguacheCounty-co.gov 719-588-0197
- Community Practice & Potluck, Pema Cho Ling Nuns Community 10:30am-12:30pm pema-cho-lingcommunity.org 719-496-0946

Saturday, October 6

- Abstract Painting Workshop@Great Sand Dunes Nat'l Park 2-4:30 pm Free www.nps.gov/grsa 719-378-6343
- Death Café – Desert Sage Restaurant 2:00 pm-4:00 pm 719-588-7415
- 3 Centuries of Guitar with Philippe Holmes, Cloud Station 7-9pm \$10 <http://philipholmes.wixsite.com/holmes-guitare> 310-292-7495

Tuesday, October 9

- Start of Fall Navratri, the Divine Mother Festival – Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10:00 am-12:00 pm babajashram.org 7192564108

Of all the preposterous assumptions of humanity over humanity, nothing exceeds most of the criticisms made on the habits of the poor by the well-housed, well-warmed, and well-fed. —Herman Melville

Daily/Weekly Events

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Daily

- Morning Aarati, Haidakhandi Universal Ashram, 7-8am, 256-4108, info@babajashram.org, www.babajashram.org
- Jyorei, Shumei Sanctuary, please be seated by 7:50am and 5:50pm, 256-5284
- Tours, gallery and Jyorei, Shumei, 9am-5pm, 256-5284.
- Open meditation & prayers in Vajra Vidya Retreat Center Shrine Room 9-10am daily; Traditional Buddhist Shrine Room available till dusk; All welcome to come and practice. 719-256-5539 vajraavidya.com
- Tours, Temple, & Gift Shop ~ Haidakhandi Universal Ashram, 256-4108, info@babajashram.org, www.babajashram.org
- Evening Aarati, Haidakhandi Universal Ashram, 6-7pm. Chanting in Sanskrit and Hindi. All are welcome. 256-4108, info@babajashram.org, www.babajashram.org

Sunday

- Mass at Nada Hermitage 9am-10am 719-256-4778
- Drop-in meditation (sitting & walking) Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 10am-1pm
- Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting Crestone Town Hall 7:00 pm-8:00 pm www.slvaa.org

Monday

- Gentle Yoga w Cynthia Little Shepherd Fellowship Hall 10-11:15am www.RadiantFlow.com 719-298-0360
- Al-Anon weekly meeting Little Shepherd Church 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Donation 719-298-9133

Tuesday

- Continuing Ashtanga Yoga, Mysore Style Shakti Sharanam 5:00 pm-6:45 pm By donation shaktisharanam.com 719-256-5668
- Yoga w Cynthia Joyful Journey Hot Springs 5-6pm \$10 www.RadiantFlow.co 719-298-0360
- Narcotics Anonymous open meeting, marijuana users welcome, Baca Grande Library back door 7:30 pm-8:30 pm 970-309-0710

Wednesday

- Yoga Fundamentals & Refinements 8:30-10am, donation shaktisharanam.com 719-256-5668
- AA Meeting The Clubhouse at Lazy KV 7-8pm

Thursday

- Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting Crestone Baptist Church noon-1:00 pm www.slvaa.org
- Continuing Ashtanga Yoga, Mysore Style Shakti Sharanam 5-6:45pm, donation, shaktisharanam.com 256-5668

Friday

- Energy Workshop w/Fay Ferris Little Shepherd Church 12:45-2:45 pm donation 719-937-7684

Saturday

- Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting Crestone Little Shepherd Church 9-10am www.slvaa.org
- Crestone Saturday Market Kathi McCallum 10am-4:45pm \$5/vendor, www.crestonecan.org/satmart 303-715-0356

Out & About with Lori Sunflower

What do you do that's energy efficient?



John Rowe

The car we travel in is a two-wheel drive and gets about 38mpg. My old pickup is small and doesn't get great gas mileage, but I budget it for 300-350 miles a month. We don't go to Salida or Alamosa often, and buy everything we can locally. We have efficient, in-floor radiant heat in the house and keep it turned down to 63. We have a fire in the morning and at night and burn very little propane. I'm a big fan of wood heat and passive solar. It *really* lowers utility bills! We buy whole, fresh foods; not canned or packaged foods. It breaks my heart to dig into a package and find more little packages in there. We recycle clothes by buying used ones. I think you can get a lot of nice stuff and it saves energy. They just opened a great new thrift store next to the Gift Horse at the Crestone Inn. I feel like the Free Box is more for people who need it, so I take stuff there, but I don't pick stuff up. These things don't sound like much, but you can cut your gasoline consumption in half by not driving a big Ford Expedition everywhere. So I think Lori, really, unless I'm going to start lyin' to ya, that's what I do!



Chi Chi Chu

We live in a passive solar home with solar panels and a wind generator. I cook some food in a solar oven. I use magnets in my washing machine which decreases the amount of water and electricity it uses by only using the rinse cycle. Living in a solar house, we realize we're using energy we don't actually need, so we have power bars to turn off all the phantom energy from toasters, the washing machine, coffee maker, etc.

I also consider it an energy savings that I don't use a lot of chemicals. For instance, I don't use Windex; I use a cloth that works better than Windex. For some laundry I do use a detergent without fillers, and the company sends me a bottle that I refill. I make everything from scratch. I know that's hard for most people, but I do that. We're starting to incorporate plasma energy, and we're going to be working with Edie Lee making a megrav which will supplement our energy. Hopefully we'll be doing classes here on how to make all these wonderful things. I have little energy things that I put in my dog Pica's bed, because she's 12, and it keeps her from having aches and pains.



Paul Shippee

When we explore the big picture we can learn the ultimate and immediate energy conservation strategy is to replace the burning of fossil fuels with the direct use of the sun's energy, for heating homes, buildings, hot water and making electricity. We also know fossil fuel burning is intimately tied to the cause of climate change and global warming. That's really huge! I've made a career out of energy conservation and solar applications, focusing on passive solar homes and active solar systems for hot water. I've designed and built several kinds of high performance passive solar homes that are very close to 100% solar heated. I'd lost interest in my first career in civil engineering and in 1972 became excited about sustainable energy. As a self-taught solar design engineer I experimented by heating up hot water in containers inside boxes made of glass and wood. I happily built my first passive solar home in Larimer County in 1972, then began teaching on alternative sources of energy and the human environment at CSU and Naropa. Then I put my money where my mouth was by designing and building passive solar homes in Boulder County. I moved to Crestone in 2001 and built my own 100% solar heated home. It uses three wheelbarrows of wood in the coldest winters. You can learn these magical energy conservation strategies too: sign up for a 3-day workshop at CrestoneSolarSchool.com.



Deb Schultz

I've driven a used Prius since 2010. She's a bit beat up now, but we use her for everything! It's practically our work truck, and uses less than half the fuel. It was a real step forward, but building an Earthship is the energy-efficient undertaking of a lifetime. My carbon footprint may just be in the negative after this! Even in the temporarily built portion of our home it's performing very high: passive solar gain, propane on-demand water heater, salvaged brick floor for thermal mass, and the DC refrigerator (our latest coup) runs just on solar energy. And with the solar panels outside soaking up sun rays, it's really a no-brainer. Eventually we'll also be capturing water, recycling it, and using it for food production in our home. What could be better? No need to run out for tomatoes! And *water*. Ever since I was a kid I've felt we should all be aware, like, "Hey, we're gonna run out . . . I don't know why but it came from deep inside me. Now I'm so proud to have my own well. We put in some plumbing last fall, but before that we hauled in water and whew! Was *that* ever a chore! Now, we're almost ultra-conservative with all our resources, and I really *know* we *all* can do with less, because I'm living it!



Donovan Spitzman

What do I do to be energy efficient other than building an Earthship out of 80% reclaimed materials? Last fall, the POA board asked me to start the revisions on the Energy Efficiency Guidelines from our Design Guidelines document. The original Energy Efficiency Guidelines were taken out a few years back due to their antiquated nature and difficulty of implementation. We're now starting the process to update these guidelines. The 1990s guidelines were basically congruent with what most urban/suburban communities are implementing today. Back in the early-mid 90s when the guidelines were implemented the population at large was not focused on green building. Now, we all realize how vital this effort is to

our future. So, we begin the journey of taking those original desires and updating them into an appropriate regenerative living model for the next 50 years of life in the Baca. What will the food supply line be? How will water be delivered? What happens to our waste? What types of structures support long-term sustainability? What design aspects are crucial to our location? What aspects of our surrounding environment are the most important for us to preserve? By evaluating our past, we plan our future. Welcome to one of the highest concentrations of off-grid living and natural building in the US. Let's keep the trend going for another 50 years. Stop by the booth at the Energy Fair to share ideas and input.



Annie Pace

Energy efficiency is a big subject and a big part of my life. Even my late guru would often ask, "Why wasting?" What I do could be described in three ways. First, on a gross level: What you see in front of you—solar electricity and heating, strawbale construction, adobe floors and utilization of other natural building materials; and an intentional design to meet but not exceed my needs. One of the most important homesteading decisions I made was location. Residing and working in short walking distance to the post office, credit union, and stores—not being vehicle-dependent conserves immensely. Secondly, on a personal level of lifestyle choices: keeping it simple—no clothes dryer, TV, computer or other electronic gadgets (a virtually screen free environment), seasonally growing my own produce, minimizing lighting, conserving flushes, taking bucket baths, etc. You could say "Yogic-ly old school." Lastly, on a subtle level: To have no separation of life, livelihood and lifestyle is incredibly efficient. Without compartmentalization, it all sort of mushes together and the talk is indeed walked! Maintaining my spiritual practices not only gives me more energy, it results in enhanced resiliency, capacity to serve others, and to step up in the face of adversity. And I have this idea for 2019's Energy Fair: I'd like to gather perimenopausal/menopausal women, have a workshop, How to Summon Hot Flashes on Demand, then find a way to harness and store that energy. That hasn't occurred yet at the Energy Fair, so if anyone's interested, *that's* the plan!

If you have feedback or suggestions for future topics, please email peacelove@gmail.com. In addition to being the Staff Photographer for The Crestone Eagle since 2012, Lori Nagel is a freelance photographer, graphic designer & web designer. www.sunflowerstudios.us.com.

Local senior housing project obtains Enterprise Zone status

by **Kirsten Schreiber,**
CPCH Chair

The Living Wisdom Village (LWV) project took a significant step forward in August when Crestone Peak Community Housing (CPCH) 501(c)3 was awarded Enterprise Zone status for this development. Donors providing \$100 or more to the project are eligible to receive a certificate for a 25% Colorado Income Tax Credit. For information on how to make a donation and receive your tax credit, please contact Akia Tanara at 719-256-4037. The Enterprise Zone Tax Credit was established to support economic development projects throughout the state, and greatly enhances the ability of these projects to reach fruition.

The Village will have approximately twenty units and will be located near the town of Crestone. This project is being developed for seniors (55 and older) who are able

to live independently. The Village will consist of all rental units, including several Section 8 units, and will serve 15-35 people, thus providing some relief for the outstanding need for senior housing in Saguache County. This project aims to strengthen capacity while meeting the needs of our aging population, where seniors can maximize the quality of their lives in an environment that offers both privacy and community. It is structured to include a balanced range of income and demographic segments of the county.

There is a complete lack of senior independent-living facilities in Saguache County, and this market is severely undersupplied in the surrounding Alamosa, Chaffee, Mineral and Rio Grande counties (San Luis Valley). A Housing Market Study completed for Living Wisdom Village in 2016 reported a demand at that time for 93 additional

units in Saguache County, and 422 additional units in surrounding counties. The study also noted that Saguache County had a 39% increase of 65+ from 2000 to 2010, and has a projected 69% change in 65+ from 2010 to 2020. Census data for the seven-mile area around the town of Crestone indicates an increase in 65+ persons from 245 in 2010 to 360 in 2017, a 47% increase in seven years.

Living Wisdom Village—Elders Creating Community—aspires to enhance the quality of life for seniors in a community where residents get support from each other and the greater community, their living environment allows them to meet their daily needs more easily, opportunities for social interaction are increased, and their life experiences and acquired skills can be shared more readily.

Funding for this project will be obtained from a combination

of donations, grants, and possibly a construction loan. In order to receive grants, CPCH must obtain matching funds from donations. Your contributions to this project will allow us to access large grant funds from Front Range foundations and will show strong local support for the project—something that all funders wish to see.

CPCH was formed in 1994 to address the lack of affordable housing for low-income and disadvantaged people in Saguache County, and to design and finance affordable housing to promote economic self-sufficiency and livability. The Board of Directors is currently working to obtain suitable land for development and raising funds to purchase land. Additional information on the project can be found at www.crestonepeakcommunityhousing.org.



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Walking with the sacred: The Teyuna in Crestone

by Myra L. Jackson
with edits & additions
by Mary Gaetjens

When you are in the embrace of a people with an intimate, unbroken bond with Mother Earth and the Cosmos across aeons of time, it is possible to discover what it means to step into a stream of activity rising from a place unbound by ordinary concepts of time and space. In the aftermath of the Teyuna Elders' time in Crestone, it is evident that they abide in a state of potency that modifies the spaces they enter.

The pristine meditative mood that is the hallmark of the Teyuna culture prepared the way for their arrival through the commanding Sangre de Cristo Mountains, the valley floor, waterways and forested areas of the San Luis Valley.

In the language of William Tiller, PhD who discovered through science the power of the Buddha Relics to condition the spaces in which they reside, the Teyuna Mamos in a verisimilar fashion elevate the spaces they enter through their constant engagement of the Law of Se or harmony.

In the spaces altered by their astute wakefulness all are invited to be saturated in and held by the pulsing heart of Earth Mother. The state of harmony they occupy embraces all they encounter.

What happened in Crestone?

The delegation of mamos (Teyuna holy men) traveled in a yellow school bus from Albuquerque, New Mexico, arriving quietly into Crestone on August 8—the Day of the Teyuna as proclaimed by the Town of Crestone. Hosted as honored guests of Colorado College's Baca Campus, the Teyuna's pre-dusk arrival was marked by volunteers eager to meet their needs for food, rest and time to divine before their public activities the next morning.

On August 9, warm rays of the rising sun shining from a clear sky came as a good sign that the



The very rare display of the sacred Tumas that the Mamos use in their pagamentos.

photo by Lori Nagel

needed rains would follow after the welcome ceremony at Cottonwood Park. Volunteers arrived to find the park setup nearly accomplished by the expert hands of Andrew Martinez. He quickly mounted his tractor to help bring the podium to its resting spot. Already an echo of how the Teyuna visit would unfold was present as the crew of volunteers listened as the Mayor described a change in the staging of the podium to Benjamin Byer, owner of the Elephant Cloud Market, who donated the sound equipment for the event. The Mayor's inspired change became one of many signs of the guiding forces governing the welcome ceremony planned by the Town.

The people from the town created a wonderful palette of color to the park with their chairs, blankets, and hats. The hues matched the emotional vibrancy of the crowd—a vibrancy soon met and matched by the stunning arrival of the Teyuna delegation. Near the entrance to the park, the Teyuna stood together under a tree and spoke with the land to ask her permission to enter. That granted, they asked the Mother what message she would like them to share with the Crestone community. In firmness and rapt attention, the Japanese Taiko drummers stood and waited for the call to drum just 10 yards away as the 9am start time yielded into Teyuna time.

Soon the Te-

yuna delegation accepted the invitation of the Mayor to follow her to their seats and the ceremony flowed in its own perfect harmonic. The Mayor presented the board, welcomed the Teyuna and encouraged Hanne Strong to step forward to be seated where she belonged—next to the Teyuna, their North American Representative Mary Gaetjens, their translator, Orlando Villarraga, Town Trustees and others.

The Mayor read and presented Kandimaku Busintana, Secretary General of the Council of the Cabildos, the highest authority for the Teyuna people in the Sierra Nevada de Santa Martha, with The Day of the Teyuna proclamation and the Resolution on the rights of Nature.

Kandimaku was then moved to invite everyone present to participate in a moving meditation in honor of the Mother's request they'd just received. It involved placing one's bare feet on the Earth's cool, moist grasses and then lying down on the earth. A palpable connection to the body of Earth Mother through the spirit, mind and body resulted. Then, the energy of pure intention for Crestone's sacred land went from the mamos hands, and then from hand to hand throughout all assembled.

The Mayor, unaware that her intuitive hunch to move the podium was perfectly orchestrated by Jatuqua, known to the Teyuna as Mother Water, sat as Teyuna mamos Irwatan and Dodoringumu spoke in the vibratory resonance of their native language to deepen the experience, then spoke in Spanish the words the Mother wished them to express.

It was Kizzen Laki who noticed the Teyuna were standing atop the underground spring feeding into a pond where a dog had just leaned in for a cool drink of water as the Teyuna welcomed the

Mayor back to the podium.

The Mayor, now back at the podium standing on the spring, invited all assembled to utilize all that was given by the Teyuna to activate the words within the proclamation and the resolution while listening to the Taiko drummers.

Tears fell easily as the audience with great ease brought the quality of their presence forward to do what the Mayor and Trustees could not do alone—activate and embody the meaning of the Day of the Teyuna proclamation and the Resolution recognizing the rights of Nature by way of the heart. The Teyuna astutely connected us to ourselves, the Earth and each other. We were expertly walked through the Teyuna way of being 1) Ordering of the thought process, 2) Ordering of the Spirit, and 3) Ordering of one's personal behavior.

Then the Teyuna did something unexpected and unprecedented. They placed upon a white cloth for all to view, sacred objects that had been activated specifically for use in Crestone. They then asked for everyone to fortify the sacred objects with their collective energy.

The end was swiftly followed by a rousing round of Taiko drumming followed by the flute music that facilitated the play of the children and the lightness of being evident throughout Cottonwood Park.

Walking with the mamos

Well before sunrise on the days that followed the mamos journeyed with small groups of hearty water protectors to perform pagamento, their sacred service, at Willow Lake, at the North Crestone Creek on land stewarded by John Milton, and at an area chosen to empower the San Luis Lakes area.

Returning mid-morning to rest, each day, the mamos conducted group healings that included individual attention for over 70 people. The reverberations of the

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Crestone Mayor Kairina Danforth with Myra Jackson, tour organizer for the Teyuna visit. photo by Lori Nagel



The Teyuna and some key supporters in Cottonwood Park. Some present, L to R: Hanne Strong, Mary Gaetjens (Teyuna Foundation Director), Brahmi Howell, Kandy-maku, John Milton, Orlando V (translator). photo by Lori Nagel

Teyuna

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healing outcomes are fast becoming a part of Crestone's destined future arising in the backdrop of the third in a series of eclipses on August 11, and a mass of six retrograde planets, Pluto dropping below the ecliptic, Yods, etc. Several on that eclipse day took responsibility to return to the sacred waters they visited with the Mamos to continue offering pagamentos and fortifying the connection with our Elder Brothers to restore humanity's sacred bonds with Nature.

Let it be known that the cottonwoods rejoiced as they witnessed our reunion with the Elder Brother. And let it be known that by the quality of their presence the mamos do condition the spaces they enter. May Crestone-Baca benefit from this union and harmonize toward a vision of true resilience that is found in good relations with Mother Earth, and each other.

Why were the Teyuna in Crestone?

To share their message and state their plea: We must move beyond our earthly concerns and desires to focus our energy on Earth herself. We must give back to the Mother who has given so much. It's crucial that we do that now. It's crucial that we do that well. Please get into alignment with your purpose

on the planet, and from a place of inner balance, see that you are an essential part of the bigger picture. The Mother's feet are your feet, The Mother's head is your head. The Mother's heart is your heart. Sit in appreciation of all that you've been given by our Mother, your most delicious meals, your happiest moments, your greatest efforts. Sit with your highest, purist thoughts and support the connection that's been seeded between Crestone and the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta. You in Crestone have been given a very precious gift literally and figuratively. Your segwa, the seeds of your original, divine human blueprint, have been fully activated. Grow them. Cherish them. Listen to your Mother.

"Segwa are the divine seeds present and lying dormant in all beings, elements, and places on the planet. When Nature is in harmony, we as humans are able to feel that accord, responding by relaxing and experiencing joy. In the space of this harmony and our offerings in the form of pagamentos to the Great Mother, divine seeds are activated. It is crucial to come into harmony with Nature to restore the balance."

To learn more about the Teyuna, visit TeyunaFoundation.Org and sign up to follow our blog. read the full series of three articles written by contributing writer July and August issues of *The Crestone Eagle* as well.

Learn how to do your part to help keep our wildlife wild

On Friday, September 7 at 6pm the Baca Grande Property Owners Association, in conjunction with Colorado Parks and Wildlife, will be hosting a "Bear Aware" community meeting at the Baca Grande POA Hall.

A Parks and Wildlife representative will make a presentation on living responsibly in bear country, which will include information on what attracts black bears, how to secure food and trash, and the dangers of feeding wildlife. A question-and-answer session will follow the presentation, with the parks and wildlife representative on hand to answer questions. All community and POA members are invited. No RSVP is necessary, snacks and refreshments will be provided.

The focus of the meeting is to promote conservation through coexistence and to remind outdoor recreationists, visitors and property owners in the POA that it is time to become Bear Aware. As summer heads into fall we all need to be responsible and take steps to minimize human-bear interactions.

It's important to think ahead and be Bear Aware now when preparing your home, neighborhood and outdoor plans for the change in seasons. Bears are omnivores and primarily eat vegetation such as grasses, berries, acorns, and seeds. However, warm dry weather can lead to localized natural food failures. This can cause black bears from affected areas to become more mobile and persistent in search of human food sources like trash, fruit trees, pet food, bird feeders, livestock and agricultural products. Bears have an extremely keen sense of smell and excellent memories, and once they have learned about a reliable source of food, they will often return.

"It's critical for folks to remember that if a bear finds a meal in or around your home and becomes unafraid of people, it is more likely that a human-bear interaction can occur," said a representative from the Colorado Department of Wildlife. "Careless behavior by people, whether leaving your trash out, keeping a dirty campsite or, worst of all, purposely feeding a bear, is most often what leads to these interactions. Unfortunately, local authorities are then tasked to remedy many avoidable problems."

Black bears typically do not hunt humans in Colorado; however, because they are large, powerful animals, they pose a very serious risk to human health and safety when they become conditioned to finding meals from human sources.

It requires diligence on the part of our community to keep bears from becoming human food-dependent at home or while recreating. That effort can begin now; establishing proper Bear Aware behavior early can create good habits that help minimize conflicts throughout the year.

Join the Baca Grande POA and your fellow community members for a fun and informative evening. This is one of many community events being brought to you by the Baca Grande Property Owners Association. In September you will also find the Community Yard Sale at the Baca Grande Golf Course on September 22nd from 9am-3pm. Follow us on social media at facebook.com/BGPOA and stay up to date with new happenings at www.bacapoa.org. You can also contact Fedrica Solano-Clark at communications@bacapoa.org or 719-265-4171 for more information.

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So grateful that we can have our fire ceremonies outside again. Grateful for the rain and that we can pray together.

Haidakhandi Universal Ashram news

by Ramloti

A full and great month at the Ashram and the amount of visitors seem to grow daily with the lovely weather. We are praying for rain at our daily fire ceremonies.

The new-moon fire ceremony this month is on Sunday, September 9, and the full-moon fire ceremony is on Monday, September 24. The fire ceremonies begin at 10am and are followed by a meal. Morning aarati is at 7am and evening aarati is at 6pm. At 8am there is generally a small fire ceremony when we do not have a large one. Call us at 719-256-4108 for proper protocol for attending fire ceremonies, and any other questions.

Our Fall Navratri, Divine Mother Festival, which generally falls in September or October, as it goes by the lunar calendar, will run from October 9-17. Mark your calendar so you can join us for some or all of this wonderful ceremony.

The Maha Lakshmi Shop still has lots and lots of yards of beautiful silks and other yummy fabrics, which we are selling for only \$2. The shop is also full of wonderful items, many from India: there are anklets, both wooden and stone malas, brass statues, hand-deco-

rated deity candles, cloth items, earrings, bracelets, oils, incense, purses, hand-made silk cases for your glasses and cell-phones, CDs, eye pillows, Benares silks, soaps, wooden carved boxes, and much more. We also have an overflowing amount of gently used clothes, which are 50% off this month. The shop is open every day from 10am until 5pm. We invite you to come in and look around. We deeply appreciate your support. If you mention this article you will receive 10% off your purchase, except for sale items. You may view some of what is in our shop on our website at <http://mahalakshishop.wazala.com>.

For more information about the Ashram, please visit our website at www.babajiashram.org. All are invited to our Ashram Board of Directors' meeting, which is Sunday, September 16 or 23 (not a firm date at the time of publication for the paper) at 10am. Please call the Ashram at 719-256-4108 for exact date and an agenda. We also invite you to visit the Ashram at any time. We love to share Shri Babaji's and Mother's home with others. Just drop by or give us a call at 719-256-4108.



Colorado Health Foundation President and CEO, Karen McNeil-Miller (left), presented the 2018 Dr. Virgilio Licona Community Health Leadership Award to Liza Marron (right), executive director of the San Luis Valley Local Foods Coalition, during the Colorado Health Symposium in Keystone, Colorado Aug. 1.

photo by Lorenzo Dawkins/Colorado Health Foundation

Liza Marron receives Community Health Leadership Award

Last week, the Colorado Health Foundation recognized Liza Marron for the 2018 Dr. Virgilio Licona Community Health Leadership Award at the Colorado Health Symposium. This annual award program seeks to recognize Coloradans who are finding innovative and effective strategies to overcoming community health barriers across the state.

A true champion for social justice, Liza has relentlessly shined a light on community health issues by raising the voices of those left in the shadows. Throughout her career, Liza has fought to bring health in reach for more Coloradans by working to develop programs and policies that advance food access and security, especially for migrant workers. Of her many successes, Liza has also worked on a mentoring program for asset-challenged youth, that inspired her to become a licensed foster care home, specializing in hard-to-place youth.

Today, as the founding director of the San Luis Valley Local Foods

Coalition (SLVLCF), she is helping to foster an equitable food system that restores the health of the people, community, economy and ecosystem. Key programs and projects underway at SLVLCF include the Valley Roots Food Hub aggregation and distribution enterprise complete with commercial kitchen for value-added production; the Rio Grande Farm Park, a farmer incubator and recreation park; Cooking Matters program that teaches families to cook healthily on a budget; and the San Luis Valley Farm-to-School Task Force.

The award program is named after the late Dr. Virgilio Licona, who passed in 2016. Dr. Licona worked to improve the health of Coloradans most in need, focusing his expertise as a physician in rural health care delivery and migrant health. A nationally recognized advocate for social justice, he brought a critical voice to some of the most important conversations and decisions related to how we can bring health in reach for all Coloradans.

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Great Sand Dunes to host Amateur Astronomy Night

Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve is hosting an amateur astronomy night on Saturday, September 8 from 8:30pm to 11pm at the South Ramada picnic area near the Dunes Parking Lot. Telescopes will be set up at the South Ramada for planetary and deep-sky object viewing throughout the event. Ranger-led tours of the night sky begin at the South Ramada at 8:30pm and 9:30pm. Staffed tables will provide astronomy information, handouts, and additional activities including an opportunity for kids to complete a Junior Ranger Night Explorer activity book and work towards earning a special night sky patch. Stargazers are encouraged to continue enjoying the dark skies after the event.

This event is free, though the regular park entrance fee of \$20 per vehicle still applies when the entrance station is open; America the Beautiful passes are accepted at the park for entry. Camping in the park at Pinon Flats campground requires reservation and sites can be secured between four days and six months in advance at www.recreation.gov. In case of inclement weather, the event may be canceled or moved indoors to the park visitor center and auditorium.

This event relies on good weather and dark conditions, so visitors are advised to bring red light flashlights and headlamps to protect their night vision and wear warm

and layered clothing due to nighttime temperatures. The welcome table will provide red cellophane and rubber bands to convert white lights to less harmful red ones.

Far from the light pollution of urban areas, Great Sand Dunes protects some of Colorado's darkest night skies. On a clear, moonless night one can see thousands of stars, including the Milky Way, stretching across the sky. Whether attendees want to see the Milky Way, planets, and nebulae for the first time or simply desire a better connection with a true night sky, this free event aims to deliver opportunities to understand why dark skies are such an important resource.

For more information about this event or to get involved as an amateur astronomy group or club, please contact Kyle Ackerman at 719-378-6395 or Kyle_Ackerman@nps.gov. You can also visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/grsa.

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Denise and Luna at Xela's grave.
photo by Peter Taylor

Pet parents have a new option for dog and cat burial

by Denise Peine

Cielo Azul is Crestone's new pet cemetery, established as a natural site to honor our beloved animals by providing affordable space for dog and cat burial. The project, supported by Pet Partners, is a one-acre site west of the existing Crestone cemetery which is on Galena Street, west of town.

The name Cielo Azul (blue sky or blue heaven) honors our environment and our heritage. The cemetery coexists with pinyon, juniper, grasses and cactus. The area has rock-lined paths to access the burial plots. The cemetery will follow general guidelines for "natural" or "green" burial. Graves will be

hand-dug by the pet's owner and only shrouds or non-toxic, biodegradable caskets may be used. Small objects and decorations may be placed on the grave.

Cielo Azul is a work in progress. The basic infrastructure is in and available for use. As time goes on, creative additions such as signage, benches and a gazebo may be added. We welcome local artists' ideas and contributions.

The Town of Crestone will administer Cielo Azul as they do the Crestone Cemetery. Come to Town Hall Monday through Thursday, 9-2, to pick up a map and get directions to the cemetery.

The following fees have been established:

Small plot, 2' x 2' \$25.00

Medium plot, 3' x 5' \$45.00

Large plot 5' x 6' \$75.00

The large plot may be used for more than one animal. Pet cremains may also be buried.

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Not too late to change

by Earl LeRoy

The world is so busy. People seek pleasure, comfort and self-assurance, but it is only temporary because they do not seek Me. Look at the turmoil, sadness, heartache and sorrow that exists around you. Look at the worry, fear and hopelessness that people find themselves in and the despair in their lives. This is not why I created any of you.

I Am the God of joy and peace that is yours and all who come to Me. Most people have chosen to believe the god of this world who kills, steals, and destroys with great deception. It is the same god that deceived Adam and Eve with the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. There are two trees. The tree of life which is My Word-The Bible, My Son Jesus; and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil . . . which is the tree of deception. People choose to believe lies, instead of believing Me who created everyone for a special purpose. Most people truly believe that they know better than Me, who created them. They are empty and hopeless especially when Satan takes everything from them because they have been listening to what his demons say. The consequences of listening to the deceiver who many times appears as an angel of light, leads to chaos and utter destruction. When people follow this path, they argue and start killing themselves or each other, and ultimately cause wars because there are only a few that seek Me and follow Me. "There is a way that seems right to man, but the end thereof is destruction."

I tell you these things because it is never too late to change. My Son became Man because I

had given dominion of this earth to man. Man chose to believe Satan, so he took the dominion from man. But Jesus came to take it back and give it back to those who choose to believe Me. Jesus became the perfect sacrifice, and paid the price for all of man's sins. Those who choose to believe in Jesus and repent have their sins washed away by His Blood. They become new creations; they are born again of My Spirit. They become My children as I created them to be, and they have dominion over Satan and his demons. Call upon Jesus and be saved from the chaos, darkness and wars of this world. Jesus is knocking at the door of each heart. Whosoever lets Jesus in, their spirit will become alive! My Light will shine through them, and they will have the peace that passes all understanding. Prepare for war in My Spirit and as you walk through the valley of the shadow of death, you will fear no evil, and will be able to deliver many more into My Kingdom of Light, Love, and eternal life. Rejoice for I Am the answer for now and the wars to come.

Love, Abba

Clips from the Clerk

by Trish Gilbert,
Saguache County
Clerk & Recorder

County Initiatives

Electors of counties do not have constitutional rights of initiative, unlike state and municipal electors who have the right to adopt state and municipal legislation by initiative and referendum.

TABOR In A Nutshell

Colorado Municipal League

Although the text of TABOR contains nearly 2,000 words and addressed "multiple subjects", its proponents convinced a majority of Colorado voters to approve it in 1992 with a campaign essentially based on one simple message: "VOTE ON TAXES!"

The advocates and supporters of TABOR promised above all that this constitutional amendment would inhibit the relentless "growth of government" by forevermore requiring the consent of the voters before any new tax could be adopted or before any existing tax could be increased.

The irony of this pitch, and one that was not lost on the courts, is that TABOR did not give rise to any new substantive voting rights as some of its supporters had suggested. The people of Colorado had long since reserved to themselves the powers of initiative and referendum, thus allowing for the direct control of taxation and oth-

er legislative matters at the ballot box.

Moreover, several preexisting state and local laws and charter provisions already required municipal voters to approve tax increases. For example, laws governing statutory municipalities (as well as many counterpart home rule charter provisions) already required voter approval for new or increased sales taxes. Likewise, voter approval was already required for tax increases to service general obligation debt.

Thus, the mandate to "VOTE ON TAXES" was hardly revolutionary to Colorado.

In contrast, far and away the single most radical change wrought by TABOR was its formulaic limitation on the annual growth of revenues. It does not limit the amount of money that may be budgeted. It does not limit the amount of money that may be appropriated. It does not limit the amount of money that maybe "spent" in any conventional sense of the word.

Instead, it limits the amount of revenue that may be retained in any particular year from most sources. (including both taxes and fees) according to a rigid one-size-fits-all revenue cap, and requires a refund of "excess" revenue received in any particular year absent voter approval to keep the excess. This is perhaps the most important thing for every official to understand about the way TABOR works.

The bottom line is citizens have the constitutional right to initiate municipal and state legislation. With one exception, they have no such right to initiate county legislative matters. That's because that legislative power is vested in the General Assembly and was not reserved by the people in our constitution.

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Kids are encouraged to bring a teddy bear, stuffed animal or doll, which will become their "patient" in the Surgery Department. They'll take their patient through an entire surgery stay and will even get to test out some of the equipment. Parents or guardians are encouraged to participate in the tour with their child.

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Valley-Wide welcomes new physician Dr. Terri Bowland

Terri Bowland, DO, FCOFP, has recently joined the medical staff at three Valley-Wide Health Systems clinics in the San Luis Valley. She will work two days per week each at the Cesar E. Chavez Family Medical Center in Center and at the Edward M. Kennedy Health Center in Monte Vista. Dr. Bowland will work one day per week at the Alamosa Family Medical Center serving as a mentor for the Rural Training Track residents.

Dr. Bowland earned her medical degree at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, California after earning a Bachelor of Arts in Integrative Biology at the University of California, Berkeley. She completed the Family Medicine Residency program at Southampton Hospital in New York. She is a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

Dr. Bowland had served as a primary care physician in many different practice settings including fast-paced urgent care, telemedical and military environments. She has worked at Salud, one of our "sister" Colorado Community Health Centers. Dr. Bowland is a lecturer on healthy lifestyles and preserving health.

In her free time Dr. Bowland enjoys playing with her twin toddler boys and her family dog, Mishka, and watching the boys grow. Other hobbies include reading and spending time in the beautiful Colorado outdoors.

Dr. Bowland is accepting new patients. For more information, please go to vwhs.org, visit one of Dr. Bowland's clinics, or call 719-589-3658.



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Moffat School News: It's going to be a great year!

by Jillian Sciacca

We have had an exciting first few weeks of the 2018-2019 school year. The first day of classes was Monday, August 20. During the first week of school, students spent time getting to know their new teachers and learning new routines. On August 29, the Creede Repertory Theater visited our school and students in preschool-twelfth grade enjoyed a performance that was followed up with a talk-back for our secondary students. Additionally, on August 30, the Salida Circus started up their program at the Moffat School. They will be at our school all day every Thursday, providing engaging circus activities in all physical education classes and meeting with students in preschool through high school. We are so thankful that they are returning for more fun this year.

During the second week of school, students completed their fall benchmark assessments. Teachers and administrators have been reviewing data and making plans to meet the individual needs of every student. Additionally, we are thrilled to be implementing Restorative Practices into our daily routines to help meet the social

and emotional needs of our students.

Social-emotional support for our students is a top priority from preschool through 12th grade. Over the summer months, we applied for additional funding to expand our preschool program as social-emotional development is a major focus in early childhood. We were granted additional ECARE (Early Childhood At-Risk Enhancement) funding which has allowed us to expand our preschool program from a half day to a full day. Also, we have a few tuition-based slots that are allowing us to accept students from varying backgrounds, increasing the diversity of our preschool population. Our preschool program is currently at capacity and we are accepting applications for students to be put on the waiting list. While our preschool class is at capacity, we are continuing to enroll students in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

It's going to be a great year. There is a feeling of excitement and optimism resonating throughout our building, and it is going to be exciting to watch how our students grow academically and emotionally throughout this school year.



Sheridan Taylor and Cheyenne Hunter wrap their advisory teacher, Glenn Dozier, up like a mummy in a class competition during the welcome back assembly held during the first week of school.

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- **Fiscal Responsibility**

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PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Incumbent Saguache County Commissioner (2015 - present)
San Luis Valley Well Commissioner (Mar 2000 - Sep 2003)
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VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE

Representative for the Saguache Creek Water Users Association, serving on the San Luis Valley Rules and Regulations Committee (2009-present)
Mountain Valley School Board (2005-2008)
Volunteer at Moffat Consolidated Schools and Mountain Valley Schools (2000-2006)
Saguache Town Council (1980-1984)
Saguache Volunteer Fire Department (1977-1982)
Kiwanis (1976-1982)

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Charter School news: Additions to the teaching staff

by Louise-Marie Baker

The Crestone Charter School is excited to welcome students back for 2018-2019 school year! Already, we know it is going to be an amazing year, filled with many different exciting adventures! We have a few additions to the teaching staff this year, whom we are excited about sharing with you!

First is our new middle school math and science teacher, Jeanne Babiez. Jeanne moved to Crestone after visiting one time! She read about Crestone Charter School and envisioned herself teaching at our school. She and her life partner, Jay, are building a home to enjoy here in Crestone. Jeanne has a Bachelor Degree in Science Education, Earth Space and Physics. Her Masters Degree is in Science Education from Northeastern State University in Oklahoma. She has taught Earth Space, Physics, Chemistry and Biology.

Jeanne was born in New Jersey on the Delaware River. She lived in Florida for 34 years. She has been involved with Boy Scouts of America for 15 years as her children grew into young adults. She has worked summers teaching Environmental Outdoor Education at Philmont Scout Ranch, the largest summer camp in the world in Cimarron, NM. Jeanne loves to be outside; hiking and cycling are two of her hobbies.

Jeanne has been a natural teacher her whole life. She has been



Jeanne M. Babiez

a camp counselor since high school and realized the need to reach students through being outside, teaching science and math concepts so youth have a connection to the real world. She figure that since she loved it so much that she could

make it fun for others to learn too. Having an impact on others' lives, bringing positive energy and excitement in learning, are part of Jeanne's passion for teaching students of all ages. Jeanne considers this opportunity to teach here in the mountains her dream job and will work to bring the outdoors inside and the inside outdoors as our students learn concepts of math and science.

Second is our new high school math and science teacher, Fabrício Raimundo Fernandes. Fabrício recently turned thirty-three on August 20. He has been teaching math since 2011 at the middle school, high school, and collegiate level.

Before he started teaching math, Fabrício worked as electronic technician. He studied to be a technician during high school, and worked as one for a little while after graduating. However, his love of math could not be forgotten.



Fabrício Fernandes

In 2011, Fabrício got his chance to realize his dream of becoming a math teacher. That year would end up changing his life. From there, he continued to teach math and eventually got his Master's Degree in Math. Fabrício says, "I love to teach math, but I also really love being able to be a part of my students' lives. However, now I am looking for a new challenge, and an opportunity to grow as a teacher. That is why I am really looking forward to moving to Crestone and being your high school math and science teacher."

When Fabrício decided he wanted to teach in the United States, he began to study the CLIL Methodology: Content and language integrated learning. Teaching in Crestone will be a dream come true for Fabrício.

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Vale Aretha Franklin,
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by David Nicholas

Dedicated to the great Queen of Soul Aretha Franklin, 1943-2018, who appealed to our better natures. Yes, she did. That said . . .

So how ya doing?

Are you coping with the daily mud-slinging in Washington? It's rough. Every day it's something else. A new drama, usually between Mr. Trump and his former employees, comfort women, critics, enemies—real or imagined—along with lying like there is no tomorrow, all go to form the need to control the daily news narrative. It is tempting to keep the television turned off or no longer follow @realDonaldTrump on Twitter. Or both.

His daily tweetings become a blur as they spew forth fast and impulsively. So many at one time that there are occasions where the 4220+ lies he told in the 558 days—according to the *Washington Post* who has kept the count since he has been in office—fade as fast as they appear. It is alleged that these feed his 32-40% base. The raw meat to keep the faithful/supportive. In truth many of these swine pearls are storms in tea-cups—many serving as distractions from other major news stories—which are over so quickly that there is little point on covering them over the long term. They are policy because the leader of the executive arm of government composed them. They are part of the documents of the historic archive of this presidency, such as it is. There is no doubt that what is tweeted festers and becomes a toxic part of US government policy.

This can be bewildering and the urge to disengage with the political discourse which holds sway over our daily lives is strong. But withdrawal of the many of us who cannot stand him is what he wants. So each day, Mr. Trump's expressed fears and hatreds get more repulsive and extreme than the day before. He appears unhinged to many, but we need to be careful in making that charge. Insanity under the 25th Amendment—to remove the President from office if he is considered incapacitated by his cabinet—is still in the eye of the beholder.

What is pretty interesting is how the Mueller investigation is getting to him. You will note the President always bellows answers when asked above loud ambient sounds, allowing him an out if it were to be used as evidence.

These days Mr. Trump sends out Rudy Giuliani, his latest legal counsel, to appear on talk programs to spray speculative invective narratives. A clever distraction, Mr. Giuliani tells all who will listen what he thinks the special counsel is doing and demands the investigation be ended, well before the midterm election. Grandiose and arrogant is Mr. Giuliani, but like the rest of us he has no idea, and he will be only the wiser when Mr. Mueller breaks his silence. That will be when Mr. Mueller is ready.

Keeping sanity by keeping

your counsel is the key. Watch Melania Trump, the first lady, who can't stand her husband and now does little to hide her contempt in public. She knows how to make him look the fool and shows him up when he displays his feeble vanities.

The 60% of us who cannot stand Trump's gutless wonder know what we are going to do on election day November 1. Vote because we can.

First up: Some irony

The big winner of Mr. Trump's "Make America Great Again!" has been so far the People's Republic of China. The country he, along with many of his Republican minions in Congress, loves to hate has taken advantage of the President preening himself before adoring audiences on his "Keep America Great" re-election campaign with all the flags and bunting the eye can see.

If you didn't buy your \$1 print of "Old Glory," and "Keep America Great" caps, T-shirts, posters and yard signs before August 16 when the new round of tariffs charged to items produced in the People's Republic kicked in, then you may be too late. Apparently there is no American printing company that can turn out the same volume of trinkets as cheaply as the Chinese. So when attending a Trump re-election rally know that your hard-earned dollars keep China in business.

While this little-known fact doesn't get much airplay on our networks, the Communist Party 24-hour world news channel—the China Global Television Network—made a point of making this its top news item throughout the month of August.

This example shows up the dilemma of a thoroughly pointless trade war that taxes us and which in the long run will have little effect on China's balance of payments and/or its gross national product. Contrary to Peter Navarro (Mr. Trump's Director of Trade and Industrial Policy and his latest economic adviser), former CNBC "Squawk Box" commentator Larry Kudlow says a tariff war is not bringing China to its knees. I will touch more on tariff wars later, but I couldn't resist. Even our president's patriotism cannot exist without our dollar dependence upon China.

As of September 1 it is 67 days until the midterm elections on November 6 and Democrats have a good shot at winning back the House. The primary season over the last three months have shown a consistent swing of between 10-11% to Democratic candidates. Provided this holds up for the next 67 days, 40-50 House seats could change hands and rid us of the Republican blight of do-nothing Congresses.

Just in the past few days before the *Eagle's* deadline, the Democratic National Committee decid-

ed to let individual candidates fight their campaigns on issues tailored to their electoral make-up, meaning that national issues and personalities will be secondary. This is a smart move as it makes Nancy Pelosi less of charged target in GOP ad campaigns.

Control of the Senate is a more difficult challenge, but doable. At present Senator Clare McCaskill (D-MO) is behind her GOP opponent in Missouri, and she could lose it after two terms serving a predominantly red state. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) will have a fight to keep his seat, as will Heidi Heidkamp in North Dakota.

In my view these three were disappointing in that they voted for Supreme Court Associate Justice Neil Gorsuch in his nomination vote. In trying to please a conservative base (who were never and will never be for them), they have set the tone for the Supreme Court.

Now they are likely to vote for another conservative in Brett Kavanaugh. I appreciate their dilemma, but they are Democrats, so I have moments when I think maybe they need to take one for the good guys and vote no in the Kavanaugh confirmation vote. But that is only if the two GOP Senators, Susan Collins and Lisa Murkowski, also vote no. Right now, beginning of September, this is an open question.

Despite this, getting them reelected is a must.

So everything depends on turnout by Democratic voters in states where they narrowly lost in 2016. Iowa, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin are strong possibilities, along with Arizona.

SCOTUS nominee expected to get Senate confirmation

Mr. Trump nominated judge Brett Kavanaugh from the DC Federal Court of Appeals to succeed Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy who chose this time to retire from the Supreme Court. Another conservative being appointed to the court will ensure that the Supreme Court maintains its current stance of upholding the constitution in cases where plaintiffs request exceptions and variations in interpreting constitutional points of law.

At time of writing, it's not clear at all that the nomination is a done deal. Some questions Judge Kavanaugh asked during the Monica Lewinsky scandal in 1998 are controversial. They are lurid and graphic and are giving some Senators pause and worry that if this is how he thinks in the main.

Some questions he raised were, "If Monica Lewinsky says that on several occasions in the Oval Office area, you used your fingers to stimulate her vagina and bring her to orgasm, would she be lying?"

Or, "If Monica Lewinsky says that on several occasions you had her give oral sex, made her stop, and then ejaculated into the sink in the bathroom of the Oval Office, would she be lying?"

Or, "If Monica Lewinsky says that you masturbated into a trashcan in your secretary's office, would she be lying?"

The question Senators are asking is, would you want a Justice whose attitude and sensibility is as raw and demeaning towards women as Mr. Kavanaugh has demon-

strated? The reasonable answer would be no, thank you, because it is both disgusting and troubling. But it's Mr. Trump's pick and these are unstable times in a divided nation and so his particular mores in writing opinions may well be overlooked or regarded as irrelevant.

A number of Republican Senators including Colorado's Senator Cory Gardner haven't announced how they will vote yet. Most likely he is a yes. But the ones to watch on the GOP side are Susan Collins from Maine and Lisa Murkowski from Alaska. With John McCain being treated for cancer in Arizona and unlikely to return to cast his vote, then the majority is 51. If either Senator votes no, and Democrats use their 48 votes against confirmation as one block, it would be a setback for Mr. Trump and further incitement for Democrats and independents to go and vote.

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY), notably silent in past months on most everything, finally emerged from his office to denounce this nomination, arguing that Senate confirmation should be held after the November election. Maybe he was just going through the motions of wishful thinking, but one can only hope.

As House majority leader Mitch McConnell gleefully announced, confirmation would be fast-tracked as much as possible with hearings to begin in September when Senators return from the August recess and the hearings should be over on or before September 30. Why this matters is that the Supreme Court begins its term on the first Monday in October.

Mr. McConnell at this point might have the numbers to get confirmation. Possibly three Democrats also will vote in favor. Senators McCaskill, Manchin and Heidkamp are under pressure to vote yes to help with their re-election effort. As I said earlier, I am not sure if that will make a difference to their political fortunes.

The hearings are not expected to be fiery, but stories that make Judge Kavanaugh an unappealing nominee could change that. We shall see.

Dragging Melania through the foreign policy weeds

It was the grand tour to end the idea of grand tours forever. This was supposed to be the triumphant lap of his presidency to date: Ottawa, Canada for the G7 meeting, with the leaders of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the US; then to London, England for 24 hours of tea and misery; and then on to Helsinki for the meeting—the Russian summit—with his master's voice; then back home to the accolades to be heaped upon him.

The first question to ask was, did it really happen? Why? Yes, it did.

In the age of stupid, mixing with people he couldn't stand, Mr. Trump managed to insult, abuse and slight our friends and allies at the G7; almost trample ERII—Queen Elizabeth—at Blenheim Palace when he turned up for tea on an official working visit (not the state visit he was hoping for); and the crown jewel of his foreign policy, meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin, where the two dis-

appeared behind closed doors without note-takers in a two-hour-and-five-minute meeting with the one who owns his ass.

It was all Melania could do in stiletto pumps to keep up as he held her hand in an iron grip, marching her around as the trophy wife. By the time Helsinki finished she wouldn't let him near her left hand, holding a large handbag down the stairway from Air Force One.

Why do I note this? Because it was the only interesting and positive noteworthy aspect of a trip shrouded in carelessness and shade—barring a revelation that the CIA bugged the summit meeting and revealed what they said—where his performance was perceived overall by the US media as the most ham-fisted and arrogant by a US head of state in decades.

Trade war with China

When they started out with their tariff wars on Canada, China, Japan and Mexico, the White House trade officials expected everyone would cave to Mr. Trump's stentorian and bullying pronouncements. No nation has caved, and China in particular has settled in for a long-term battle they expect will go on for years. At time of writing the White House is obsessing over the Chinese refusal to negotiate and to capitulate to its dictatorial demands.

True that the PRC is concerned, as tariffs hurt everyone, but they were cunning in ensuring that it was not China who initiated this war. Mostly the people who suffer from tariff charges are in the country that originated the tariff, so if this war lasts into November when every item imported from China will have a tariff, we the people will be paying higher prices.

For example, Walmart is China's trading company here in the US for all intents and purposes. What manufactured goods in Walmart are not made in China? And that's the point.

It would take some years for US manufacturers to produce the goods at the level that Walmart demands at the low prices Walmart sets. In fact Walmart's trade with China resulted in forcing low prices on US manufacturers early in the 1990s, and they went out of business. Rubbermaid was a case-in-point and much was made of it at the time.

The question is, is it cheaper for Walmart to keep importing from China and paying the tariffs and passing the increases on to the consumer—us—or pay higher for US manufactured goods. My guess would be they keep things the same because it is probably still cheaper to trade with China than to prop up US manufacturers they forced out of business in the first place and businesses that probably would not last beyond the Trump presidency.

On China's part they are pretty calm about this war, despite intense White House narratives to the contrary. While a low-level Chinese delegation visited Washington on August 21 nothing much came of it.

This fight is with a trading partner whose trade with the US accounts for 18% of China's total trade.

But Chinese trade accounts for just 22% of China's gross national product, and it imports mainly

raw materials and bulk commodity foods. China has grown, and although that 18% of trade with the US has not dropped, but expanded, it is not the be-all and end-all for the PRC.

China has policies aimed at being self-sufficient by 2026 and is well on the way of doing that. Ten years ago trade with the US was 35% and a trade war then would have been catastrophic, but that was then. Not anymore.

So 18% of the 22% of China's revenues is a big change. Yet it still makes the US the PRC's largest trading partner. By comparison, 48% of China's trade is with local neighbors in the Asia-Pacific region; the rest is with Europe, Africa and South America.

What this spells out is that there will be losses on both sides as the trade war continues. The narrative in the US is that China will be hurt more. While China does want the trade with the US, the PRC is always looking for other markets that supply what we do.

Mr. Trump demanding concessions for two years hit a nerve in China's leadership. It's historical. This conjures up memories of the invasion of and exploitation by foreigners of China in the nineteenth century which almost destroyed Chinese society with the opium trade. The European Taipan trading class in the ports such as Hong Kong and Shanghai still exists. That memory alone is why China will not back down and will go head-to-head if need be with the Trump administration.

Unlike the administration which at best has less than three years to go, China has all the time in the world, five, ten years, and beyond.

Thus, when China placed tariffs on sorghum and pork imports from the US they expected this could go on a long time; and when the tariff war began in earnest in March they made arrangement to buy their products elsewhere such as Brazil and other countries in Asia. They know US farmers in Trump country, such as Iowa, Wisconsin and Arkansas, cannot last beyond a year. While Mr. Trump has authorized \$12 billion to offset farmers' losses, it is only for this year, which means a lot of suffering for his base if this war drags on for years.

The miscalculation is that Mr. Trump thought all his trading partners would cave immediately, quick and decisive. Trade wars and negotiations to get "a better deal" take time. It was ignorance and stupidity to follow this line of thinking. China hasn't caved and it looks like no one else will either.

Removing security clearance from former intelligence officers

In his usual fit of pique, Mr. Trump cancelled the security clearance of former CIA Chief John Brennan. Mr. Brennan has been super critical over the Trump/Putin summit in June, which he considered to be "treasonous" and said so in a tweet. I agree with Mr. Brennan, which comes as no surprise to readers.

The hue and cry over this is overblown in my view. The reason is the Retired Intelligence Officers Association. Most everyone in the CIA who retires belongs to it; the

reason is that CIA officers never retire. They are on call for their services if need be. So anytime the CIA wants to review intelligence and seek counsel at top-secret level, the former CIA officer's clearance will be restored in say, 10-20 minutes, as the situation demands. Storm in a tea-cup when compared to the more serious issues.

Truth isn't truth says Rudy Giuliani

This pearl of nonsense was uttered by "America's Mayor" Rudy Giuliani on NBC's MeetThePress on August 19. Giuliani told moderator Chuck Todd, in a heated discussion on whether Mr. Trump was being pressured to testify, that he, as current legal counsel to the president, wouldn't rush Mr. Trump to testify.

Essentially it was game-playing and Mr. Giuliani for the past six or so weeks has been trying to poison the public perception of the Mueller investigation. Specifically, he says there is "really no there there!" and the investigation is a dubious undertaking. His efforts have moved the polls, but the polls still hold in favor of the investigation.

True, there are various pieces of truth when viewed from the perspective of a witness, such as Mr. Giuliani's experience as the Federal Prosecutor in New York's Southern Judicial District. After all, he got Mafia crime boss John Gotti. But as much as one might finesse and muddy public perception in the news media about his notions of truth, in the end truth is truth. In the hours after he uttered this rubbish, he tried to walk the comment back. It just further sullied a once-respected reputation for truth and honesty.

Trump men become convicted felons

On Tuesday, August 22, Paul Manafort, former chairman of Mr. Trump's 2016 election campaign, was found guilty on eight counts; the judge declared a mistrial for 10 others. A jury in Alexandria, Virginia convicted Manafort on five counts of filing false tax returns, one count of not filing a report on a foreign bank account and two bank fraud counts. A number of charges in which he was found guilty by a 12-person jury carry a maximum of 30 years in prison.

Almost at the same time, Michael Cohen, Mr. Trump's former attorney, pled guilty in New York to eight counts, including charges of tax evasion, false statement to a financial institution, willful cause of unlawful corporate contribution, and an excessive campaign contribution.

In his statement for the court, Mr. Cohen said, "I participated in the conduct for the purposes of influencing the election." While he didn't name Mr. Trump by name he did refer to the work he did to an "unnamed candidate" for president.

It has taken time, but now the sleazy way Mr. Trump goes about his business is beginning to hit the fan. This November midterm will be a referendum on Mr. Trump and on his personal conduct. You know what to do.

The last word

The withdrawal of US participation in the Iran deal was a typically stupid mistake by this administration, because now it is having unintended consequences.

I said in the last report that war is looming between Iran and the US and its foolish allies in the Middle East: Saudi Arabia, Israel, and United Arab Emirates. The threat of war remains and has become more certain.

In an attempt to force regime change, Putin's servant has demanded that all oil trade with the Islamic Republic cease on or before November 2. It's unreasonable, unacceptable and cruel on top of stringent restrictions on all manufactured goods and machinery, including aircraft Iran had on order from Boeing and Airbus. Best guess is Russia and China will ignore the dictate, but China has said little about what it will do. At best these are Iran's allies and supporters. European nations afraid of Washington's restrictions on their US financial dealings have already complied.

But there are wild cards. The current spat between Turkey and the administration is turning shrill. In the unlikely event Turkey's President Ertogen goes totally anti-US and forces out the major US Incirlik Air Base (which is key to the war in the air over Iraq, Syria, and Afghanistan), that would be a major problem. Our presence in the Middle East would be severely compromised. The Saudi efforts to subdue the Houthi rebels in Yemen is an unholy mess and so war with Iran would have this nasty little country fighting wars on two fronts, which history shows has bankrupted nations who tried it. More on this in the future. That's it.

Lastly, vale Senator John McCain, aged 81 who succumbed to brain cancer. Saturday, August 25. American baby boomers grew up with his story over fifty years. A good man of principle and decency, who will be sorely missed.

And the beat goes on.



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What are we voting on this November?

Ballot initiatives, a head start

by Lisa Cyriacks

The general election is months away—November 6. Here is a head start on some of the questions that will appear on your ballot.

The legislature has proposed six amendments for the ballot, four of which impact Colorado elections. Amendment W, if approved, would shorten the ballot by allowing county clerks to use a judge retention question for each level of courts with individual judges listed as ballot items below the one judge retention question.

Amendment V proposes to lower the required age to serve in the Colorado legislature from age 25 to age 21. The following language would be added to Article V of the Colorado Constitution: “No person shall be a representative or senator who shall not be a citizen of the United States, and who shall not for at least twelve months next preceding his or her election, have resided within the territory included in the limits of the district in which he or she shall be chosen.”

The last few cycles of re-districting have resulted in fierce political ballots. Redistricting is the process by which congressional and legislative boundaries are drawn—a process that occurs every decade based on the national census.

Each of Colorado’s seven United States Representatives and 100 state legislators are elected from political divisions called districts. United States Senators are not elected by districts, but by the states at large.

Currently, an 11-member panel appointed by the chief justice

of the Colorado Supreme Court, the governor and legislative leadership draw the legislative map for Colorado’s seven congressional districts. Due to the contentious and political nature of the task, the last two rounds of redistricting were actually decided by the court.

Proposed Amendments Y and Z propose the creation of 12-member independent commissions comprised of an equal number of Democratic, Republican and unaffiliated voters to redraw legislative and congressional boundaries as required after the 2020 census. In the past, the two major parties dominated the process—arguably setting boundaries to favor each of their parties.

The intent behind the proposed constitutional amendments is to prevent gerrymandering and create fair and competitive districts representative of all voters in Colorado—not just those affiliated with the two major parties.

Both state parties have endorsed the amendments. Colorado lawmakers approved the bipartisan measure in the 2018 legislative session 100-0.

Proponents argue that the changes would put Colorado at the forefront of redistricting efforts resulting in more fair and representative districts. Currently unaffiliated voters outnumber either Republicans or Democrats. Fair Maps Colorado also argues that the proposed new process for selecting the commission would allow for more effective representation for minority and rural communities.

Once again, Colorado could make election history. Colorado’s



These 2 strapping bucks actually posed for quite a long time, making sure I got the perfect picture of them.
photo by Lori Nagel

open primaries conducted in June of 2018 resulted in nearly 1.2 million voters returning ballots, about twice as many as the number who voted in 2014 or 2016 primaries. Of that total, nearly 300,000 were unaffiliated voters, while about 470,000 Democrats and just more than 415,000 Republicans voted.

However Coloradans vote this November on a proposal to change the way the state draws its congressional district boundaries, it’s possible the state could gain a new congressional seat following the 2020 census. How those seats get reapportioned will likely be controversial.

Colorado is one of six states that are projected to gain one or more congressional districts following the next census. If so, the first election for that eighth seat would take place in 2022.

Colorado Amendment A would remove the exception to slavery prohibition for criminals. An

identical Amendment T appeared on the 2016 ballot. Like the 2018 amendment, it passed unanimously in the legislature, but Amendment T was defeated at the ballot box. Approval of the amendment would change the constitution disallowing forced, unpaid labor by convicted criminals.

Amendment X addresses the definition of industrial hemp currently in the state constitution. The office of Senator Stephen Fenberg (D-18), one of the prime sponsors of this amendment in the legislature, said that federal law is expected to change to permit more hemp cultivation, and having the definition of industrial hemp in the state’s constitution prevents the legislature from adapting state laws in accordance with changes at the federal level. This amendment was designed to provide the state legislature with more flexibility in regulating industrial hemp.

Election hack

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honed this past cycle, they will likely use against us in the 2018 and 2020 elections.

As late as March 2018, the head of the National Security Agency and U.S. Cyber Command has told Congress that the White House hasn’t instructed him to block a Russian attack against U.S. election systems this fall.

What can be done to address the risk?

J. Alex Halderman, director of the University of Michigan’s Center for Computer Security and Society and a leading election security expert says, “We need to make sure that every vote is recorded on a piece of paper, too. Without paper, there may be no evidence we can go back and look at that would reveal vote tampering.”

Also of concern are voter registration databases and systems used to design ballots that are connected to the internet. At a recent DEFCON conference, children as young as seven hacked into election systems. Even if a voting machine is not hacked or ever connected to the internet, there are ways to affect the results, researchers say. The threat is very real.

Also in August, the federal government ran its first-ever tabletop, mock election exercise to spot potential problems before Election Day. Department of Homeland Security, Assistant Secretary for Cyber-security, Jeanette Manfra, says this first-of-its-kind election exercise is a lesson learned from the 2016 election.

Halderman, again, “In 2016, one of the most worrying cyber-attacks was Russian attempts to probe, and in some cases hack into, voter registration databases. We also need to worry about electronic poll books that many states use to check voters in on Election Day. This equipment is often networked, and if it fails it could lead to chaos at the polls.

Colorado utilizes a statewide mail-ballot system. Saguache County votes primarily with paper ballots that are tabulated with a scanner.

While Colorado has a statewide database for voter registration that is accessed throughout the election to verify voter registration and ballots cast, elections are still administered on a county level.

Saguache County Clerk Trish Gilbert is taking proactive steps to protect election systems through updating systems and subscribing to cyber-security advisories and alerts, and information sharing

through the Homeland Security Information Network.

What about Colorado?

The MIT Election Data and Science Lab recently prepared a report showing that overall election administration had improved in 2016 over 2012. The MIT Lab oversees an Election Performance Index (EPI) to evaluate election systems state by state.

The EPI measures election performance over 17 indicators, such as absentee ballot administration, the use of provisional ballots and the presence of post-election audits. It measures how well states address the needs of voters with disabilities and overseas and military voters, as well as well-known factors such as the turnout rate and the average wait time to vote. Since these indicators were set before 2016, very few of them address election security.

Colorado ranked in the top five in two of the most important factors in rating states: turnout and the percentage of registered eligible voters.

Colorado’s overall Elections Performance Index score was 24, due largely to its status as a vote-by-mail state. Two other mail-ballot states, Washington and Oregon, were ranked 20 and 32 respectively.

Two EPI categories, “mail ballots rejected” and “mail ballots un-

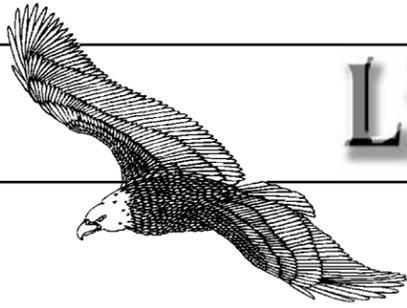
returned,” benefit states with low numbers of mail ballots, such as polling-place states that may only send a handful of absentee ballots to voters. When those two categories are removed from this year’s ranking, Colorado moves from 24 to eight.

In Colorado, 3.2 million active voters were mailed a ballot for the 2016 general election, making for a much higher percentage of unreturned ballots than in most states. In addition, Colorado employs signature verification for mail ballots—a requirement not followed by every state. In 2016, Colorado rejected 21,408 ballots where the signature on the envelope did not match the signature in the voter registration database, and the voters made no attempt to “cure” their ballots.

Another factor that contributed to Colorado’s ranking was the “undervote” in the 2016 presidential election, where voters chose to skip that race when marking their ballots, MIT officials said.

Removing this category, along with the two mail ballot indicators, shoots Colorado to No. 2 overall in the rankings.

In 2017 Colorado became the only state to conduct a risk-limiting audit to ensure the way machines tabulated ballot results is what the voter intended when marking the ballot.



Living on the Earth

The Rito Alto-San Isabel Trail up the North Fork

by *Emmy Savage*
June 14, 2017

This would have been my wedding anniversary; we would have been married forty-three years. Do I have regrets? Sometimes. But then I wouldn't be here in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains under a smoldering sky, so blue it is almost purple and at mid-day, many shades darker than the mountain peaks. It has been a hard slog getting here to our camp: four creek crossings, three that necessitated removing my boots and replacing them with water shoes. The water is only a few degrees warmer than ice and I feel shocked into a new energy level each time I plunge across the current. I wasn't anticipating doing this hike so early in the season and without better preparation. I am carrying a tent, two sleeping bags—one for Sarah—a bear-proof food container that weighs way more than it should, warm clothes,

snowmelt that it stays dry. Otherwise, if the logs were wet, it would be much more treacherous.

At this point the North Fork Trail turns up the mountain to the left and switches back through a young aspen forest. Something happened here; it isn't clear what. A fire? The forest floor is strewn with deadfall, the young trees all seem to be of the same vintage. We climb and climb before coming to our second crossing. I test the sapling bridge and deem the logs to be too slick. The creek water boils up against a dam of logs and debris and I worry Sarah will get slammed against it. I try to coax her up onto the bridge or at least into the shallower water. But she is having none of my interference. She launches herself into the deep water and immediately the current takes her up against the dam. She dog-paddles and the current forms a backwash; she is able to float into



Down the North Fork Valley.

a forty-five-pound dog. I think she realizes the gravity of the situation and stops wiggling as I step out into the creek. I am cautious to place each foot between boulders and on firm creek bottom and we make it across. I tell Sarah to sit and to stay but wonder dogs have minds of their own and when I arrive at the opposite shore to retrieve my pack and poles, I look down and see Sarah standing next to me. "Oh, Kiddo," I say. "I guess you're on your own this time." We cross again, this time Sarah leaps from one submerged rock to the next and I watch my footing as I brace against the current and balance my ergonomic disaster of a pack. We arrive refreshed and safe. And not too long after, the trail breaks out into a long sloping valley surrounded by thirteen-thousand-foot peaks. We stop to admire the view and to eat our lunch. Columbine flowers are usually thick here but it is too early in the season and their buds are still tightly furled.

The last creek crossing is coming up and then some steep climbing before we come to the upper valley where we'll camp. When we get there, I am bushed and as soon as I can, I head off trail in search of level, dry ground. I find a camp spot next to a beautiful, healthy Engelmann spruce. It is windy but I am too tired to search for a more sheltered spot. I pitch the tent and spread out our sleeping bags. I don't mind that the tent is facing directly into the sun. We will need to absorb all the heat we can before nightfall when the temperature will go down into the low thirties, if not lower. A few puffy clouds gather and one blocks the sun. The whole valley with its circling mountains suddenly goes dark and forbidding. I hope we can get through the night without bears eating us or our freezing to death. Sarah is so trusting. She doesn't look at me as if to say, "We could be home now. We could be watching Netflix and dog TV. We could be eating supper and going to bed in our own cozy beds." Tomorrow we will climb up to the cirque at the base of Venable Pass and take the fork to the north on the Rito Alto-San Isabel Trail. After the initial climb of about a thousand feet, the trail should level out and we will be walking along the top of the world.

I sleep fitfully and am aware finally that the tent is no longer dark. But this thin light isn't the light of dawn or daybreak. There is a half-moon in the sky above our doorway and the pale light of the sky makes me think we have at least two more hours before daybreak. I have to pee but it is cold and I lie in my sleeping bag thinking about all the things I must do before we leave in the morning. I know that the temperature must be in the thirties because the temperature goes down to forty-five at my house, two thousand feet below. Though I tucked Sarah in before we went to sleep, Sarah doesn't seem to have the sleeping bag knack. She is unmoored from the bag and lies tightly curled in a shivering ball at the bottom of the tent. I fold the bag over and mound it up on top of her. She doesn't budge.

Around six I hear barking coming from the valley we passed through yesterday. (When I get home, I comb the internet for barks: wolverines, badgers, bears, weasels, foxes?) I determine the barking to be a fox giving a warning cry. He is alerting the whole valley: "Strangers in our midst!" In this vast and empty space, there is the sense we are being watched. Of the usual suspects—marmots, foxes, bears—I will only see the marmots in their sleek red-brown coats lumping across the rocks after the sun comes up. And when she wakes up, Sarah will bark at them and let them know: "Come into our territory at your peril." Marmots can tear up a tent so I am glad Sarah will set boundaries, which I hope they'll respect while we're gone today.

But right now, it is still dark grey across the valley and the mass at the bottom of the tent isn't moving. I decide to venture out into the cold, dark world of rushing water and silence. I walk down toward the creek to pull the bear bag with our food out of a spruce where I hung it the night before and notice a rime of frost on the grass. I have to push my way through waist-high willows to find a smaller tributary creek, one that originates out of Groundhog Basin. (Groundhog? Did some well-meaning person mistake marmots for groundhogs when they named this place?) I fill



From inside our tent.

three quarts of my well water, iodine pills, hiking poles, an inflatable mat, E.M. Forster's *A Room with a View*, a pen, a small pocket journal and dogfood. After several days of thunderstorms, the forecast was for a whole week with no storms or mayhem and I seized the opportunity: Bag Woman and Wonder Dog take to the hills.

At first, I found my pack to be so heavy and the weight so poorly distributed that it took my breath away. After several stops to reposition, things improved; by lunchtime I had drunk one of my quarts of water, so that helped lighten the load.

The first creek crossing is really a small gorge with a bridge made up of slender logs that wobble in tandem in such a way as to make relatively safe footing. The bridge is high enough above the torrent of

the lull and a space of calm. The rest is easy. Sarah looks like a red and white muskrat emerging from the creek, wet to her gunwales. A good shake puts things to rights. We sit a while waiting for my feet to dry before I put them back into my boots.

As we start our ascent again, the aspen leaves quake in the breeze and create a shimmering motion across the forest floor. I feel like I am walking under water until we come to the next creek crossing. This is the crossing that is the most formidable. I don't know how I will get Sarah across. The water is so deep and roiling mad and there is no dam this time to rest against, just a waterfall at the edge of the crossing that would almost certainly bring on broken bones, if not worse. I decide to carry Sarah across and it is a struggle hefting

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by **Kim Malville**

September is another month of a spectacular planets: Venus, Jupiter, Saturn, and Mars.

September 1: In the evening sky, Venus and Spica will be close together. Venus is much brighter. Try using binoculars to locate Spica which will be about a degree to the upper right of Venus.

September 15: The moon will be above Antares, halfway between Jupiter and Saturn. Further beyond Saturn will be brilliant, ruddy Mars. Antares is a red supergiant star, so bloated that if placed in the center of our solar system it would extend beyond Mars. Its red color has been known since antiquity, and its name may identify it as a rival to Mars. The Māori people of New Zealand call Antares Rehua, and regard it as the chief of all the stars. Which appears redder to you, Antares or Mars?

September 19: The moon has moved above Mars.

September 22: The sun crosses the celestial equator moving southward. Autumnal equinox will occur at 7:54pm MST.

Parker visits the Sun

I woke with a start at 2am on Saturday morning, August 11. Something important was happening! Was it the Perseid meteor shower, eight tiny reindeer, or something else? That something else, I soon realized, was the launch of the Parker solar probe. I sprang from my bed and got to my computer just in time to catch the live streaming of the start of the four-minute countdown to its launch. The sight of the brightly illuminated Delta IV rocket was extraordinary. Then at 1 minute 55 seconds a voice called out "halt" because of a suspected gas leak. The launch window had ended and a second try was scheduled to occur in 24 hours. Which it did!

Twenty-four hours later, atop three huge, flaming pillars at 1:31am MST, the Parker Solar Probe lifted off toward Venus and the sun.

The Parker Probe sat on top of one of the most powerful rockets currently available. Its third stage gave the probe the extra kick it needs to escape Earth's gravity at a high enough velocity to put it on course for Venus in November and eventually the sun. The gravity of Venus will be used to tip the solar probe toward the sun. Six weeks later it will plunge into the solar corona, that pearly white envelope of the sun that is visible in its glory only during total solar eclipses. Its beauty is matched only by its persistent mystery.

In the 1800s the corona was thought to be due to the scattering of light by dust particles, produced by the relentless collisions of asteroids. That idea had to be abandoned because the shape of the corona changes with the 11-year cycle of sunspots. Then it was proposed that the corona was produced by volcanic-like explosions on the sun's surface. It was assumed the atmosphere of the corona was relatively cool and material followed curved pathways like cannon balls and ballistic missiles. However, its shape was puzzling because it looked like it was organized by a bar magnet placed along its axis. But how could cool dust particles be influenced by a magnetic field? But in then, in 1938 emission lines in the corona were finally identified as coming from a hot gas with an astonishingly high temperature of 2 million degrees. That is some 400 times hotter than the surface of the sun. It should be cooler. That mystery has plagued astronomers for 80 years. Now perhaps the Parker Probe will provide answers.



Parker Solar Probe.

photo courtesy of NASA

This first plunge of the probe into the corona will start a series of 24 such flybys until 2024. A heat shield, made of a four-and-a-half-inch thick sandwich of carbon foam, will protect its vulnerable electronics and optics. The white outer surface of the heat shield should heat up to 2500°F at its final closest approach to the sun, hotter than the lava of Hawaii. In its shadow the temperature should be no hotter than 85°F. Keeping those instruments cool will require a delicate dance of the space craft as it plunges into the sun.

The space craft is capable of automatically reorienting itself if the shield gets out of alignment. Just a few minutes of intense sunlight would fry the electronics.

There are two competing theories for the hot corona. Both involve magnetic fields, the effects of which you can see in the photograph by Druckmuller. My favorite theory involves millions of tiny flares that are occurring all the time in the corona. Magnetic fields get twisted by the violent motions of the coronal gas. When they touch there is a short-circuit of the electrical currents flowing through them. These short circuits may produce bursts of gas with temperatures of 10 million degrees or more. The other theory is that these magnetic field lines are always vibrating like the strings of a violin. The shaking of the magnetic field heats up the gas. Hopefully, the Parker Solar probe will reveal which if any of these theories is correct.

Many of the hot protons and electrons are moving so fast that

they escape the gravity of the sun. The result is a wind of charged particles that is continuously blowing outward at a speed of about a million miles per hour. Eugene Parker, for whom the space craft is named, predicted this solar wind back in 1958.

The probe will fly close to Venus, using that planet's gravity to cause it to loop inward, closer and closer to the sun. After seven such course changes, the probe will be in an 88-day elliptical orbit around the sun. In total, the spacecraft will complete 24 orbits before the mission ends in 2025. During its later orbits, the pull of the sun's gravity will accelerate the probe to 430,000 miles per hour, at which time it will be the fastest object ever made by humankind, fast enough to fly between New York and Tokyo in less than a minute.



Defense Support Program flight 23 takes off into the night Nov. 10 aboard Boeing's new Delta IV Heavy Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle. Flight 23 marked the end of a 36-year era of DSP satellites. The program will be succeeded by the Space-Based Infrared System program.



The most incredible eclipse photograph ever taken, a photo montage captured during a solar eclipse over the Marshall Islands in July 2009. The beautiful image shows the solar corona that makes up the sun's atmosphere in amazing detail as the sun passes behind the moon. The whorls and loops of the corona extend millions of miles into space, are nearly 200 times hotter than the visible surface of the sun, and yet aren't nearly as bright and hence can only be seen during eclipses. Astrophotographer Miloslav Druckmuller, who has travelled the world chasing eclipses, uses sophisticated camera and computer technology to produce his awesome pictures. This picture was created from 31 individual photographs with a Canon EOS 5D digital camera at ISO 100, exposure time was between 1/125 s - 8 s and the lens was a William Optics Megrez 88 Doublet FD plus Baader Flat-field FFC, EFL 965mm. Image processing was done using Astro D3F 2.0, PhaseCorr 6.0, MPA 1.0, LDIC 5.0, Corona 4.1 and Sofo ACC 6.1 software.

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General trends

The eclipse season, with its intense emotions and events, is now over until next January. Eclipse days can bring unexpected or untrustworthy results due to the blockage of the Sun's light. Mars remains at extreme declination until the end of the month, which amplifies aggressive, angry, irrational behaviors, and self-sabotage, as well as fires, cutting, violence and extreme heat. Also both Venus and Mars change signs this month, creating potential relationship issues as Venus enters secretive Scorpio on September 10, while Mars re-enters indifferent Aquarius on the 12th after retrograding back into Capricorn last month. Now both are in fixed signs (stubborn or determined), creating tensions between women and men, between diplomacy and impulsive action, as well as between advocates for peace and those itching for war.

Mercury aspects

Mercury is no longer retrograde (after August 20) and will break out of its shadow degrees (those it retraced while retrograde) on August 3 and will remain direct until shortly after the mid-term elections. However, Mercury will oppose Neptune for a week in mid-September, which could bring new confusions, illusions and lies. The only other retrogrades remain-

ing all month will be the outer planets—Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. Inner reflection will continue as we try to make sense of these chaotic times. But with all the personal planets direct, we can expect some forward movement on our projects.

From Sept. 6 until the New Moon on Sept. 9 Mercury trines Saturn as it stations (appears to "stand still" before turning direct), urging thoughtful decision-making. Some reasonable new ideas may surface. With Mercury conjunct the Sun from September 10-30, mental reasoning is enhanced, especially for Virgos from September 6 to the 21 and for Libras after the 22nd.

National politics

As we enter September, Saturn at its station, where it is especially impactful, opposes the Venus/Jupiter conjunction in the US national chart's 7th house of "open enemies". This suggests that our usually friendly national character is being impeded by opposition from a stern and ambitious Saturn in Capricorn, criticizing others and impeding our democracy through the fall of 2018. This doesn't bode well for personal relationships, our relations with allies and autocrats alike, or between partisan members of Congress.

Opposite sides are digging in, standing their ground. White supremacists are holding rallies,

celebrating their brand of racism and hate. Democrats are trying to slow the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court to allow proper vetting while Republicans refuse to make his records available, a power play to protect the President. Republicans in Congress are still plotting to impeach Rosenstein in order to stop the Russian investigation. They also voted down much-needed money for our embattled election system in the face of Russian interference, thus encouraging Russia's continued hacking. We already know that the "arrangement" with Kim Jong Un has turned sour as the North Koreans continue to build missiles that can reach the USA mainland. We still have no idea what Trump promised Putin in Helsinki. And the trade war with China is beginning to escalate into tit-for-tat tariffs that will make Chinese goods increasingly more expensive for the American consumer. So much for foreign diplomacy!

Meanwhile our long-standing mutually-supportive relationships with Canada, the UK and the EU are in tatters, while Saudi Arabia

plays us for fools by encouraging the US to obliterate Iran, one of Israel's goals as well. Turkey reveals instability in the global economy as Trump fiddles with his tariffs whims. Stalwart Saturn passing through the US 1st house "of the people" also indicates Resistance which is mounting against the increasingly unethical and diabolical practices of this wrong-headed administration. And "White Extinction Anxiety" is gripping the Republican base as they inevitably lose their majority to a diaspora of races.

Saturn trine Uranus

Simultaneously in late August/early September, transiting Saturn is trine transiting Uranus. Discipline and organization are needed to accomplish positive change through patience and long hard work (sounds like Mueller). Some have projected that the Russian Investigation findings will surface by Labor Day, which would signify progress as well as uncertainty and anxiety.

Fall Equinox

September 22 marks the Fall Equinox, a significantly powerful moment in time. Set your intentions! Three slow-moving T-squares (tension and obstruction) to Saturn, Uranus and the Nodes/Mars, reveal an uptight world suffering from an inability to cooperate, compromise or find meaningful solutions to its many problems. Such tensions in the heavens can increase seismic disturbances as well. Despite the tensions, the DC Equinox chart reveals a Grand Trine/Kite and Mystic Rectangle (positivity) anchored by the Moon's Nodes (destiny) which signals positive potential, notwithstanding extreme rigidity. The choice is ours! A shift in consciousness is needed as the world's economy once again becomes shaky, thanks in large part to an arrogant and fickle American president.



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Who We Are

Michael Pacheco:

A balance of wonder and logic helps this teacher soar

by Gussie Fauntleroy

As a boy if Michael Pacheco had known about the advice he now gives his students—and himself—he wouldn't have been so frustrated as a tinkerer. Curious and imaginative, he had a drive to figure things out, but the logical element was later in coming along. He remembers the microwave oven and other things he took apart, with no idea how they worked or how to fix them. Back then he could have used the guidance he offers his Crestone Charter School students: "Any problem is simply a combination of smaller problems that need to be solved. Slow down, think it out, and solve one problem at a time."

As the Charter School's IT and building systems manager and technology teacher, Michael has ample opportunity to put his own advice to use. In a small school where each employee wears many hats, he also manages the transportation and custodial programs, assists in administrative duties, coaches basketball, and serves as an advanced technology mentor each semester for interested high school kids. Then, for fun in his own time, he often plays with technology, building and flying radio-controlled aircraft. It's a purposeful, passionate life for someone who once almost lost his innate sense of wonder to the pull of the material world.

Exploring, but not "over there"

Growing up in Saguache, Michael followed his curiosity not only into tinkering but also into exploring the outdoors. It was the start of a lifelong love of hiking, climbing, mountain biking and almost any other adventure in nature. As a teen, he and friends would drive their pickup trucks over hundreds of miles of mining roads in the San Juan Mountains. Yet he rarely ventured across the valley to Crestone.

At the time, in the 1990s, there was little organized interaction between Crestone Charter School students and those in the Saguache and Moffat schools. Michael's only memory of being in Crestone as a boy was to accompany his father, then Saguache County Sheriff Dan Pacheco (now a minister in Alamosa), and stepmother to Crestone's Fourth of July dance. He didn't step foot in the Baca until he was 27, and admits to being swayed as a boy by preconceptions about the residents here. "It probably didn't help that I was raised in a conservative Christian household, but I held a stereotype of Crestone in my head for many, many years," he says, smiling. "It definitely involved aliens, crystals, and pot."

Into the corporate world

After graduation from Mountain Valley High School in Saguache, Michael headed to the Denver area. Without a clear career goal, he studied organization-

al management and project management at DeVry University and Colorado Christian University, and then took a job in human resources for Environmental Demolition Inc. That's when he began to adopt some of mainstream culture's sidetracking ways. He made good money but not enough for a BMW, yet he found himself wanting one. He drank more than he knew he should and dated women who didn't encourage his best qualities. He questioned his religious upbringing but without a sense of anything to take its place. "I was trying to find happi-



Ready to go bicycle riding, Lily shares her father's love of the outdoors.

ness in the wrong things," he says.

All that changed when he got laid off. Without the identity that came with the income and job, he was forced to ask himself, "Who are you now?" At 25, he moved back to Saguache. He always assumed he would return someday; he just hadn't expected it to be that soon. But positive changes came with the move. He worked for a time as office manager for the Saguache County Public Health Department and then was hired by the Charter School. He and his then-partner Laura Karnes moved to the Baca. On August 9, 2013, their daughter, Liliana Elizabeth, was born.

New eyes

It was a home birth, something Michael could not have imagined just a few years earlier. He remembers midwife Alycia Chambers putting newborn Lily in his arms. "She opened her eyes and for the first 45 minutes of her life it was her and me staring into each other's eyes," he says. "Her first experience of the universe included me." Now 5, Lily's presence in her father's life continues to blow



Michael is an avid hiker and climber, here on a Crestone Needle ascent.



Michael and girlfriend Audrey McDowall in Washington, D.C.



Michael, Liliana and Girly Dog at Penitente Canyon.

open his perceptions of the world in delightful ways. While she and her mother now live in Carbondale, Michael spends as much time as possible with Lily on weekends, holidays, and summers.

Much of the rest of his time is dedicated to his work and students at the Charter School. Perched on a child-sized chair in an empty classroom, Michael exudes warmth and enthusiasm as he talks about teaching and mentoring kids in technology, from basic computer use to programming the game of Pong to creating sculpture using the school's 3D printer. While mentoring one high school senior in programming, he admits to staying just one week ahead of her in learn-

ing the material. "I was pushing the boundaries of what I knew. It was stressful but exciting," he says.

Learning—in and out of school

Regardless of the grade level or challenge, Michael aspires to show kids that "complex problems at core are really a series of tiny little problems to solve." This way, he says, "I hope to instill in them a growth mindset: confidence, passion, and the curiosity to be a lifelong learner." Public libraries are an essential resource in this, and Michael currently serves as board chair for the Northern Saguache County Library District. In his free time he also indulges a fascination with almost anything that gets him (or his eyes and spirit) up in the air. He builds and flies radio-controlled quadcopters and planes, has begun taking glider lessons, and his bucket list includes eventually getting his aircraft pilot's license.

Meanwhile, down on the ground, Michael has learned that those on either side of the San Luis Valley—and those who practice different religions and spiritual paths—have many qualities in common. His own faith has shifted to agnostic with a Buddhist-like focus on being as present as possible. "I think at core, here and across the valley, we're all people who want to sustain our own life and be in control of our own destiny," he says. "We garden, we build, we help each other. In both places, there are truly kind and giving folks."

Gussie welcomes ideas for this ongoing series on Crestone area residents: gussie7@fairpoint.net, gussiefauntleroy.com.



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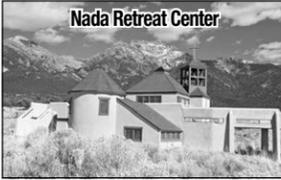


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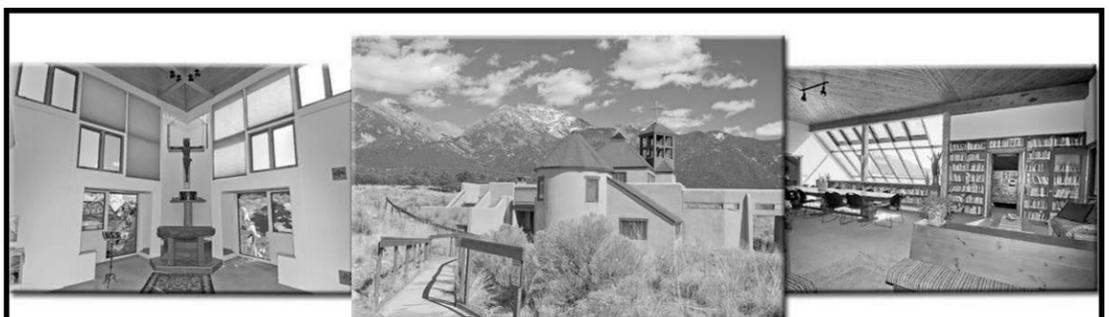


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359 Chaparral Way	\$269,000	SOLD
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The Music of the Spheres

by Lee Temple

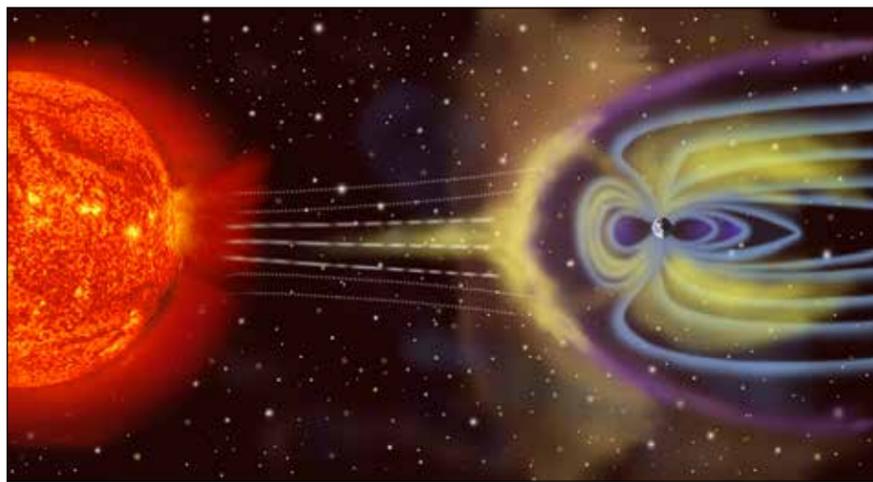
Having looked (earlier in this chapter) at the history of Earth and her life forms through the lenses of time and biological continuity, let's see if we can find a deeper sense of fundamental unity underlying the scientific understanding of our planet and her children. We've seen numerous realms of life and spheres of structure and function at work on, in, and around us so far. We've learned, for instance, about the atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, lithosphere, exosphere, asthenosphere, cryosphere, magnetosphere, and plasmasphere. From one perspective, we can see the holistic, synergistic functioning of all these realms as a new way of appreciating the ancient and venerable concept of the music of the

them as a whole. Microbiologist Dr. Lynn Margulis became Lovelock's primary collaborator in 1973, and Lovelock published his landmark book, *Gaia: A New Look at Life on Earth*, in 1979.

Lovelock's Gaia theory (named after the Greek Earth goddess) describes Earth as a living, self-regulating organism. In his initial hypothesis, he explained that the biomass—the totality of living biological organisms in a given ecosystem—changes conditions on Earth to make them more hospitable, to support the physical and chemical conditions most favorable for life. The theory suggests that life on Earth provides an automatic and unconscious feedback system operated by its biological organisms, or biota, which creates



The Aurora Borealis or Northern Lights shines above Bear Lake at Eielson Air Force Base in Alaska in January.



Artist's rendition of Earth's magnetosphere.

spheres. The ancient Greek mathematician/philosopher Pythagoras chose this term (*musica universalis*) to communicate his belief in the harmonious relationships among the planets created by what he believed were their proportionate speeds of revolution and distances from the Earth around which they all circled.

The complexity of all that occurs on Earth, interactions of layers and components of organic and inorganic functioning, is an astounding balancing act. We can think of Earth's variously coordinated spheres of activity as melodies woven together into a magnificent symphony which, if we could hear it, would express exquisite harmonies. We can find harmonious relationships among these melodies in the dynamics between Earth and Moon; the Earth/Moon system and the Sun; the finely balanced interactions among the lithosphere, biosphere, magnetosphere, etc.; and in the ways that innumerable life-forms co-evolve within the totality of Earth's opus.

The essential and harmonious interrelatedness or music of Earth's spheres has been described scientifically in numerous ways over the years, most notably in scientist James Lovelock's Gaia hypothesis. Lovelock first formulated the Gaia hypothesis in the 1960s while working with NASA, and began to put it into book form in the early 1970s. His research for NASA had demonstrated that many mutually supportive intricate relationships exist on Earth. Rather than to seek explanations for each one, Lovelock addressed

stability in global temperature, atmospheric content, and ocean salinity. For example, the energy provided by the Sun has increased by 25–30% since life's inception, but Earth's surface temperatures have remained surprisingly constant on a world scale.

In her 1999 book *What is Life?*, co-authored with Dorian Sagan, Lynn Margulis qualified the theory, stating that the composition of Earth's atmosphere, hydrosphere, and lithosphere are regulated around "set points," that change with time. She also wrote that the biosphere possesses no special tendency to keep its current inhabitants alive—or comfortable.

The Gaia theory received early criticism and, though more widely accepted today, is still subject to debate and amplification. Over time, various weak and strong versions of Gaia have developed. For example, one strong interpretation states that the biosphere is self-organizing and maintains its systems in a kind of comprehensive equilibrium that broadly supports life. Earth's history shows that this equilibrium has periodically undergone dramatic changes that resulted in extinctions and/or the collapse of civilizations. Some go a step further and hypothesize that all life forms are part of a single living planetary being called Gaia.

Many ecologists now generally consider the biosphere as an ecosystem and a simplified version of the Gaia hypothesis as consistent with global ecology. In fact, the concept of a biosphere has come into common usage.

The relationship between the magnetosphere and the atmosphere provides a clear example of mutually supportive function among Earth's spheres. The magnetosphere is largely responsible for keeping the atmosphere intact in the face of the solar wind and the Sun's coronal mass ejections (CME). Without the magnetosphere to protect our planet, our sweet, life-giving air would gradually blow away into space and end life as we know it.

The magnetosphere's magnetic fields derive from both the Earth's internal magnetic field and the electric currents in the magnetosphere's plasma, which acts as a kind of electromagnet. Magnetic fields from the plasma's currents expand Earth's magnetism much further into space (out about ten Earth radii) than Earth's internal field acting alone would do. These currents also shape the field's structure far from Earth.

Solar wind plasma does not mix readily with Earth's plasma, since it has a different source. Due to their incompatibility, the two plasmas end up divided by a boundary, called the magnetopause, and Earth's plasma is constrained within a cavity—the magnetosphere—inside the flowing solar wind. Though the isolation is not complete, it determines the magnetosphere's overall configuration and keeps it in place, protecting our atmosphere. The relationship between the magnetosphere and the atmosphere sustains the life-positive nature of our planet, as do countless other interactions.

The relationship between the Sun and Earth is another marvelous balancing act. Though the Sun's power would destroy life if Earth had no shield, the Sun also does the lion's share of making planetary life possible. In fact, if

one morning we found ourselves cut off from the Sun's light and heat, most life here would cease within a few hours. Earth would become another icy snowball in space in less than a day.

No climate-sensitive being could live here without the precisely balanced dynamic that weaves an underlying oneness among the Earth, Moon, and Sun. Seeing things from such an expanded and integrative perspective is yet another way to embrace the intrinsic oneness that underlies our physical reality. It's another way to move beyond our individuality-oriented, me-first tendencies toward a more perfect, absolute union with all that is.

Unifying paradigms that express this integrated, interconnected understanding of Earth's web of life do not dominate current worldviews. I believe they will in the near future though, as our survival depends on it.

This article is another excerpt from Lee's award-winning book, Awakening into Unity, a comprehensive, richly illustrated compendium of the entire Global Awakening series, and a powerful healing balm for these troubled, turbulent times. View/borrow it at leading universities and the Baca Grande Library. Buy it at Poor Richard's and Elephant Cloud Market at a generous local's discount. Follow the source text for this article on pp 68-69, together with other similar topics in Chapter Four, "Precious Earth—Oneness on the Little Blue Planet." Learn more about Lee Temple, Awakening into Unity, and the Global Awakening series at award-winning www.primamundi.com.

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Early Energy Fairs, starting off slow, still going strong

by **Kenny Dessain**

In my commune days in the early 1970s, on Slaughterhouse Creek above Bonanza, Colorado, we had a motto: "We may start off slow, but then we taper off." Crestone/Baca in the 90s, and the Energy Fair, may have had similarly small beginnings; they both took off, however, like mosquitos and sunflowers after summer rains.

The first fair was held around August 15, 1990 in the yard around the old schoolhouse and was labelled simply an "energy" fair, because we agreed that all forms of energy were alternatives. It was planned roughly to coincide with Sri Aurobindo's birthday; in fact, many of the fairgoers came from the celebration being hosted at his local Learning Center by Seyril Schochen, for whom some of us were about to launch the Solar Bridge (to the future) project.

Talmath Lakai (then Dennett) won the solar cook-off with an aluminum-foiled oatmeal box/parabolic sausage cooker, pierced through with a coat hanger. The main demonstration came as a surprise, hauled in on a flatbed trailer by Gene Schultz, a self-proclaimed hermit living off the grid on the side of Mt. Blanca, who brought a complete home system, from panels to inverters to water pumping and power-tool applications on display.

Crestone/Baca's renaissance from the doldrums of its Guam days had already begun by then. Colorado College, the Aspen Institute, and mainly, Hannah Strong's land grants to spiritual groups,

were blowing over the Baca like seedling duff from the cottonwoods. The community was, however, still small enough for the 1990 census to record about 330 souls residing within a ten-mile radius. That year realtor Robert Philleo trumpeted in an early *Eagle* article that valley banks should take note of the 13 housing starts locally and loosen up their mortgage lending accordingly.

Within two years the CEF/Solar Rally and Potluck had become a regional, even national, rendezvous, mushrooming into and filling the first town park. This explosion was thanks in major part to the inspiration, dedication and limitless Boulder connections of Steve Clark, head of Citizens for Clean Energy, who even brought along to the solar stage a country-folk singer from the Front Range to dedicate Hank Williams Jr's "I'm just an ole' hippie" to the assemblage. It also didn't hurt to have free ad space from *Home Power Magazine*, a renewable energy library-book-mobile from United Techbooks of Boulder and representatives from Jade. Mtn. Appropriate Technology, Alternative Energy Engineering of Redway, CA and many others. Much local and renewable energy (RE) suppliers' support for and donations to the solar raffle amped up the excitement and helped pay for the event.

By 1994 Manitou Foundation had sponsored the building of a spiffy "Hardly Davidson" solar-electric motorbike, seen slipping around the streets of Cres-



Eric Maki gives a papercrete demonstration at the 2004 Crestone Energy Fair.

tone and later Boulder. Every renewable energy enterprise in the west, it seemed, was now flocking in, trying to catch the wind, solar and alternative-building laboratory that Crestone/Baca, in the land of no building codes, had become. As Windy (later "watery" for his famous Solar Slow Pumps) Dank-off said, "This place is the hottest, most concentrated market around for us." Kent de Vilbiss, a former nuclear sub engineer turned "hydrogen hobo," cooked burgers with the near-invisible flames out of a hydrogen welding tank (don't try this at home, kids!) and demonstrated electrolysis of water to produce it (ditto). Ed Eaton of Solar Energy International, who had previously wowed the crowd with frozen turkeys turned-golden brown in his large Crystal-Dome oven, returned with his Photovol-

taic Design class from Carbondale. His students came from around the U.S., Mexico, Canada, Venezuela and—to the thrill of the concert crowd—Chadirack, Lauren and Winston, all maroons from Jamaica, backed up by "Funk Brothers" Kailash and Tom Dessain, laying down some homespun rasta reggae. At the end of that Labor Day, Phil Hassinger, now a member of Philleo's burgeoning brokerage, approached me: "We should put a lot or two in next year's raffle," he said. "We closed on 19 properties this weekend!"

By 1996 I was Mexico-bound, and turned over the organizing, muscling and cajoling of the fair to many capable hands, notably those of Jason Jepsen and Judy Rose. From more recent passes, I can see that it hasn't looked back.

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Baca Grande Library News



by **Suzanne McGregor**

Banned Books Week: Celebrating the Freedom to Read is an annual event hosted by the American Library Association that celebrates the freedom to access reading materials and the importance of the First Amendment. Held during the last week of September, Banned Books Week

highlights the benefits of free and open access to information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship by spotlighting actual or attempted bannings of books across the United States.

Imagine how many more books might be challenged—and possibly banned or restricted—if we did not use Banned Books Week each year to teach the importance of our First Amendment. It is extremely important for us to draw attention to the danger that exists when restraints are imposed on the availability of information in a free society. The library will observe this honorable tradition during the week of September

23–September 29 by featuring the books in our collection that have been targets of censorship throughout the years. Please celebrate your freedom to read them by checking them out.

Miss Penny from the Saguache Public Library will resume the reading program for babies and toddlers on Tuesday, September 18 from 10:30-11:30 in the library. It is a good time for social interaction, arts and crafts activities, and an early start in loving books and reading! The program is free and drop-ins are welcome.

We extend much gratitude to Sarah and the Library District for the new windows

throughout the library. They will make the building warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer, as well as updating the interior. And speaking of updating—beginning this fall, new flooring (carpet and vinyl) will be installed in the areas that were not done during the first flooring installation. The library will be closed for a few days to complete this, and we will be asking for volunteer help (again!) to box up books and videos and move shelves and equipment. There will be advance notice of the closings.

Baca Grande Library, 256-4100. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 11:30am-5pm; Sat. 10am-2pm.



Shirley Motz

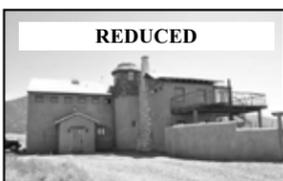
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The Second Sister: Beans



by **Matie Belle Lakish**

It's harvest time, and I just picked a nice large basket of immature beans. Some are green, some are yellow, some are yellow with purple streaks, but most of them are purple—my favorites. Commonly known as “green” beans, these immature pods are usually cooked with the seeds inside the pods.

Those hot days of August were great for beans, assuming they had enough water, and this September may give us more frost-free days than usual for beans to continue growing. Beans are great for the soil, as they are legumes which can transfer nitrogen from the air into the soil if the proper bacteria are present. They are also nutritious for humans, as they also offer that nitrogen to us for the building of proteins.

Historically, most of the beans we eat today originated in the Americas, primarily in southern Mexico and Central America. Other legumes, such as lentils and garbanzos and peas, originated in the Fertile Crescent and spread throughout Asia and Europe. Soybeans originated in southeast Asia and were likely first domesticated by Chinese farmers around 1100 BC. I find it interesting that these related plants came from such different and wide-spread locales. I wonder if there was a common ancestor that was perhaps many tens of thousands of years old.

Unlike soybeans, which contain all the essential amino acids that humans require to sustain life and produce growth, most beans are deficient in some amino acids, primarily tryptophan, methionine and cystine. However, they are high in the amino acids which are deficient in grains, lysine and threonine. By combining beans and grains, humans compensate for the amino acid deficiencies of both.

Beans are very good sources of many other nutrients that humans need. Green beans in particular are good sources of Vitamin C and folate. While the protein content of green beans is not as high as of dried beans, it is significant at around two grams per serving. Green beans also contain substantial amounts of the minerals calcium, potassium, phosphorus, iron, copper and magnesium, as well as Vitamins A, K, thiamin and riboflavin.

Beans do not require complex cultivation. Put the beans in the ground and give them water and they are likely to grow. If the soil is basic sand, you may need to add some humus in the form of compost, then plant them about an inch and a half deep. You may find it helpful to soak them for a day before planting.

Once you have soaked them, it is advantageous to treat them with the inoculant bacteria called Rhizobia. A black powder, Rhizobia adheres to the damp bean. In

the soil, Rhizobia infects the roots of the young plant and causes nodules to form that take nitrogen from the air, where it is fairly inert, and convert it to a more usable form. The nitrogen then enters the soil and provides nutrients for the plants. When the bean dies, the nitrogen stays in the soil and can be used by other types of plants. This inoculation step is not absolutely necessary for the growth of the bean, but it is advisable for soil health. Inoculant can be purchased from most garden centers and from seed catalogs.

In our climate, beans are somewhat sensitive to cold temperatures in the spring. If they are planted too early, while the soil is still quite cold, they may rot in the ground rather than sprout and grow. This may be one reason you seldom see volunteer beans coming up in the spring.

The original bean plants were what we call pole beans, requiring a trellis of some sort to climb on, or rambling on the ground if one isn't available. What we know as bush beans is a modern bean that matures earlier than pole beans. This is a benefit for gardeners in the mountains, as pole beans take longer to grow and set fruit, and don't always mature their beans in the high country before frost kills the vines. I usually plant a row or two of bush beans and also some pole beans on trellises. The bush beans have always matured enough to pick, but only occasionally do I harvest pole beans. When I do get pole beans, they come in after the bush beans are mostly finished and make a fine late fall harvest.

As I mentioned earlier, my favorite beans are purple beans. One reason is that they can germinate in cooler soil. Since cool soil is a chronic condition in the mountains, this means that purple bean seeds may germinate up to two weeks earlier than other bean seeds. Royalty Purple Bean seed is fairly common in seed catalogs and these bush beans grow well and produce over a long period of time, giving gardeners opportunities for a few pickings from one planting. There are also purple pole beans, but they are harder to find. I had a good variety that I planted for several years, but I lost the seed to an early frost and still have not found a good replacement.

Other bush beans will do well here. In my basket I have some true green beans, in this case, Tendergreen. Top Crop or Contender are other varieties I have grown in the past with success. This year I also planted a Cherokee Wax that did very well, and a new variety for me called Dragon Tongue that is a flat bean, yellow with purple streaks. The purple beans, as well as the purple streaks, turn green when cooked.

Green beans turn into dried beans and can be saved for next



A basket of the three sisters: squash, beans and corn. Note soybean plant on the right.

year's seed or cooked as dried beans. The valley has been home to beans for a long time, and our neighbors to the south have saved varieties that do well here. Most dried beans have difficulty maturing here, but the Bolita Beans do better than most.

A few years ago someone at the Seed Exchange gave me some small black soybeans. I have planted a few each year, and, unlike other soybeans, they consistently mature at our altitude. They are small, and not very prolific in my garden, but worth growing and keeping alive. Like all soybeans, they provide complete protein and could be a good emergency food for our community. If anyone wants a few seeds to plant next year, let me know.

Fresh beans are versatile to prepare. A long-time favorite is green beans with new potatoes. Cut into chunks and cook the freshly dug potatoes until nearly soft, then add some cut green beans and a little fat and season to taste. Pickled Dilly Beans are a good way to preserve some of the harvest, and are a nice addition to winter meals. Recipes are found in most canning

books.

One of my favorite ways to prepare fresh beans is a variation on 3 Bean Salad. I clean and cut into 2-inch pieces about 4 cups of mixed green, yellow, and purple beans, then cook them until they are just tender. Drain and cool in cold water. Spin or drain until just damp. In the meantime, finely chop a sweet onion, a sweet pepper, preferably red or yellow for color, a handful of parsley and a stalk or two of celery. Mince some garlic cloves (to taste) and fresh basil and any other herb that you wish. Combine with the beans, then toss with a salad dressing such as Italian, or a homemade vinegar and oil dressing. Let it marinate for at least a day, preferably two, and turn occasionally so all the vegetables absorb the flavor. You may want to add some salt or one of my favorites, Spike, an herb and salt combination. Enjoy.

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There's No Such Thing As A Weed

by Dorje Root, RH (AHG)
Smoky skies in 2018



It seems that every year the effects of climate change become more obvious. Fires are raging in more places in the west and the fires are bigger and more intense. In other places it's the water element that's out of balance, but here in the west, it's definitely the fire element that causes the most damage, to our homes, forests, skies,



Grindelia flowers.

and therefore to our lungs. When you look at maps of smoke pollution, you can see that smoke from fires in California and the north-west blow all the way to the east coast. Here in Colorado we're also getting smoke from fires in Colorado, New Mexico and other places.

We're not only getting smoke in our air from burning trees, but

from burned homes and buildings with all of their toxins, in addition to residue from fire retardants used in fighting fires. Staying healthy in these times takes effort, and that's where our herbal friends can play a part.

Let me borrow from an article I wrote on this topic a year ago: Smoke and the associated gases cause inflammation and irritation, which can lead to aggravation of existing respiratory issues, as well as damage to the tissues. Probably the most important thing to do is to stay hydrated. Drink at least 8 glasses of good water a day. Being hydrated thins the mucus allowing it to move out of the lungs. Don't be surprised if this makes you cough more, and note that this is a good thing. Avoid the smoke as much as possible. Stay indoors with the windows closed, and if in a car, have the A/C on without bringing in outside air.

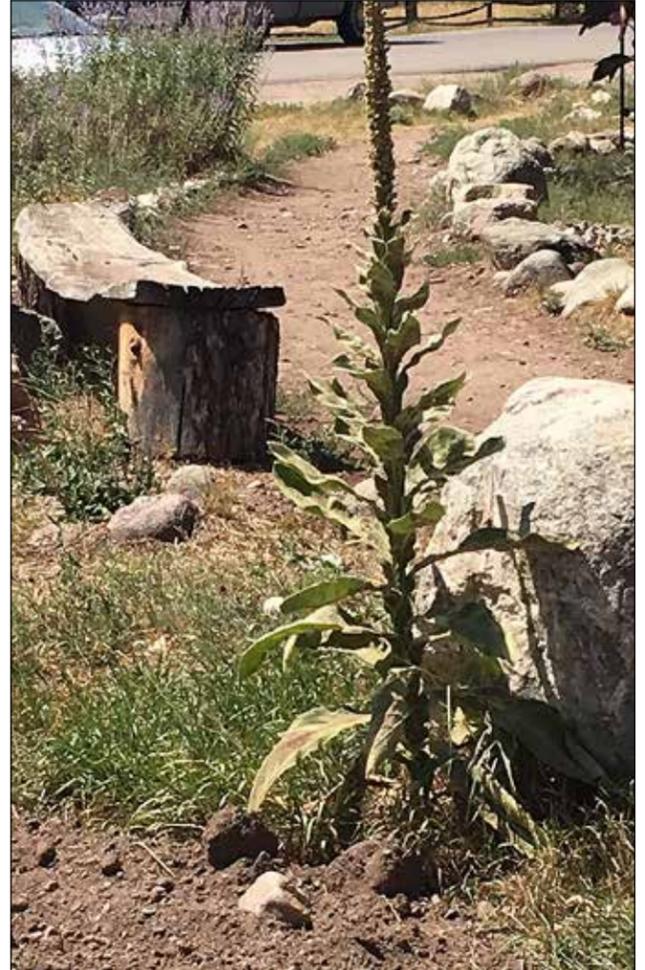
Eat well, avoiding sugar, dairy, and gluten. Why? These substances can increase mucus and combined with the irritating effects of the smoke can leave you susceptible to infection.

Mullein is the first go to for respiratory irritation and inflammation. Interestingly, it seems to

be growing profusely along the roads of the Baca and in any disturbed ground (don't gather it within 10 feet of roads!). Mullein is a respiratory tonic, soothing, toning tissues, assisting the cilia in moving mucus up and out. The best time to gather the leaves is in spring when it appears in a rosette pattern. The next best time to harvest is whenever you need it. Make an infusion of the fresh or dried leaves, being sure to strain through a coffee filter to remove the fine hairs.

Think gentle herbs. Most gentle, relaxing expectorants are also common herbs. Anise seed, marshmallow root, licorice root, grindelia flowers, chokecherry bark (in tea and syrup), thyme, and elecampane flowers. Combine herbs for a wider effect. Onion syrup or lemon syrup (in honey) are also soothing.

And while we're taking care of ourselves, be sure to put forth prayers, good vibes, and healing



Mullein grows wild in Crestone.

energy for Mother Earth, and all beings affected by these fires!

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Rito Alto-San Isabel Trail

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my water container from a tiny waterfall, where the creek is surrounded with globe flowers and marsh marigolds in bloom. Up slope, sunlight is catching the very top of the peak above us. I watch it move slowly down the mountain, slowly, slowly. Will the sun's tide ever reach us? I walk up to greet it and stepping into the light, feel it wrap me in wonderful warmth. Just as I begin to bask, here is Sarah. How did she know it was safe to get up? We linger in the sunshine and wonder at the difference between cold and warmth, darkness and light, menace and joy.

Everything seems to take longer this morning: hanging bear

the slopes at almost vertical angles. Or if I feel God's presence in the wet ground and the flowers and the water sound echoing off the rocks. Maybe I do; maybe that is what draws me here. But in the moment, I am more aware of my fatigue and my fear of this place when the sun goes down. Clearly, I am not ready to walk through the valley of the shadow and fear no evil.

The climb this morning is steep and I am surprised at how fatigued I am from the climb yesterday. But this is one of the loveliest passages in the Sangres; as the trail moves up through spruce groves and out into open rock and grass and flowers, it rises above tree line and into the true alpine. When we arrive at the fork we are



San Isabel/Venable Fork.

pair wheels beneath our feet as we look over the edge of the trail. As we round into a new cirque, we can see the San Isabel Pass where the trail disappears into massive snowfields. Somehow, I haven't got the energy or my micro spikes to tackle these snows or the ambiguity of the trail's course through difficult terrain. I try to make out the trail as it slants up towards the pass and disappears into another field of snow. I decide to turn around. But this time, despite my fatigue, I feel more confident I will be back. I'm growing more comfortable walking this close to the sun. And besides, Sarah loves snow.

Sunday, June 18, 2017

We are just back from our hike up to the Rito Alto-San Isabel Trail and today is the Feast of Corpus Christi, the day we strew dried flowers as we proceed into the church and Father Eric tells us that "matter matters, and that the word is made flesh."

When I think of the "word made flesh," I always think of Thoreau's pickerel. "Ah, the pickerel of Walden," Thoreau writes and tells us how for him, these beautiful fish, flecked with gold and green and blue and spots of black are the very essence of Walden Pond, Walden Pond with its moods and ruffles, its clarity and cold, its blue and white and green moments, its sand and granite, all distilled into this one beautiful fish. Wild strawberries will also do this for me; as I crush their small, firm bodies with my tongue they burst with the essence of sunlight, blue sky, columbine, melting snow, red conglomerate, and rushing water. But

on our hike to the Rito Alto-San Isabel Trail, strawberries were still flowers and the willow leaves at eleven thousand feet were still tightly closed. The essence of this hike was, for me, bending over a small rivulet in a field of white and yellow globe flowers and catching water in a bottle. Distilled in that memory are the sky and the peaks, the sounds of rushing water and the marmot's shrill cries, the barking fox, cloud shadows, and a tide of sunlight rolling down a mountainside, pushing away the darkness and warming the earth.

I will admit to being afraid on this hike. It was the first time I had camped alone in the Sangres and at such a high altitude, hours and miles away from help or human comfort. During the day, there is plenty to occupy my mind and tasks that must be accomplished. And as long as there is sunlight, I can keep fear at bay. I can put one foot in front of the other. I can even distract myself, when all the chores are completed, with a book I love. But looking back, I think I was not the only being that was vulnerable in that landscape. All beings that live there are vulnerable, even the landscape itself. And this realization feels like a step into uncharted ground, into a new way of being, into a compassionate embrace that is as large as mountains. This compassion comes from within me, not from without. It is just possible that the North Fork, for all its darkness and scary sounds, its phantom bears and barking foxes, has taught me that we experience God's presence not from without, but from within.



A cloud darkens the valley.

bags, brushing teeth away from camp in case a bear fancies the smell of toothpaste, treating water with iodine pills, packing the day pack with provisions and warm clothes, zipping up the tent. When I am finally finished, we set out on the trail we left yesterday and start the one-thousand-foot ascent to the Rito Alto-San Isabel Trail. Yesterday I saw one very large bear-paw print in the mud at one of the creek crossings and two large mounds of scat. I also noted that we were following a horse and a size-twelve boot. We never see the bear, the hiker, or the horse but they have passed through here adding their spirit vibrations to the place.

At Mass, Father Eric often asks for the grace to see God in all things. I ask myself if I see God here in the glory of these mountains and the creeks that boil down

now at eleven thousand feet. The sun at this elevation is so bright and unfiltered that colors vibrate with life and the sound of falling water and silence merge. We catch our breath and set out to the north, up into the valley where lie the headwaters of the North Fork of North Crestone Creek. Peaks circle around us. Sedimentary rock that was once horizontal has been uplifted to a forty-five-degree angle augmenting the sense of vertigo shimmering at the edge of things. We continue across snowfields, frozen hard enough to hold our weight and walk through melt in the trail that still has a skin of ice from last night. At this altitude, I see American pipits wagging their tails and white-crowned sparrows who favor alpine terrain with their lovely song. Even a mountain bluebird

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Senior driving remains taboo topic

Only 17% of older drivers ever speak to a family member or physician about their ability to drive

Just how old is too old to drive safely? As the saying goes, age is just a number. The right time to stop driving varies for everyone, which is why it's important to strike up conversations with loved ones about their needs and abilities. The problem? Those conversations just aren't happening: Nearly 83% of older drivers report never speaking to a family member or a physician about their driving abilities, per new research from the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety and the University of Colorado School of Medicine.

Of the percentage of families who do have these often-difficult conversations, 15% do so only after a crash or traffic infraction has already occurred—which could be too late. Older drivers face a significantly higher risk of death and injury if involved in a crash.

In 2016, more than 200,000 drivers ages 65 and older were injured in a traffic crash and more than 3,500 were killed. With seniors outliving their ability to drive safely by an average of seven to 10 years, families can't afford to wait to talk about safety. AAA urges seniors to begin planning for "driving retirement" at the same time they begin planning for retirement from work.

"Older drivers often hesitate to initiate conversations about their driving capabilities, so family members truly have a responsibility to talk to them early and often about their future behind the wheel," said AAA Colorado spokesman Skyler McKinley. "The good news is that these don't have to be awkward conversations: With early discussions and proper planning, senior drivers

can actually extend their time on the road."

The report is the latest research released in the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety's Longitudinal Research on Aging Drivers (LongROAD) project. Researchers found that only 17% of older drivers report ever speaking with a family member or physician about driving safety. What sparks those conversations?

- Driving safety concerns (trouble staying in lane, etc.): 65%
- Health issues: 22%
- Driving infraction or crash: 15%
- Planning for the future 7%

AAA recommends that families start talking with older adults about safe driving early and avoid waiting until there are "red flags" such as crashes, scrapes on the car (from bumping into garages, signs, and so on), new medical diagnoses, or worsening health conditions. Begin these discussions when an older driver starts planning for other life changes, such as retirement from work or moving to a new home. When talking to an older driver, families should:

Start early and talk often: Be positive, be supportive, and focus on ways to help keep them safe when behind the wheel, including other forms of transportation available to older drivers.

Avoid generalizations: Do not jump to conclusions about an older driver's skills or abilities.

Speak one-on-one: Keep the discussions between you and the older driver. Inviting the whole family to the conversation can create feelings of alienation or anger.

Focus on the facts: Stick to information you know, such as a medical condition or medication that might make driving unsafe. Do not accuse an older driver of being un-

safe or assume that driving needs to be stopped altogether.

Plan together: Allow the older driver to play an active role in developing the plan for their driving retirement.

"In 2018, we're lucky to have so many mobility options at our fingertips," McKinley said. "By having a conversation about the car keys with a loved one, you're effectively planning for their continued independence. That's why you want to have this conversation sooner, rather than later: To set mutual expectations and reduce safety issues or emotional reactions down the line."

The goal should be keeping the older driver on the road for as long as safely possible. Past AAA research found that older adults who have stopped driving are almost two times more likely to suffer from depression and nearly five times as likely to enter a long-term care facility as those who remain behind the wheel. Families can use the AAA Driver Planning Agreement as a guide to starting conversations about safety. The agreement allows families to plan together for future changes in driving abilities before they become a concern.

For more information on free AAA resources for older drivers, visit www.SeniorDriving.AAA.com.

Highway 160 ranked third of Most Dangerous Highways in the US

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (NHTSA-FARS), among the fifty most dangerous highways in the U.S., the portion of U.S. Route 160 running through Colorado placed third on our most dangerous highway rankings. This 490-mile-long highway segment starts at New Mexico and ends near the Kansas state border. The majority of fatal crashes takes place along the portion of road running through La Plata County. In addition, Wolf Creek Pass has claimed many vehicles due to steep roadways and switchbacks. Overall, a reported total of 80 fatal crashes took place on this highway from 2010 through 2016.

Methodology to figure "most dangerous" took into account the number of vehicles traveling the road as compared to how many accidents.

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In Search of Economic Reality

Corporate governance

by Ed Lyell

US Senator Elizabeth Warren has submitted a new bill for a law to change how public corporations are organized, led, and held accountable. It seeks to answer the question:

“What are the obligations of corporate citizenship in the U.S.? For much of U.S. history, the answers were clear. Corporations sought to succeed in the marketplace, but they also recognized their obligations to employees, customers and the community. As recently as 1981, the Business Roundtable—which represents large U.S. companies—stated that corporations “have a responsibility, first of all, to make available to the public quality goods and services at fair prices, thereby earning a profit that attracts investment to continue and enhance the enterprise, provide jobs, and build the economy.” This approach worked. American companies and workers thrived”.

In 1970 when I started my business and economics doctoral program at CU-Boulder we discussed the issue of whether corporations should serve many stakeholders or just investors. Economic and business textbooks supported the total stakeholder theory of Harvard professor John Galbreath. Galbreath argued for all stakeholders to do well when the corporation did

well. Investors, workers, consumers, all were to be made better off and corporations had to play on a level playing field regulated by government. This followed the anti-trust laws of Presidents Roosevelt as well as worker and consumer safety laws developed since 1900.

By around 1980 the conservative economist Milton Friedman’s argument had taken over. Textbooks started stating that the only goal and responsibility of a corporation was to make a profit for the stockholders. This has made investors very wealthy while ignoring the needs, and rights of the other stakeholders, including workers, consumers, government regulators, suppliers and the public.

Income and wealth inequality is the major issue today. The divide between worker and investor is larger than at any time in America. As Senator Warren states in this bill: “In the early 1980s, large American companies sent less than half their earnings to shareholders, spending the rest on their employees and other priorities. But between 2007 and 2016, large American companies dedicated 93% of their earnings to shareholders. Because the wealthiest 10% of U.S. households own 84% of American-held shares, the obsession with maximizing shareholder returns effectively means America’s

biggest companies have dedicated themselves to making the rich even richer.” In the four decades after World War II, shareholders on net contributed more than \$250 billion to U.S. companies. But since 1985 they have extracted almost \$7 trillion. That’s trillions of dollars in profits that might otherwise have been reinvested in the workers who helped produce them.” Corporations also dramatically reduced their tax burden impeding the government’s ability to provide the infrastructure and common goods used by everyone.

Long-term healthy capitalism requires that all stakeholders get a share in the rewards of successful corporations. Since unions are mostly gone and government regulators are having to toe the Trump line or lose their jobs, there is no fair level playing field in business today. Innovation has slowed as the big current corporations can shut down potential competition. Bright foreign students are not allowed to stay and create new companies in America. They are deported and start the business in their own country and compete against America. American history shows that immigrants are a key reason for America’s economic leadership. Waves of migrants, mostly from Europe, developed the businesses of the early 1900s. Jewish engineers

fleeing Europe in the 1930s and during WWII created our domination in the technology, weapons and space wars. Japanese engineers taught us how to make high quality yet low-production-cost cars in the 1980s. Mexican immigrants provided the millions of workers needed to do the back-breaking work of construction and farming.

America’s economic prosperity was because of rules, laws, and incentives as well as the American dream. The well-regulated corporations led to success for everyone. We need to go back to the rules and tax structure of those good decades if everyone is to prosper and not just the already-wealthy investor. Consumers need to trust that government is regulating business so that we have clean healthy air and water. Everyone must think long-term sustainability for Mother Earth and not just short-term exploitation for the 1% wealthy.

We Americans are losing our democracy, economic prosperity, and the hope of a better life for our children. The cause is not just Donald Trump, or just which political party controls government. It is worker versus investor. It may be more important to change the rules for corporations than the political party of elected leaders.

I urge anyone reading this to get behind Senator Warren in standing up to the super-wealthy investor class and to create long-term gain for everyone instead of exploitation of all but the investor.

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Bearproofing your home helps protect Colorado's bears

As if bears weren't already known for their insatiable hunger, the end of summer triggers an instinctual need to pack on the pounds to prepare for the months of hibernation ahead. Colorado Parks and Wildlife reminds everyone that this quest for calories, called hyperphagia, will send bears on an urgent search for food making it especially important to bearproof your homes and cars when in bear country.

During this "feeding frenzy," bears will try to eat up to 20,000 calories a day to build up their fat reserves ahead of winter, often searching for food up to 20 hours a day. Hyperphagia also triggers changes to a bear's preferred food sources, shifting from their summer diet of insects, leaves, and flowers of broad-leafed plants to a higher fat and carbohydrate diet of fruits and nuts.

It also means hungry bears will be actively seeking out the types of meals found in your trash can and around your home.

"Bearproofing your property—including both homes and cars—becomes even more important this time of year," said Jerrie McKee, district wildlife manager with CPW. "It only takes one person to disregard common-sense precautions for a bear to get into their trash or their home. That one careless person increases the chances that the bear will move on to a neighbor's home, car or trash can. We want everyone to understand why it's so important to take the steps to keep your prop-

erty, your neighborhood, and ultimately our bear population safer."

Wildfires across the state this year may lead to more bears seeking food outside of their usual habitat, but CPW stresses that humans should not try to "help" bears by leaving food out or not hazing animals away. The agency urges residents and visitors to continue taking special care to secure trash, pet food, birdseed and other easy sources of calories for bears.

"Wildlife, including bears, are very resilient during times of habitat stress," said McKee. "In most cases, animals affected by wildfires or other stressors do not require human intervention to find food. If you have concerns about a bear or other animal, call your local CPW office, but don't take matters into your own hands—there is never a good reason for people to feed wildlife."

Properly bearproofing your home may mean taking several of the recommended steps below:

Keep bears out

- Close and lock all bear-accessible windows and doors when you leave the house, and at night before you go to bed.
- Install sturdy grates or bars on windows if you must leave them open.
- Keep car doors and windows closed and locked if you park outside. Make sure there's nothing with an odor in your vehicle, including candy, gum, air fresheners, trash, lotions and lip balms.
- Close and lock garage doors

and windows at night and when you're not home; garage doors should be down if you are home but not outside.

- Install extra-sturdy doors if you have a freezer, refrigerator, pet food, bird seed, or other attractants stored in your garage.

- Remove any tree limbs that might provide access to upper level decks and windows.

- Replace exterior lever-style door handles with good quality round doorknobs that bears can't pull or push open.

Get rid of attractants

- Don't leave trash out overnight unless it's in a bear-proof enclosure or container. Be sure to research all local ordinances and regulations if vacationing.

- Don't store food of any kind in an unlocked garage, flimsy shed or on or under your deck.

- Don't leave anything with an odor outside, near open windows or in your vehicle, even if you're home. That includes scented candles, air fresheners, lip balms and lotions.

- Only feed birds when bears are hibernating. If you want to feed birds when bears are active, bring in seed or liquid feeders at night or when you leave home.

Teach bears they're not welcome

- If a bear comes close to your home, scare it away. Loud noises like a firm yell, clapping your hands, banging on pots and pans or blowing an air horn sends most bears running.

- Utilize electric fencing,



Big bear makes it through a small window!

unwelcome mats and scent deterrents like ammonia to teach bears that your property is not bear-friendly.

- If a bear enters your home, open doors and windows and ensure it can leave the same way it got in. Don't approach the bear or block escape routes.

- Never approach a bear. If a bear won't leave, call your local CPW office. If a bear presents an immediate threat to human safety, call 911.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife has several resources available that can help you find the right methods for protecting your home and property while bears are most active. For additional information, see our Living with Bears page or visit cpw.state.co.us.

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by *Tomas DeMers*
Help is on the way

The call came late in the afternoon. My iCloud account had been hacked. Ouch. I knew iCloud was important. I valued it, although I didn't use it much. It was in the Cloud, right? "Yes, exactly," the voice said. It sounded urgent, especially since it sounded like I was talking to Mumbai.

The speaker was from Apple Care. The logo was on every screen he showed me: a list of foreign IP addresses from which they were watching my accounts, a list of the accounts they were watching. Had I been receiving phone calls from unknown numbers around the country? Yes, I said, they irritate the hell out of me. That's the hackers. He showed me one, a gnarly guy (who looked like he'd molest children) by the name of Andrej Ondrakov. Russian? Yes, said the voice. The Russians are inside your system. Under the dude's picture a red screen flashed on and off, "System Alert, Level Three Breach."

Level Three, the voice said, was the deepest level of penetration. "We must correct this at once."

I agreed. Wouldn't you? Your bank accounts, your emails, your

porn sites, all open and available to the world. I was shocked. The Russians had penetrated backcountry America. I went along until they asked me to go to my nearest Safeway and buy a particular Google Pay card. That was the fix. Wait a minute. Apple is asking me to get Google to repair a breach? Aren't they rivals, competitors? At the end of two plus hours they said: close everything down, including my phone, don't use anything until they called me the next morning. In the meantime, I was to buy Google Pay. Andrej was tracking my every move.

Safeway was a long way off, easier to call 1-800-APPLE CARE. I soon reached a man who spoke with an American accent. After forty seconds, he assured me I was being scammed. He laughed when I told him about Andrej and suggested that Google Pay was likely a scammer account. He told me to take my PC to a reliable tech person or service center. Being Apple, he could not help my PC. He did something; I forget what. My home page had turned black rather than its friendly blue, black the favorite color of Russian oligarchs. I clicked "shut down."



Notes to self . . . re: letting it all go

by *Peter Anderson*

You could begin with everything in the house: the phones, the tools, appliances, the nick-nacks, the paintings on the wall. Clear out all the piles of paper—bills, tax returns, term papers written in graduate school, back issues of obscure magazines and journals. Take all your books to the library. Give all the furniture to Goodwill, all the old canned goods to the soup kitchen, all the old tools to Habitat for Humanity. Get rid of anything that needs to be plugged in. Make your will. Leave the kids what they will need to get started. Give the rest to all the good causes that live in your mailbox.

You have already abandoned your youthful dreams—remember when you wanted to live in a lighthouse? You have criss-crossed the country a dozen times, seen the backside of the all night raves, said goodbye to your peaking sex drive. Your demise is no longer a distant horizon line. Soon you will say goodbye to your last parent—welcome to the cosmic orphanage. Before long, you will see the backside of your youngest as she goes off to live her own life.

This could get gloomy, but it doesn't have to. If you play the hand that's dealt you, you no longer have to worry what anyone else thinks, no longer have to question decisions you made decades ago, and you can unload the freight of all those lingering ghosts who haunted your head on thousands of sleepless nights. Now you are a lightweight traveler in a new country and all you have to worry about is the moment at hand which, in this case, involves a ruby-throated hummingbird that has zipped in through an open door and imprisoned itself in your sunroom. It is poking its beak at the invisible and incomprehensible barrier that is your plate glass window. So you wrap a cloth around the bird, cup this seemingly weightless puff of feathers in your hands, release it into the open air, and watch it trail off until you can't see it anymore.

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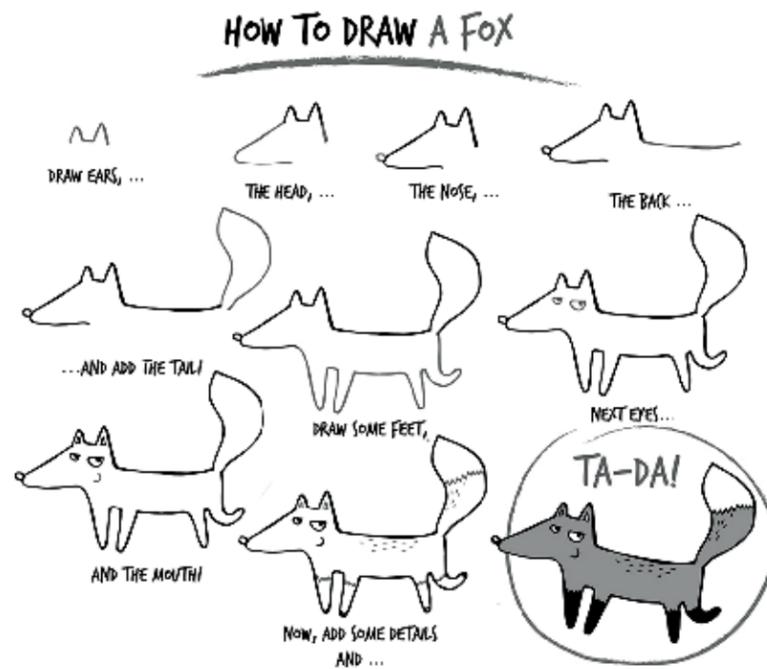
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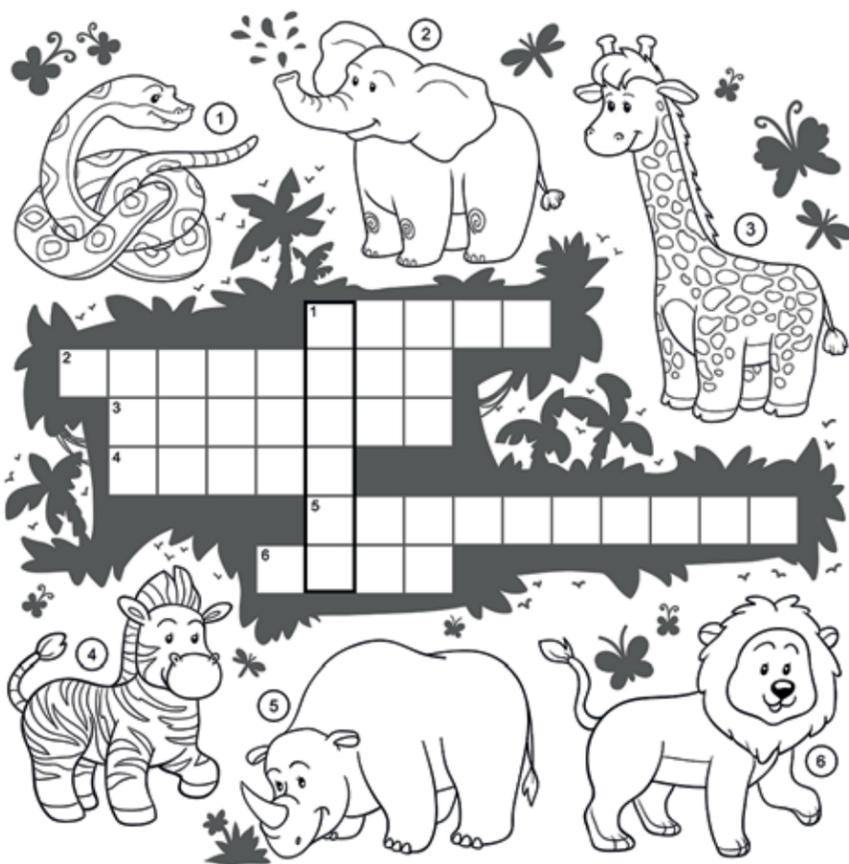
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To reach the high notes.
 What's the worst thing you're likely to find in the school cafeteria?
The Food!
 Why did nose not want to go to school?
He was tired of getting picked on!
 How do you get straight A's?
By using a ruler!
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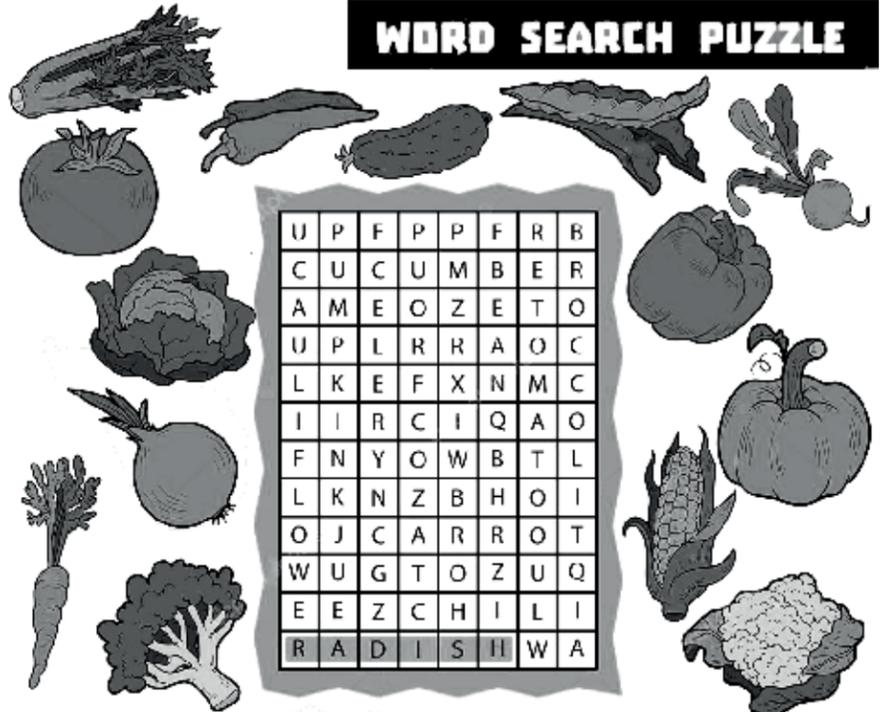
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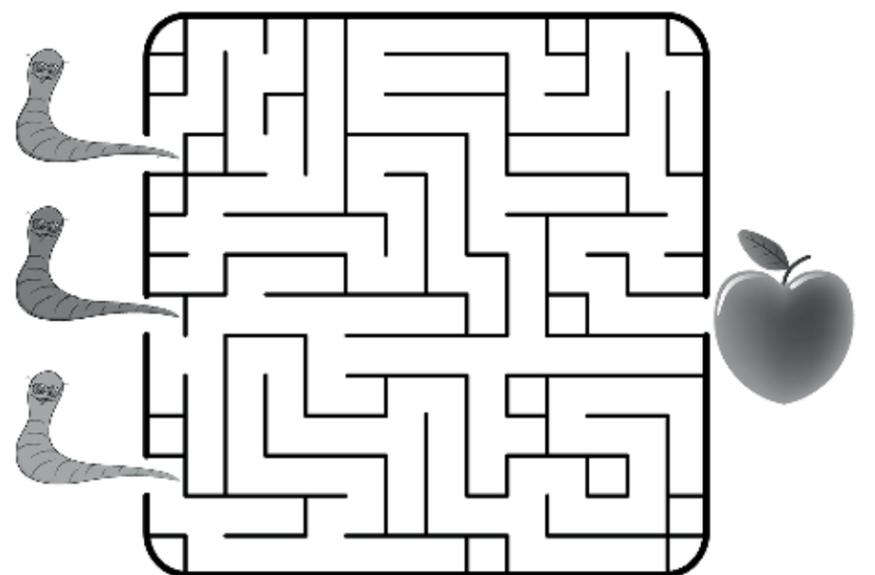
What did you learn in school today?
Not enough, I have to go back tomorrow!
 What object is king of the classroom?
The ruler!
 What did the pencil sharpener say to the pencil?
Stop going in circles and get to the point!
 What is the world's tallest building?
The library because it has the most stories.
 Why did the clock in the cafeteria run slow?
It always went back four seconds.
 Why didn't the sun go to college?
Because it already had a million degrees!
 Why did the book join the police force?
He wanted to go undercover.
 What did the students do when their shoelaces got tangled together?
They went on a class trip.
 Where do baby pens spend their day?
In their play pen.
 What's the smartest insect around?
The spelling bee.
 What starts and ends with "e" and only has one letter?

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 Where do kids in New York City learn multiplication?
In Times Square.
 Why did everyone want the music teacher to be on their baseball team?
Because she had the perfect pitch.
 What did one math book say to the other?
You think you've got problems.
 What is a math teacher's favorite type of dessert?
Pi.
 Why was the cafeteria clock always behind?
Because it went back for seconds.
 Why is 1+1=3 like your left foot?
It's not right.
 Where do books hide when they're scared?
Under their covers.
 What is a snake's favorite class?
Hissss-tory!
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possibly at mitigation pit. Orange paint on handle. Daniel 719-480-9764

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Yard/Garage/Moving/Estate Sales

Moving sale
Saturday, September 9-10am to 2 pm. 1469 Horseshoe Trail. From Camino Baca Grande, take Badger to Wagon Wheel. Turn right on Wagon Wheel. Horseshoe Trail is first left. CD's, music players, speakers, stuff.

Moving Sale
3869 Jubilant Terrace: 8:30-4:00 Sat & Sun. 9/1 - 9/2 Wagon Wheel to Left on Camino del Rey. Right onto Carefree. 3rd Left onto Jubilant. Follow Jubilant across Cordial all the way to the top of the cul-du-sac. Furniture, clothes, rugs, lots. 360-370-7770.

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TOWN OF CRESTONE PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-006
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2002-2 (AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A SEWAGE COLLECTION SYSTEM FOR THE TOWN OF CRESTONE, COLORADO) AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 2013-005 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #2002-2 [AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A SEWAGE COLLECTION SYSTEM FOR THE TOWN OF CRESTONE, COLORADO])

THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES FINDS THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS NECESSARY TO THE IMMEDIATE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH AND SAFETY, DUE TO THE NEED TO CLARIFY ISSUES REGARDING LINE EXTENSIONS, PERFORMANCE BONDS, TOWN DEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE, APPROVAL OF SEWER MAIN EXTENSIONS, WATER AND SEWER SPECIFICATION WITH OVERSIGHT OF AN ENGINEER, AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION TO CONNECT WITH TOWN WATER AND SEWER SERVICES AND SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE ENFORCED IMMEDIATELY UPON THE FINAL PASSAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed by the Board of Trustees and signed this 13th day of August, 2018
Allyson Ransom, Town Clerk, Kairina Danforth, Mayor
Approved as to Form: Eugene L. Farish, Town Attorney

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2018 Saguache County General Election TABOR BALLOT MEASURE

C.R.S. §29-2-103, authorizes counties to levy a countywide sales tax upon approval of a majority of the registered electors of the county voting on such proposal. The Saguache County Board of Commissioners ("Board") has considered an ad valorem tax increase on taxable property but believes is in the best interest of the residents of the County that a specific countywide tax of One and One-Half of One Percent (1.5%) be created and imposed and for all revenues therefrom to be used to help meet the statutory obligations of Saguache County to provide adequate facilities for law enforcement operations.

Refer to Resolution 2018-5
CREATION OF A SPECIFIC ONE AND ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT COUNTYWIDE SALES TAX INCREASE

SHALL SAGUACHE COUNTY SALES TAX BE INCREASED \$450,000 (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY SOLELY FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF DIRECTLY FUNDING URGENT PUBLIC SAFETY NEEDS REGARDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS AND MEETING STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS OF SAGUACHE COUNTY TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FACILITIES; SUCH COUNTY WIDE SALES TAX INCREASE IMPOSED AT A RATE OF 1.5% (WHICH REPRESENTS ONE AND ONE-HALF OF ONE CENT ON EACH DOLLAR PURCHASE); SHALL ALL REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE TAX, REGARDLESS OF AMOUNT AND NET OF THE COSTS OF COLLECTION, BE DEPOSITED INTO A SEPARATE FUND AND RESTRICTED AS TO USE FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

-LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, HIRING, EMPLOYING, TRAINING AND EQUIPPING DEPUTIES, INVESTIGATORS AND CIVILIAN SUPPORT STAFF; CONDUCTING INVESTIGATIONS; REPLACING OBSOLETE AND FAILING EQUIPMENT NECESSARY TO LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES AND PROVIDING FOR GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS; AND

ANY FUNDS GENERATED BY THIS TAX WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO FUNDS BUDGETED BY THE COUNTY FOR OPERATION OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE/DETENTION CENTER; AND

SHALL RESOLUTION NO. 2018- OF THE COUNTY PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOSITION OF THE SALES TAX BE APPROVED; AND SHALL ALL TAX REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE SALES TAX RATES AUTHORIZES HEREIN AND FROM ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES CONSTITUTE A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE, AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES _____
NO _____

Comments "in favor" of the ballot question should be filed with: Captain Wilson, Jail Commander
PO Box 265
Saguache CO 81149

Comments "against" the ballot question should be filed with: Saguache County Clerk & Recorder
Trish Gilbert
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ORDINANCE NO. 2018-005

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CRESTONE GRANTING AN ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO SAN LUIS VALLEY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC, TELECOMMUNICATION AND FIBER OPTIC SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Town of Crestone has, negotiated the terms of a new franchise with San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Trustees deems it to be in the best interest of the Town to adopt the negotiated franchise, attached hereto as Exhibit A, as an Ordinance of the Town.

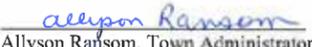
NOW THEREFORE, be it hereby ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Crestone, Colorado that the Franchise Agreement between the Town of Crestone, Colorado and San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., its affiliates, successors and assigns, granting it the right to use the streets within the town to furnish, sell, transport, transmit and distribute electricity, and to provide telecommunication and fiber optic services (including the transmitting of voice, video and data signals) to the town and to all residents of the town, granting the right to acquire, construct, install, locate, maintain, operate and extend into, within and through the town all facilities reasonably necessary to furnish, sell, transport and distribute electricity, and to provide telecommunication and fiber optic services (including the transmitting of voice, video and data signals) within and through the town, and granting it the right to provide street lighting service to the town, and fixing the terms and conditions thereof (attached as Exhibit A) is hereby approved and adopted. The franchise fee contained in Article 3 (A) of said franchise may be adjusted as therein provided, shall be initially set at two percent (2%) of all revenues and shall not exceed five percent (5%) of such stated revenues.

THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES FINDS THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS NECESSARY FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, AND SAFETY, DUE TO THE NECESSITY TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC SERVICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF CRESTONE, AND SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE ENFORCED FROM AND AFTER PASSAGE OF THE SAME.

DONE and SIGNED this 13th day of August, 2018.


Kairina Danforth, Mayor

Attest:


Allyson Ransom, Town Administrator

EARTH TALK

Questions & Answers
About Our Environment

Solar schools: Opportunities abound to help schools go solar

by Doug Moss & Roddy Scheer

Dear EarthTalk: I am interested in helping my school get solar panels on the roof to show students how we can be part of the solution to the climate crisis. Are there any resources or grants out there to help schools go solar?

—Charles Hamilton, Warren, OH

Putting solar panels on your school is a great idea, not only to provide a free source of electricity, but also as a real-world way to teach students about the need for more renewable energy options and to make the school community part of the solution to our climate woes. School buildings are typically built with large, flat rooftops that are ideal candidates for solar installations.

According to the Foundation for Environmental Education's Solar School Initiative, some 4,000 public and private school systems around the country have already installed solar panels at their own expense, or with funds raised through parent-teacher associations, student groups, individual donors and foundations. Analysts estimate that an additional 125,000 schools nationwide are good candidates for going solar and reaping the financial benefits of free energy. Developing renewable alternatives is essential to our transition away from dirty fossil fuel sources.

Grant programs vary from state to state, though some can be very supportive of municipal solar projects. In Massachusetts, for example, cities qualified as "Green Communities" can apply for clean energy grants through a state-run program. California also

has a number of solar-friendly programs that schools can capitalize on, including the School Facility Modernization Grants and Self-Generation Incentive program. Several other states offer similar programs.

There are also many federal grant opportunities, primarily from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). Their Loan Programs Office works with municipal and commercial applicants to help realize their energy goals. The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy shares this mission, and recently made an investment of \$19 million to improve our nation's buildings, specifically naming hospitals and schools as top priorities.

There are also non-government options that can be utilized to bring solar to your local school district. The American Solar Energy Society (ASES) offers a wide array of resources for achieving successful solar school programs and for navigating issues around choosing a system. Their partnership with The Solar Foundation's BDR Fund has set a goal of 20,000 solar systems installed at K-12 schools by the year 2020.

Another grant opportunity comes from the American Electric Power Foundation's Learning from Light program, which has sponsored over 100 schools' transitions to solar, starting with Bluffview Elementary in Worthington, Ohio back in 1998. And the Walmart Foundation recently pledged to fund solar conversions at 20 schools in large cities around the country. A list of further programs offered by a number of organizations can be found at solarschools.org.

For more tips, check out the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's report "Solar Schools Assessment and Implementation Project: Financing Options for Solar Installations on K-12 Schools," which explains the myriad ways to finance and own solar installations at schools—including how to choose a location to maximize benefits.

The non-profit Black Rock Solar helped Rainshadow Community Charter High School in Reno, Nevada install a 31-kilowatt photovoltaic array in 2010.



Black Rock Solar, a nonprofit entity, installed a 31 kilowatt photovoltaic array at Rainshadow Community Charter High School in Reno, Nevada.

Crestone-Baca Weather Report

by Keno

July 21 to August 20

Total precipitation for period:

Liquid precip (includes melted snow): 0.90"

Snow: 0.0"

Measurable precipitation fell on 13 days.

Measurable rain fell on 13 days.

A trace of rain fell on 4 days.

Only 3 thunderstorms occurred.

One hail storm occurred.

No measurable snow fell.

Total precipitation year to date:

Since Jan 1: 4.41"

Total snow to date:

Since Jan 1 (for 2018): 13.7"

Snow Season*: 16.7"

*Snow season runs from July 1 to June 30

Temperatures for the period:

High temp: 88.9°F on July 22

Low temp: 43.3°F on August 20

Avg. high: 82.4°F

Avg. low: 49.5°F

Number of days with the high temperature at or above 90°: None

Number of days with the high temperature above 80°: 23

Number of days with the low temperature below 50°: 15

Winds for the period

Avg. speed: 2.4 mph

Highest gust: 41 mph on July 27

Main direction: Out of the east at night, out of the southwest during the day.

Weather summary

The drought of '18 continues on, with below average rainfall falling during the 31 days of this period. Temperatures were once again above average, as they have been for the last full year, but no record highs and no new weather records of any kind were set.

Outlook for September:

The arrival of autumn weather falls upon us in this month. In the first week of September it is still on the warm side, with highs and lows averaging 75° and 44°(F). By month's end things start to cool off; most local gardens are closed down until next spring. The average high and low temps for the last few days of September are 66° and 34°.

It has never hit 90° in September, the highest reading being 87°, first in 1995 and again in 2013, while the coldest reading is flat-out cold at just 18°, on Sept 29, 1999. Our first freeze of the fall usually hits while it's still summer, with September 15 being the average first freeze date for our area.

Precipitation-wise, September is the third-wettest month of the year, averaging 1.45", with 3.71" the record high, recorded back in 2013. This is also the month where we see our first measurable snow of the new snow season. But sadly, snowfall records are incomplete for this month in our area, other than that in the last 15 years or so, snowfall has been well below normal. The earliest snow recorded in September for Crestone and the entire state, on September 3, 1961, when 2" to 8" of snow were recorded around town. Another early snowfall of a few inches took place on September 4, 1983. Snow falling that early used to happen in this neck of the woods, but of late nothing to note at all before mid-month. Starting this month even big snowstorms can happen, so while unlikely, anything is possible. Then again, looking back on our last snow season, we didn't have a single snowfall of more than 2" on any one day for the entire year, as we saw all-time record low snow. The entire western U.S. has seen less snow of late.

Note: For current Crestone weather conditions visit Keno's web site: www.keno.org/vws.

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