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The community celebrated as Crestone mayor, Kairina Danforth, cut the ribbon to our brand new Kaboom! playground after over 100 locals contributed their time, efforts and laughter to this endeavor on June 6. Gwynn Busby, 2nd from left, was the persistent key person to get the Kaboom grant and pull this project together. photo by Lori Nagel
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Customers & Town of Crestone file complaint with PUC on electric company rate restructure

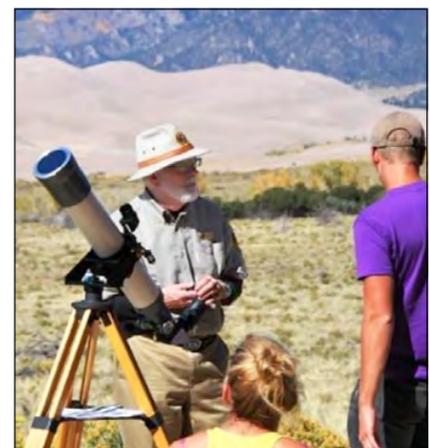
Annie Pace et al V. San Luis Valley Rural Electric Co-op

On June 4, Annie Pace and 29 others from Crestone, Baca, and beyond filed a formal complaint with the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC). The complaint against the San Luis Valley Rural Electric Company names several injustices and violations of statute, targeting the effect on all residential customers in the region. The most significant points in the filing they make are:

- lack of forewarning, transparency and due notice regarding rate restructure
- an unjust and unfair demand charge placed on residential customers
- unjust and punitive charges placed on solar-producing customers, thus discouraging clean energy production in direct opposition to Colorado state goals
- unmanageable rate increase for low/fixed income customers in our region

Some of the remedies suggested in the filing are: a refund of demand charges paid to date and a moratorium on future demand charges until the cost of service study is made available and accountability is shown to residential solar producers.

SLVREC was served the complaint on June 5, and has until June 26 to respond (their response will be too late for Eagle publication this issue). The schedule for *continued on page 7*



Astronomy at the Great Sand Dunes. See our special feature on dark skies on page B-1. photo by Patrick Myers

Kaboom! Community builds beautiful new playground in Crestone Creekside Park

by Gwynn Busby, Treasurer, Town of Crestone

June 8 was the best day ever! Volunteers from our community came together with the Town of Crestone, Colorado Health Foundation, and KaBoom to transform an empty site into a kid-designed, state-of-the-art playground in just 6 hours at Creekside Park. Our new playground will help make play the easy choice for our youth and their families; *play matters!*

Crestone's playground equipment was removed due to rotting wood and lack of safety requirements for our youth. A search for grants led the town to the Colorado Health Foundation and KaBoom. While their grant provided the equipment and guidance, the Town had to provide the volunteers. Back in March the first Design Teams were formed and met with KaBoom project leader, Katrina Biranga from Washington, D. C.

The youth Design Team drew pictures of their dream playground, the adult team after looking at the youth drawings chose the equipment. Later KaBoom sent three playground designs and the youth voted for their favorite!

And then the work began! The Town Public Works Coordinator, Andrew Martinez, and Assistant, Gretchen Nelson, jumped into action preparing Creekside Park. *continued on page 10*

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Survive & thrive

Dear Editor,

Once again the generous spirit of our community shone at the Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) annual yard sale Saturday, June 1, held at the Town Hall Park off Galena Ave. in Crestone. NHN Board members and volunteers set up the sale and put donations into the correct departments. Shoppers enjoyed their wandering through the eclectic array of merchandise and lay their donations down generously! NHN cashiers totaled up sales that helped greatly to recoup funds that were spent over the long, cold winter.

It seems although we are a much larger population then we were when NHN began almost a quarter century ago, we continue to have one another's backs in the event of a crisis. Thank you so much each and everyone of you, for your support and caring. Together we continue to survive and thrive!

In gratitude,
 Mary Lowers

When you flip a switch

Dear Friends,

When Americans flip a switch in our homes we expect the lights to go on, . . . famously said a defiant George Bush, Sr. a few decades ago. These days, however, the battle for energy freedom has moved far, far upstream from concerns about light switches at home.

Recently I attended an SLVREC monthly Board meeting, for the first time at the invitation of Wade Lockhart, and the recent REC Annual membership gathering in Alamosa. At both these meetings, well attended by Crestone residents, I learned a lot about how and why our energy bills are suddenly doubling and tripling as the new electric "rate design" takes effect. (See the spring newsletter at wildearthguardians.org for the big upstream picture.)

We are now seeing a strange new "demand charge" in multiples of \$7.59 that could add up to high costs for roasting a chicken in your electric oven, or even higher costs for enjoying a shower with your "modern" electric-fired tankless water heater.

People are confused and angry. What is a demand charge, and why are they doing this to us "coop" members? Good question!

To help answer it we have formed a "study group" to educate ourselves about the entrenched obstacles to true community energy freedom. We also wish to help educate others about the several aspects of the complicated changes in our electrical energy environment. How is it related to the planetary climate crisis, and what actions can we take to understand and create a new energy-conscious world in our community?

The new Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) recently

asserted jurisdiction over Tri-State, SLVREC's wholesale provider. Tri-State unfairly limits the spread of locally produced renewable (solar) energy to only 5% of our coop's total energy purchases. What!?

Our new study group embraces the twin tools of change: self-education along with personal action to listen, speak and be heard as members of our rural electrical coop. We plan to organize a local "teach-in" and a free solar clinic so community members will have access to questions and answers. A new era of energy freedom is dawning on us in the face of much old-school resistance.

Stay tuned, form study groups, attend SLVREC board meetings, talk personally with neighbors, friends and strangers about the unfolding energy situation that affects all in dollars and cents as well as common sense.

Paul Shippee

Read your electric meters carefully

Dear Editor,

I just got off the phone with SLVREC customer service. I chose not to continue to have them come read my electric meter monthly at a cost of \$10/month and let them install their new "smart" meter on May 28 and was, at that time, instructed in how to read the data from the meter. At 11pm on May 31 I went out and confirmed the maximum demand between May 28 and 31 was 1020 watts. My question to customer service was why my bill for May indicated a maximum demand of 4360 watts for which they charged me \$33. After a long wait he got back to me and said my reading of 1020 watts maximum demand was indeed correct and that they did not know where the 4340 number came from and they would have to research it to see if it happened to other people. I am still waiting to hear back from them. A word of warning: it is clear to me that these folks do not know what they are doing. My suggestion for those who have these new "smart" meters is that you take a time-stamped photo of the maximum demand in KW close to midnight of the last day of each month for comparison with the KW value upon which you are billed for that month. That will give you the proof you need if you have to go through this with REC as I have done.

Bill Miller

Food Bank helps folks like you & me

Dear Editor,

You're a senior on fixed income. You've worked hard all your life, bought a home and saved for retirement. But those savings are running short and you find yourself struggling to make ends meet. Everything costs more, and you're forced to choose between paying the electric bill or buying groceries this month. You're not alone. The same is true for the single parent who's just lost her job, or the working folks earning minimum wage, or for most anyone who has an unanticipated medical emergency in the family.

The Crestone Food Bank can

help. Anyone who has trouble putting adequate food on the table is eligible for assistance. You can fill out an application during regular Food Bank hours, 2 to 4pm every Wednesday, at our new location, 191 E. Galena, next door to the Merc. You will be required to provide a local address, plus the names and ages of each member of your household, and you will be allowed to visit 12 times per year. To better accommodate working folks, the Food Bank hopes to open one Saturday per month, beginning later this summer.

Thanks to a wonderful team of volunteers, plans also are under way to provide delivery service each Wednesday to those who are homebound or unable to drive to the Food Bank.

A member of the Food Bank Network of the San Luis Valley, the Crestone Food Bank operates under the umbrella of La Puente. We are extremely grateful for the donations we receive from local merchants, spiritual centers, and individuals, as well as the ongoing support we receive from the Saguache County Commissioners. Donations may be dropped off between 1 and 4pm on Wednesdays, or by arrangement. Fresh produce is especially appreciated.

For more information, please call 719-539-7740. Leave a message and your call will be returned promptly during business hours.

Marge Hoglin

Historic documentary underway & you can help!

Dear Editor,

There is a rich, deep history that exists within the town of Crestone. There are folks here whose parents were born here in the early 1900s, or who came here in covered wagons when they were small children. There is one old guy who used to ride a horse to school every morning in the 1940s and light the wood stove before class. These stories are of unparalleled significance to how we develop as a community, remembering those who came before us and laid the groundwork for where and how we live in this beautiful place. This is beyond spirituality and eco-tourism and retreats. This is the human history of here, and it is so precious, and deserves to be recorded.

To that end, we are in process of creating high quality audio and video footage to serve two purposes. First is to archive it in the Crestone Museum for all to have access to. Second is to create a series of short episodes to share with the wider community to inspire laughter, education, and a point of reference for all of us who come here to live.

This project is not for making money, and will be a gift to the community at large and to the families of some of our local old timers.

However, cost of production is a factor, and I am asking for help from any one interested who might be able to donate \$5, \$50, or more to assist in offsetting the cost. If you are willing to help, please contact me at 719-256-4889, or adam@blueearth-design.com, for more details.

—Adam Kinney

Editor's Notes

A call to action

When we learned of the millions of people killed, starved and tortured in Nazi concentration camps we asked "Why did the decent German people allow it?". They had to know—seeing their neighbors rounded up and taken away, hearing of concentration camps. How is it that good people did nothing?

And here we are. Children by the thousands taken from their parents at our southern border. BABIES. TODDLERS. With phone numbers of their parents on wristbands, but no one calling the parents who are frantic with worry.

Small children are unnecessarily being locked up, sleeping on concrete, infants with dirty diapers and lice not getting bathed or properly fed or cared for when there are moms and dads, aunts and uncles and grandparents looking for them. They are being deeply traumatized and mistreated. This is a horrible crime against children and families being done by OUR government

This is being done for political gain because Trump wants his wall and he's holding kids hostage.

And we know this.

Why are we Americans not out in the streets of our capitol protesting by the millions?

Why? I have a job, a home, responsibilities. I will call my congressman. I will post on Facebook. Maybe *someone* will show up.

I am so appalled and disgusted. Not just with the GOP who is backing these policies, but with the millions of us that are not screaming STOP!

History will judge us badly, as it should. As the world is already doing for our cruelty and hypocrisy.

Posted now on the Eagle Facebook page (www.facebook.com/crestoneeagle) is a directory of the Congressional Committee on Homeland Security you can call to protest.

As we celebrate Independence Day this July 4, please remember our country's true values—and our love and care of ALL children.

Raise your voice.

This is a call to action.

—Kizzen

Moffat boy who fell into a well nearly drowns, rescued by Emergency Services & Saguache Sheriff's Office

by Mary Lowers

According to the Saguache County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) a four-year-old Moffat boy almost died after falling twelve feet down a twelve-inch pipe into an old well. The 911 call came in about 12:30pm on Friday, June 21 and SCSO and emergency responders were quickly on the scene. It took about an hour to extricate the scared toddler from the well.

The child who had been up to his chin in water was fully submerged a couple of times during the rescue operation. According to Sheriff Dan Warrick. "CPR was given and repeated until the boy was breathing on his own." The boy was transported to the SLC Regional Medical Center

in Alamosa and was later flown to an eastern slope hospital for treatment. As we go to press it looks as though the four-year-old will be ok.

In this case the well in question was covered, but over time the cover had rotted. The sheriff reminds people to check and make sure if you have working or abandoned wells on your property to make sure they are covered for safety.

Dan Warrick and the Saguache County Sheriff's Office thanks the Northern Saguache Ambulance, emergency medical staff, Crestone, Moffat, Villa Grove, and Mosca/ Hooper Volunteer Fire Departments and the Colorado State Patrol for their help with this incident.

Saguache County Crime Report

by Mary Lowers

As the summer begins to sizzle in the valley, the Saguache County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) continues to round up those who seem to think they can hide out from the consequences of their criminal actions. A Center man, 28, was jailed with \$250 bail for failure to appear. A Moffat man, 48, went to jail on two fugitive from justice charges and a failure to appear charge. His bail was set at \$3,130. A twenty-year-old man from Center had \$1,259 bail listed for charges of contempt of court and fugitive from justice. A warrant out of Adams County landed a Northglenn man, 60, in jail on fugitive from justice charges with a bail of \$1,500 listed.

A Baca man, 38, was released from the County jail for time served for failure to appear charges. A Saguache man, 38, was jailed on two fugitive from justice charges with no bail amount listed. A \$4000 bail kept a Center man, 37, in jail on two failure to appear charges and one charge for violation of a restraining order. A Moffat man, 24, was charged with resisting arrest when deputies went to bring him in on a failure to appear charge. His bail was listed at \$500. A bail amount of \$4000 held a Center man, 36, in jail on two failure to appear charges, harassment charges, abuse of phone service, criminal mischief, and domestic violence charges.

It never pays to argue with the judge or to flat out refuse to cooperate. A Center man, 31, bonded out of jail on June 19 for contempt of court charges with \$500 cash. A Salida man, 50, faced contempt of court charges. He bonded out June 20, on a \$20,000 personal recognizance (PR) bond. A Hooper man, 55, bonded out of jail with a \$10,000 PR bond on charges of domestic violence, second degree assault, and menacing.

There were a few tickets issued in the Baca this past month for careless driving. A ticket for fictitious plates was recorded. Speeding violations are climbing to their seasonal high and the mosquitoes are out. Saw Sheriff Dan on his Harley and in his leathers at the Crestone playground built in early June . . . look out here's summer!

Woman killed in rollover near Creede

—Colorado State Patrol

On June 24 at approximately 1:17 A.M., Colorado State Patrol Dispatch was advised of a one car rollover on Highway 149 approximately one-mile north out of Creede. When medical personnel and Mineral County Sheriff's Deputies arrived on scene they found a female party that had been ejected from the truck and was laying in the middle of the road. It was determined that the female, identified as Rachael Bennett, 27 of Creede, was driving a 2003 Ford F-150 northbound when the vehicle went off the right side of the road in a slight left hand curve. The truck came back onto the road when

Bennett over corrected causing the truck to rotate in a clockwise direction. The truck traveled off the right side of the road where it struck an embankment rolling one and one-half time up the steep hillside. The truck landed on its roof sliding down the hill where it rolled an additional one-half time coming to rest on its wheels partially in the road. Bennett was not wearing a seat-belt and was ejected during the crash. Bennett was pronounced dead at the scene. Alcohol, drugs, and speed are being considered as factors in the crash but it is still under investigation. The Colorado State Patrol urges people to please buckle up when traveling.

Conservation groups challenge Forest Service *again* over approval of Village at Wolf Creek

Conservation groups filed a lawsuit May 28 seeking to invalidate the Rio Grande National Forest's approval of the massive Village at Wolf Creek development by providing expanded access across National Forest System lands to a private parcel created by a controversial 1980s land exchange. The recent Forest Service decision was based on the same environmental analysis a federal court deemed "an artful dodge" and decidedly ruled was arbitrary, capricious, and contrary to law in 2017.

A Colorado federal district court set aside the Forest Service's approval of a land exchange to facilitate the development in May 2017. "What NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) requires is that before taking any major action a federal agency must stop and take a careful look to determine the environmental impacts of that decision, and listen to the public before taking action. The Forest Service failed to do that," the decision stated.

Not only is the Forest Service pushing ahead in violation of legal decisions, it is shutting out the public. The agency only allowed individuals or organizations that commented on this project in 2012 to participate in the 2018 process. This administrative restriction has chilled the decision-making process and left many concerned citizens voiceless.

Texas billionaire Red McCombs has been trying to develop the Village at Wolf Creek, now envisioned as an 8,000-person development, atop Wolf Creek Pass for over 30 years. At over 10,000' in elevation, the pass serves as a critical wildlife corridor and is home to rare fen wetlands at the headwaters of the Rio Grande. The development would particularly harm the threatened Canada lynx. Courts have repeatedly blocked attempts to fast track approvals and skimp on environmental analysis and public input.

This latest Forest Service action aims to facilitate the same development, based on the same analysis Travis Stills, attorney with Energy and Conservancy Law, who has represented the groups in several rounds of suc-

cessful litigation, said, "This decision flagrantly violates federal laws and the developer's own agreement to subject any access request to federal scrutiny. We are disappointed the Forest Service will not honor the binding settlement agreement and federal court orders."

"The American public expressed strong opposition to this development proposal, recognizing that it was a bad idea, in the wrong place, at a perilous time," said Christine Canaly of the San Luis Valley Ecosystem Council. "It would severely damage the headwaters of the Upper Rio Grande, which is already expected to buffer the burdensome impacts of climate change. This is a special core area of the southern Rockies that is essential for Canada lynx survival and this habitat area deserves long-term protection for future generations."

"Once again, it falls to the public to demand protection of Wolf Creek Pass, a place long cherished by generations of visitors and residents alike," said Jimbo Buickerood, Lands Program Manager at San Juan Citizens Alliance. "Though the Forest Service might be inclined to renege on its stewardship responsibilities, we are ready to insist on compliance with the law and the public's will."

Conservation groups:

- Travis Stills, Attorney, Energy & Conservancy Law, stills@frontier.net, 970-375-9231

- Matt Sandler, Staff Attorney, Rocky Mountain Wild, matt@rockymountainwild.org, 303-579-5162

- Christine Canaly, Director, San Luis Valley Ecosystem Council, info@slvec.org, 719-256-4758

- Tehri Parker, Executive Director, Rocky Mountain Wild, tehri@rockymountainwild.org, 720-446-8582

- Jimbo Buickerood, Lands and Forest Protection Program Manager, San Juan Citizens

Alliance, jimbo@sanjuancitizens.org, 970-560-1111



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Saguache County News

by Sandia Belgrade
Housing survey

As we all know, affordable housing is getting scarce. No one is more aware of this than Evan Samora, Director of the Saguache County Housing Authority. The mission of the Department is to develop, lease, and operate affordable housing for Saguache County residents with limited incomes. To that end Samora is exploring funding to develop more housing, but grants require a survey or assessment of county residents to ascertain need. Samora developed a survey and engaged a company to mail out the survey with an enclosed postage-paid envelope. The company failed to include an envelope, thwarting the effort. If you were mailed the survey, take the time to fill it out and consider mailing it yourself. There are too many families without housing in this, one of the poorest counties in the state. Let's help out this effort.

Water, water everywhere

North Crestone Campground is experiencing mild flooding affecting some of the camping spaces. It is very loud, according to the camp host, but not yet too severe. However, surrounding areas are experiencing flood-stage conditions. The Rio Grande is flooding in surrounding areas like Del Norte, Antonito and Conejos. The cubic feet per second reading on the Arkansas River in Salida measured over 4,000 CFS, sending water close to the top of the historic concrete bridge on F Street in downtown. Some FIBArk events were canceled because of unsafe conditions. A flood watch was in effect for parts of central and south-central Colorado including Saguache, the La Garita Mountains, San Luis Valley, San Juan Mountains and the Rio Grande Valley. One caution that is often disregarded: if you encounter flooding on a roadway do not attempt to drive through it. It's a common cause of fatalities. We still aren't at peak runoff flow yet.

County Administrator Report

Since County Administrator Glen Simpson is still relatively new to the position, these initial activities are important, for it lets us see what actions he is taking on the county's behalf. In June he provided some lengthy information. Simpson has actively worked on getting a fence around the Landfill. The County approved a bid for \$101,234.34 from High Country Fence, Rye, Colorado. The fence will be an 8' tall chain link which will enclose the entire landfill and reduce blowing trash from leaving the landfill area. It will be over 5,000' for fencing plus a 20' gate. With that extra dollar amount, the cost of bringing the landfill into compliance is nearly three quarters of a million dollars and no way to know if it will be better managed than it was before. Commissioner Tim Lovato toured five transfer stations with the SLV

Ecosystem Council and said it was a learning experience. He said the cost of putting in a transfer station could be 3x as much as a landfill. Research of transfer stations in the southwest show the cost on average is \$55,000 annually over 20 years.

Food commodities trailer

Simpson said a Request for an Emergency Sales Tax for a 8.5' x 16' cargo trailer for the Department of Social Services food commodities was approved for \$5,419. This is an enclosed cargo trailer with a ramp to replace the 10' open trailer they now have with entrances at both ends of the trailer. In towns such as Crestone, Mofett, Center and Villa Grove, where there is no indoor location to distribute the food commodities, this will provide an enclosed area to protect the food commodities and allow the patrons to be processed inside the trailer as they walk through. When the cargo trailer arrives July 15, an awning (like on campers) will be added to the trailer to provide additional shelter from rain and snow.

New jail planning

Simpson's office is preparing to advertise an RFP for plans for the new jail & Sheriff's office. The Saguache Airport is one potential site being considered for the location of the new 50-bed jail facility, which must be sited in the county seat. One proposed site already has water and sewerage. Things are also moving ahead with getting a mobile home to go on County lots in Casita Park just west of Crestone. It will serve as living quarters for a Sheriff's Deputy. Citizens of Crestone have requested an officer be located in their area for several years. Additionally there will be an office for a deputy in the town of Crestone. It is being provided by the owners of the Mercantile Grocery and Hardware Stores. This presence should provide the needed law enforcement support. The office will be located on the west side of the grocery store in the new building that also houses the Food Bank facility. Sheriff Warwick said the Deputy Office in Crestone is partially in place with work stations, computer and file cabinets still needed. He projects the move to be completed by mid-July.

Public Health report

Director Lynette Grant has hired a generalist to help with the many operational tasks the department faces. Gloria Quintana will be part of the effort to inform local veterinarians and area clinics about the process of educating and reporting instances of dog bites and other situations. Public Health will still do drug testing for all County departments. The BOCC approved her department entering into contract with the Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPR) regional health care coalition. When she submitted her budget she broke out all the details which the Commissioners appreciated.

When can a road be maintained?

During Randal Arredondo's time as Road & Bridge Supervisor, resident Kit Hopkins requested maintenance on Road EE. Her presentation showed she had done her homework in requesting the County include the road in its sys-



"I took this while driving north on Hwy. 17 in the afternoon of June 10. I learned later that this storm dropped flooding hail on a farmhouse in Hooper! Never before seen such heavily loaded cloud formations." *comment and photo by Kate Steichen*

tem or at least put in some base material. The road has never been maintained; yet, 17 people are living there within one mile. People have been living on this road since 1999, and she noted that all the roads around them are maintained. The regulations were updated in 2018. Hopkins said there could be a safety issue if responders have to come in for fire or an emergency medical situation. The Commissioners were not supportive. Jason Anderson said this is a rural area and you knew what the conditions were when you bought the land. That doesn't mean residents can't request a safe road, and with the population increase perhaps more road upgrades might be needed. Tim Lovato said you need to buy into it. The Commissioners will do a site visit on June 18.

County Assessor update

County Assessor Peter Peterson noted it's been an intense work period with a positive outcome. He reported that with a new software system and the work of two data collectors, all properties not previously documented and put on the rolls have been entered and the backlog jam eliminated. His department mailed out notices May 1. Out of approximately 16,000 tax valuations there were only 47 protests. Valuation appeals will take place on August 1 and 2.

Land Use

Land Use Administrator Wendi Maez had a lengthy report, this being the season of planting. Mammoth Land Holdings requested four different marijuana cultivation areas. It was approved by the Planning Commission for being done with approved parameters and buffers, but met resistance from Commissioner Lovato who had several questions regarding actual ownership, the correct address and the number of plants. It was finally approved as were three separate grows in Lazy KV Estates for marijuana variances. Each had required permits and had informed adjoining landowners. One applicant questioned whether properties' addresses are correct. Maez said the Code Enforcer has been diligent, which has been a deterrent to illegal grows, and he has made multiple site visits around the county. Unfortunately, he has resigned. Land Use is advertising the position.

Balancing recreation with conservation

Acting Forest Supervisor Chad Stewart of the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest Service and Jerry Kruger, interim supervisor in the Black Hills, discussed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the forest plan. This is a preliminary plan which they want to get to the public for feedback. Wilderness overlaps much of Saguache County so this EIS is significant for our population. One big issue is recreation and its impact on wilderness. Requests for wilderness use are rising. This county is a major player and they can allow only so much degradation of resources and trail intensity because of damage to the land. Some kind of education component is needed to make people aware of their impact. Commissioner Jason Anderson noted that many choose to live in Colorado because of the many recreation opportunities, but few consider the impact of recreation on the land. How to balance promoting recreation on public lands with conservation, and how can we in Colorado fund protecting wildlife and forests from population use?

Ranchers have to pay to use public lands, so perhaps there needs to be a pay-to-play option as well.

Lost or stolen license plates

According to the County Clerk and Recorder, if your license plates have been stolen here is the procedure to follow:

- Complete and sign form DR 2283 (Lost or Stolen License Plates/Permits Affidavit) indicating that the plates were, in fact, lost or stolen. You can get form DR 2283 at the Saguache Clerk's office or by going online to Colorado.gov/revenue, Division of Motor Vehicles, and click on forms.

- File a police report with the local law enforcement agency. Submit form DR 2283 Lost or Stolen License Plates/Permits Affidavit to the local County Motor Vehicle Office for cancellation of plates at the County level. Signature is required from one owner.

- The County will verify that the owner has signed the DR 2283 Lost or Stolen License Plates/Permits Affidavit. It will cancel the plates on the County motor vehicle file and issue replacement plates when applicable.



by Allyson Ransom,
Crestone Town Clerk
June 10, 2019 Board of
Trustees meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:30am, and the Board of Trustees passed the following motions:

- To approve the agenda as presented
- To approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting on May 13, 2019 as amended with the following change: under agenda item 10D, add, "The Mayor advised that donations go through a non-profit, and Trustee Laki said that she knew of one"
- To approve paying the bills and approve the financial report as presented
- To approve cutting one tree overhanging the newly remodeled public works building and to top the other trees hanging towards the building
- To approve spending up to \$100 on July 11, 2019 to provide refreshments at the weed management educational event to be held at the Baca Refuge office
- To approve spending up to \$100 on July 25, 2019 to provide refreshments at the Dark Skies educational event to be held at the Baca Refuge office
- Not to apply for insurance on behalf of the Energy Fair organizers, and to direct the Clerk to contact Lisa Bodey with the information and confirm that the Town is still in support of the Energy Fair event and is loaning supplies and providing many resources
- To approve moving agenda items 11C through 11E and item 12 until after the Attorney's Report and Correspondence items have concluded
- To adopt Resolution #005-2019 objecting to any plans to export water out of the San Luis Valley
- To apply for a Council of Governments (COG) grant for \$8,500 to extend a water line 150 feet further west along W. Silver Ave., to install a fire hydrant at the end of the "T," and to verify whether the interested neighboring property owner still agrees to match half of the cost of the grant
- To set a deadline for owners of Block 59 to pay their discounted tap fees within the next twelve months from the day Water System Manager Ann Bunting sends out the letters
- To approve filing an official complaint with the Colorado Public Utilities Commission about the SLVREC's unfair demand usage fee increases to electric customers, and to direct the Clerk—with the assistance of Trustee Pace—to create and file the complaint
- To approve the retail marijuana license renewal application from Haley Marcus for her store, Higher Elevation, located at 152 W. Silver Ave.
- To allow access to CGRS in-Town rights of way for re-drilling

the required monitoring wells that have been paved over; Benjamin Byer wrote that he would accept full responsibility, including any cost, as he was an co-owner of 200 Cottonwood LLC, which installed the new fuel pumps last year

- To adjourn the meeting at 4:56pm

Citizens' comments

Town resident Lonny Roth shared various concerns and complaints regarding leftover materials remaining after the Phase II construction was completed, and the legality of assessing a \$10 late fee for delinquent water and sewer customers.

Town resident Annie Pace expressed her strong opposition to the placement of a cell tower anywhere in town. She also spoke of the importance of filing complaints about the new electric demand rates imposed by the SLVREC, and encouraged the Town to formally object to the new rates.

Town resident Bruce Sheldon stated that that the Town should take over full responsibility for the Free Box.

Reports

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

- State sales tax revenue for May totaled \$22,427.69
 - Marijuana tax revenue for May was \$957.77
 - Update on the annual independent audit process, which must be completed in July
 - More COG grant matching funds may be available to be used in Creekside Park
 - Lars Skogen signed a statement saying he would pay \$2,500 as matching funds if the Town writes a grant to run water lines further down W. Silver Ave.
 - The town's new playground has been built and is awaiting the surfacing to be installed in late June; Build Day was a success with dozens of volunteer workers, including staff and three Board members
 - Update on Fourth of July planning
- Mayor Danforth reported on the following during her report:
- Collected \$1,000 in donations for the Fourth of July event
 - Update on the Baca Refuge grant to mitigate invasive weeds, and an upcoming event with the Town being represented by the Clerk, who must give a presentation and provide refreshments from the Town as an educational component to the grant. Expenses will be covered by the grant
 - The first of two Dark Skies events will take place on July 25, 2019 at 8pm at the Baca Refuge office, and the Clerk will need to provide refreshments on behalf of the Board
 - The Town is permitted to take up to ten years to come into compliance to be part of a Dark Skies Reserve

Clerk Ransom discussed the following in her report:

- Update on progress of the Town joining the National Flood Insurance Program through FEMA

- CIRSA chose not to prepare a liability quote for the Town on behalf of the Energy Fair organizers, but submitted a quote from an out-of-state insurer who is not licensed in Colorado, creating a greater liability for the Town

- Trustee Laki included a review of her meeting with Alcon regarding unfinished areas on W. Silver Ave. viewed with Mark Thompson of Alcon Construction, and confirmation that chunks of asphalt and construction debris around town will be removed by Alcon Construction

- It was confirmed that there was \$4,500 left from the CDBG funds to use to complete the clean-up, mulching beds and possibly hire extra temporary help if needed

Water System Manager Ann Bunting discussed the following in her report:

- Update on Block 59 water line extension
- Discussion with the Trustees about the discounted tap fees, about the Trustees' consensus that these could not be offered indefinitely, and that the property owners must pay them within a specific timeframe, with a letter being sent to the owners as soon as possible

Planning Commission Chair Terry Goergen reported that the Planning Commission will complete their review at the July Planning meeting, and will decide whether or not to recommend allowing horses to remain on low-density residential properties in town.

Architect Burt Wadman invited the Trustees to attend a meeting for the Safe Routes to School project to be held on June 27, 2019 at 6pm at the Crestone Charter School. The Board members reviewed the school pedestrian route map Burt supplied and were concerned that the trail was shown as cutting through the center of Tract 1, belonging to the Town.

Burt stated that Saguache County agreed to maintain the entire trail and give money for the project, but there was a shortfall. Burt requested that the Town donate money to make up for the \$10,000 shortfall in funds. The Trustees denied the request.

Sarah Koehn Frey of the Northern Saguache County Library District announced that a "community listening meeting" was scheduled for June 26, 2019 at 5pm in the Town meeting room about the future of a library in town. The Trustees discussed donating land from Tract 1 to the library board, and the discussion will be continued at the July Board meeting, and a memorandum of understanding will be prepared.

The Trustees confirmed that the Free Box had been kept clean for the month of May and a large sign was posted inside explaining the need for volunteers to monitor it and keep it clean or remove it. Town resident Fred Bauder volunteered to keep debris cleaned up from the area in and around the Free Box.

Town Attorney Gene Farish opened a public hearing for review

of the Phase II downtown project at 1:35pm. While conducting the hearing, Farish verified that a public posting was made and he read the posting aloud. He read a summary of written comments and complaints submitted by the public. He opened the hearing to comments from both the public and the Board of Trustees. Town resident Fred Bauder stated that there was a lack of ADA compliancy at the ends of some sidewalks and in other areas. Other things he noted were poor design, contract and professional responsibility issues. Mayor Danforth announced that a special meeting would be scheduled soon to address the possible problems with ADA compliance. Attorney Farish closed the hearing at 2:21pm.

Kyle DeNardo of Viaero Communications requested permission to install a cell tower in the Town limits. The Town attorney read objection letters from town residents to the Board. The decision was tabled until the July meeting.

Two new ordinances were presented and discussed and will continue to be discussed at the July Board meeting: Ordinance #2019-004—permitting a cell tower to be installed in town; and Ordinance #2019-005—adopting flood plain regulations for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Attorney Farish discussed the unfinished Commercial Building at 253 W. Golden Ave., and presented a letter he recently received from the owner who outlined specific timeframes for completion of the building's exterior this summer. The Board will revisit and reassess the progress at their August meeting.

Correspondence

The Board received two letters from residents Annie Pace and Deborah Michalak who both expressed opposition to the installation of a cell tower anywhere in town.

Announcements

The Crestone Annual Drinking Water Report is available to view at Town Hall (108 W. Galena Ave.), on the bulletin Board of the Crestone Post Office, or on our website's homepage at www.colorado.gov/pacific/townofcrestone.

Fourth of July event

There is still time to sign up and rent a booth. Come by Town Hall to sign up or volunteer for activities. This year's event will take place from 10am-4pm and includes the parade (no charge to participate), a new "wet-zone" at Creekside Park, panning for gold, a free kids' bounce house and lots of music.

Weed mitigation event

The Town is participating in an educational weed mitigation event in conjunction with the Baca National Wildlife Refuge on July 11 at 5pm. The event will be held at the Baca Refuge Office located at 69812 County Rd. T, Crestone. The Town is also participating with the Baca National Wildlife Refuge on July 25 at 8pm for a Dark Skies event.

North Crestone Creek monitoring/ flood protection

All Colorado creeks are monitored by Colorado Division of Water Resources (DWR). Hourly-updated flow levels for North Crestone Creek can be found on the DWR website at <http://bit.ly/2KuW9L1>.

POA news

Fire mitigation: Too much of a good thing?

by John Rowe

The regularly scheduled POA Board meeting was held on Thursday, June 20 at 10am at the POA Meeting Hall. All five Directors were present as were about fifteen audience members. The agenda was amended and approved and the meeting quickly moved to Member Forum.

A man perhaps interested in developing a piece of Elk Park (a POA-held property of several acres just east of the POA Hall that has been designated for commercial use) was directed to make a proposition to the Board and ask for a meeting and things could proceed from there.

New business included an update on an OSHA inspection report done some months ago. Much cleanup and elimination of some safety hazards has been done and this will be an ongoing project.

The new POA Administrator is expected to be hired and working by July 15; my report last month stating that a new Emergency Services Chief had been hired was premature.

The Board is actively interviewing for the position but has not hired anyone. My apologies for this inaccuracy.

It was reported last month that some public money had become available to help the Baca out with some fire mitigation and becoming a Firewise Community is the first step in this process. The bulk of the meeting was spent on the Baca's decision and just what that will mean for the future. Adam Moore, a Supervisory Forester for the Colorado State Forest Service, was on hand to answer questions about what sorts of mitigation will be done throughout the year and just how decisions were made on

the mitigation already done, that being along South Crestone Creek above the park on Camino Baca Grande.

Some enthusiastic give and take between the audience, Mr. Moore, and the Board took place over the next 30-40 minutes. Several Baca residents that use this trail thought that an unsightly dirt road was made where the footpath once was, perhaps illegally, and that too many big trees were taken



The sign that was posted at the entry to the Greenbelt stating "no motorized vehicles" was removed by the Baca Fire Department to allow access for large motorized vehicles in what was intended to be a thinning project.

photo by Lisa Cyriacks

out for unclear reasons. The POA foreman of the project fielded most of the questions and complaints and explained that most of the large trees removed were already dead and a fire and safety hazard and so large that the only way to remove them was by making a road so that a large truck could go in the greenbelt and remove them. He also stated that the road was left as it was because to smooth it over and perhaps replant it was cost prohibitive. Mr. Moore stated that it was well beyond the scope of his recommendations to know whether or not the covenants were violated or if some residents were upset at the new appearance of the



This is what we had. A nice walking trail on South Crestone Creek.

photo by Lisa Cyriacks



This is what we have today, thanks to fire mitigation. The buzz of a chainsaw—the cry of the forest. Time to stand in the sacred hoop, shoulder to shoulder.

comment and photo by Lisa Cyriacks



Large aspen and cottonwood trees cut down along the South Crestone Creek Greenbelt in the Baca Grande subdivision.

photo by Lisa Cyriacks

greenbelt. He maintained that his job was to provide good science in assessing lowering the fire danger for those houses along the creek and no more. I have walked this portion of South Crestone Creek many times since the mitigation and have talked to many others who have also, and everyone's assessment is the same. The creek looks barren with so many trees removed and the dirt/mud road is really ugly. No one I talked to seemed very happy with the result. Fortunately, there were more meetings to receive community direction on the fire mitigation issue, the next on June 25. [It was decided at the meeting June 25 to have another meeting July 9.] All Baca residents were encouraged to attend and were given an opportunity to express their opinions.

alition meeting was also held this month at the Charter School on June 27.

An Eastern San Luis Valley Trail Co-



J Woodman

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Lockhart unseats 20-year board member

Report on the annual meeting of the San Luis Valley Rural Electric Co-op

by Larry Calloway

Wade Lockhart of Crestone, describing himself as “a green builder” since 1992 and advocating more wind and solar generation, won election to the board of the San Luis Valley Rural Electric Co-op, defeating Mike Rierson of rural Center, a farmer who had held the at-large seat for 20 years.

Lockhart announced, “We won!” by text message when the tally of paper ballots was certified on Wednesday (June 12), the day after the co-op’s annual membership meeting at the Alamosa armory. He won by 60%, or 635 of the 1077 ballots cast, most by mail but some handed in at the meeting.

In impromptu remarks to the audience of several hundred, Lockhart had said, “We have a grand opportunity here in the San Luis Valley to put up more renewables than we have to. If we can have our own renewables it’s going to be cheaper. We won’t have to bring electric energy all the way from Craig or New Mexico.” Colorado’s renewable energy standard for co-ops is 20% of retail electric sales. The SLV co-op’s wholesale provider is Tri-State Energy and Transmission Association, which is dependent on coal-fired power plants such as those in Craig and elsewhere.

Rierson had not mentioned power sources in his remarks to the same audience, sounding instead themes of unity in diversity and keeping rates affordable. “We represent everyone,” he said of the board. “We have to be there at all times to hear the voice of the members.”

The annual meeting followed a standard agenda that included amiable remarks by directors and administrators (the men dressed in uniform white shirts bearing the co-op logo), awarding of scholarships to local college students, door prizes, the candidate remarks and answers to a selection of written questions by chief executive officer Loren Howard.

“We have a complaint filed against us,” he said. Crestone residents, organized by Annie Pace, signed the official complaint and petition that will result in a hearing (date TBA) in Crestone by representatives of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, although co-ops are unregulated under Colorado law. Howard did not elaborate, but he did defend the main issue of the petition: the sudden imposition of a new set of cost-shifting rates involving “demand” charges.

“My responsibility is to do what’s best for the co-op. Sometimes it’s not the best for you,” he said, referring to complaints about increased charges. “We went through hundreds of accounts to see what this rate change will do,” he said, concluding, “Yes, some are up. Some are down.”

The big surprise at the mass meeting came from the back of the armory assembly hall. A young man named Matthew Robinson walked up the aisle with a sort of military bearing (he is a graduate of West Point) and faced the crowd. He is now an energy manager with a State agency that he did not identify because he was not speaking officially.

He and his partner built a second home (they live in Denver) in the San Luis Valley, designing a solar system that produces more power than it uses, he said, but they decided to sell. “We can’t afford it any more because of this rate change,” he said.

“Public Service Co. (Excel) tried the same rate change,” he said, citing expert testimony to the PUC was against the concept. Among the points made were: that demand charges are not understood, that customers cannot actually monitor their consumption to avoid new charges, that low-income customers are harmed the most, that it is not unusual for businesses to pay less while many residents pay more, that demand charges are untested and that they do not accurately reflect costs.

What utilities want is more stable revenues, he said, and demand charges make sense for large power users because they have the expertise that householders lack. “We are paying one of the highest rates in the state in an area with a concentration of low-income. This is a terrible rate design,” Robinson said.

(This report first appeared at www.Larrycalloway.com)



Wildfire training: Ben Antoniewicz and Corez Hines present a wildfire scenario during a Firefighter One/ Incident Commander Type 5 training sponsored by the Baca Fire Department. Also attending the class, taught by Daniel S. Johnson, were Cole Durban and T.J. Davis.

SLVREC complaint

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discovery and hearing has not yet been set.

To view the filing in its entirety, or to track progress, one can go to the PUC site, colorado.gov/pacific/dora/puc. Review/Get Documents in a Utilities Proceeding, search for E-filing Proceeding #19F-0315E, Anne Pace et al V. San Luis Valley Rural Electric Co-op. Public comments can also be added to the filing, so for those who did not sign the complaint in time, concise and useful information can be added to the filing at any time by creating an account through the same website.

This filing group, representing the valley, is in need of financial and legal assistance as the filing proceeds. Please contact Lili Zohar at 303-941-4342 liliezohar@gmail.com if you can help.

Town of Crestone files complaint

Additionally, on June 20, the Town of Crestone filed a formal complaint with the PUC, also targeting the lack of transparency and forewarning of the rate increase, including the 19% monthly charge increase which they say “seems to be a punitive increase for residential customers”, and will cause a financial hardship to most residents of the town “whose residential incomes are far below the state average,

often by 60%-70%”

The Town complaint says as item C. “With the original SLVREC proposal to install SMART meters, customers were repeatedly told that the improved technology would save them money in multiple ways, especially in labor costs, as SLVREC would need fewer man-hours for on-site meter readings. They further state: “The Town’s Board of Trustees feels an immediate need to protest this rate increase, which they feel to be unjust, and which creates serious financial hardships for most residents. For example, the town has received complaints from senior residents and struggling young families of their bill increasing by up to 300%. This demand charge from SLVREC is unjust, unfair, and unconscionable, and violates CRS 40-9.5-106(3).”

The Town of Crestone requests in their filing “an injunction preventing SLVREC from cutting off electricity to town residents, businesses, and nonprofits due to nonpayment or underpayment, pending the formal resolution of this matter.

SLVREC CEO Loren Howard was asked by the *Crestone Eagle* via phone message if he wished to make a statement on this subject. He has not, as of press time, replied to that message. The schedule and hearing dates have not yet been set. To track this filing go to E-filing proceeding number 19F-0351E.

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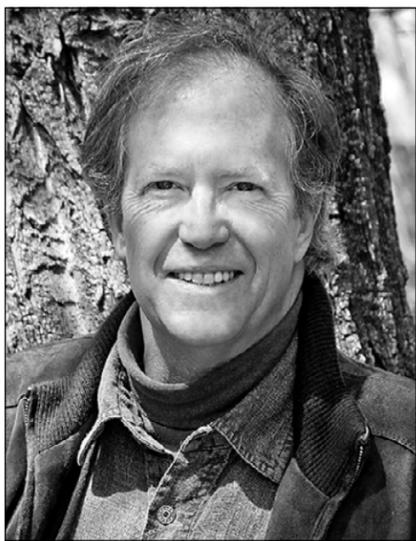
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30th anniversary of the Crestone Energy Fair Aug. 16-18

Wow! Thirty consecutive years we have been gathering to discuss and celebrate our dreams for the future. This year's theme will continue to focus on the future with "Climate Solutions NOW for Seven Generations."

A few highlights from this year's solution-based education schedule:

A keynote presentation with Lee Temple, founder of Prima Mundi. Lee is an award-winning author, visionary, elder, community organizer, and global sustainability activist/consultant—"If we want to deliver a habitable planet to our great-grandchildren, we must quickly unite to change human behavior all across the globe, to effectively turn the global climate crisis around."



Lee Temple.

Andrew Bailey with Sacred Earth Enterprises will be discussing their current climate restoration model, which incorporates carbon capture and sustainable agriculture with healthy living space. Their current mission is to invent, develop, prototype, manufacture and market technological innovations that have a measurable positive global climate effect when deployed at scale.

Michael Bertin with Architectural Harmonics will discuss Biome Design concepts. Biome Design regards a building or built environment as a living entity unto its self, a congruous part of its ecology, interactive with its particular

climate, which can provide for all of its current necessities and future growth needs.

Christine Canaly, Director of the San Luis Valley Ecosystem Council (SLVEC) will bring us back to the local level by presenting the SLVEC Solar Working Group Sensitive Resources map, which will lead to discussing how to integrate solar into the SLV grid. She will also briefly summarize the energy bills before the Colorado state legislature, discussing what has passed and what is pending. Chris joined SLV Ecosystem Council (SLVEC) in June 2000. In coordination with the EPA Region 8, Chris enjoined with SLV community leaders to prioritize environmental health protocols which has since engaged over 4,000 households in educational forums for protecting their indoor air and water quality through mitigation and regular household maintenance.

Nick Chambers returns with his amazing wood chip gasifier starting at dusk, and a tour of his biogas/value-creating wastewater treatment system. Nick is the founder of the Valley Roots Food Hub, an organization that focuses on highly regenerative agricultural and socio-economic practices that can fulfill human needs while leaving behind a legacy of biologically productive soils, sufficient water, and healthy communities of plants, animals, and people.

Rounding out the event will be vendors from near and far, home tours with tires, dirt, paper and PV, alternative building demonstrations, homesteading influences, and a robust music lineup highlighting local youth on Friday night, closing with Original Currency on Sunday.

We continue seeking sponsors, vendors & donations. It takes a village to pull off an event of this size and we are in great need of financial donations to make this year a success. Please help up reach our funding goals through our go fund me page at <https://www.gofundme.com/zmcr-m-crestone-energy-fair>.



Juniper Good demonstrates the consistency of the concrete needed to build during his Cordwood Building Workshop at last year's Energy Fair. photo by Lori Nagel

Visit our new website at CrestoneEnergyFair.org for the complete schedule, participation forms and ongoing updates. Also, join our FB page at Crestone Energy Fair for discussions and industry advancements.

Many thanks to our newest partners: Valley Food Hub, Orient Land Trust, KTAO-Solar Radio, Worldchangers and Crestone Artists.

For more information contact CrestoneEnergyFair@gmail.com or talk to Lisa Bodey, Nick Navares or Donovan Spitzman to get involved. Join the movement.



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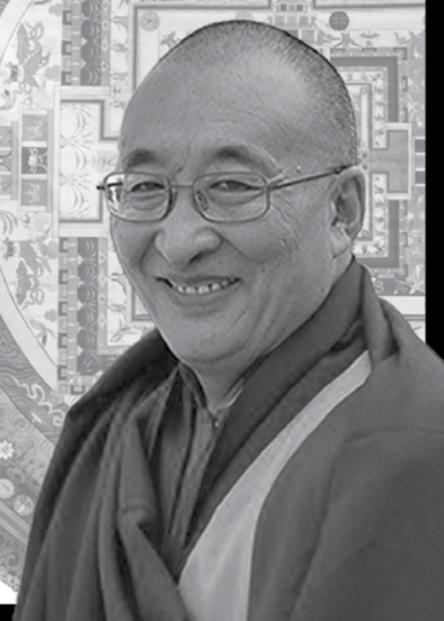
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Domè Moon is the featured July artist at Shumei

Symposium July 21 with special guest musician Little Star

Domè Moon's work will be on display at the Shumei Gallery in Crestone for the month of July. A symposium with Domè will be held on Sunday July 21 starting at 3pm. Domè has invited musician Little Star to be a part of her symposium to weave painting and music together in a demonstration. A reception will follow.

Domè Moon is a Lithuanian-born visionary painter who lives and creates in Crestone. She started making art at a very young age and since has developed a unique, mesmerizing signature style. She's primarily a self-taught artist who has had a privilege to study with master painters of our time including Alex & Allyson Grey, CT Nelson, Elizabeth Banker and Oleg Korolev.

Domè has always been fascinated with the subtle realms and the forces at play behind what meets the eye. It has become the focus of her work to highlight and explore these subjects.

Her show is titled "Energy in Rhythm." She shares, "Through my paintings I strive to bring awareness to the Unified Field, to help us remember that we are connected to one another, our environment and the Divine. My art represents the organic flow of energy that can be

observed all throughout life. It's in the wind, the plants, the animals, our dance moves and anywhere else you look! It's the energy in rhythm that is guided by a higher order.

"All of our thoughts, words and actions affect other people and the environment around us. By striving to do our best individually, we create ripples of great change throughout the world.

"Art is known to have a strong influence on our emotions. I strive to create paintings that emit the most calming and uplifting energies. Through conscious choice we can create environments that are conducive to Love and Harmony."

Domè has invited Little Star to perform as part of her symposium. Little Star is a visionary musician and alchemist of sound. With her voice as her predominant medium, she creates many layered compositions, weaving rich tapestries of melody, harmony, and word, to create soul-stirring offerings of poetry and prayer.

Come meet Domè and learn more about her work on Sunday July 21 at 3 to 5pm. This event is free to the public. Please visit www.shumeicrestone.org or call 256-5284 for more information. Please call the office to confirm the office is open.



Domè will be providing a demonstration as part of the July 21 symposium at Shumei in Crestone.



Healing Light class at Shumei July 27

Jyorei is a simple yet profound healing art that by focusing spiritual light gradually penetrates and dissolves spiritual impurities or clouds that cause physical, emotional, and personal dilemmas. Join us at Shumei in Crestone for an introductory class on Saturday July 27 at 3pm in the office. "Jyorei" means "purification of the spirit". Mokichi Okada developed this healing practice as a treatment for physical infirmities during the 1930s. Jyorei's healing technique took its final form in 1947 a few years before Okada's passing.

Mitsunari Kato, who is an instructor of Jyorei healing in Crestone, will give an introductory class with healthy snacks and drinks. All are welcome. Call the office at 719-256-5284 for more information.

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CRESTONE ARTISANS GALLERY

Highlights!

by Paula Hudson

There is a lot going on this month, so read carefully.

First, **July 4** the Gallery will be having a drawing for a watercolor print by Paula Hudson (moi). The print is of three cowboys resting by a stream after a busy day. It is on archival paper and valued at \$125. All you have to do is wander on in, enjoy all the art surrounding you and enter the drawing by getting a ticket. The drawing will be at 4pm.



Going Home, by Paula Hudson. Watercolor for the drawing at the gallery on July 20.

Second, on **July 4** there will be a **Grand Opening** of the art supply store, Present and Creative, in the Sangre de Cristo Inn. Present and Creative is doubling its space so that they will have room for more art supplies and a workshop! Don't ya love it? Space for classes and ongoing projects and mentoring! We will be cross pollinating. What? We have asked the artists at the gallery and in Crestone Artists to join us in our Grand Opening of our new space and to hang work in Present and Creative and in the internal hallway of the Sangre de Cristo Inn. There will be treats! There will also be drawings for prizes, compliments of a County grant won by Present and Creative. The prizes



Collage by Amir Hess.

es consist of three \$50 cash prizes. Each person is eligible for one prize. The drawings will be at 2, 3, and 4 pm.

Third, we are not done! **The Gallery will be having an event on July 20** from 4 to 6pm, called *No time for siesta, Fiesta!* New art, food, wine! Bob Long will be providing the music and the free drawing will be for a wood creation by Pat Tesauro-Jackson.

Come on down!



Wood creations by Pat Tesauro-Jackson.

Kaboom! New playground at Creekside Park

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Thank goodness the Town also had applied for and received playground grants from the San Luis Valley Council of Government, Saguache County Conservation Trust Fund, and Saguache County Sales Tax Grants. These funds were spent locally when possible and were used to bring in several loads of dirt for Skoglund Excavating to prep Creekside Park. The grants also were able to cover the cost of port-a-potty rentals, extra dumpster, various supplies, and food for all volunteers.

A big thank you to all the local businesses that did the work to feed everyone on prep days, and to everyone who cooked for us on Build Day. Allyson Ransom, Town Clerk, volunteered to be in charge of food that day. Andrew D'Ambruso, Administrative Assistant, came in early each morning to have coffee ready for all the volunteers. Organizing Build Day was more work than expected. Town staff and other local volunteers under direct guidance from KaBoom Project Manager worked hard to organize and make the big event a happening

And then there was Build Day! Volunteers showed up ready to work! The atmosphere was one of unity, working in harmony, like we had all done this before. No professionals could have match or out done us. Crestone Build a Playground! That day was like no other, it was an unbelievably amazing event. The community

came together and built a playground providing hundreds of kids in Crestone and all over San Luis Valley with a great safe place to play.

A special thanks goes to all of the volunteers and especially our young ones! They played a huge roll in completing this project. I had to laugh when one of the youth Design Team members, 4-year-old Miles put his hands on his hips when watching the equipment being unloaded stating, "I ordered blue slides!"

Our reward will be watching our children play knowing you personally had a hand in providing Creekside Park Playground! Congratulations Crestone! Well done!

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Over 100 people from the community donated their time, effort and laughter to the Kaboom! Park Build on June 6th, creating a lovely playground for the children of our community. photos & collage by Lori Nagel

HAPS

Workday & annual meeting at the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge

The Friends of the San Luis Valley National Wildlife Refuges will hold their annual workday Saturday, July 13 at the pull-out on the Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge on County Road 8S. We will meet at 9am and work until around noon. Volunteers should bring their own work gloves and water. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers and we will have a short annual meeting during lunch. All members and the public are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Tim Armstrong at 719-852-2452.

HRRMC Wellness U offers "Cooking for Diabetes" class

Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center's Wellness U is offering a four-week group "Cooking for Diabetes" class. The class provides meals and highlights healthy eating habits, blood sugar control, medication use and lifelong diabetes management.

Classes will be held Thursdays, July 11-Aug. 1, from 11am-1pm in the Wellness U Kitchen on the second floor of the HRRMC Outpatient Pavilion, 1000 Rush Dr., Salida.

This program is designed for people who have been diagnosed with diabetes. One-on-one consultations are available, and family members are welcome.

Classes are free; a one-time \$25 donation is suggested. To register, go to www.hrrmc.com/events or call 719-530-2057.

Dance for Crestone Peak

All people, of all ages and those who *love to dance* are invited to *dance alive!* at the Cloud Station, Saturday, July 20 at 7pm. Dance to a variety of music from Pop, Disco, World Beat and Jazz! Dress loosely and bring your bells, rattles and drums.

This event is a fundraiser of the Crestone Peak Community Housing (a 501(c)3) affordable living development for those 55+ at Living Wisdom Village, Elders Creating Community. Cost? . . . a suggested donation of \$10. For more info call Barbara Hoepfner 719-256-4320 (after 10am).



SunStudio
August 2 thru 6
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Cloud Station, Crestone

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Ziggy Eilets and Toby McCoy stop by the annual Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) Garage Sale on Saturday, June 1, stylin' in their hats and sport jackets and unique canes. photo by Lori Nagel



Noah Baen, Jandi Namba and Jeanie Krogh searching for some treasures at the Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) Garage Sale, which was held on June 6 in front of the Eagle office. photo by Lori Nagel

The Divine Mother's 30th Birthday Celebration at the Ashram July 21-22

Celebrate the Divine Mother's 30th Birthday at the Ashram July 21 and 22! Go to www.BabajiAshram.org/30th-birthday for more information or call 719-256-4108.

Snow cones & car wash

The newly formed Crestone Youth Initiative is raising funds towards a Youth Club House on the Crestone Charter School campus! Please visit our Fourth of July snow cone booth and our next car wash, TBD. We invite your support, and please spread the word! Thank you!



Jessica Probert (student), Stephanie Buechler (class instructor), and Maureen Eich VanWalleghan (gallery curator) socializing at the opening reception of the "Learning to See" Photography Class art exhibition, which was held at "Shumei Shop/MoSPACE" the afternoon of June 1. photo by Lori Nagel



The 6 students of Stephanie Buechler's recent photography class, "Learning to See" are pictured here at the opening reception of their art exhibition, which is being displayed/sold at "Shumei Shop/MoSPACE" through July 10. L to R: (back) Brian Strauss, Lori Nagel (Sunflower), Matthew Duhaime, Stephanie Buechler (class instructor), Jean Collier, (front) Jessica Probert, Haley VanWalleghan. photo by Maureen VanWalleghan

Community Calendar—July 2019

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

Monthly Events

1 July

- RadiantFlow (vinyasa~restorative)*All Levels Little Shepherd Hall 10-11:15am
- Town of Crestone Planning Commission Meeting Alder Meeting Room 5-7pm

2 July

- New Moon
- New Moon Riwo Sangcho (Total Solar Eclipse) Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 10-11am
- New-moon Fire Ceremony followed by a Meal Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-noon

3 July

- Crestone Food Bank, next to Crestone Merc 2-4pm

4 July

- Independence Day
- Art store grand opening Sangre de Cristo bldg
- Gallery drawing for watercolor print Crestone Artisans Gallery 4-5pm

6 July

- Salida Aspen Concert, Salida High School Auditorium 6:30pm

7 July

- Guided Meditation, Chamma Ling Retreat Center 2-3:30pm
- Sunday mass at Nada Nada Hermitage 9-10am

8 July

- Town of Crestone Board of Trustees Meeting, Alder Meeting Room 9:30am-5pm

10 July

- CEOLP/IFC meeting Little Shepherd Church 7-9pm
- Crestone Food Bank, next to Crestone Merc 2-4pm

11 July

- Guru Rinpoche Tsok Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 6-8pm
- Rumi Study Circle. All welcome. Golden Light Sufi Circle 4-6pm, 719-588-8604

13 July

- Salida Aspen Concert, Salida High School Auditorium 6:30pm

14 July

- Haki's Mystical Qur'an class + potluck Golden Light Sufi Circle 4-6pm, 719-588-8604
- Sampai Shumei International Institute 10:30-noon

15 July

- RadiantFlow (restorative~vinyasa) Tibetan Sound Harmony Little Shepherd Fellowship Hall 10am-noon

16 July

- Full Moon
- Full Moon Riwo Sangcho (Partial Solar Eclipse) Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 10-11am
- Full-Moon Fire Ceremony (Guru Purnima) followed by a Meal, Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-12:30pm

17 July

- Crestone Food Bank next to Crestone Merc 2-4pm
- Karma Yoga Projects & Mini Workshops Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-5pm

18 July

- Darshan & Dialogue Public Program Nevei Kodesh, Boulder 7:30-9pm
- Karma Yoga Projects & Mini Workshops Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-5pm

19 July

- Awake in the Bardo retreat, Colorado College 720-525-0035
- Darshan & Dialogue Public Program, Nevei Kodesh, Boulder 7:30-9pm
- Karma Yoga Projects & Mini Workshops Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-5pm

20 July

- Awake in the Bardo retreat, Colorado College 720-525-0035
- Dance for Crestone Peak, Cloud Station 7pm
- Darshan & Dialogue Public Program Nevei Kodesh, Boulder 1:30-6pm
- Fiesta, Gallery Crestone Artisans Gallery 4-6pm
- Presentations of the Divine Mother as Mother Earth, Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-5pm
- Salida Aspen Concert, Salida High School Auditorium 6:30pm

21 July

- Art Symposium for Dome Moon at Shumei Shumei International Institute 3-5pm
- Awake in the Bardo retreat, Colorado College 720-525-0035
- Darshan & Dialogue Public Program, Nevei Kodesh, Boulder 2-6:30pm
- Fire Ceremony & Celebration, Divine Mother's 30th Birthday Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-2pm

22 July

- Fire Ceremony & Celebration, Divine Mother's 30th Birthday Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-2pm
- Summer Children's Riding Program Baca Stables 8-10:30am

24 July

- Crestone Food Bank next to Crestone Merc 2-4pm

25 July

- Dark Skies presentation Baca Nat'l Wildlife Refuge 8pm

27 July

- Dakini Tsok, Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) 6-8pm
- Healing Light class at Shumei Shumei International Institute 3-5pm
- Music from the Heart, Crestone Baptist Church 1-5pm
- Salida Aspen Concert, Salida High School Auditorium 6:30pm

31 July

- Crestone Food Bank next to Crestone Merc 2-4pm
- New-moon Fire Ceremony followed by a Meal Haidakhandi Universal Ashram 10am-noon

3 August

- Salida Aspen Concerts Salida High School Auditorium 6:30pm

4 August

- Guided Meditation Chamma Ling Retreat Center 2-3:30pm

5 August

- Summer Children's Riding Program, Baca Stables 8-10:30am

9 August

- Unconditionally Loving Workshop, Baca Townhouses 9am-1pm

10 August

- Salida Aspen Concerts, Clearview Community Church 6:30pm
- Unconditionally Loving Workshop, Baca Townhouses 9am-1pm

11 August

- Unconditionally Loving Workshop, Baca Townhouses 9am-1pm

12 August

- Summer Children's Riding Program, Baca Stables 8-10:30am

16 August

- 30th Crestone Energy Fair

17 August

- 30th Crestone Energy Fair

18 August

- 30th Crestone Energy Fair

Daily/Weekly Events

The Crestone Eagle does not carry events over to the following month automatically.

Daily

- Morning Aarati, Haidakhandi Universal Ashram, 7-8am, 256-4108, www.babajashram.org.
- Jyorei, Shumei Sanctuary, please be seated by 7:50am and 5:50pm, 256-5248
- Tours, gallery & Jyorei, Shumei, 9am-5pm, 719-256-5284
- Open meditation & prayers 9-10am in Vajra Vidya Retreat Center Shrine Room. All are welcome. 256-5539. www.vajravidya.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

- Sunday Mass, Nada Hermitage, 256-4778 9-10am
- Open Meditation, Yeshe Khorlo Buddhist Temple (Choying Dzong) sitting & walking, 10am-1pm
- Sunday Service, Crestone Baptist Church 10am-noon
- Softball, Baca Park, 2pm, 719-256-4108
- AA Meeting (open, discussion) Town Hall 7pm

Monday

- AI-Anon Meeting Crestone Baptist Church 1pm

Tuesday

- Continuing Ashtanga Yoga Mysore Style, Shakti Sharanam 5-6:45pm by donation, shaktisharanam.com, 256-5668
- NA Meeting (open) Little Shepherd 7:30pm

Wednesday

- Food Bank distribution, Crestone Food Bank 2-4pm
- Yoga Fundamentals & Refinements, Shakti Sharanam 8:30-10am, by donation, shaktisharanam.com, 256-5668

Thursday

- AA Meeting (open, Book Study) Crestone Baptist Church, noon
- Continuing Ashtanga Yoga Mysore Style, Shakti Sharanam 5-6:45pm by donation, shaktisharanam.com, 256-5668

Friday

- Free Energy Workshop w/FayFerris, Little Shepherd Fellowship Hall, 12:45pm, 719-937-7684. By donation.

Saturday

- NA Meeting (open, Step Study) Little Shepherd Fellowship Hall 9am
- Saturday Market 10am-3pm
- Feel Free Ministries free meal, noon-4pm, Little Shepherd Fellowship Hall

Out & About with Lori Sunflower

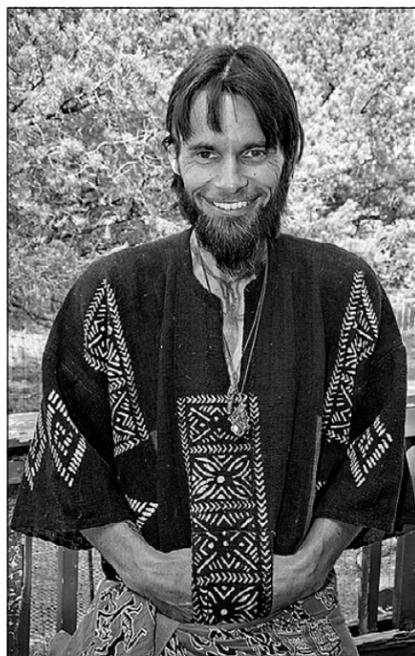
What animal would you want to be?




Vivia Lawson

In the Year of the Tiger, women are not considered to be marriageable because tigers are very opinionated and very forceful and strong and wonderful. So, I think it'd be pretty cool to be a tiger and I'm really happy that my lunar animal year, Chinese animal year, is Tiger.

phins every day from 11 o'clock in the morning till 7 o'clock at night. I was with my people, my dolphins, my joy, my love. It's interesting to share that over the years, quite a few times, healers and mystics I've met with have told me that I've had many lives in Atlantis working with the dolphins and the crystals. This always resonated with me. So I am definitely a dolphin. And . . . I do love the whales!



Jonathan Roux

I wouldn't say, "want to be" but I've always identified with the wolf. I've always seen myself as part of the Wolf clan, keeper of the sacred fire. So, I guess my spirit animal would be a wolf, but I've had many gifts from many different animals.



Scott Carlson

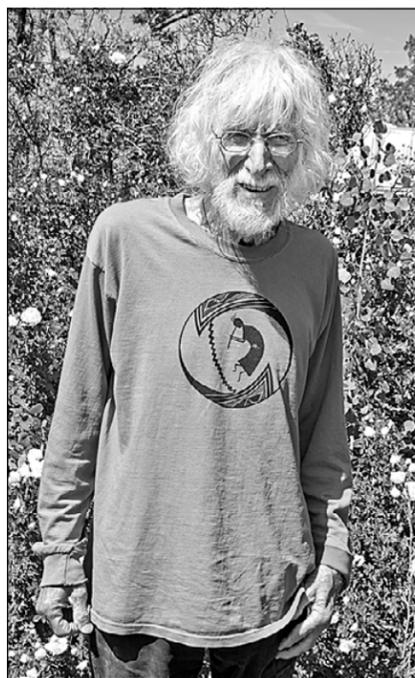
I am a dolphin. Fun story . . . In 2016, I was down at the Crestone Saturday market and I was drawn to this really beautiful necklace, a crystal necklace, and I went right to it. I'm not generally a big jewelry person, but I knew I had to have it. I saw the two little dolphins attached to the blue orgonite crystal. It was at Michael Divine's table, who—y'all know Michael; he's a beautiful soul. The next thing I know, I received this powerful, amazing necklace. Michael put it on me and a crazy thing happened. A week later, I was invited by Robbyne LaPlant, a shaman priestess I've been studying with from Mt. Shasta, to go swim with the wild dolphins in Bimini. I immediately signed up. That next spring of 2017, I was in Bimini for a week swimming with the wild dol-



Jane Kwan

Well, I've never thought how I would want to be an animal per se, but just thinking about that, that's an excellent question because birds are all over my paintings. So, over many years of painting, other than trying portraits and landscapes and this and that, this is a pretty constant theme in my doodling and my sketches, etc., and animal symbols do come out. I have had snakes

and horses and stuff like that, but consistently it's been a bird figure. So whether I want to become a bird, maybe unconsciously. I never thought it out, "Oh, I want to do a bird or draw a bird." It just comes out from within, kind of a psychic process, a spiritual process, in expressing them that way. I looked up birds, and I thought maybe these are mythic birds, symbolism, in my work. And it's wonderful; it's very meaningful because mythic birds have that spiritual component of the link between heaven and earth. It's about freedom. It's about power. It's a good symbol. So, maybe unconsciously I want to become that, through kind of an actualization process. We all seek that. We're all looking for the light. We want to fly and we want to be free!



David Nelson

I wrote a song a while ago—
"I want to be what I want to be,
a butterfly
on a balmy day, a river otter,
sliding in play,
on the banks of an ancient river
before there
were men, that's where I want
to be. Come
be a river otter with me!"



Heather D'Alessio

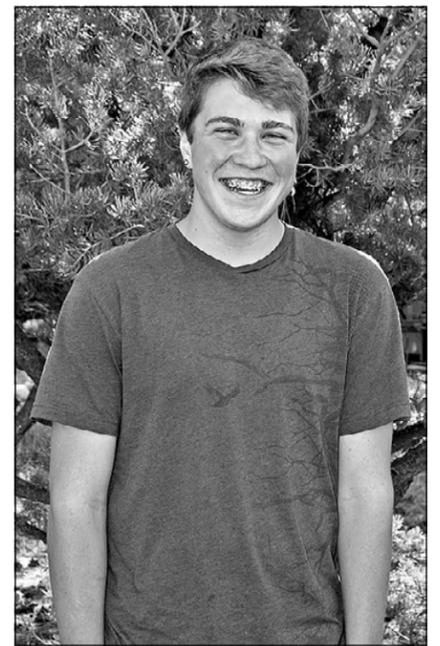
I would be a goat because I wouldn't have to wear shoes, or clothes for that matter. And if I really like somebody and I didn't have the words to tell them, I could just pee on their feet. And if I didn't like them, well, I could show them what my horns were for! All I would have to do all day is stand around and eat and I wouldn't even have to chew my food. When I was bored, I could cough it up and chew

it. I would definitely want to be a wild goat. Only problem is that my youth would only last about two years and I would be an old lady by the age of 10. The only other negative I could think of would be that my husband would be such a blubbering macho man and I would only find that attractive for about two minutes out of each year!



Taleb Nelson

I, Taleb Nelson, would like to be a platypus because platypi are so eccentric and I feel like I'm an eccentric character myself. They lay eggs. I'm not saying I want to lay eggs, but . . . ! (laughing) But, they have a barb on their toe and they can sting and they're just so different. That's kind of like the middle finger to the animal kingdom, and I feel it!



Sam Finnell

If I could be any animal, I would be a cat because I could just rule the world. I could poo on the floor and my owner would just let me stare into their eyes while they pick it up and I'd just laugh on the inside; just watch them struggle. That'd be pretty hilarious. And I think it'd be pretty funny to just knock things off of shelves and just be like, "Yep! Whadda you gonna do about it?!"

If you have feedback or suggestions for future topics, please email peacelori@love@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



The Sai Sisters, Meryl Ennis and Karen Chenoweth.

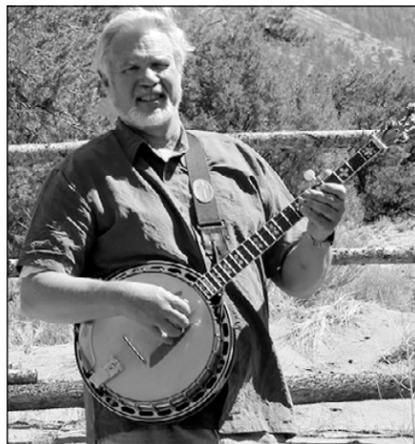
Original music at Crestone Baptist Church July 27

On July 27 at 1pm local groups will be playing their original music at the Crestone Baptist Church.

In the lineup will be The Sai Sisters. Meryl Ennis and Karen Chenoweth are two outstanding vocalists with intertwining harmonies & an acoustic guitar here to spread the Love! Their music is an expression of human values such as Love, Truth, Right Action & Service to Others in a wide range of popular genres.

They have performed at spiritual centers, spiritual retreats around the country, local venues, shared their original music on an international internet radio station and performed at International Women's Day in Puttiparthi, India.

Eric Karlstrom, formerly a university geography professor in California, now lives in Crestone/Baca and is pursuing his second career as a musician. His 20 self-produced CDs feature his original songs on guitar, banjo, and piano as well as his lead and harmony vocals in the bluegrass, gospel, folk, coun-



Eric Karlstrom.

try, and popular styles (see www.eric-karlstrom.com). Eric has played in numerous bluegrass bands and folk-country combos over the years and now enjoys performing as a solo artist. He has performed locally, nationally, and internationally. His two most recent CDs, *Gospel Refrain* and *All American, All Original, Solo 5-String Banjo*, were recorded at Don Richmond's Howlin' Dog Studio in Alamosa and released in 2018.

Crestone Songbirds will be included in our lineup.

Also performing will be our very own Crestone Baptist Church praise team, Eddy and Rita Byerly, and Lynn Ertle will be performing Christian praise songs during intermission between sets. Eddy and Rita came to Crestone last May from Vidor, TX. Eddy has been a music leader while Rita plays the piano and Lynn sings along. They have been a great asset to the praise team.

Dollar General store comes to Moffat

by Leigh Mills

A Dollar General store will soon open in Moffat, CO on the corner of the T Road and Highway 17. Based in Kentucky, Dollar General began in 1956 to "dispose of a large quantity of lingerie" ¹ and other merchandise for under a dollar. Now it is one of the biggest chains of discount stores offering very low prices on mostly imported items and processed food.

Their website has a document called "Serving Others Report" where this paragraph was found: "Dollar General is proud to live its mission every day by providing our customers with quality products at great prices in more than 15,000 convenient shopping locations. Our core values include respecting the dignity and differences of others and providing employees with opportunities for development, and we work hard to strengthen our communities through economic development and sustainable business practices while furthering literacy and education efforts." ²

Public opinion about the new Dollar General varies. Some don't care, some are very excited and happy, and others are mad. Pro's range from having the Saguache County tax base increased and those funds staying in our County instead of going out; fewer miles to drive for big bags of toilet paper, diapers, milk and munchies—especially for those who live in Moffat; job opportunities for locals; and for one, "a good wind break". Con's include having a "tacky-looking" store; it could adversely impact our local retailers; and an employer with a track record of employment discrimination, occupational safety and health issues, environmental concerns, recalls, and product safety. ³

No matter what your opinion, Dollar General is here. The future will tell how it helps or hinders our community.

^{1, 3} Corporate Research Project—"Dollar General: Corporate Rap Sheet" www.corp-research.org/dollar-general

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Mamo Rodrigo and Mamo Senchina

Teyuna praying to return to Crestone in September

Those of us fortunate to have attended the Teyuna presentation in Town Hall Park last September will likely agree that no gathering in our international village at the foot of sacred mountains has knocked our socks off quite like that.

The Teyuna have for millen-

nia dwelled in harmony with the ways of Se (Spirit) and are on intimate (holographic) terms with Mother Nature. They bring pagamento, which is their sacred duty of repaying Mother Earth for her constant gifts . . . and thereby bringing healing to the land and its waters. They are glad to share their teach-

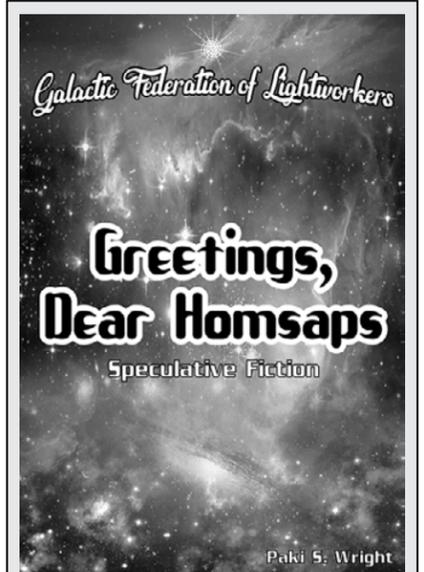
ings and their quiet ability to totally commune with mountains and streams, whose energies they can enliven and seal.

The Mamos and Zagas (holy men and women) of the Teyuna have realized that our remarkable community holds a preponderance of both light and dark energies. On the globe's highest coastal mountain, dwelling at "the Heart of the World" in Colombia, for centuries they also have lived with such big energies. Their wisdom would not be how to get rid of dark energies—but rather how to live in balance with these forces . . . how to remain in harmony and to do no harm. For this they would visit us again.

Kindly mark your calendars from September 1-4, and consider signing up for a personal healing.

Teyuna Foundation director, Mary Gaetjens (mary@teyuna-foundation.org), is glad to hear from you, and you can keep posted at teyunafoundation.org.

Let's learn to live in harmony . . . from deep within . . . and keep our connection with the Heart of the World strong.



Greetings, Dear Homsaps, new ebook from Paki S. Wright

Local author Paki S. Wright has published a new ebook of "speculative fiction" called *Greetings, Dear Homsaps*.

"It's about the big changes our planet's going through, the hypothetical shift from 3-4-5D," Wright said. "And an older woman in Colorado who gets messages from an off-planet collective called Fasolatio. I wanted to have some fun with the idea of an "alt-topian" future as opposed to all the doom and gloom out there. You could call *Greetings, Dear Homsaps* a fantasy, but it's a playful one."

New York Times best-selling author Alicia Bay Laurel, (*Living on the Earth*), called it a "page-turning romp through the field of quantum possibilities." Wright added "We need positive alternative visions of the future, otherwise how will we create a saner, more enlightened world?" The ebook is available on Amazon and other online outlets.

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Living Wisdom Developmental blues

by Tom deMers,
CPCH board member

Living Wisdom Village, Elders Creating Community (LWV). Sounds good, right? Perhaps you'd like to live there. Then why hasn't an idea that's too good to fail blossomed into reality? An affordable community for persons fifty-five and older, eco-friendly and with a meeting room for sharing meals, movies and meetings. Perhaps most important, a village of people who love Crestone and want to stay here, age in place as their lives require more support. For almost two years Crestone Peak Community Housing (CPCH), the umbrella group driving the project, has struggled to find the initial puzzle piece to bring that dream to life: land. Acquiring land in or near the town has proven difficult.

A 2016 market study made clear that an intown site close to services is preferred by the older population LWV would serve. Realtor Vivia Lawson, a former LWV board member, pointed to the town's small footprint as part of the problem: few lots combined with little turnover means purchase options are limited. CPCH Project Manager Akia Tanara reports that properties have been discussed with fourteen landowners since 2018, and no deals have been struck, often because of issues with wells and water rights. Tanara said many owners simply want to keep their land in the fam-

ily. The board of directors has expanded their search to county land adjacent to the town with little success, although the search continues. Others, who did not wish to be named, suggested that inflexible zoning regulations were restricting growth. Some went further to argue that Crestone had an anti-development mindset and wanted to remain "the little town that time forgot."

Kirsten Schreiber chairs the Board of CPCH. She is frustrated with the lack of progress but leads with optimism. "Each experience brings us more clarity," she says; "Every no is one step closer to a yes." Looking beyond the Board's current situation, she trusts in the importance of the Living Wisdom idea. She is sure it will happen when the time is right. Her faith in the future will be borne out on July 20 when Dance Alive! comes to the Cloud Station. This event, hosted by DJ B Hoep, will raise funds for LWH.

Clearly numerous factors have combined to prevent an idea that many favor from becoming a reality. Of course, we are talking about "enlightenment town" where "numinous" factors may also be in play. Perhaps the spirits up on Paranormal Way have put a hex on development, preferring cremation to creation. Who can say? Put living wisdom in your prayers, make the village one of the beads in your mala. And stay tuned.



Father Mike Fey and the Little Shepherd congregation in Little Pearl Park

Little Shepherd plaque installed at Little Pearl

On Sunday, June 16 a plaque commemorating Little Shepherd in the Hills' 70 years of service to the Crestone community was placed in Little Pearl Park plaza mandala. The brass plaque depicts the rustic log cabin built around 1911 that was later moved to its present location and given to the church in 1949 by cattleman Alfred Collins. Today congregants still enjoy the traditional Episcopal Church Eucharist service twice a month in the simple log cabin on the banks of North Crestone Creek.

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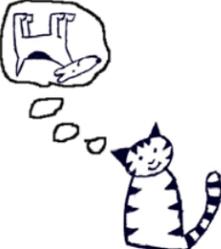
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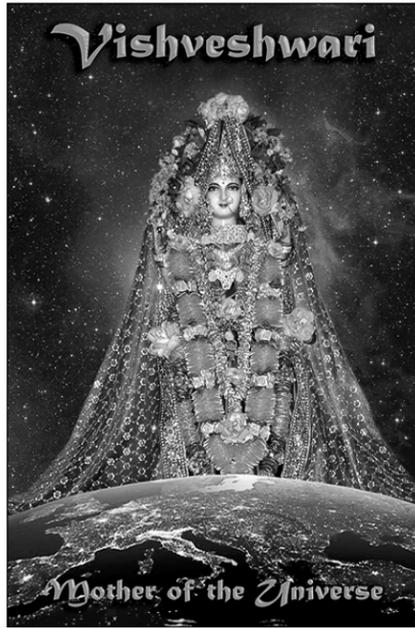
by Ramloti

It was a great June here with many visitors and delightful weather. We love every day that we can sit outside on our lawn for lunch. We are so blessed to live in Crestone.

The new-moon fire ceremony this month is on Tuesday, July 2 and the full-moon fire ceremony is on Tuesday, July 16 (Guru Purnima, the day you honor your teacher). All fire ceremonies begin at 10am and are followed by a meal. Morning aarati is at 7am with evening aarati at 6pm. We generally have a small fire ceremony after morning aarati when there is not a big fire ceremony scheduled.

We are excited that the festival, celebrating our Divine Mother's 30th birthday, is this month. The main celebration days will be on Saturday and Sunday, July 20 and 21. On Saturday, July 20 at 10am there will be a gathering of people and groups sharing what they are doing to honor and support our Mother Earth. On Sunday, July 21 there will be a large fire ceremony at 10am followed by a celebration honoring our Mother Earth with song, poetry, music, and meditation, followed by a huge Indian feast.

There will also be programs each day beginning on Tuesday, July 16 with the fire ceremony for Guru Purnima at 10am followed by chanting and a feast. For the schedule of workshops, karma yoga mornings, and other activities please visit our website at www.babajiashram.org/30th-birthday. You are also welcome to call at 719-256-4108 or email at info@babajiashram.org. If you would like to do a presentation either on Saturday or Sunday



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Our relationship with the world

by Dr. Eric Weiss, MFT

There are different ways in which we can look at the relationship between ourselves and the world.

On one extreme, we can see the world as a vast and indifferent environment in which we are just a tiny and unimportant spec. When we see the world in this way, it becomes almost impossible to make sense of the vicissitudes of life. The sum total of our wisdom, from this perspective, is "shit happens."

On the other extreme, we can focus on the way that each of us inhabits the world in a unique way, and we can imagine that our personal world is arranged just for us. This way of thinking about the world can be very tricky. Paranoia is one way that this imagination can play out: "It's all about me, and they're out to get me." Or we could imagine, in another mode, that some Benificent Power is arranging everything just for my benefit.

But neither of these extremes is really justifiable. Paranoia is an extreme oversimplification, and

everyday life is too painful to have been arranged to further my ego project.

Sri Aurobindo suggests a kind of middle position. Each of us is the Divine, self-multiplied, self-limited and self-absorbed. We are Divine beings who have become lost in the great play of Nature that is the world, and have forgotten the freedom, the bliss and the absoluteness that are our Divine birthright. Nature, the world, is arranged so as to eventually enable us to evolve back into our Divinity.

The world is not a vast indifferent environment, but rather a series of circumstances designed to ultimately awaken us to our Divine nature. But it is not arranged for the convenience of our egos. As we more and more orient ourselves to the Divine, we more and more see the difficult circumstances of life as challenges to our egos, and as invitations to lessen our attachments to the finite and to open to that One which is alone our refuge from all vicissitudes.



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Unconditional Love 3-day program offered in August

by Ramloti

Unconditional love is often recommended or strived for but seldom given or experienced, leading many to believe it is not even possible. The definition of unconditional love is caring about the happiness of another person without wanting anything in return. With Unconditional Love, people are not disappointed or angry when we make our foolish mistakes, when we don't do what they want, or even when we inconvenience them personally. Unconditional Love fills us up, makes us whole, and gives us the happiness we all want.

When I use the word happiness, I do not mean the brief and superficial pleasure that comes from money, sex, power, or the conditional approval we earn from others when we behave as they want. Nor do I mean the temporary feeling of satisfaction we experience in the absence of immediate conflict or disaster, nor is it the feeling we get from being entertained or mak-

ing people do what we want.

Most of us suffer greatly from pain caused by the lack of unconditional love in our lives, and we use power, sex, money and pleasing to make ourselves feel better. But, sadly, those strategies don't have lasting effects. What will truly help us feel better—less stressed and more peaceful—is unconditional love.

We offer a three-day program that will help folks feel unconditional love and find ways to bring this into their lives on a permanent basis. The dates are Friday, August 9 through Sunday, August 11, from 9am until 1pm. We will learn to identify our unproductive behaviors and see how self-sabotaging they are to our deeper quest of finding deep peace and happiness. Participants will be helped to see how many times a day we lie, manipulate, judge, attack others, react out of fear, try to control others, blame our anger on others, play the victim, run, respond with passive-ag-



Cottonwood Creek in the Baca, June 2019. The creek has changed dramatically since 1995. Before, it would flood about once every 4 years. That's when we'd know it was going to be a bad mosquito year. Now the creek overflows its banks almost every year, becoming a fast running river over 75 ft. wide in places. photo by Gordon Chu

gressive behavior, and a myriad of other fear-based behaviors. These have become so common we often call them "normal" but they are actually destroying our relationships, our families, and our societies.

This work for me has been the most profound thing in my life since I met Shri Babaji in 1981, and I am happy to share it with folks. For this reason I became an Unconditionally Loving coach. For more information on the workshop go to the website www.unconditionallyloving.com or just give me a call at 719-480-5514. Myself and other Unconditionally Loving coaches are offering this so that others too can experience a deep and lasting sense of peace and fulfillment that

deeply satisfies and enlarges the soul and doesn't go away when circumstances are difficult but actually survives and even grows during hardship and struggle and when we share it with others.



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Messages from the heart of God

Free Spirit Christian Church



As received by Earl LeRoy, Free Spirit Christian Church

Test the spirits—My sheep know My voice

Lord, last night I heard another voice and I did not answer because it did not sound like You. Then I heard You say, "You've passed the test." What was that about?

My sheep hear My voice and will not listen to a strange voice. Yes, you heard another voice and you didn't say, "Yes, Lord," but prayed to Me and sought Me. That is passing the test. Whenever anything tries to draw your attention to it, you should always seek Me. (Test the spirits) You know My voice. You know My heart. You know My Word.

The enemy would love to distract you from Me and get you off track to lead you into confusion. As you come closer to Me, he would love to derail you from where you are going.

You ask why is it like this? Why do we have to put up with the devil's tactics? Why do we have to overcome him constantly? It is because so many people are held captive by the devil, It is a captivity of their own choosing and they must choose Me in order to be free. You see, they have to choose Me over the devil. In the Garden, Adam was supposed to choose Me by an act of his own freewill (the Tree of Life) instead of the Tree of the Knowl-

edge of Good and Evil.

If a person has but one choice, he has no choice at all. Every person has freewill and every person must exercise his or her own freewill freely. No one can be forced to choose. I cannot choose for them nor can you choose for them. I created everyone to be with Me and I love everyone I created. One who has chosen Me will become one with Me. For people to walk with Me in the garden in the cool of the day, they must get to know Me not just know of Me.

People think I have judgments against them and count all their sins against them, so they are afraid to approach Me. The truth is that I have already paid for all of their sins and I have taken their judgment on to Myself. Only when they get a revelation of this fact will people allow Me in their hearts to really know Me, and be born again of My Holy Spirit and see and hear clearly in the spirit realm.

Everyone who loves Me from their freewill are the freest they can be. In My love they walk in liberty and can love others as themselves. I fill them with My love so they can pour it out to others freely and in abundance. They understand that love is freedom, and peace is alive in their souls. In this peace they come to know My voice and will not follow a stranger.

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In 2010, Colorado became the fourth state to allow online voter registration after a law was passed during the 2009 legislative session. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, as of 2018, 37 states and the District of Columbia have online voter registration. Under former Secretary Bernie Buescher, the Secretary of State's office implemented the online voter registration program. Online voter registration, along with same-day voter registration and automatic voter registration, helps make Colorado's election system one of the most accessible for eligible voters in the country.

"Colorado has been a leader in ensuring access to elections for eligible voters. The fact that our online voter registration system has been used over 2 million times shows how accessibility is key to higher voter participation, and accurate and secure voter rolls," said Secretary Jena Griswold.

Voters have used OLVR to update their registration 2,000,054 times. In addition to that, 416,731 Coloradans have used OLVR to register for the first time in Colorado. That means there has been a combined 2,416,785 transactions since its rollout in 2010.

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Clips from the Clerk

Titling Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV)

by **Trish Gilbert**
Saguache County Clerk & Recorder

Senate Bill 13-280 Titling Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV), effective July 1, 2014, creates the ability for Off-Highway Vehicles and Snowmobiles to be titled. Senate Bill 13-280 applies only to titling of OHV—registration is still completed through Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

Off-Highway Vehicle Definition

An Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV), C.R.S. 42-6-102 (11.5), is defined as a self-propelled vehicle that is:

- Designed to travel on wheels or tracks in contact with the ground.

- Designed primarily for use off of the public highways and generally and commonly used to transport persons for recreational purposes.

- Off-highway vehicles do not include:

- Toy vehicles (any vehicle with wheels and is not designed for use on the public highways or for off-road use)

- Vehicles designed and used primarily for travel on, over, or in the water

- Military vehicles
- Golf carts or golf cars
- Vehicles designed and used to carry persons with disabilities

- Vehicles designed and used specifically for agricultural, logging, or mining purposes

- Motor Vehicles

A snowmobile, C.R.S. 42-6-102 (18.5), is defined as:

- A self-propelled vehicle primarily designed or altered for travel on snow or ice off of the public highways and supported by skis, belts, or cleats.

- Snowmobile does not include machinery used for the grooming of snowmobile trails or ski slopes.

OHV Titling Requirements

Proof of ownership.

- Manufacturer Certificate of

Origin (MCO)/Manufacturer Statement of Origin (MSO) or

- Certificate of Title or
- Current Colorado Parks and Wildlife OHV registration or

- If in a dealer's inventory prior to July 1, 2014, a Statement of Fact (Form DR 2444) for each OHV stating the following:

“Prior to July 1, 2014, the off-highway vehicle detailed above was held as inventory by: Dealer Name Address City, CO Zip Phone Number”

- Completed DR 2395 Title/Registration Application

- All current titling laws, processes, and procedures apply. Dealers have 30 days to deliver title to customers. Owner's address of residence is used unless the OHV is permanently maintained at a different address. Businesses will use the address where the vehicle is principally operated and maintained. Dealers may obtain title on behalf of the customer by a Power of Attorney (Form DR 2174 or DR 2175). After the title has been established in the individual's name, the dealer may make the assignment by POA on the title. OHV may not be issued salvage titles. Dealer purchases/trades from an individual on or after July 1, 2014 require an individual to obtain title prior to selling an OHV to a dealer.

Titling is optional for Private Party to Private Party sale, unless required (once it has been titled, titling shall continue).

All title forms can be found at www.colorado.gov/revenue.

Titles may be obtained from our office; however, Registration may be obtained from the following agency:

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by **Pamela Hughes**

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Introduction of new CCS Primary Teacher & School Counselor

At the Crestone Charter School, we are fortunate that two community members, with strong ties to the school will join us as team members next school year. Our students love both Matthew Nava and Cassidy Meehan! Here they introduce themselves to the larger community:



Matthew Nava.

Hello Crestone, I am Matthew Nava, the new Primary Teacher

I am ecstatic about my upcoming role as the Primary Teacher at Crestone Charter School. What better place to put my vast and unique teaching knowledge to use than here at CCS.

I have six years of experience as a first-grade teacher for Aurora Public Schools, where I was on the leadership team, worked as a mentor, and headed the gifted and talented program. Then I served as the Elementary Music Teacher for four years, where I incorporated and led the introduction of mindfulness practices in the classroom along with everyday Music instruction.

I have already built strong relationships with our CCS students and staff. In the 2.5 years of living in Crestone, I have served in many roles: Teacher Assistant in the Early Elementary Class, Intermediate Class Teacher Assistant, and then this last school year as the Elementary Music and PE teacher. I am most excited about the exploratory learning approach at the Charter School and the op-

portunities for hands-on creative learning that goes beyond just the everyday content. I believe, "The day should flow like a ribbon, with all things connecting. The more connections the deeper the sense of learning."

Hello Crestone, I am Cassidy Meehan the new School Counselor

The AmeriCorps program drew me to Crestone a year ago, and now I've officially joined the Crestone Charter School team as the School Counselor! I am overjoyed to become a bigger part of the school and your community.

My professional background has had a focus on school social work, primarily with students who have severe emotional and behavioral disabilities. Additionally, I've had roles in addiction recovery, child welfare, career readiness and planning, research and data collection and have served on several boards.

Wanting to switch things up from my Denver city-life, I joined Alpine Achievers Initiative as an AmeriCorps member in Crestone. As the end of my dedicated time came into focus, leaving the collective amazing experience and community didn't seem like a viable option. Serendipitously, I had the immense fortune to be considered for the School Counselor position.

My school counseling philosophy lies in strength-based, solution-focused theory. This means finding tangible solutions to issues or struggles our students and families may be facing. I believe school can be a place for students to be transformed into connected, balanced individuals and can guide students to become the best version of themselves.

A Colorado native, I love playing in the outdoors—hiking, camping, backpacking, kayaking, snowboarding, you name it! My best adventure buddy is my gorgeous husky-mix pup, Willie (namesake: Willie Nelson). I was named after a Grateful Dead song and drink lots of chai tea.

Having fallen in love with beautiful Crestone, I eagerly await



Cassidy Meehan.



Cassidy cuddling a piglet.

building deeper connections and growing with every child, parent, family and staff member in the Crestone Charter School community for years to come.



Matthew Nava with wife Amy and children Shakti and Eli.

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The Crestone Youth Initiative

by Anabelle Clendening

There has been a group of active youth, parents and school administrators meeting since a Prevention Conversation at the Crestone Charter School in April. That meeting developed a committee for youth activities and needs in Crestone. This committee, now aptly named the Crestone Youth Initiative, has been quite successful and we have made a lot of progress. Throughout the meetings, one of the most prominent ideas that have been expressed is the need for a Recreational Center that can be used for many activities. Getting that funded, built, and organized is our biggest long-term goal and we will continue working towards this. We welcome more input and community involvement going forward. A slightly more short-term goal is pulling together a "Youth Club House" at CCS. This would be a yurt-like space added on the CCS campus for the youth to gather and hold after-school activities and clubs. The main fundraising efforts are going towards this space currently. A few driven youth have successfully created a Comic-Book Club, which is meeting and running smoothly, entirely led by youth.

All summer on Wednesday evenings from 5 to 8pm, we are now hosting soccer at the POA soccer fields. All families and age groups are welcome to attend. We sent a letter to the POA to have

them address some of the needs we have. Those include filling the gopher holes, fixing up and tending to the field, getting picnic tables and better bathroom access, pavilion maintenance, and new soccer goal frames. We have multiple different fundraising activities coming up soon and will have more in the future. Examples of these include bake sales and car washes, as well as a stand at the Town's 4th of July celebration. Soon, Fun Fridays will be starting at CCS. This will be a time for the middle and high schoolers to be able to gather for a predetermined activity, such as a movie night, dances, game night, etc.

All of the activities that we host or organize provide safe spaces for youth to spend time with supervision. These aim to create a drug- and alcohol-free environment led and created by youth, for youth. By providing these spaces and activities, we give youth a place to go have fun and things to do safely, which is what they've continually expressed as something they need to have.

Donations towards these efforts can be made out to Crestone Charter School with memo "Crestone Youth Initiative" sent to P.O. Box 400, Crestone, CO 81131. Please contact Cristina Cabeza Kinney at 719-256-4907 for more information. Thank you for your continued support!

CPI—more sponsors, more impact!

by Tom Dessain

Crestone Performances Inc. would like to welcome San Luis Valley Federal Bank and the Sand Dunes Swimming Pool to our list of sponsors who wish to be branded with our Youth Enrichment Program (YEP). YEP has worked with youth for 17 years through school assemblies, providing carnivals, running a scholarship program and hosting student open mics. We also run a community service program that equips other community organizations with consulting and event components, helping them to succeed with their events.

SLV Federal has been providing banking services to residents of the San Luis Valley since 1899. They have two offices in Alamosa and one in Monte Vista. In 2015, SLV Federal started their "We Care, We Share" program which has given over \$60,000 to non-profits serving the SLV community. Most of the programs supported are youth-related which is where we come in. SLV Federal was a longtime supporter of the Crestone Music Festival and we now welcome their support for YEP. They can be reached at 719-589-6653 or toll free at 877-478-8625.

The Sand Dunes Swimming Pool has also been a big supporter over the past and is proud to support YEP. The pool is open from 8am to 10pm every day but Thursday. They have so much to offer, including: chemical-free water, great food, camping, RV hook-ups, cabins, lap swimming, diving boards, volleyball and basketball, grills, a gift shop, water toy rentals, swimming lessons and sand board rentals. They also have a fabulous greenhouse that is for adults only. It includes: 3 different temperature soaking pools, a large zero-entry pool, a 10-person sauna, gardens, decks, libations, shuffleboard, 3 state-of-the-art golf simulators and aqua yoga classes. It's an amazing place! They can be reached at 719-378-2807.

Our continued success is made possible through individual donations, our sponsors and grants from Saguache County and Colorado Creative Industries. Our sponsors are *The Crestone Eagle*, Orient Land Trust, Joyful Journey Hot Springs, Manitou Institute, the Sand Dunes Swimming Pool, San Luis Valley Federal and Sangre de Cristo Real Estate. From Salida we have First Street Flooring, Amicas Pizza and the Heart of the Rockies Medical Center. If you would like more information or would like to contribute to our efforts, please go our website, crestfest.org and/or give us a call at 719-256-4533. Our address is P.O. Box 6, Crestone, CO 81131. CPI is a 501(c)3 community service organization. Thanks for your time and stay tuned! All donations are tax deductible.

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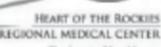










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Search for the Saguache Treasure!

Colorado Tourism Council revives the Alferd Packer story—with a fun-filled hunt

Saguache County Tourism Council is excited to announce the launch of The Search for the Saguache Treasure—an interactive location-based Transmedia Storytelling Experience/Alternate Reality Game for Saguache County. Funded by a grant from the Colorado Tourism Office, the quest blurs the lines of reality and fiction and engages visitors in a fun, easy-to-play story game by putting them in the role of a Bounty Hunter. Players will be hunting for a “Man with No Name,” who has “arrived” in Saguache County to hunt for a “treasure” that he believes his great-great-grandfather has hidden for him. **Find out more at www.youtube.com/watch?v=SoHCoyw8xtw.**

Commissioned in November 2018 by the Saguache County Tourism Council as part of the Colorado Tourist Office, the quest is part of a commitment to encourage tourism within Saguache County with 21 clues across the region. Players are introduced to the quest by Wanted posters, tri-fold treasure maps and

banners at key locations throughout the county with an Old Wild West style encouraging players to sign up at www.bounty-hunter.co where players can easily register and begin to track down the Man with No Name.

This fun, location-based game leads players from the Colorado Gator Farm, through the town of Center, across to Penitente Canyon and up into Saguache, over to Crestone and Baca and with a finale at Joyful Journey Hot Springs. The Search for the Saguache Treasure is a single-player game that can be played in a day, although families and groups can play together. It may take longer if players stay and explore all locations in the game, finding clues and real life assets, maps and artefacts placed strategically throughout Saguache County.

The experience is driven by the story, as players try their hand as a bounty hunter, testing their skills of endurance, honor, intelligence, tech savvy, perseverance and listening. Clues include a 150-year old “found” book from

1874—currently housed in Aventa Credit Union in Saguache—a fictitious journalist (Ana Sofia Vigil, the new columnist at the *Saguache Crescent*), rock art, a discarded ammo box to be opened with a combination and a podcast from our elusive Man with No Name.

The Search for the Saguache Treasure offers visitors the opportunity to experience both contemporary life and history and wrap them together into a fun and exciting way. The Colorado Tourism Office calls our region ‘the mystic San Luis Valley.’ Saguache County is the heart of that mystic character. There are so many secret places, so many unknown places and a quality of experience that visitors to Saguache County tend to have that brings up the surprises and the mystery within ourselves. This transmedia story creates an opportunity for visitors to experience the county as if they are a true part of



the local culture. The Search for the Saguache Treasure allows you the chance to have your own story experience.”

Said Colorado Tourist Office Director Cathy Ritter. “This project is a prime example of how the CTO’s grant program can help communities put their great ideas into action, we’re pleased to see this innovative project come to life.”

The story & back story

Alferd Packer † the quest for the mysterious Man with No Name

Much is known about the Colorado Cannibal, Alferd Packer, the American prospector who confessed to cannibalism during the February of winter 1874, when he and 5 other men attempted to travel through the high mountains of Colorado during a harsh winter. He was subsequently jailed in Saguache County Jail, only to escape and hide from justice for 9 years before being convicted of murder and then sentenced to 40 years for manslaughter.

Packer met Chief Ouray, known as the White Man’s Friend, near Montrose, Colorado where Ouray recommended they postpone their expedition, but Packer chose to ignore his advice. Packer and the 5 men, Shannon Wilson Bell, James Humphrey, Frank “Reddy” Miller, George “California” Noon and Israel Swan set off. The leader of the outfit, Bob McGrue, guided Packer’s party until his horses could not continue. McGrue unloaded the men’s provisions and went back to Ouray’s camp. What happened after this is not clear.

On April 16, 1874, Packer arrived at the Los Piños Indian Agency near Gunnison and, when asked what happened to the rest of his party, claimed that he had “got his feet wet and frozen”, and the others had abandoned him. Packer claimed he was broke and sold the Winchester rifle he had in his possession to Major Downer, the Justice of the Peace for \$10. After a short stay at the Agency, Packer said he wanted to return to Pennsylvania, and accompanied Nutter and two other members of McGrue’s original group to Saguache, where he could buy supplies. During the course of this journey, Nutter saw that Packer had in his possession a skinning knife that

had belonged to Frank “Reddy” Miller and began to have doubts about Packer’s story.

When the party reached Saguache, Packer made arrangements to room in Dolan’s Saloon. Larry Dolan, the owner, claimed that Packer spent around \$100 during his stay, and that Packer even offered to lend him \$300. Packer also spent \$78 in Otto Mears’ general store. Nutter and other members of McGrue’s original party became very suspicious of Packer and threatened to hang him. General Adams, head of the Los Piños Indian Agency, stepped in just in time to save Packer.

After being interrogated by General Adams, Packer signed his first confession. General Adams believed that if Packer were telling the truth, he would have no problem leading a party of men to the original campsite; the physical evidence would either prove or disprove Packer’s story. Packer originally consented to lead the party, but after claiming to be lost and rushing at Constable Herman Lauter with a knife, he was jailed in Saguache. The jail at that time was little more than a log cabin, and after being passed a makeshift key for his irons and given some supplies, Packer easily escaped.

At least this is what the history books tell us.

But our story is less known. Packer had travelled with a sixth man, an unnamed cohort whom he had met on his travels into Colorado—a known racketeer who had worked his way down through the San Luis Valley from Denver, passing through towns enroute and stripping them of their money, gold and livelihoods through gambling, loan-sharking and coercion. It’s said

that when the Man with No Name met Packer and his 5 adventurers, he was looking for a way to take all the gold they found and disappear. It’s believed that he helped Packer escape from the Saguache Jail and that they went on to hide the gold and money extracted from the dead 5 men, but where he went after that, nobody knows.

A book was found in February 2019 about the Man with No Name, said to be originally written and published in early 1874, detailing his desire to find an unsuspecting gang of travellers and to strip them of their money and gold. In the back of the book is a poem, written by the Man with No Name and sent by telegram to “his true love,” care of a post office in Crestone, Colorado.

A bounty was put on the head of the Man with No Name of a “fistful of dollars”. Many locals from Saguache County, from Center to Crestone, as far south as the borders of Alamosa to the northern borders of Villa Grove, were excited by the thoughts of the bail bond and put themselves forward as bounty hunters, but nobody ever discovered the identity of the Man with No Name and he was never found.

145 years later, in 2019, a self-confessed “relation” of this Man with No Name, who goes by alias names of Joe, John, RoJo and José, has been making his way from Denver, following in the footsteps of his ancestor and extracting money from local towns through coercion, racketeering and fake news; heading for Saguache County, bragging that he knows where his great-grandfather buried the Saguache Treasure after helping Packer escape from jail and they parted company.

Once again Saguache County

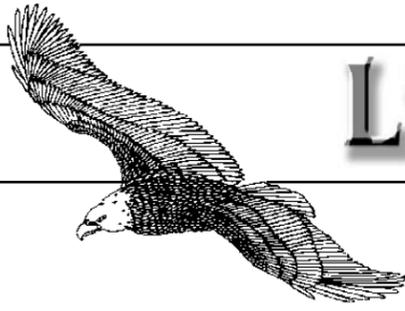
is putting a call out for bounty hunters to help intercept and hand over this modern-day racketeer and also attempt to find the hidden Saguache Treasure before he does.



The Colorado Cannibal Alferd Packer. But who was the “Man with No Name”? And where is the treasure? Can you find out? Find out more at www.youtube.com/watch?v=SoHCoyw8xtw.

Quest overview

Our modern day Man with No Name is following in the footsteps of his great-great-grandfather, born in 1844 who, at 26 went to find his fortune in the gold rush in the mountains of Colorado and instead found a fast-track, through the infamous Alferd Packer, who took a crew of 4 men up into the mountains, only to return 2 months later, 30lbs heavier with no gold. Packer went on to be the famous cannibal of Colorado. The Man with No Names Great Great Grandfather never reclaimed the fortunes that were claimed to be found despite, it is claimed, breaking him free from Saguache Jail to reclaim what was now theirs. But he became so traumatized by what Packer had done he seemed to have spent many years in various regions of Saguache County, leaving no mark on the world other than a poem that seems to suggest a map where the treasures may, or may not, be.



Living on the Earth

Great Sand Dunes named an International Dark Sky Park

by Bob Bohley, NPS Master Astronomy Volunteer at Great Sand Dunes NP&P

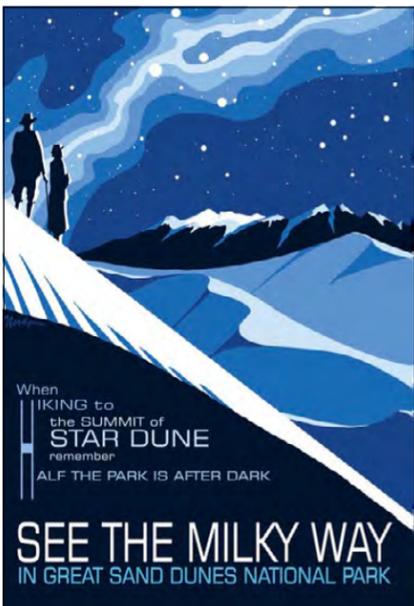
Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve was certified as an International Dark Sky Park in April of this year by the International Dark Sky Association (IDA) of Tucson, AZ. This was the culmination of four years of concerted work and nine months spent on the application process. Great Sand Dunes has long been known for its incredible night sky views, and this certification will ensure that these dark skies will be preserved for generations to come. It joins approximately two dozen other units of the National Park Service to be so named. There are three basic requirements to become a Dark Sky Park:

- Reduce your own artificial light impact
- Measure the darkness of your night skies
- Communicate the importance of dark skies to the public and work with neighboring communities to improve lighting



On a cold and moonless night the Milky Way rises over the San Luis Valley.

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Why are dark skies important to the people of Colorado in particular and to the people of the world in general? Timothy Ferris, the author of popular books on astronomy, says that “all human cultures no matter how primitive have felt it important to tell stories about the stars and about the nature and the origin of the Universe as a whole. So there’s something about astronomy that is deeply ingrained in human culture going as far back as music, dance and poetry.” But we are losing this important human connection to our dark skies.

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Dark skies over Crestone

by Kairina Danforth

Eighty percent of the people in the world today will never see the Milky Way from their homes.

We are part of the fortunate few who do. Our documented dark sky overhead offers a truly exceptional level of darkness. In fact, the dark sky over the Town of Crestone and the adjacent Baca Grande subdivision is one of the most exceptionally dark skies in the Western US.

Continuing a journey begun by the Crestone Town Board of Trustees in 2004, the current Crestone Town Trustees are pursuing designation as an International Dark Sky Community.

Currently there are only 22 internationally designated dark sky communities in the world, with 16 of the 22 located in the US. The International Dark Sky Association was founded in 1988 and is dedicated to protecting and preserving exceptionally dark skies from artificial light pollution.

It is the recognized authority for night sky protection and has taken the lead in identifying and publicizing the negative impacts of artificial light at night on human health, wildlife, vegetation and climate change. Its public outreach efforts provide solutions, quality education and programs across the US and throughout the world to educate the public and the policy makers about night sky stewardship. They serve to empower us all with the tools and resources to help protect and preserve our dark sky. Their program offers different kinds of designations, including a community, a park, a place, a sanctuary, and a reserve. The Dark Sky accreditation requires robust community support and also requires an exceptionally high level of documented darkness. International Dark Sky designation follows a rigorous application process. Attesting to the rigorous requirement process is the fact that since 1988 only 22 communities worldwide have received this designation.

Furthering such designation for Crestone is the Colorado College planned creation of a local research observatory and planetarium. Their planning includes a robotic telescope capable of being managed remotely from their Colorado Springs campus as well as their local Baca campus. Their telescope will also enable automated management. The planetarium will be similar in design to that of Chaco Canyon and will provide circular seating to be able to lean back and view our starry sky, a sundial and other fea-

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A close-up of Central Colorado at night showing light pollution along the Front Range.



by **Kim Malville**
This month's skies

Last month Jupiter reached opposition to the sun on June 10. It is brilliant and with its moons and red spot is a fantastic object in binoculars and telescopes. Saturn reaches opposition on July 9, when it will be due south at midnight. Both move retrograde, backward, throughout the month.

July 2: New moon. A total solar eclipse will occur in a narrow band (125 miles wide) crossing northern Chile and central Argentina. In La Serena, Chile, the eclipse will last for 2 minutes and 13 seconds. A partial eclipse will be visible in South and Central America. Nothing happens in North America.

July 4: Earth is at its greatest distance from the sun, known as aphelion.

July 5: Look to the west for a beautifully thin crescent moon just after sunset, near Regulus, in Leo the Lion.

July 12-15: Watch the nearly full moon move from Scorpius, past Jupiter, into Sagittarius, and near Saturn.

July 16: Full moon. A partial lunar eclipse will be visible over most of the earth except for North America and northeastern Asia.

July 20: Fifty years ago a human first stepped onto the surface of the moon.

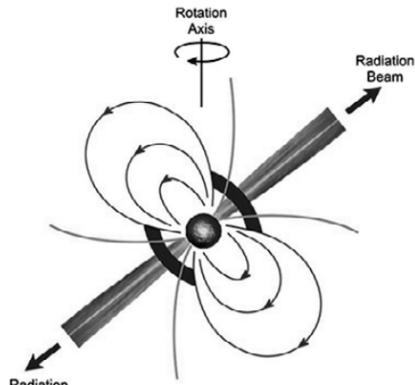
July 29-30: Close to a new moon, the sky will be dark and good for viewing the Delta Aquariid meteor shower, which may produce as many as 25 meteors per hour. Look for the radiant of the shower, out of which the meteors pour, in the early morning hours in the constellation of Aquarius.

July 31: New moon
The discovery of pulsars & the controversial Nobel Prize

He won the prize, but she made the discovery. Decades later, she has the last laugh.

Jocelyn Bell Burnell is about to get some much-deserved recognition. The British astrophysicist will receive a Special Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics, Breakthrough Prize. The \$3 million award recognizes Bell Burnell's 1967 discovery of the fast-spinning neutron stars that are pulsars. "Professor Bell Burnell thoroughly deserves this recognition," Breakthrough Prize co-founder Yuri Milner said in a statement today. "Her curiosity, diligent observations and rigorous analysis revealed some of the most interesting and mysterious objects in the universe."

In 1967, Bell Burnell was a graduate student, working with Anthony Hewish, an astronomer at Cambridge who wanted to find more quasars.

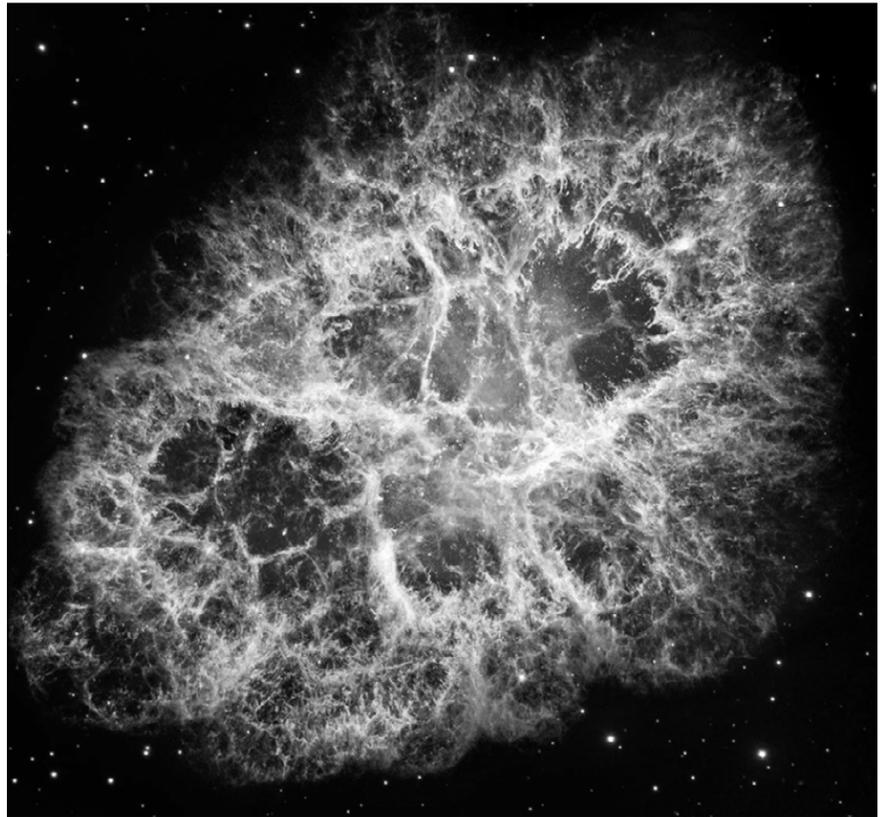


The spinning pulsar
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Jocelyn Bell in 1968.
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She helped him build a radio telescope and was the first person to run it. During the first six months she discovered about a hundred new quasars, which she did by carefully studying long rolls of paper read-outs. Each day she scanned roughly 900 feet of paper, over six months analyzing more than three miles of squiggly lines. Quasars are great, but something strange and unexpected appeared on her paper roll on August 6, 1967. "I logged it with a question mark and moved on," she said. But that small signal appeared again and again, coming from the same part of the sky. High speed recording two month later revealed a repeating string of radio pulses that repeated every 1.3 seconds, keeping time in exquisite fashion, unlike anything anyone had ever seen before. She showed these results to her thesis advisor who dismissed them as local noise, perhaps a passing train or car. Bell Burnell was not convinced the signals were local and persisted on her own. Soon, she'd found a second pulsating object, and then a third, and then a fourth. The objects came to be known as pulsars



A pulsar lies in the center of the Crab Nebula. photo from Hubble Space Telescope, NASA



Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell, who discovered pulsars in 1967, will receive a \$3 million Special Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics.
 photo courtesy of WorldPress

and were identified as spinning neutron stars, which were largely hypothetical objects at the time.

She and Hewish published a paper describing their discovery in February 1968, in which Hewish placed his name before hers. In 1974 the Nobel Prize committee awarded Hewish and fellow British radio astronomer Sir Martin Ryle. The announcement does not mention her name. That Bell did not receive recognition in the 1974 Nobel Prize in Physics has been a point of controversy ever since, roundly denounced by the astronomer Fred Hoyle. This controversial omission has inspired references to the award as the "No-Bell" prize. Bell Burnell was created Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 1999 and Dame of the British (DBE) in 2007.

Pulsars don't actually pulse; they emit beams of radiation from

their magnetic poles. The pulsation is due to the spinning of the pulsar, which, like a light house, swings the beams into line with our planet at regular intervals. There are now more than 1500 pulsars, most of them rotating between once and twice a second. These are tightly packed neutron stars with typical diameters of 6 miles, with a mass close to that of the sun. They appear to be composed of neutrons virtually touching each other. At the density of a neutron star, all of Earth's inhabitants could be squeezed into a cube 1.5 centimeters on a side, showing, as one astronomer colleague has commented, "how much of humanity is empty space. They are the collapsed remains of an exploding stars, which speed up as they got smaller. Their well-defined periods make them exceptionally accurate clocks, some of them challenge the accuracy of our best atomic clocks. Their fast rotation produces immense magnetic which are responsible for generating the pulses that we glimpse from the earth. The famous Crab Nebula, which was produced by a supernova explosion in 1054, contains a pulsar at its center rotating 30 times per second.

Forty-five years after the Nobel Prize was awarded to her thesis advisor, Bell Burnell will receive the \$3,000,000 Breakthrough Prize on November 4, later this year. There is a touch of irony in the fact that her award is around six times larger than the amount Hewish received. But she won't be keeping any of the award money. "I don't need a Porsche or Ferrari," she said. "I don't have an affluent lifestyle." The funds will go to creating scholarships for women, underrepresented minorities, and refugees who want to study physics.

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Eclipse season

July begins with an (invisible-to-us) solar eclipse New Moon/North Node in Cancer on July 2 opposite Saturn/South Node in Capricorn. This opposition emphasizes conflicts between home and work, private versus public life, and future aspirations stymied by past patterns. It aggravates the partisan divide, so Independence Day get-togethers may erupt in arguments as persons of diverse mindsets mingle.

July's solar eclipse is of the same eclipse family as its sibling that occurred 18 years ago during the summer of 2001, setting the tone for the American tragedy of September 11. Unfortunately, the 3 North eclipse family is known to be "over-excessive," as 9/11 demonstrated. It causes worry about "news that transforms a situation," according to eclipse Astrologer Bernadette Brady. This eclipse family emphasizes an extreme tendency towards obsessiveness and over-doing grand plans. Restraint is called for, but is unlikely to materialize sufficiently to avoid dangerous or destabilizing situations that develop amid deception and manipulation.

Mercury retrograde

After the July 4 holiday weekend, Mars catches up to slowing Mercury, which is preparing to reverse direction and go retrograde on July 8 for the remainder of the month. Mercury retrograde reminds us to review, rethink and revise our plans before taking action, and to focus on making our communications as precise as possible. Mars and Mercury will form 3 conjunctions in 4 months, each in different astrological signs where they express somewhat differently. What

will be consistent will be the contentious tone of this summer.

Mars refers to action, ego, fire, cutting, speed, sport, conflict and war while Mercury is the supreme communicator, bringer of messages. Last month's Mars/Mercury conjunction was in nurturing Cancer, while this month's union is in dramatic Leo, the entitled fire sign that stirs our passions. So Mercury's communications will be animated by aggressive Mars and/or repressed by its opposition to taciturn Saturn/Pluto. Protests can be expected across the globe between Saturnian governments and populist Plutonian rebels.

Meanwhile, rogue Uranus in rigid Taurus squares the prolonged Mars/Mercury conjunction, which erupts in a war-of-words between political parties and enemies. If outbursts aren't controlled, the world could suffer from more proxy wars, so threats need to be restrained and adjustments made if reason is to prevail. When personally challenged by these transits, strive for enthusiasm and humor to dissipate the tension, rather than aggravating arguments with temper.

Sun opposite Saturn

The early-July solar eclipse Sun opposes Saturn along the Nodal axis (of destiny) until mid-month. This tends to stir up that "critical parent" inner voice, nagging at us over our imperfections. The antidote is to consciously strive to be kind to oneself and compassionate towards others. Oppositions to Saturn indicate adversities and world-weariness, while security concerns around upcoming elections and our vulnerable energy grid will probably dominate the news this month.

At Full Moon, Venus opposes

Saturn, stifling our best efforts at social or romantic finesse, so you may find yourself rebuffed and become frustrated. However, resist feeling glum. Review the situation so you can apply your wiles with sharper focus next time.

Neptune sextiles Saturn all month so your energy is better applied to spiritual matters anyway, or other sober reflections that can lead to breakthroughs in understanding. It's a good time to strengthen your principles and test your ideas among your peers before implementing them. Just don't take yourself too seriously . . .

Lunar eclipse

The Full Moon in Capricorn on July 16 forms a lunar eclipse (also invisible-to-us) while both Saturn and Pluto are eclipsed as well! Opposition is strong, compromise is unlikely, and this triple eclipse could deepen our political crises, for truth remains hidden. Yet hope springs eternal as Neptune trines the Sun and sextiles Saturn, South Node, and Pluto. Perhaps diplomatic relations can be re-established? Or are we being deceived? Beware of false optimism which leads to taking foolish risks.

This mid-month eclipse hits President Trump especially hard, landing on his Saturn/Venus natal conjunction. He assaults women with dismissive name-calling and lies, while wielding oppressive controls over them with the anti-abortion cudgel. But while impulsive Mars squares unpredictable Uranus

and conjuncts Trump's vituperative Pluto, his excessive and callous behavior just tightens the noose around his neck. Expect political fireworks as resistance mounts!

Lucky streak

Despite all the political noise, the Full Moon brings a personal 2-week "lucky streak" as Mars trines Jupiter. Are you in the mood for adventure? Jupiter in Sagittarius wants to have fun and Mars in Leo says "let's do it"! So the second half of July may be the best time this summer for a vacation. Get out in nature if you can, but don't over-do it, a tendency of Mars/Jupiter! Alternately, if you have to work, know that you can be quite effective now.

These times we live in can feel over-whelming. Strive to remain positive, be grateful for those you love, and know that the precious air we breathe, the delicious water we drink, and *all* the beauty that surrounds us—are worth fighting for! Happy summer y'all!

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In the land of eternal youth

by Gussie Fauntleroy

When it's bedtime in the Kelly-Tate home, two little girls follow their mother through a sleepy-time routine that slows them down and gets them ready to let go of the day. First some gentle yoga. Then their mother, Aoife (pronounced like Eefa) Kelly-Tate, leads her daughters in a short, guided meditation involving imaginary balloons. Six-year-old Saoirse (pronounced Seersha) and her 3½-year-old sister Aisling (Ashling) imagine blowing up a balloon, filling it with any concerns or bothersome thoughts as it inflates. Then they release it to float away. "We watch all our worries go away," Saoirse explains. Then their daddy, Chad Tate, reads them stories before their heavy eyelids close.

Irish born and raised, Aoife taught yoga and meditation to all ages for a number of years in her home country, along with practicing massage therapy, aromatherapy and other natural healing modalities, before moving to Crestone in 2009. More recently she has written and published a series of guided meditation books, *Magical Meditations for Children*, featuring her own and her daughters' joyful, colorful illustrations. It all flows from her belief that childhood is the perfect time to begin establishing mindfulness and relaxation practices as a foundation for a lifetime of bringing "more love, joy and positivity" into the world.

A horsy childhood

Growing up in a semi-rural suburb outside Cork City, Ireland, Aoife was a naturally exuberant, creative child who loved art and making things, and was "never short of things to do," she says, laughing. Her father, Liam Kelly, worked in and taught electrical engineering and later became a painter living in France. Aoife's mother, Anne Kelly, stayed at home when her two daughters were young. Now Anne, as well as Aoife's younger sister Niamh (pronounced Nee-uv, who is married to Joel Weston) also live in Crestone.

It was Anne who first brought horses into the family's life, exponentially swelling Aoife's joy and sparking her passion for riding. The whole Kelly family competed in jumping and other horse shows, and Aoife loved riding with friends to the beach. Her parents encouraged their daughters to build lives following the direction of their hearts. In this respect, Aoife was especially inspired by her paternal grandmother, a strong woman who served as a nurse in the Second World War and played piano in an otherwise all-male band.

Reaching for a bigger world

At University College Cork, Aoife earned a B.A. in English with a minor in psychology. Following graduation she spent a year traveling with a boyfriend, living in Australia, Fiji, Malaysia, and Hawaii. When they returned to Ireland she thought she was ready to settle down. She and her partner lived for a time in Dublin and then Cork,

and bought a spec house that was about to be built. But just before they moved in, something shifted inside her, opening a crack through which she glimpsed the possibility of a larger life. "I felt like I could have been happy, but it would have been a safe, small life," she says. "On paper, nothing was wrong, but it seemed like it wasn't a life where I could live my full potential."

So she split up with her partner, moved into the brand new house alone and almost immedi-



Aoife with husband Chad.

ately sold it. With the small profit from the sale, she headed for the Bahamas for an intensive, month-long teacher training in Sivananda yoga. Before leaving for the training she had advertised around Cork as a yoga teacher and when she returned she had a full class of 25 waiting. From there her yoga teaching grew. She traveled around County Cork leading classes for adults, children, and teens, including at-risk kids. Eventually she had her own yoga and massage therapy studio in Cork.

Then, when she was 26, she and Niamh visited Crestone for the first time to spend Christmas with their mother, who was already living here. Aoife met Chad, the son of Crestone resident Cindy Tate, and they fell in love. They had a long-distance relationship for a few years and married ten years ago when Aoife moved to Crestone. Before she obtained a work visa she volunteered at the Baca Grande Stables, "soaking up all the horsiness." Later she taught riding to kids at summer riding and children's camps, and for a time also worked as a nanny for several local families.

A magical time of life

Young children continue to be a central focus in Aoife's life, as she homeschools her daughters and writes and illustrates children's meditation books. She also has a novel in the works, a love story inspired by her own experience. This summer she's planning to offer a yoga and creative writing workshop for children. (Email her, aofevkelly@yahoo.com, for details). "I've always absolutely loved kids. I



Aoife, Aisling and Saoirse.



Two happy girls and their pony.



Aoife leading a children's yoga class.

love their energy and their magic," she says. Homeschooling is a way to encourage her daughters' naturally creative way of being in the world while spending the maximum amount of time with them. "I really believe in letting kids be kids, letting them be free—" she begins, before Saoirse finishes her thought from the next room: "—to enjoy their life while they're kids!" As Saoirse speaks, she and Aisling are playing among dozens of plastic horses on the living room floor.

Aoife's belief in the life-enhancing sparkle of youth is reflected in the name she and Chad have given their parcel of Baca land: Tir na NÓg Ranch. In Irish/Celtic mythology, Tir na NÓg is a land where the people, and horses,

remain eternally young. With her daughters, she shows me around out back: two gorgeous horses and a beautiful pony in an enclosure very close to the house. They also have two cats and three large dogs, and there would be more rescued animals "if we won the lotto," she says, smiling. A small garden yields young vegetables, and chickens bob and peck in their fenced-in space beneath an enormous spreading lilac bush. Saoirse politely asks for and gets permission to pick and nibble a handful of baby greens. As I'm saying goodbye, she offers me a fresh, small leaf of kale. "One for the road," she says.

Aoife's books are available on Amazon and at lotuslearningpond.com



The Hill Ranch has been added to the Saguache Creek Conservation Legacy.

photo by Maggie Hanna of CCALT

5,000 acres added to Saguache Creek Conservation Legacy

Project builds upon twenty years of conservation work in upper SLV

The Trust for Public Land and the Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust (CCALT), in partnership with Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service, are proud to announce the conservation of more than 5,000 acres in the San Luis Valley. This conservation project connects to hundreds of thousands of acres of public land, including the Rio Grande National Forest and the Sangre de Cristo Wilderness, forming more than 21,000 acres of permanently protected land along Saguache Creek.

"Much like the rest of our state, Saguache is experiencing unprecedented growth as more people discover the area and the rest of the San Luis Valley," said Wade Shelton, a Senior Project Manager with the Trust for Public Land who led the effort to help the Hill family conserve their ranch operation. "By conserving this land, we're not only preserving the Hill family's legacy and the agricultural heritage of the Saguache Creek corridor, we're also ensuring that hunters, anglers, hikers and mountain bikers will continue to have incredible outdoor experiences and will continue to enjoy the scenic nature of this special part of Colorado."

The newly conserved land is made up of six ranches owned by the Hill family, and marks a more than 20-year initiative to conserve critical natural resources in the northwest corner of southern Colorado's San Luis Valley. The Saguache Creek corridor has a long history of sustaining productive ranches, stretching 25 miles west from the Town of Saguache. This latest effort will keep the Hill family's land in agricultural production, while protecting significant wildlife habitat and ensuring water quality for both humans and wildlife. The six ranches are located in one of

the very few locations in Colorado where healthy populations of elk, mule deer, moose, mountain lions, Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, and pronghorn coexist. The project also preserves high-priority water rights and ensures water quality for native fish species, complementing the hundreds of thousands of acres of adjacent and nearby public land.

After the final conservation papers were signed, the Hill family didn't celebrate or buy anything new, they did what they do best; they went home and worked their cattle until dark, excited about what would come next for their family and the opportunities that the conservation of their land has given them. When they were driving back home, 10-year-old Rivers Hill had this to say, "You know, it's pretty cool that we preserved the ranch today, and now we can do this forever."

The Trust for Public Land purchased the development rights to each of the six ranches in the form of a conservation easement, ensuring that the Hill family can continue to own and work the land, while ensuring that its land and water rights will never be developed and will stay in ranching. CCALT will hold the conservation easement conserving all six ranches in perpetuity, ensuring that this incredible agricultural, ecological and scenic resource stays that way for future generations.

"The Saguache Creek corridor is one of the best examples of landscape-scale conservation in Colorado, and the Hill family has been central to that effort. This latest conservation success adds to the Hill family's conservation legacy and showcases their commitment to agriculture and their community. We are proud to have worked with the Hill family, the Trust for Public Land, the NRCS, and Great Outdoors Colorado to continue ex-

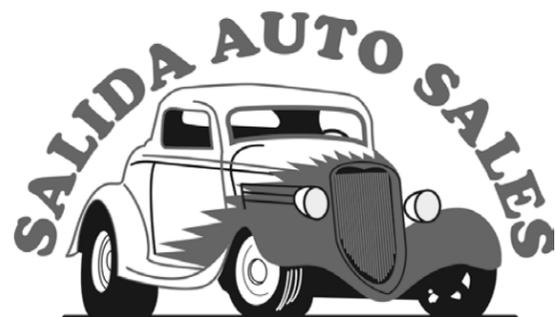
panding this important conservation work along Saguache Creek," said Erik Glenn, executive director of the Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust.

The Trust for Public Land secured funding from Lottery-funded GOCO and the Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) Agricultural Conservation Easement Program to purchase the conservation easement covering the entire property. Both GOCO and NRCS have been critical funding partners to the Trust for Public Land and CCALT as they have worked to protect working agricultural land and water rights along the Saguache Creek corridor over the past 20 years.

"GOCO is proud to have supported this project, and over the course of decades, the conservation of 21,000 acres of land in the Saguache Creek corridor. With this latest project, our partners at the Trust for Public Land and Color-

ado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust continue to build on an incredible legacy of conservation in the region," said GOCO Executive Director Chris Castilian. "We wish to express our deep gratitude for the many conservation-minded families in the corridor whose vision led to the permanent protection of dozens of Colorado ranches, and with this project closing, especially to the Hill family for making an enduring contribution to Colorado's wildlife, waterways and wetlands, and people who enjoy the scenic beauty of the region."

"The Hill family Ranch personifies the purpose of NRCS' Agricultural Conservation Easement Program," said Clint Evans, NRCS State Conservationist in Colorado. "The 5,000 acres protected through ACEP is a cornerstone in ensuring the entire Saguache Creek corridor remains uninterrupted and a safe haven for birds, aquatic and wildlife."



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2145 Indian Well Way - \$359,000
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1255 Eagle OL - \$289,000
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4485 Ridgecrest - \$85,000
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2846 N. Carefree Way - \$295,000
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1194 Hilltop - \$195,000
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Grants



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816 & 815 Deep Creek Trail - \$205,000
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1974CR Highland OL - \$648,000
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3959C Cheerful Court - \$424,000
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Chalets



633C Panorama Way - \$359,000
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1679 Kings Hill OL - \$309,000
Spacious 2 story, 3bd/2bath with two living areas and a view deck on three sides. 2,088sf on 1 treed acre w/easy access to town. Flexible floor plan. In-floor heat, wood stove & passive solar.



224 Rainbow - \$289,000
This 3BD/2BA w/2 living areas in Chalet I has it all! Bonus apartment w/private entrance. Fabulous mtn & valley views. Remodeled luxurious master bath, hardwood floors, new cabinets and more! Renai heaters, woodstove & passive solar.



565 Panorama Way - \$275,000
Charming 2BD/2BA w/loft 1415sf home in high Chalet I w/amazing views. Wraparound balconies, custom built ins, natural rock & flagstone landscaping, shed, grow dome. ETS, wood & baseboard heat. Wood stove w/ custom stone hearth & wall.



2282 Happy Day OL - \$285,000
Unique opportunity to own this 3bd/2ba home with 1 car garage on .86 acre private location outside of POA. Very beautiful finishes & colors. Pine floors, sandstone tiles, woodstove & ETS Garden & fence. Deck and views.



107 Pinewood OL - \$259,000
Spacious 3BD/2BA, lg 2 car garage, built in 2006. Private cul-de-sac. Lg covered front porch, fenced back yard w/deck & awning, bit-in storage in garage & home, & professionally landscaped garden. Energy efficient w/ETS, propane, wood & electric.

Chalets



1573 Kings Hill OL - \$249,000
Immaculate 1377sf 3BD/2BA 1.5-story stucco home on private wooded 0.84-acre lot. Large south-facing windows & wraparound deck offer gorgeous mtn/valley views. Bright Master Suite upstairs. Updated roof, new storage shed & fenced dog run.



2063 Sandstone Way - \$233,000
3 bd/2 ba 1332 sq ft home in Chalet I to be completed early 2020. Bright spacious 1-level floor plan, hardwood flooring, ETS, maple cabinets, vaulted ceilings, master suite, walk-in closet and shower, and new appliances.



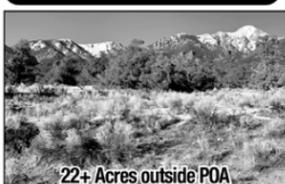
1221 Chaparral Way - \$209,000
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Baca Wildlife Refuge's first talk of season: History & evolution of Fish & Wildlife Service

by *Emmy Savage*

This June 13, Dr. Robert Streeter, former Assistant Director for Refuges and Wildlife of the Interior Department's Fish and Wildlife Service, gave the opening talk for this summer's programs at the Baca Wildlife Refuge. His talk spoke to both the history and the evolution of the Fish and Wildlife Service, its diverse jurisdictions, its funding sources and the principles by which refuges are managed. In his capacity as Assistant Director, Dr. Streeter administered the Service's National Wildlife Refuges, Land Acquisition, Law Enforcement, and Migratory Bird Management. He was born and raised in the prairie town of Madison, South Dakota, site of wetlands, glacial pothole lakes, and remnants of original prairie. As a child he developed a love for this landscape and its animals and migratory water fowl. Both he and Baca Wildlife Refuge manager Ron Garcia knew from an early age that they wanted to go into wildlife management.

As Dr. Streeter began his lecture, I took in the stunning view behind him of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and eastern edge of the Baca Wildlife Refuge with its new trail that will eventually connect the Refuge, Colorado College and the town of Crestone. And I was also thinking about a tour I made four years ago of Door County, Wisconsin, a thumb of land jutting out into Lake Michigan and destination as a stopover site for migrating birds, especially warblers. Door County is home to six wildlife sanctuaries located on the many freshwater bays and inlets that characterize its coastline. It is due north of Chicago, a city that kills more migrating birds than any other U.S. city, with its glass-skinned skyscrapers and night-lit sky. At one of these coastal wetland refuges, camouflaged almost beyond discernment, we came upon a sandhill crane, embedded within her platform nest, her long neck stretched out horizontally across another bank of grass in front of her. She probably wasn't

one of our San Luis Valley Cranes but her journey had been as long and perilous. Now she was safe or safe long enough to raise her chick. And she had been helped on her journey by refuges like ours here in the San Luis Valley.

According to Dr. Streeter, the National Wildlife Refuge System began in 1903 under the leadership of President Theodore Roosevelt with the establishment of the Pelican Island National Refuge in Florida. Since that time, it has grown to include 600 units, 150 million acres of land, and ecosystems and habitats as diverse as mangrove swamps and Arctic tundra. From Guam to Puerto Rico to Prudhoe Bay, habitats are protected that include forests, wetlands, grasslands, and fresh and marine waters, habitats that offer home to bison, endangered fish, ducks, cranes and condors to name a few.

The Fish and Wildlife Service of which the Wildlife Refuge System is a part is the only Federal lands agency dedicated exclusively to the wellbeing of birds, animals and fish. As such, to be effective, it must manage its lands as systems that are connected globally, not in terms of isolated refuges. Refuge management is based on science and the principals laid down by Aldo Leopold, the man considered to be the father of modern ecology and natural sciences. So, for example, the welfare of a pintail duck that stops off at the Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge may be directly impacted by the health and abundance of Prairie Potholes in the Dakotas, Minnesota and Iowa. These glacial depressions provide shallow lake and wetland habitat to nearly 50% of North American migratory waterfowl, including possibly our pintail. That these pothole lakes are being drained faster than they can be reclaimed and restored may require more aggressive study and intervention if our pintail is to survive. But in the meantime, he and his crane neighbors have been helped to survive their journey north by our Monte Vista Wildlife



Wonderful wetlands on the Baca National Wildlife Refuge.

photo by Paul Shippee

Refuge, with its managed water and crops.

Baca Wildlife Manager Ron Garcia offered the observation that while the Refuge System can continue to grow, it doesn't have the resources to manage more and more lands. What has emerged instead are the creation of what are called Conservation Areas whereby through easements and agreements with private landholders, critical habitat and water sources can be protected in perpetuity. The San Luis Valley National Wildlife Refuge Complex consists of five units, Monte Vista, Alamosa, Baca and two Conservation Areas, Sangre de Cristo and San Luis Valley. www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/refuges/slv.php and www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/refuges/lpp_sdc.php. The Conservation Areas limit commercial, residential and industrial development on private land, and ban conversion of land to cropland, drainage of wetlands and the sale of surface water rights or changes in water use. Habitat is protected and the protection of these larger areas, a potential 250,000 acres for Sangre de Cristo and 530,000 acres for San Luis Valley, offer wildlife corridors and protected watersheds that can have a direct and indirect impact on the existing refuges to which they are adjacent. The ability to create these Conservation Areas supports managing the whole San Luis Valley as a system, any part of which affects and is affected by other parts.

Despite past enlightened legislation that supports the connectedness of life, there are multiple forces, according to Dr. Streeter, that threaten the National Wildlife Refuge System. Among them are climate change, sea level rise, habitat loss, water quantity and quality, and political obstructions to adequate funding for both the management and staffing of our refuges. As I write, the House is considering Bill 3195 which would make all funding to the Land and Water Conservation Fund, a major source of funding for the Refuge System, permanent and immuta-

ble, that is not up for negotiation or cuts each year.

What can we, who live here next to the Baca Wildlife Refuge, do? Dr. Streeter had two suggestions. First, we can write our Colorado Senators Bennet and Gardner and ask them to support Senate Bill 1081 that appropriates inviolate and perpetual funding to the Land and Water Conservation Fund. www.lwccoalition.com/legislation. Since Senator Gardner was a co-sponsor, and the bill seems to have bi-partisan support, it will probably pass. But writing will speak to our engagement as a community, our support of our Refuge System and will let them know we are watching. The second thing we can do is go to Friends of the San Luis Valley National Wildlife Refuges website, www.slvrefuges.org, and make a donation or sign up to volunteer.

While I did take a lot of biology in college, I was, in the end, an English major. One of my favorite authors was E.M. Forster who famously wrote, "Only connect! . . . Live in fragments no longer." He was present for his day and for ours. Ecologically speaking, it is a maxim we mustn't forget. Dr. Streeter offered the fact that for every dollar spent on maintaining the refuge system, five are generated, or a total of 2.4 billion dollars, in benefits to the economy in cleaner water, air, recharging of aquifers, public education and experience and visitor dollars spent at events such as our Crane Festival. Often economics are cited as a reason to protect the environment as well they should be. Such figures are what catch the attention of legislators in Washington. But there are many, including Aldo Leopold and Pope Francis, who have cited a moral imperative to protect the earth and its inhabitants. For me, that is the most persuasive reason why I should want my government to protect the Rio Grande sucker and the Rio Grande chub, Wilson's phalaropes and American avocets. They live here too, our neighbors right next to us on the Baca Wildlife Refuge.

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Abortion then and now

by M. Diane Bairstow

In 1919, the year of the woman began on June 4 with passage of the 19th Amendment. Women finally had the right to vote—almost. They still needed 36 states to ratify it and opposition was strong, especially amongst Southern Democrats. The governor of Louisiana, Ruffin Pleasant, supported by his wife Anne, launched an unsuccessful campaign to mobilize 13 states against it.

Pro-suffrage women persisted. They organized demonstrations, marches and protests, and by the end of that same June eight states, Wisconsin, Michigan, Kansas, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Texas, had voted yea. In July, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas and Montana followed suit.

In 2018, the year of the woman began on Nov. 6 when a record number of women (127) were elected to Congress. Women were finally coming into their power—almost. Women still don't have equal rights under the Constitution, and today women are marching for a basic human right—the control of their own bodies.

Today, abortion clinics and Planned Parenthood Centers are challenged by harsh and unreasonable regulations and many have been closed. Planned Parenthood provides vital health and wellness services to low-income women, and abortions account for only 3.4% of these services. So is this attack really only about abortion?

All forms of birth control are under attack.

All forms of birth control are under attack. Title X is a federally funded family planning program recently revised by the Trump administration. These revisions, according to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, will steer women “toward organizations or providers singularly focused on abstinence and fertility awareness methods,” jeopardizing “their access to the most effective forms of contraception, most notably, long-acting reversible contraception, like the IUD and implants.”

In 1919 abortion and contraception were illegal, but in the mid-1880s they were simply a part of life. In fact, drugs to induce abor-

tion were advertised in the newspapers, as were abortion services. In the 1830s, an enterprising English immigrant, Ann Lohman, operating under the name Madam Restell, began practicing in New York. She offered pills and surgery to induce abortions, and by the 1840s, she had expanded her enterprises to Boston and Philadelphia. She advertised openly, and spent approximately \$60,000 each year on advertisements alone.



Advertisements for abortions via pills or surgery were common in the 1800s. Madam Restell, the notorious abortionist spent over \$60,000 on advertising in one year.

Anti-feminism and racial prejudice

A religious zealot, Anthony Comstock, had a mission to rid the country of everything lascivious, lewd and obscene,” which included abortion and birth control. However, according to Leslie Reagan’s award-winning book *When Abortion was a Crime*, it was anti-feminism and racial prejudice that was primarily behind the legislation.

In 1857 the fledgling AMA

launched an anti-abortion campaign. According to Reagan, part of the motivation came from their desire to “control medical practice and restrict their competitors,” namely midwives and homeopaths. It was further fueled by women lobbying for entrance into Harvard Medical School, women who would conceivably be interested in obstetrics and gynecology. The force behind the AMA campaign was Dr. Horatio Storer, a gynecologist.

“White male patriotism demanded that maternity be enforced among white Protestant women.” —Leslie Reagan

Storer was not only against women in the medical profession, he also was worried that whites would be out-populated by “others.” He argued that “white women should be populating the country including the West and the South rather than blacks, Catholics, Mexicans, Chinese or Indians.”

Immigrants were streaming into the country. At the same time, thanks to Madame Restell’s services, married, white native-born Protestant women of the upper and middle classes were having fewer children. Storer asked, “Shall these regions be filled by our own children or by those of aliens? This is a question our women must answer; upon their loins depends the future destiny of the nation.”

Is misogyny and racism behind the government’s push to deny women reliable contraception and abortion? Does the slogan “Make America Great Again” refer to a time when a woman’s place was in the home and not in Congress? Is it fueled by the fear of “breeders” coming from other countries? Does, “White male patriotism” demand “that maternity be enforced among white Protestant women?”

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TROOPER TIPS: Trailer talk

Keep camping season fun and safe by following the rules for towing

by Colorado State Trooper Gary Cutler

Well it's camping season again, and that means everyone is getting ready to head to the mountains with the family. A lot of you have camping trailers that you'll be using on the weekends, so I wanted to talk a little about trailer safety.

It's very important to make sure you and your family make it to your favorite campsite. So here are a few tips on making it safe, fun, and that you get there on time.

First let's hit the basics. All trailers in Colorado must be registered, and have a license plate that is completely visible. This means you can't put bikes or totes or anything else over the plate. It still needs to be visible to law enforcement and if it isn't, can get you pulled over.

While we're back there, make sure you have proper working lights on the trailer. You need brake lights and turn signals that can be seen for at least 500 feet.

Another item to check is your side view mirrors. You must be able to see at least 200 feet to the rear of your vehicle. This means the side view mirrors that came with your vehicle may not be adequate. You can get mirror extensions at a store if you need them,

so check those mirrors prior to starting the trip.

The height of the trailer can't be more than 14 feet, 6 inches, and the combined coupled units cannot have more than four units and be no longer than a total of 70 feet.

As far as loading the truck and trailer, please don't overload the vehicles. None of the load can project beyond four feet of the front grille. It can't extend beyond the sides of the vehicle and also can't block any of the driver's view.

Check your brakes prior to the trip and know that trailers with a weight of more than 3,000 pounds need to be equipped with brakes on all wheels.

As far as towing the trailer, make sure the distance between the vehicles doesn't exceed 15 feet. Besides the drawbar, chains or cables are also required (unless it's a 5th wheel) to ensure the trailer can't break free from the power unit.

Last but not least, while traveling, no one can ride in the trailer.

I know this has been a huge amount of information in a short space, but I want you to have a fun and safe camping-filled summer. Remember, only you can prevent forest fires, so please be careful out there.

As always, safe travels!



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tures relating to the solstice and equinox. Colorado College currently has two astronomy professors and plans to add an additional astronomer and additional classroom offerings, such as “Cultural Astronomy of the Southwest.” They will involve our community in this initiative and are interested in partnering with our Crestone Charter School. Imperative to our successful dark sky designation application is curriculum support from the Crestone Charter School. This support can take any of various forms that will help our young people learn what a precious natural resource is our night sky heritage. Dark Sky designation is based on stringent outdoor lighting standards and innovative community outreach. The continuing ability to experience the dark sky, which is the result, provides young and old alike perspective, inspiration and leads us to reflect on our humanity and place in the universe. Our residents believed in 2004, and continue steadfastly to believe today, that protecting the quality of the night sky and reducing light pollution is an important quality-of-life value.

Night skies are a connection between all humans and all time. Night skies have been relied upon for timekeeping, worship, navigation, landscape recognition, and storytelling, and yet do not enjoy universal protection. The cultural significance of astronomy in myths, legends and science is disappearing as those areas of the world which today enjoy exceptionally dark skies are being lost as more and more people bring with them increasing light pollution. Artificial light at night is not simply a nuisance but a real concern for human health. The dark night communicates something fundamental to our human biology. Circadian rhythm controls 10-15% of our genes. Research shows light pollution affects all of our wildlife and our vegetation as well. Changes have been recorded in feeding and breeding behavior in response to nighttime light pollution. In fact, the biological world is organized largely by light. We are just now beginning to understand the nocturnality of entire ecosystems, from the smallest plant to the largest creature.

Ours is a pristine part of Colorado, a place of majestic beauty by day and, by night, one of the darkest places in the west, also a place which is going to experience a dramatic increase in growth in the next few years. If we fail to protect our valley communities and surrounding protected lands with their exceptional dark skies now, it may be too late as the future brings more and more people and more and more light pollution with them. As a result of increasing urbanization and population growth, our valley is one of the last remaining sanctuaries of nearly pristine dark night sky, particularly in its large areas of federally protected public lands. Preserving the darkness of this remarkable sanctuary is essential to support these natural ecosystems and wilderness areas. Protecting our dark night sky helps preserve the natural scenic, historic, fish and wildlife, recreational value of our valley. Not protecting the night sky will destroy the habitat of many animals and, with that, the ability of the intricate web of nature to sustain itself.

Arising from the Town’s initiative to become designated as a dark sky community, the Town is partnering with the Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, the Baca National Wildlife Refuge, the Bureau of Land Management, the surrounding Rio Grande National Forest and other surrounding, nearly pristine dark sky areas including the Orient Land Trust, the Westcliffe Dark Sky Community, surrounding West Mountain National Forest and part of the surrounding Custer County area, a large portion of Huerfano County and the San Isabel National Forest and John Milton’s Way of Nature sanctuary. The resulting coalition, dedicated to habitat stewardship, is preparing an application to become an accredited International Dark Sky Reserve. It is centered around the Sangre de Cristo Wilderness Area and has accordingly named itself the Sangre de Cristo International Dark Sky Reserve. San Luis Valley Great Outdoors (SLVGO) is coordinating the activity of the emerging Sangre de Cristo Reserve. The Reserve designation is the highest and most coveted award bestowed by the International Dark Sky Association. There are currently only thirteen designated Dark Sky Reserves in the world: one in the US (the Central Idaho Dark Sky Reserve), one in Canada, one in Africa and ten in Europe.

On July 25 at 8pm, the Baca National Wildlife Refuge, Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, and the Town of Crestone will present a program which will interpret the area’s brilliant and incredibly dark Summer sky. Included will be information about the Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve’s recent designation as an International Dark Sky Park. Town of Crestone personnel will describe the Town’s commitment to control the growth of artificial light pollution and the preservation of its equally dark nighttime environment as it continues its journey to become designated as an International Dark Sky Community. The collaborative efforts to establish a Sangre de Cristo International Dark Sky Reserve will also be included in the program. The event will take place at the Baca National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters. Light refreshments will be provided by the Town of Crestone. Crestone-Baca residents are urged to attend and to learn how each may join in the preservation of their community’s incredibly dark skies.

It seems that, perhaps by chance, our small gateway community is being offered an opportunity to become a wayshower for our valley to recognize, protect and preserve its exceptional dark skies, and also to communicate that awe and wonder to our young people through local school curriculum and nighttime experiences. A rising tide lifts all boats as our local valley communities begin to support dark sky preservation and as individuals we can no longer take for granted something each of us is being blessed with—every night—when we look up at our starry sky.



The Great Sand Dunes with the Milky Way overhead.

photo by Patrick Myers

Sand Dunes

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According to Barbara Kingsolver, a science writer, novelist and poet, “in the summer of 1996, a subtle, unheralded transition took place—the majority of the Earth’s population was now urban rather than rural. Consequently, the environment most of us live in now is one of concrete, steel, brick, glass and artificial light. Our celestial views are vanishing. I wonder how people will imagine the infinite when they have never seen how the stars fill a dark night sky.” It is estimated that by 2050, two thirds of the world’s population will live in cities. NASA estimates that only 17% of Americans have ever seen the Milky Way—our home galaxy.

Our National Parks, particularly in the west, provide places of refuge from urban life where visitors can reconnect to their cultural and historical ties to celestial wonders above. Here at Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, we greet roughly half a million visitors annually from all over the United States and the world and invite them to share our recuperative night skies.

Thomas Edison patented the first commercially viable incandescent light bulb in 1879, a mere 140 years ago. Sure, it’s thrilling to see a thousand stars in a dark night sky, but artificial light has been a tremendous boon to mankind. Unfortunately, 140 years of artificial light isn’t even a blink of an eye in evolutionary time. All life, whether it be plant, insect, animal or human, evolved hundreds of thousands to millions of years before the light bulb changed our world. We’re all struggling to adapt to this new world of light. We have developed a Circadian Rhythm, our day-night cycle. We live in a world of light now, and our rhythms have been disrupted. Our human brains are hard-wired to acquire information during our waking hours and process that information while we sleep. What information should be kept and what can be discarded? Our brains are trying to link what we learned during the day to memories we already have.

So what can we do about this disruption to our Circadian Rhythm? First, manage your sleep cycle. The Center for Disease Control says that adults should get at least seven to eight hours of sleep a night; teenagers should get nine hours of sleep; and it goes down to

toddlers needing ten to twelve hours of sleep in a 24-hour period including naps. Put down your devices or set them to go to a softer light two hours before you plan to retire for the night.

Outdoor lighting

The night sky is a completely recoverable natural resource with properly designed and installed outdoor lighting. The IDA has six outdoor lighting principles that have been adopted by the National Park Service.

- Light only if you need it
- Light only when you need it
- Aim the light where it is needed
- Use appropriate color spectra lighting (<3000°K)
- Use the minimum amount of light necessary
- Use energy-efficient lamps and fixtures

Great Sand Dunes has written these principles into our Lighting Management Plan. Over the past four years, our Facilities Management Team has been replacing outdoor lighting fixtures with fully shielded, downward facing, programmable, energy efficient (LED) fixtures. IDA requires that outdoor park lighting must be at least 67% IDA compliant at the time of application. We are 81% IDA compliant today and are committed to be 95% compliant in five years and 100% compliant within ten years.

The second requirement to become a Dark Sky Park is to measure the quality of our night skies with a special photometer that measures darkness. Our Resources Management Team has taken three years of data on our sky quality, and these measurements put us in the Gold Tier (darkest) park designation. The Sangre de Cristo Mountains effectively shield us from the light domes of the Front Range population centers making Great Sand Dunes one of the darkest places in the nation. Finally, we continue to communicate the importance of dark skies through our Ranger-led Moonlight Walks and our Evening Ranger Programs. We are also working with Alamosa and Saguache Counties on lighting issues that could impact the park.

Research has shown that camping two to three nights under the stars can completely reset a person’s Circadian Rhythm. Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve is one of the best places in the country to do just that. We invite you to join us and gaze in awe at the celestial wonders above. Remember “Half the Park is after Dark.”

Garden Guru

A time of overabundance



by **Matie Belle Lakish**

Summer is finally here, and with it comes abundance—sometimes too much. This has been a wet year, so far, and we are seeing weeds galore, as well as some of our favorites over-producing.

Thinning is tedious, and many gardeners, especially beginning gardeners, can't bear to waste all those plants by just pulling them out. I've been there. I know. You work hard digging through the rocks, removing the grass and other native vegetation, enrich your soil, and install your irrigation system. Finally, you get to plant, and when all those little carrots show their thin little first leaves you want to kiss them, not thin them.

But the consequences are significant. Un-thinned, the carrots will do their best to find the nutrients they need. They will send long skinny taproots deep into the soil, often twisting around other roots and rocks, so that when you dig them in the fall you will have nothing over half an inch in diameter, if you can excavate it at all. If the crop is a leaf crop, plants will be skinny and have weak stems. Crowded lettuce, kale, chard or spinach will often bolt, or put up flower stalks, early to try to mature seeds before they give up on their crowded conditions. They will lean out in absurd positions to try to find sun and water. Corn or beans will be stunted and produce small cobs or pods, or none at all.

Consider the needs of a healthy plant. A good-sized carrot is an inch or more wide. Thin them to an inch and a half. Beets, depending on variety, need 3 to 4 inches. Turnips about the same. Thin kale and other greens to about four inches. You can thin them more later if needed. Corn needs about 6 to 8 inches, beans and peas about 2 inches, although pole beans can be planted close to and use the stalks as a trellis. This is good from a nutrient point of view, as beans fix nitrogen for the corn.

Thinning, can, however, be progressive. For instance, I initially thin kale to an inch apart, then let the plants grow to about 6 inches tall before I thin again. That way I have the thinnings to eat while the other plants are still growing. This strategy works well with greens, including salad greens. Some small carrots and beets can be harvested while thinning. It does not work so well with corn, beans, or squash where the harvest is the seed of the plant.

Weeds are another issue. A lot of gardeners are now using some kind of weed barrier. Commercially, many organic growers nationwide are using black plastic to completely cover their fields, except for the small holes where the plants go. This is, apparently, a good way for large-scale organic growers to avoid using Round-Up and other herbicides to control weeds. There are some downsides to this. First, the plastic means the plants are completely dependent on irrigation, as rain can't penetrate. Another factor is disposal. Mountains of plastic films are being disposed of in dumps every year.

Other weed barriers are made with a type of paper that disintegrates and can be incorporated into the soil. I have seen this work on a small scale with newspaper or cardboard. Most cardboard has a protein-based glue that is not incompatible with gardens, and will eventually be incorporated into the soil. Dyes and coatings on some boxes can be a problem, however, and they rarely disintegrate in one season. Black, carbon-based newsprint, such as on *The Crestone Eagle* is not usually a problem. I have not personally used any of the commercial paper mulches, and they may be a good choice, but I would not count on them disintegrating in one season in our climate. Most paper needs to be covered to keep it from blowing around.

Fabric or fiber-based weed barriers, such as those used by some



Without thinning, plants will fail to thrive.

professional landscape companies, can work well for a while, but I have noticed that some plants will do everything they can to get through or around them. Russian sage is particularly bad about this, but many other strong perennials will also push through. These plants send runners horizontally under the fiber until they find a seam or a weak spot where they push through to find the light. Abundant water under the barrier encourages this. Once plants have expanded like this, it is a major project, involving removing and replacing the barrier, to correct the problem. Uncovering the barrier, removing it, digging up the invading plants, then replacing the fiber and mulch can be a major undertaking.

Natural mulches can have their issues, as well. Bark mulches brought in from other parts of the country can have lots of foreign weed seeds. Northwest cedar mulches are popular, but cedar can inhibit the growth of the plant it surrounds. Red cedar, or Juniper, is quite toxic to other plants. Wood chips are similar. Local cottonwood bark or fiber should be good, although it may have seeds mixed in. Pine is not as problematic as juniper, but may inhibit growth to some extent, and is probably best used in paths.

Personally, I prefer wood chips or shavings in paths and under trees, but for the vegetable garden, I prefer straw or leaves or grass clippings. These are easily moved around and placed strategically to

maximize coverage of weeds and irrigation. Root-runners of sage and other creeping plants are easily pulled out and the mulch replaced.

While none of these are high in nitrogen, and may need a manure or compost supplement to qualify as a soil enhancement, I have noticed that these mulches do, over time, improve soil fertility, tilth, and earthworm habitat. They also moderate soil temperatures by holding in heat at night and preventing overheating on hot summer days, and they help keep soils moist during the dry months.

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Baca Grande Library News



by **Suzanne McGregor**

Just a reminder to those who might have missed this information last month—the summer reading program at the library is going strong on Tuesday mornings from 11am to noon. The program “Animal Tails” is for toddlers through grade school age and is presented by Penny from the Saguache Public Library.

There is no charge for the program, and registration forms are available in the library. Drop-ins are welcome, and healthy snacks will be served. Parents are encouraged to stay for the program if they choose to do so, and older kids are welcome to assist the younger ones who might need a helping hand.

Please be sure to visit our annual Root Beer Float booth at the 4th of July celebration in the park. This event, sponsored by the Baca Grande Friends of the Library (FOL), is one of their main fundraisers for our library. The FOL uses funds to enhance our current library, like the new display table in the front room. It is being custom-made to match the

circulation desk and will be ready soon. The FOL encourages all community members to support this valuable community resource and become a member of this group. You can sign up at the library to get information about the FOL and their schedule of monthly meetings.

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visiting your local library.”—American Library Association on the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

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Note: The library will be closed on Thursday, July 4 in observance of the many freedoms with which we are blessed.

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There's No Such Thing As A Weed

by Dorje Root, RH (AHG)

Aconite or Monkshood (*Aconitum columbianum*)



I was delighted a few years back to come across a monkshood plant in flower. I hadn't seen one before and it's always a thrill to come across a new friend. It's kind of like meeting a Facebook friend in person for the first time. Monkshood likes to grow near the creeks where the ground is damp. It's a beautiful plant in the buttercup family. The leaves look similar to wild geranium, and the purple flower looks a bit like larkspur without the tail.

I hesitated to write about Monkshood before because even though it's a medicinal herb, it really is quite toxic. It has been used topically as a liniment on unbroken skin for conditions such as shingles. The tincture has been used internally in single drop doses, usu-

ally for pain. It has been used for people who have strong vital force and are suffering from an acute situation. Again, monkshood is a poisonous plant, please respect it.

Aconite (*Aconitum napelles*) can safely be used homeopathically. It's used in the first stages of illness, usually for the sudden onset of a cold, fever or flu after being exposed to cold or wind. Emotional indications include fear, panic, and possibly fear of death. People with low vital force don't get illnesses that are helped by aconite.

As a flower essence monkshood has been used for "repression of spiritual capacities due to fear of psychic opening, often associated with traumatic memory, of near death or related threshold experiences; paralysis of spiritual forces

due to prior trauma or cultic abuse" (Flower Essence Society). And this from Lioness Energetics, "Monkshood—named for its resemblance to a monk's hood—addresses relationship, both spiritual/personal and social/collective. It can be helpful for those prone to hermitry, or who are living "like monks"—to feel safe interacting with others and with the world, and to desire interaction. (It teaches that this interplay can be sweet, gentle and unconditional.) Whether one is hiding behind literal or metaphorical walls, this essence supports the removal of outworn defenses and unnecessary armor (its top sepal also resembles a soldier's helmet). It is about cooperation between soul groups, species, galaxies . . . and connection with same."

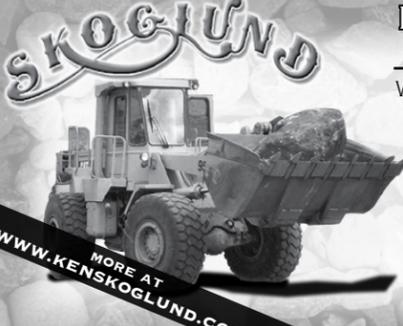
If you are lucky enough to come across this plant, sit with it and get to know its unique personality. Enjoy.

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Mountain Mamas Tell Tall Tales

The Magic Carpet

by **Kizzen Laki**

A used Persian area rug was one of the first pieces of furniture I owned. That and an oak kitchen table and my start of Fiesta Ware were given to me by Ray and C'Belle Gumm. In 1972 we landed in Colorado on the 1000-acre ranch west of Nathrop owned by the Gums. The ranch was no longer a working ranch and only had a couple of ancient horses and a totally wild paint mare. The Gums, now in their 80s, had long ago moved to Sun City, Arizona but kept the ranch house as a summer home. We were young total greenhorns and they kinda took us in and let us rent a ranch-hand house. Except we couldn't afford the rent so they put us to work tending the horses, repairing outbuildings and fences.

The Gums decided to clear out much of their stuff in storage so we helped them pack, sort and move. Valuable things went to Arizona, lesser things they gave to us. My husband and friend and I had arrived with just what we had in our 1952 white Chevy pickup. They gave us blankets and kitchen ware, odds and ends of things and that 5' x 6' Persian rug. It was used, but well-cared for and the nicest thing I had. Rich red and brown patterns, warm colors with a soft wool nap. I felt rich just owning it.

The rug became the center of my home. It also became the indicator of "home". I had it in my cabin in Chalk Creek and my two oldest children learned to crawl on that rug—its thickness protecting their knees. It was where they played with blocks or cars or dolls.

When I finally moved from the cabin it went to the next place. So did the oak kitchen table, and now a pie cupboard and a very heavy used upright piano that I rescued and repaired after finding it literally dumped at a Goodwill drop off box. I cleaned mouse nests out of it, reset keys, patched the sound board and let the kids bang on it to their hearts content. It was also one big back-breaking object to move everytime I moved. And I moved a lot for awhile. Home was where the heart—and the rug—was.

The little apartment in town, new and strange to the kids, had the rug put down right in the middle and became the kids' home place. Familiar patterns for the toy cars to travel, a soft place to read books, play games or take a nap with a blanky. I told stories about magic carpets and we pretended to fly—over the houses to far-away places on grand adventures. Hold on to the edges, don't fall off! We laughed and flew, cuddled and slept on our very own magic rug. (Not



Kizzen with her daughter and baby son with another child visiting a friend's house.

everyone had one but we did!)

We moved into a creekside home and there was the rug. It got rolled onto the top of a Volkswagen Bug. It was in the bottom of a pickup truck with a topper shell. It fit perfectly on the floor of the tent that we lived in for 3 months when we moved to the Baca Ranch. Myself, new husband, two young kids, a new little baby, and a large Irish setter camped in the tent. Pads and blankets over the top of the Persian rug. Home is right here.

Years of hard use, kids and dogs, started taking their toll on the rug. The nap became worn down to threads that were coming apart and the edges frayed. It did a few months' stint in a teepee and that's

what finally did the rug in. When the next home came along the rug was nearly a rag. Those beautiful Persian reds and browns were gone. But still. But still. It went out onto the porch to wipe your feet, a place for the dog to nap—coming undone, coming apart.

It didn't make the next move into our long-time home. The kids were older, the magic had shifted to other things. There were other rugs. The piano moved on. The oak table I still have. The Fiesta Ware I use every day. The kids are all grown, with real homes of their own. They may not even remember that rug.

But when I remember those days of my bright-eyed toddlers and young children and our adventurous gypsy life while we searched for a home, I see under our feet, under small bottoms, a lush red and brown magic carpet that was always ready for a child—or a ride.

In the 1970's Kizzen and her family lived in the back country of the Colorado mountains. They chopped wood and hauled water and had marvelous adventures. This is a story from those days.



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ONE HAND CLAPPING

Is peace verboten?

by Tom deMers

Little boats attack big boats, grainy photographs, unprovoked attacks. Sound familiar? Sound perhaps like August 2, 1964, when the USS Maddox was attacked off the coast of Vietnam? The Maddox actually dodged two torpedoes that day, fired from little boats over a mile away. The big lie came two days later, a second unprovoked attack, never happened. It led to war.

Unprovoked? Yes, according to the defense department at the time. But years later when the truth emerged, told by no less than Defense Secretary Robert McNamara in his memoirs (confirmed in a 2005 report by the National Security Agency), the US military in conjunction with the CIA had been running covert actions along the coast of North Vietnam for months and violating international waters that North Vietnam claimed, limits the French established many years earlier. The Maddox was “peacefully” doing that, six miles inside the twelve-mile limit when it was confronted.

Hindsight reveals the US was picking a fight. They (we) got what they wanted, having forgotten that Asian soldiers can be damn tough. About 54,000 Americans paid with their lives for that bit of bullying. The “domino theory” was the justification, the idea that if Vietnam went communist, then the rest of the region would tumble like dominoes. Wrong. Capitalism was spooked by communism since before the Russian Revolution.

Perhaps the way it is spooked by Iran right now. Or is Islam only our Russian president’s phobia? Oops! Did I say that? But wait. He likes Russia, so is communism okay now? Vlad Putin our pal? Gets real confusing. The constant seems to be America’s need for enemies. Commies in a slump? Let’s bust it up with the Ayatollah. Yeah, gotta protect Israel. And the *real deal*: keep the oil flowing. Oh, but not Iran’s oil. The Tonkin Gulf has been updated to the Straits of Hormuz.

Whatever happened to peace? Why is that never an option until after much blood has been spilled?

Guns in our schools. Arm the teachers. Arm the janitor. A gun is a mentality. And the backbone of a multi-billion-dollar defense industry, our American complex. There’s a bullet in a lot of paychecks.

No question. Elements within Islam intend harm to Christians and the west, but they are not the heart of Islam. Shaykha Fariha* is the spiritual guide of a worldwide community of Sufi Muslims. After two mosques were attacked and 51 worshipers killed by a white terrorist last March, she responded with this: “As a response to the events in Christchurch (Christ is truly there in the midst of the tragedy), feel more connected to everyone on earth, reach out more, recognize our shared human/divine inheritance and pray for forgiveness and guidance for all of us . . . By holding this prayerful state of conscious unity, we will help to bring about peace. Peace only comes with unity. We will never achieve peace through separation.”

No guns or enemies in any of this. So, if war turns a profit, and America is the world’s leading economic *super* power (*big hands on the tiller*), it may be that peace rather than Islam is what the bullet mind finds most fearful. It’s the mind without mindfulness that freaks me out. As Louis Carroll put it, “Beware the frumious Bander-snatch.”

**quote courtesy of Kate Steichen who guides a local Sufi community*

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Solution to crossword puzzle from page B-17.

DISPATCH

from the edge 



by Peter Anderson

It was not a difficult stretch of river—just a few class two riffles—but it was running high and fast and eddies were scarce. Caroline, my 14-year-old daughter and I were paddling inflatable kayaks or “duckies,” a name that doesn’t really do justice to the nature of the boat, which is quick and sleek compared to a thirteen-foot raft like the no-frills “bucket boat” our friends were paddling just upstream. Rosalea, my older daughter and her friend Chenoa, both of them kids who have grown up going down rivers, weren’t far behind us in a tandem “duckie.” Even though we weren’t expecting any big water on this stretch, we hadn’t been on this part of the river before, so I wanted to make sure we weren’t too spread out. “Let’s eddy out when we can, so everyone can catch up,” I told Caroline.

Easier said than done. Slower water was virtually non-existent along this stretch. A menacing slate-colored sky above us troubled me; anvil-shaped storm clouds further down valley even moreso. This was an early season run and it was cold. I was scanning the river bank ahead for a place, in between piles of sharp-edged timbers and branches, where we might pull in and warm up. I pointed out some shallows, a small opening that might offer us a resting place for a little while. We paddled in that direction, but it was soon clear that Caroline wasn’t going to make it. “Never mind, Honey,” I hollered, but it was too late. She slid sideways into some sweeper branches, which held her, for the time being, in some quieter water. After I slid by with the rest of the river, I turned my boat upstream and paddled hard, hoping to pull in just below her. Rosalea and Chenoa drifted by while Caroline was trying, without much luck, to paddle or pry herself loose from the branches. “Don’t lean upstream,” I told her, but it was too late. The far edge of her boat caught too much water and over she went.

“Stay with your boat,” Rosalea shouted. I kept trying to buck the current long enough to let Caroline catch up. It was no use. I could tell she was cold and scared, although she was doing her best to hide it. But she had managed to hang on to her paddle and boat and she was finally in quieter water where she could stand. My pal Scottie, a seasoned river hand, was guiding the paddle boat down toward her and would be there soon. She wasn’t really in imminent danger, and she’s a tough kid besides, but that didn’t keep me from paddling toward her, even though I knew there wasn’t much I could do. Then I heard Rosalea holler, “Dad, look out behind you!” A hundred feet downstream, a massive blue spruce choked off half the river. With some reluctance, I paddled away from my daughter, heading further out into the river to avoid the danger downstream. Then I watched from a distance as Scottie and crew swooped in, made the rescue, and steered clear of the big spruce.

That night I didn’t sleep well. In that not-quite-doing twilight, I replayed our river mishap over and over. Each time I felt just as helpless, drifting further downstream from a daughter in need. Having guided on the Arkansas in the late seventies and before that on the Colorado through the Grand Canyon, I have seen plenty of river wrecks, many of which could have turned out worse than they did. I have never witnessed a death on the river, but I remember hearing about the occasional fatality back in those early guiding days and I remember how that would cast a pall over the entire boating community. The river day I have described here doesn’t even come close to the danger of other river situations I have seen, but rivers are never entirely safe. If they were, boating would not be an adventure.

But this time the adventure involved my daughter. I continued to replay the incident in that late night magic theater of the mind? And when I got tired of re-playing the real incident, I played a fictional version in which my daughter went into the river but did not come out. Why? Did I have a gloom and doom obsession? Was I blending in some tragic drama to placate the boredom that comes with insomnia? I can’t say for sure, but I woke up with a visceral sense that life is always tenuous on a river or anywhere else for that matter. Try as we might, we can only do so much to protect the ones we love.

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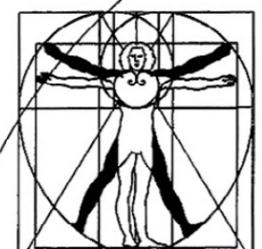
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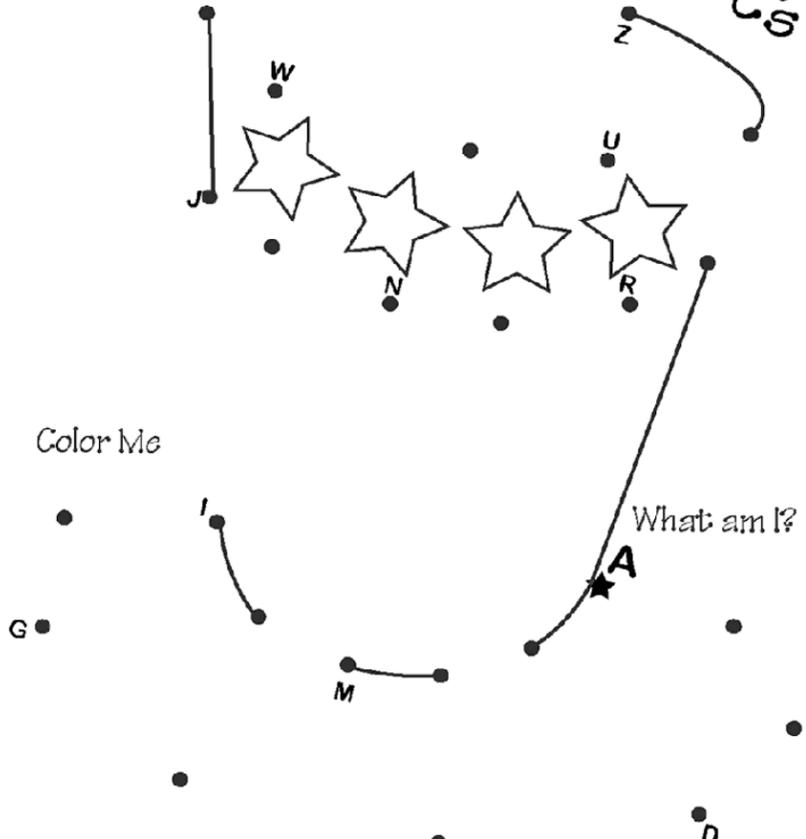
Where did our first president keep all of his mice?
Mount Vermin!
 What do you call an American drawing?
Yankee doodler!
 What did the colonists wear to the Boston Tea Party?
Tea-shirts.
 Which famous person do you get when you make a wreath out of \$100 bills?
Aretha Franklin!
 What did one firecracker say to the other firecracker?
My pop is bigger than your pop!
 What kind of tea did the American colonists thirst for?
Liberty.
 What quacks, has webbed feet, and betrays his country?
Beneduck Arnold.
 Where did George Washington buy his hatchet?
At the chopping mall.
 What do you get if you cross a patriot with a small curly-haired dog?
Yankee Poodle.
 What has feathers, webbed feet, and

certain inalienable rights?
The Ducklaration of Independence.
 What do you get if you cross the first signer of the Declaration of Independence with a rooster?
John Hancock-a-doodle-doo.
 What do you get when you cross a dinosaur and fireworks?
Dino-mite.
 True or False? The Declaration of Independence was written in Philadelphia.
False. It was written in ink.
 Why did the British soldiers wear red coat?
So they could hide in the tomatoes.
 What's red, white and blue?
A sad candy cane!
 What's red, white, black and blue?
Uncle Sam falling down the stairs.
 What's red, white, blue, and green?
A patriotic pickle.
 What else is red, white, blue and green?
A seasick Uncle Sam.
 And what else is red, white, blue, and green?
A patriotic turtle!
 What's red, white, blue, and ugly?
The Revolutionary Wartbog.
 What was the craziest battle of the Revolutionary War?
The Battle of Bonkers Hill.
 What do you eat on the 5th of July?
Independence Day-old pizza.
 What's George Washington's favorite store?
The Dollar store.

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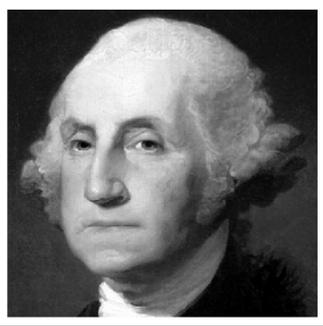
Across

- Wear this to protect yourself from the sun
- Opposite of dry
- What is the _____ like in summer?
- Lying in the sun to get a tan
- Large oblong green fruit with red center
- Spring, _____, Fall, Winter
- Winter is to cold as Summer is to _____
- To cook outdoors

Down

- Cold, and made with fruits and milk served in a cone (two words)
- Wear these to protect your eyes from the sun
- Spring, Summer, Fall, _____
- Where waves meet the sand
- Game played on the beach with a net and ball
- Riding on the wave with a special board

Word Bank
 SAND CASTLES WINTER SUMMER SUNBATHING HOT WEATHER VOLLEYBALL WET
 SUN GLASSES BARBECUE SURFING WATERMELON BEACH SUN SCREEN ICE CREAM



George Washington Fun Facts

George Washington owned a distillery. that produced nearly 11,000 gallons of whiskey a year. It was one of the largest distilleries in America. A reproduction of it can be seen at Mt. Vernon.

He was the only president unanimously elected. Meaning all of the state representatives voted for him.

He never served as president in Washington D.C., the capital that was named for him. In his first year the capital was in New York City, then moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

He was six feet tall, which was very tall for the 1700s.

The story of George Washington chopping down his father's cherry tree is considered fiction and likely never happened.

George Washington did not have wooden teeth, but did wear dentures made from ivory.

Washington gave freedom to his slaves in his will.

Find 10 differences



THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE UGLY

—MOVIE RECOMMENDATIONS



by Ish

1/ Dead to Me: (2019) Series/11 episodes. Well done series mixing grief and humor. A powerful friendship develops over a grief therapy group with an uptight widower and a free spirit. Stars: Christina Applegate, Linda Cardellini, James Marsden (4 stars)

2/ Rim of the World: (2019) A story of four misfit teenagers, who are at a summer camp reluctantly, joining forces to save the world when an alien invasion occurs. Flows well, entertaining. (3.25 stars)

3/ King Kong: (2005) Re-make of a classic, here an overly ambitious movie producer coerces his cast and a hired ship crew to travel to a mysterious Skull Island. They encounter a wild tribe and find Kong who becomes smitten with the leading lady, Ann Darrow. Great special effects with giant bugs, dinosaurs and of course King Kong. Stars: Naomi Watts, Jack Black, Adrien Brody, Colin Hanks (4 stars)

4/ John Carter: (2012) John Carter is a Civil War veteran who, when asked by the Army to join and refuses, is locked up. While escaping he finds a cave and encounters someone with a medallion. When he touches it he is transported to Mars, where he is able to leap hundreds of feet. Here the movie unfolds as he becomes a hero on Mars. Stars: Taylor Kitsch, Lynn Collins, Samantha Morton, Willem Dafoe (3.5 stars)

5/ Rolling Thunder Revue: (2019) Wow, another incredible film by Martin Scorsese. In 2 hours and 22 minutes he captures a mix of documentary, concert film, road trip and fantasy, the spirit of America circa 1975 and the joyous music of Bob Dylan during that time. An insightful and insideful glimpse of Bob Dylan and a great capture of Joan Baez's humor. Stars: Bob Dylan, Allen Ginsberg, Patti Smith, Joan Baez, Ramblin' Jack Elliot, Sam Shepard, Sharon Stone, Anne Waldman (5 stars)

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—Nelson Mandela

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THEME: THE 4TH OF JULY

ACROSS

- Reproductive cell
- Tai's partner
- At the stern
- Do like phoenix
- Person of French descent
- It can't be refused?
- Hand-to-hand combat weapon
- Sty sound
- Justin Bieber's 2015 hit
- *Pyrotechnic display
- De-wrinkler
- Expression of delight
- *"O say can you ____"
- *One of three presidents who died on July 4
- Gloria Gaynor's "I Will ____"
- Turkish military leader
- With complex decorations
- Biblical place of bliss
- Economic crisis
- South American tuber
- Gladiator's turf
- Serum, pl.
- Stellar
- Humpty Dumpty did this
- "Jeopardy" competitor, e.g.
- Blotch or dapple
- 34th Pres.
- Unmanned flyer
- MXN, as in currency
- *British monarch
- *____ Burr, officer in Revolutionary War and VP
- Aquarium dweller
- Of two minds
- *Puts John Hancock down
- Log splitter
- Arrival times
- Plays for pay
- Ball in a socket
- "____ and rave"

DOWN

- Approach in music education
- The last Henry Tudor
- Soviet acronym
- Shooting star
- Capital of Egypt
- ____-dory
- Varieties
- '70s hairdo
- "Where the Red ____ Grows"
- "Don't ____ this at home!"
- Pyle of "The Andy Griffith Show"
- Willow twig
- *"The Stars and Stripes ____"
- What pertussis patients do
- Johnny Cash's boy with unfortunate name
- En ____, or all together
- Watcher
- a.k.a. Pleasant Island
- *State on Old Glory
- "That is," Latin
- Like bribe-taking politician
- Related on mother's side
- Narrow margin of victory
- *Stamp ____, imposed tax on American colonies
- *One of two Presidents to sign the Constitution
- "____ came a spider..."
- Gobbled up
- Like libertine
- Venerated paintings in Orthodox church
- ____-totter
- Unpleasant airport news
- One in Pinkerton's gallery
- Twosome
- RenÉ Descartes' "therefore"
- Hunted animal
- Itty-bitty bit
- Persian Gulf country
- Research facil.
- Pharaoh's cobra

Crossword puzzle solution on page B-15

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06/17/2019

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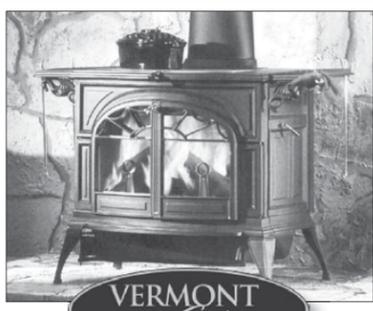
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EARTH TALK

Questions & Answers About Our Environment

Dear EarthTalk:
If we already know how to capture carbon dioxide (CO2) and turn it into fuel, why aren't we doing more of it?

—M.N. Daly, Springfield, MA

With recent measurements detecting the highest levels of atmospheric CO2 in human history—and experts warning we have less than a dozen years to turn around our profligate emissions to avoid cataclysmic changes—the time is nigh to start ratcheting down our carbon footprints. One solution that seems obvious but has been slow to get out of the starting gate is scrubbing large amounts of CO2 from the air and recycling it as a feedstock to produce carbon-neutral fuels to power our machines.

We have known how to capture CO2 from the air at large scale since the 1950s, but it wasn't until the late 1990s that environmentalists started looking to so-called "Direct Air Capture" (DAC) as one of a suite of tools at our disposal for dealing with the greenhouse effect. Since then, researchers have been scrambling to come up with the most efficient ways to capture CO2.

Massachusetts-based start-up Carbon Engineering formed in 2011 in an effort to produce and eventually commercialize DAC technology that can use captured CO2 to make fuel at costs competitive with producing conventional fossil fuels. After several years of research and development and implementation of its technologies at a pilot plant in British Columbia, the company has been able to get the costs of capturing CO2 down to ~\$100/ton—six times less than previous models predicted was possible.

But it's what happens next that has environmental advocates jazzed. Carbon Engineering's so-



Carbon Engineering has proven at its Canadian pilot plant in Squamish, British Columbia that it can suck greenhouse gases out of the air through so-called Direct Air Capture (DAC) and process them into liquid fuels at a cost nearly as cheap as producing fossil fuels.

lar-powered electrolyzer splits water into hydrogen and oxygen, and then combines the hydrogen with previously captured CO2 to make carbon-neutral gasoline, diesel or even jet fuel. Assuming a \$100/ton cost for capturing atmospheric CO2, the company can produce these eco-friendly fuels for about \$1/liter, which is only marginally more expensive than their fossil-fuel counterparts. The hope is that costs will come down to below fossil fuels as demand grows and facilities scale up. Also, as more states follow California's lead in requiring increasingly significant portions of their fuel mixes to come from "low-carbon" sources, demand for these green alternative fuels will rise and prices will likely drop even more.

R&D like this isn't limited to the U.S. Spain's SUN-to-LIQUID project uses unique solar concentration technologies that combine sunlight with oxygen and atmospheric CO2 to get three times as much energy out of the sun's rays as existing solar "reactors." The resulting "synthesis fuel" combines hydrogen and carbon monoxide and could be used to power vehicles or any type of engine equipped to deal with it.

And a team of Swiss and Norwegian scientists wants to put such

technologies to use on millions of solar-powered floating islands at sea that could suck CO2 out of the air and turn it into fuel without taking up any land or bothering human neighbors. Such a plan may seem far-fetched, but we need to be open to new idea if we are going to turn the tide on climate change before we reach the dreaded "point of no return."

CONTACTS: "Atmospheric CO2 hits record high in May 2019," earthsky.org/earth/atmospheric-co2-record-high-may-2019; "Renewable transportation fuels from water and carbon dioxide," https://phys.org/news/2019-06-renewable-fuels-carbon-dioxide.html; "A Process for Capturing CO2 from the Atmosphere," www.cell.com/joule/fulltext/S2542-4351(18)30225-3; "11 million floating solar farms could eliminate carbon emissions from transport," www.chemistryworld.com/news/11-million-floating-solar-farms-could-eliminate-carbon-emissions-from-transport-/3010580.article.

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Crestone-Baca Weather Report

by Keno

May 21 to June 20

Total precipitation for period:
 Liquid precip (includes melted snow): 0.55"

Snow: 1.5"

Measurable liquid precipitation fell on 9 days.

Measurable rain fell on 8 days.

A trace of rain fell on 5 days

Measurable snow fell on 1 day.

A trace of snow fell on 2 days.

4 thunderstorms occurred.

1 hail storm occurred.

Total precipitation year to date:

Since Jan 1: 6.43"

Total snow to date:

Since Jan 1: 50.0"

Snow Season*: 70.4"

*Snow season runs from July 1 to June 30

Temperatures for the period:

High temp: 78.7°F on June 8

Low temp: 26.2°F on May 24

Avg. high: 69.6°F

Avg. low: 38.1°F

Number of days with the high temperature at or above 70°: 16

Number of days with the high temperature at or above 60°: 29

Number of days with the low temperature at or below 32°: 9

Winds for the period:

Avg. speed: 4.0 mph

Highest gust: 56 mph on May 23

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

Weather summary:

Temperatures for the period were below normal, with one record low recorded on May 21, when the thermometer fell to 26 degrees, breaking the old mark by one degree, which was set back in 2001.

For the first time this year, precipitation for the period was below average, especially for the first 20 days in June. We did see record snowfall on May 21 when 1.5 inches of snow fell, breaking the old record of 0.2 of an inch, set in 2015. Then we saw an impressive but short lived hail storm on May 29, when moderate to heavy hail fell nonstop for 15 minutes, with 0.23" of the 0.24" of precip that fell on that day, falling as hail in that 15 minute period.

Outlook for July:

This is our wettest month of the year, with an average amount of precipitation of 2.21 inches of mainly rain falling. The wettest July on record was also the wettest month ever seen here, when 5.74 inches of rain and hail fell in July of 1998.

Temperature wise, July is our warmest month of the year. We can expect to see an average high of 81 degrees and a low of 47 degrees in the first week of July, and by the last week of the month, highs of 80 degrees and lows around 49 degrees can be expected. The hottest July day (and hottest day ever in Crestone) took place back on July 20, 2005, when the temperature hit 98 degrees. That July was also the hottest month ever in Crestone, with 14 days with the temperature at or above 90 degrees.

The 30 Day Outlook for July from the NWS is calling for both average temperatures along with average precipitation for the month.

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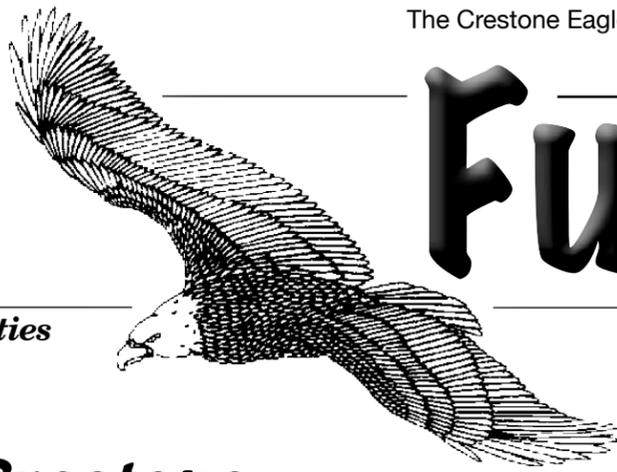
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Summer

Fun



The Crestone Eagle's guide to regional events & activities

July, 2019

Enjoy Independence Day in Crestone

The celebration will take place at Town Park in Crestone on July 4, which is a Thursday this year. Vendor booths are selling fast. Come to Town Hall to register and pick your spot, \$10 per booth, \$75 for food booths. The Health Department requires that every vendor that sells any kind of food product must be licensed. Contact the Public Health Department at 719-587-5206.

5K Run, for sure! It will be hosted by Carol and Chuck Sneed. Yes, we will have a free Bounce House for the children and many activities with prizes. There will be sack races, duck races, panning for gold, and the popular wet zone. This year the wet zone will be in our brand new playground at Creekside

Park sometime after the parade. Parade, of course, beginning at noon. Anyone and everyone is welcome to decorate a float, cars, bikes, skate boards, or yourself and join the parade. No charge to be in the parade. Line up at West Copper. The parade proceeds north on Cottonwood, turns on Iron Ave. then ends at Golden and Alder. Please make sure any horses are at the back of the parade. Music, absolutely! Tom Dessain will host the bandstand, featuring great local bands.

Volunteers, please! We need help with set up, clean up, and the Kids' Zone. Please contact Town Hall to volunteer. Just a couple of hours will help a lot!

See you there for a fun-filled Crestone 4th of July Celebration!



Every year, the whole town shuts down to participate in or attend the parade! This is from our 2017 celebration. photo by Lori Nagel

Salida Aspen Concerts



Bach. Beethoven. Chopin. Liszt. Satie. Glass. Shostakovich. These famous composers and more will come to life during Salida Aspen Concert's six-week summer music festival, running

consecutive Saturdays beginning July 6.

"This season is like six weeks of birthday presents," Salida Aspen Concerts board member Maisie Ramsay said. "Each performance brings together renowned classical musicians and works by the most respected of classical composers."

Pianist Joyce Yang will open the festival on Saturday, July 6 with Satie's *Gymnopédies* and pieces by Chopin, Liszt and Schumann.

She will be followed by violist Matthew Lipman on July 13 and the Pacifica Quartet chamber ensemble on July 20.

The festival's second half begins with a vocal ensemble from the Aspen Opera Center on July 27, then pianist Simone

Dinnerstein on August 3. The festival will close with a performance by classical guitarist Bokyung Byun on August 10.

All performances will be held at the Salida High School Auditorium, except for guitarist Bokyung Byun on August 10,

which will be held at Clearview Community Church, 457 Rodeo Road, Buena Vista.

Tickets are \$20 for adults. Salida Aspen Concerts encourages family attendance. Adults

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Your guide to Summer Fun
Festivals, events, shopping, activities & more

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Joyce Yang, piano July 6

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Bokyung Byun, guitar August 10

Tickets and event information at SalidaAspenConcerts.org

Saguache

Grand Re-opening of the Historic Ute Theatre

After a three-year snooze, the Historic Ute Theatre reawakened in downtown Saguache last month in June. July will feature the *Right to Rest*, a new Denver-focused documentary, that is a tribute to the people experiencing homelessness and their supporters who together built a community of tiny homes as an alternative to shelters and a step toward permanent housing. Join us for a screening of the film followed by a Q & A with the film director, Sarah Megyesy. There are two screenings: Saturday, July 20 from 7pm-9pm and Sunday July 21 from 2pm-4pm.

The Historic Ute Theatre re-emerges with a mission to Uplift, Transform, and Engage through live performances, independent/foreign films, and special events. New owner, Heidi Wong, and the evolving Historic Ute Theatre Team are dedicated to preserving the funky vibe and unique features of this historic venue while aspiring to offer family-friendly, innovative, accessible, and inspiring programming to San Luis Valley residents and visitors alike.

For more information on the theatre, its mission, and to purchase tickets, visit www.historicutetheatre.com.



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Visit the Great Sand Dunes National Park

Tips for an enjoyable visit

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All visitors should come prepared with sun protection, water, and comfortable closed-toed shoes for walking in the dunes. The park is open 24 hours and park staff encourage visitors to explore the park after dark to see the wonders that come alive when the sun goes down.

The Piñon Flats Campground is on a reservation system and the campground is full every weekend throughout the summer. Visitors should check the park's website for area campgrounds and prepare to make alternative camping arrangements. The park issues a limited number of backcountry camping permits—for camping on the dune field and in designated sites within the park. On busy weekends, all available permits are often issued by late morning.

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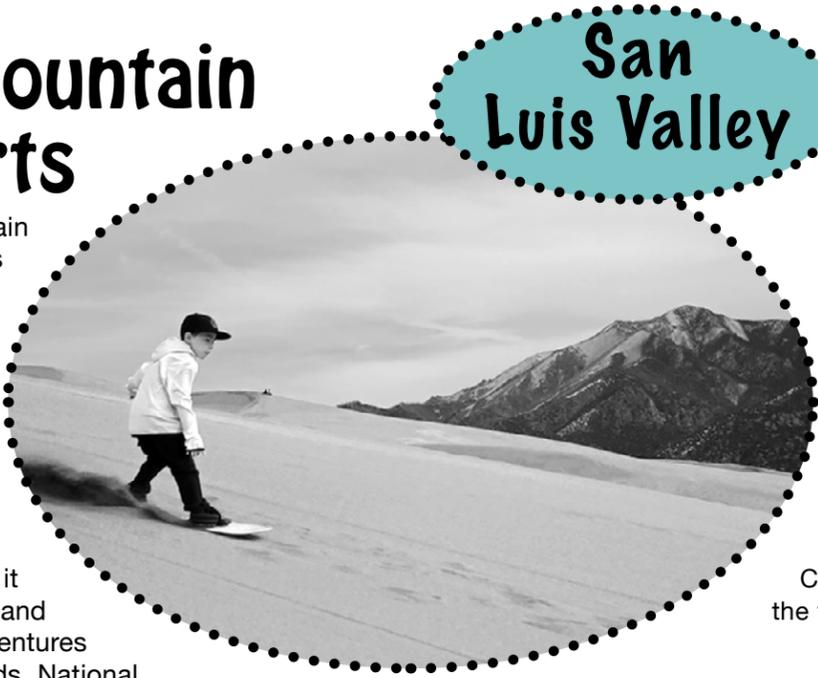
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Tour/Talk Dates and Topics

Thursday July 11th Weeds, Weeds, Weeds! –Invasive Plant Species and Methods of Control in the Greater Baca Area
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***Thursday July 25th Baca Area Night Skies (8:30pm)**
National Park Service Interpretive Ranger, Great Sand Dunes National Park and Town of Crestone

Thursday August 8th Native Bees of South Central Colorado
Dr. Olivia Messinger-Carril, Author of The Bees In Your Backyard: A Guide To North America's Bees

Thursday August 22nd Baca Refuge/Ranch History
Baca Refuge Staff and Bob Bunker, Longtime Baca Ranch Cowboy/Resident

Thursday September 5 San Luis Valley's Closed Basin – Hydrology of the north San Luis Valley
Cleave Simpson, General Manager, Rio Grande Water Conservation District

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Crestone Artisans Gallery—take an adventure

Take an adventure to the region's most beautiful art gallery in the heart of the strange and wonderful world of Crestone, CO. The Crestone Artisans Gallery has been called

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and wood and metal workers. It has over seven masterful jewelry makers who work in silver, semi-precious stones, deer and elk antlers, feathers and precious beads.

The gallery is nestled in a dream-like forest of tall majestic Cottonwood trees and yet is within walking distance to Crestone's best eating establishments and within short drives to Crestone's iconic spiritual centers. Full color maps of all the highlights here are available free at the gallery.

So take an Awesome Adventure and bring home a memento from the Crestone Artisans Gallery!



Haidakhandi Universal Ashram & Maha Lakshmi Shop

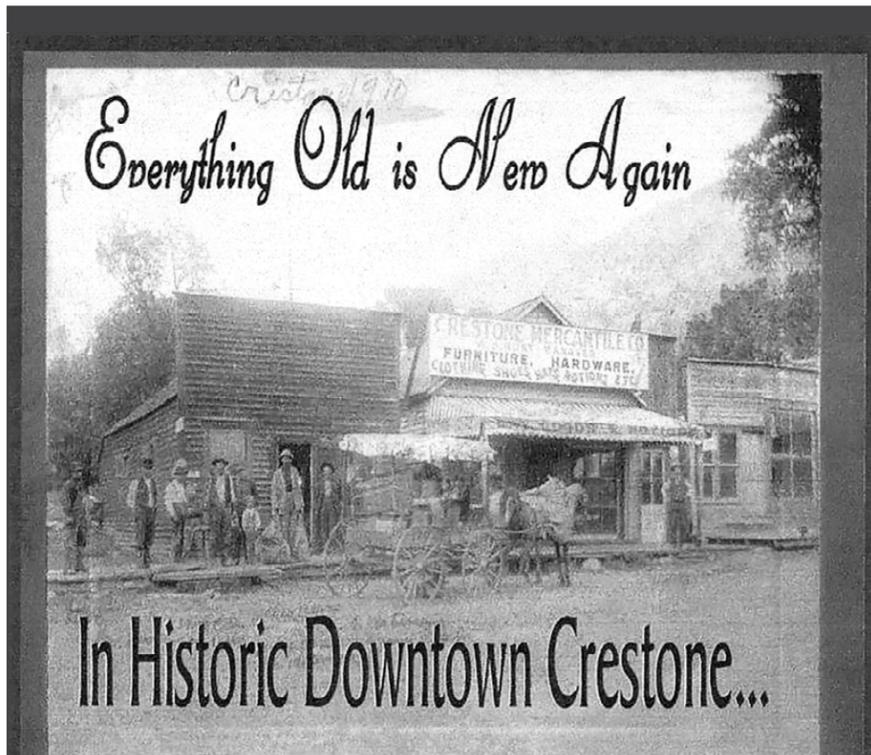
All are welcome to The Haidakhandi Universal Ashram and Maha Lakshmi Shop. We have daily chanting in the temple at 6pm and 7am (followed by a small fire ceremony at 8am). We also have large full and new moon fire ceremonies at 10am followed by a meal. The shop is open everyday from 9am until 5pm. The big celebration this summer will be the 30th birthday of our Divine Mother with festivities July 20 and 21. There will also be workshops and programs July 17-19. Contact the Ashram at 719-256-4108 or through the website at www.babajashram.org for more information. We look forward to meeting you.

Horseback riding at the Baca Grande Stables

Come visit the Baca Grande Stables. See the area on horseback or ride in our arena—Western and English riders of all ability levels are welcome. Our Summer Children's Riding Program for kids aged 6-15 is comprised of a week of fun lessons. Call or email us to schedule a trail ride or lesson, or to arrange an overnight stay for your horse: 719-256-6200, info@bacagrandestables.com, www.bacagrandestables.com.

Food for your journey from The Crestone Mercantile

The Crestone Mercantile can meet all of your summer needs! From grass fed steaks from our own butcher shop, to gluten free bread—we have a fully stocked grocery. The hardware store has an incredible selection from lumber and tools to coffee pots—you can find what you're looking for. Bob's provides country breakfasts and lunches at their best. At the end of hiking or biking, you can wash your clothes in the laundromat. Stop by and pick up a local map and enjoy the old-fashioned hospitality of small town businesses.



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Lodge members of Crestone in the late 1800s, looking west from the south end of the schoolhouse. Note tents in background. Cabin at center is still occupied.

Crestone Historical Museum & welcome center

by Jim McCalpin

The Crestone Historical Museum & Welcome Center is located 2 blocks north of downtown on Cottonwood Street (the old Crestone Schoolhouse), half a block north of the bridge over North Crestone Creek. The Museum has no admission fee and is open from Memorial Day weekend through October (Sat. and Sun., 10am-4pm; Tues.-Fri., 1-4pm). Museum staff can answer any questions you might have, ranging from historical (the mining days and the Baca Ranch) to modern (for example, how to get to the trailheads or spiritual centers). On our Free Table we stock maps and brochures of the Crestone-Baca area and hikes/tours of the nearby mountains; of other attractions in the San Luis Valley (Great Sand Dunes National Park; Sangre de Cristo Heritage Area; Baca National Wildlife Refuge); and of the whole state (Colorado Official Visitor Guide, State Highway Map). Our gift shop sells books on local history, trail maps, and souvenirs.

Museum displays are designed to illuminate everyday activities of the past, with an educational twist for young and old alike (we are in an old schoolhouse, after all). See how school was taught in a one-room school of the 1880s. Learn how to drill dynamite holes in granite like the old-time gold miners, or pan for gold at the creek. Find your birth year on our sanded tree-ring slab and see whether it was a wet year (fat rings) or a drought year (thin rings) in Crestone. On Sunday, help us bake our weekly cookies on the 100-year-old cast iron woodstove. Or just enjoy our sitting area of chairs and sofas, relax, read a local history book, look at a map, plan your day... and have some free coffee. The Museum also runs a Summer Lecture Series (selected Saturdays, 7pm), field trips (selected Sundays, 9am-1pm), and has Town Walking Tour brochures.



Cool down with ice cream at Mandala Pizza

It is worth the trip to the valley's only New York Style pizzeria, infused with good vibes at Mandala Pizza in Crestone. Fourth-generation bakers from New York craft the authentic flavor using 100% organic flour topped with organic, all natural and GMO-free ingredients. We offer consciously prepared whole pizzas as well as by the slice. The menu includes calzones, salad, gluten free options plus desserts.

Enjoy hand-scooped Boulder ice cream in an assortment of flavors to satisfy your summer cravings. Also served are cannolis made with hand-whipped, chocolate chip-filled cream. See a full menu at www.mandala-pizza.com.



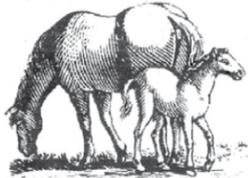
Get creative at encaustic painting workshops

Stephen Futral, aka Ish, has been making art since grade school. He's attended the Bezalel School of Art & Design in Jerusalem, Israel, the Art Students League NYC, the New School NYC, Cooper Union NYC and Hunter College NYC. He's shown his art in Beirut, Lebanon, Achill Island, Ireland, France and throughout Canada and the USA. Come enjoy his various experiences expressed through art at his studio.

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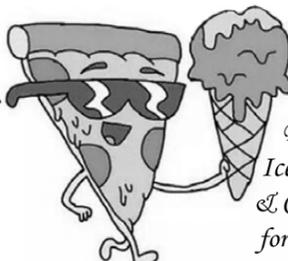
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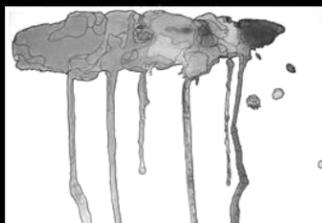
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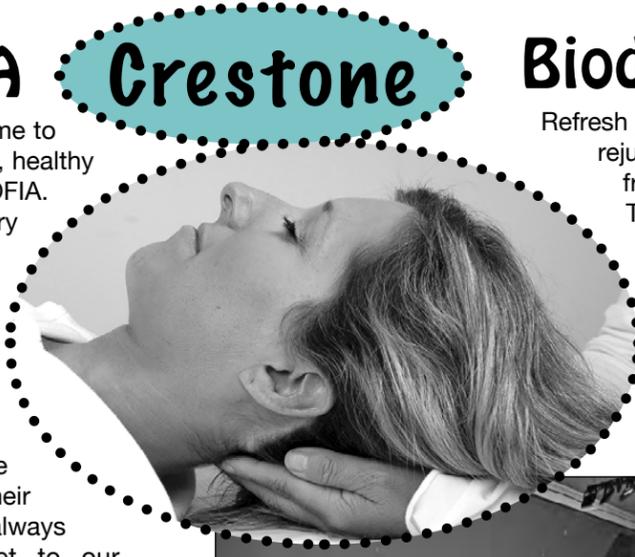
Our Food Is Art—OFIA

Crestone

Biodynamic bodywork

Husband and wife team Lynette & Scott Tieder came to Crestone to work, but had to drive for miles to get good, healthy food. That inspired them to open Our Food Is Art, or OFIA. Scott has been cooking for 17 years and has a culinary certificate from the Art Institute of Atlanta. Locally sourcing many of their produce items, "We want to be transparent and offer good and flavorful food."

As Anrahyah A., a Yelp reviewer put it: "Lynette and Scott clearly love what they do, and you can see and taste it in their food. They've always been an asset to our community and this storefront business is a continuation of that. Great place for gluten free pastries!"



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Stock up on art supplies at Present & Creative

"PRESENT AND CREATIVE" is an ART SUPPLY STORE that is located in the Casa del Sol, suite D. It is the brainchild of Hester Triplett and Paula Hudson. Hester saw a need for readily available, low cost art supplies especially for children as well as art supplies and art experiences for adults. Also, there was no place in Crestone that had a variety of creative presents for kids. They found that they could get wholesale prices and free shipping which would allow them to sell supplies at costs well below retail. Initially the supplies will include those for painting-watercolor, oils, acrylics, pastels, clay, manga cartooning, face painting, drawing pens and more.

Beyond supplying the tools for artistic work, Hester and Paula wanted to supply a venue for free summer art classes for both children and adults. Several local artists have already volunteered their time to teach painting, weaving, drawing and pottery. Stay tuned into the Eagle and Facebook for further information about times and dates.

Hester and Paula also want to link their shop to the Crestone Artisans Gallery, the Crestone Artists and the Crestone Creative District in joint art projects for the community. As Hester said "I have always been supported by our very caring community. Now it is time to give back."



Elephant Cloud Market & Cloud Station music venue & café

The Elephant Cloud Market at 300 S. Cottonwood St., is a health food and specialty grocery store. The Cloud Station is located next to the Elephant Cloud Market and serves coffee, tea, breakfast and lunch by day, and schedules amazing world music by night. On July 3, check out Secondhand Street Band—a jazz and funk band who profess,

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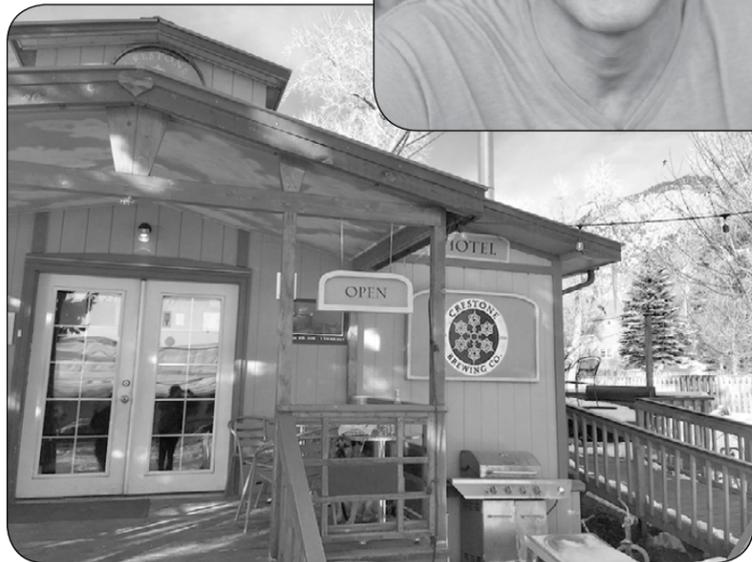
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Cloud Station Lineup:
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Fuel your adventure at the Crestone Brewing Co.

Crestone Brewing Co. is a nano brewpub in the amazing and mysterious San Luis Valley, serving up delicious locally sourced food and craft beverages. Generally speaking, a nanobrewery produces no more than three barrels of beer in one batch. Many of their batches are even smaller! As such, the selection of craft beers changes often - definitely weekly, and sometimes daily.



The beer is delicious and the food is fantastic! By sourcing as many local ingredients as they can for their food and beer, Crestone Brewing is uniquely Crestone Colorado in short order.

To enhance your dining and "chilling" experience, there is often live music, and there is Open Mike Night on Tuesdays. Check out the crestonebrewing.co Events page for up to date listings. Summer Hours are Mon-Thurs: 3p-10p, Fri-Sun: 12p-10p. The Kitchen closes: Sun-Thurs: 9p Fri-Sat: 10p.*Open until 12a for Friday Night Music.

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The UFO Watchtower is an educational facility which provides insight to the UFO phenomena. Many UFOs have been seen, spotted from the tower's observation deck. It is said two energy vortices draw UFOs to our area! You can peruse a gift shop full of books on the subject, and shop for out-of-this-world souvenirs. Just 3 miles north of Hooper on Highway 17. Admission is \$2/person or \$5/car. Primitive camping is available for \$15 per night. Reservations for camping are suggested. Call 719-378-2296 or log on to ufowatchtower.com for full details.

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Salida Aspen Concerts

continued from page C-1 accompanying a student may purchase a discounted \$10 ticket at the door, with kindergarten through 12th grade students admitted free.

Doors open at 6:30pm, followed by a pre-concert talk at 6:45pm. Performance begins at 7:30pm. Tickets and more information are available at www.salidaaspenconcerts.org.

In addition to the concert series, Salida Aspen Concerts has launched a new website and updated its scholarship program and Student Passport outreach initiative.

Salida Aspen Concerts is a community supported, 501(c)3 non-profit that has brought classical music to Chaffee County for more than 40 years through its longstanding partnership with the Aspen Music Festival and School.

Aspen Music Festival and School allows a selection of its musicians to perform for Salida Aspen Concerts, but does not provide any financial support. Salida Aspen Concerts is funded entirely by ticket sales, individual donations and the generous support of local businesses.

"We depend on dedicated volunteers and magnanimous donors to make our concert series possible," said Ernest Marquez, Board President of Salida Aspen Concerts. "Donations of any amount help keep us funded." Donations may be submitted online at www.salidaaspenconcerts.org or mailed to P.O. Box 13, Salida, Colorado 81201. Salida Aspen Concerts also welcomes prospective volunteers. Volunteer inquiries should be submitted to Molly Walker at 719-221-9413.

Stop and smell the flowers—but don't pick them!

It is illegal to pick wild-flowers in Colorado state parks because it can damage the ecosystem. Some species are so rare they are protected by the state, while others are actually invasive weeds. Before hopping on a trail, pick up a field guide or bloom list from park staff.

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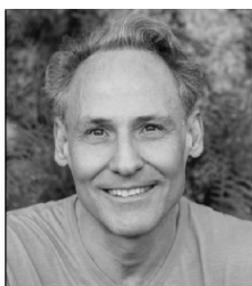
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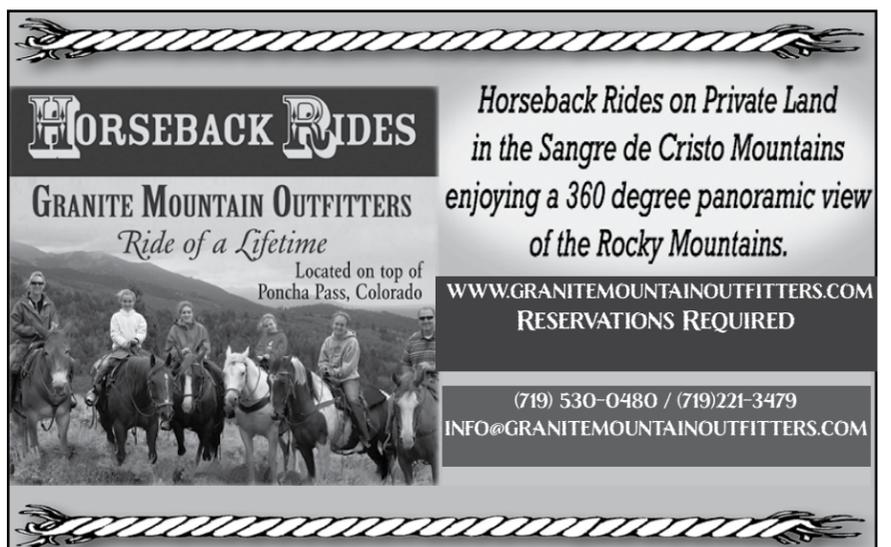
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