

Between the Beans

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Dove Creek Schools Cheer Team, Ag Shop work, and Volleyball in action - check the weekly schedule to come out and help cheer them on!

DOVE CREEK SCHOOL SCENE

Dove Creek schools shared their recent fall happenings, kicking off with a fun tailgate party — “games, laughs, and lots of fun! A HUGE shoutout to our coaches and community members who volunteer their time to support our students and help make our school district such an incredible place.

Our 3rd graders earned a picnic at the park as their reward! Nothing better than getting outside, having some fun, and celebrating their hard work!

Our students have also been hard at work in the ag shop learning how to wire switches to lights. How cool is that?! WAY TO GO, MRS. LANE!

Our middle school and

high school cheerleaders have been bringing the energy and showing up big for our teams! We love seeing their school spirit and the excitement they bring to our games.

And our volleyball teams are crushing it! The fans in the stands have been pretty incredible too. We are so grateful for the families, friends, and community members who continue to show up and support our students.”

Check in on the Pinto Bean facebook page to find out the latest on what game is going on where, and sharing how they scored!

Photos courtesy DC Schools facebook page of the same name - be sure to check them out for the latest, including weekly menus and activities.

Spilling the Beans...

By Kendra Cook

Figuring out a way to launch a small town local weekly newspaper in these days is the definition of crazy - but here we are! Between the Beans is archived online on our website PintoBean.CO check that out if you also are online. And @ThePintoBean on Facebook, is a location to share content, and follow us daily.

If you have a news story or lead that's local, get in touch, or to advertise, which supports the Bean being able to be printed and distributed - email Editor@PintoBean.CO Have a blessed week!

DOVE CREEK WELCOMES DCAD M3



Dove Creek Ambulance District was able to coordinate this new to the District Ambulance thanks to a generous partnership with the Durango Fire Protection District. Their oldest ambulance will now become the backup unit.

All the details will be published in the October Pinto Bean monthly paper, be sure to check that out!



SCHOOL WEEK CALENDAR:

Sept 14 High School JV Football (H) Dolores
Sept 16 High School Volleyball @Ridgway
Sept 17 Middle School Football (H) Ignacio
Sept 19 Middle School Volleyball @Dolores (Tri Dolores Manco)
High School Volleyball @Ignacio
School Board meeting will be on **Sept. 16th**



Wed Thur Fri 12-2pm

TOWN OF DOVE CREEK

At a special meeting of the Town of Dove Creek Board 9/8/26, the vacant Board seat was filled by appointment to Angela Buffington who was thereafter sworn in.

A workshop followed, a security camera proposal was discussed, the Town Office is now open.

DOLORES COUNTY

BOCC NOTICE: Any organization with budget requests must have them submitted to the Dolores County Commissioner's Office (P.O. Box 608 Dove Creek, CO 81324 or 409 N. Main Dove Creek, CO 81324) by 4:00 P.M. September 18th 2026.

Local News and Info to Reach Your Neighbors Friends and Families. Advertise in the Weekly Between the Beans - simple \$6 / column inch rate, min. 2 week run Deadline Fridays by 12pm

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970-394-0410

Local Events Highlights:



Pizza for Pups - Adoption Fundraiser
Sept. 25th 3pm with Paw Bingo
315 W HWY 491 Dove Creek CO

Last Call of Summer Music Festival
Sept. 18-19th 11am til late
Buy Day or Weekend Tickets
69576 US-491 Dove Creek, CO

STATELINE
BAR & GRILL

Vertical ad spots and Horizontal options per inch on columns. Support the Local News to grow the Between the Beans Future Classified Ads coming soon too!

COLORADO BEAN WEEK • SEPTEMBER 14-20, 2026



THE LITTLE BEAN

WITH A BIG COLORADO STORY

Celebrating the crop, the farmers and the water behind one of our favorite foods.



The Dry Bean Committee of Colorado with the proclamation by the Colorado Governor, has established this week to celebrate all things BEAN! Jump on facebook and see what recipes are being shared for your favorite use of dry beans!



You can find the committee online at coloradodrybeans.org for activities they are celebrating this week.

Dolores County
Public/School Libraries
~LIBRARY HOURS~
Adult Library
(970-677-2389)
Monday - Thursday
7 :30am - 6:00pm
Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm
Children's Library
(970-677-2356)
Monday-Thursday
7:30am-11:30
12:30-4:00pm
Storytime for Ages 18
months to 4 years
Every Tuesday from
10:00 to 11:00 am
Stories, Songs, Food,
Crafts and FUN!

Great Appreciation
for Volunteers Day
& Food Distribution













CO Elk & Deer Hunting Season
Archery: Sept 2-30
Muzzleloader: Sept 12-20
Rifle:
First Season: Oct 14-18
Second Season: Oct 24-Nov 1
Third Season: Nov 7-15
Fourth Season: Nov 18-22
plus Deer Plains: Oct 24-Nov 3



Dolores County BOCC Meeting

The Dolores County BOCC met on September 8, 2026, and covered the following:
The proposal for a well for West Fork County Shop: determined to move forward and the entities will submit for a well permit application after confirmation on the parcel, the discussion involved Jeff Titus DWR and Lewis Freeman both on zoom.
Discussion on the County Orkin pest control contract for the Courthouse, fact finding that the Seniors have Blue Mountain exterminators while the SSA sprays material bought locally around their building. There are three different providers to various county agencies, additional research is needed.
Next up, Malynda Evans SSA went over July financials which were approved. Next transition team meetings on the 18th Directors Association, she shared that they are looking at a potential for cost sharing between counties.
Two subdivisions of property were approved as both entities had all the

correct elements lined up - including size, survey, road access, septic in an appropriate location, and no mortgage or a partial release from the mortgaging financial institution.
Further discussion continued on the request to vacate a small section of County Road A / Rick Krafka in attendance - they will set up a creative solutions workshop to invite all land owners that may be effected to make sure the ultimate decision is in everyone's agreement. This is in part to help keep trespassers off the private lands, the Road and Bridge Dept also needs to be assured their vehicles can have space for turn arounds.
An MOA with Housing Solutions was brought to the Board by Senior Services Director Alisa Schultz to accept \$1000 to help with low income clients with meals - it was approved. The consideration of Bruin Waste costs at the Transfer station and a revised contract agreement was tabled as Bruin Waste Management had not yet provided the new numbers / proposal.

PUBLIC NOTICES & JOBS

Dolores County is seeking a detail-oriented and dependable Eligibility Technician to determine eligibility for public assistance programs including Medicaid, SNAP and cash assistance. Responsibilities include but are not limited to: interviewing applicants, reviewing and verifying information, processing applications and case changes, maintaining accurate records, applying state and federal regulations, and assisting clients with program requirements and available resources. Strong communication, computer, and organizational skills are important. High school diploma/GED and background check required; related clerical, customer service, data entry, eligibility, or social services experience preferred. Full-time, 35 hours/week, Monday–Friday. Salary: \$33,334–\$35,583 plus benefits including health, dental, vision, retirement after one year of service,, social security, and Medicare. Please send resume and three references to Malynda.Evans@state.co.us by September 15, 2026.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE
Robbin Laws
June 20, 1969 - Sept. 6, 2026
A Celebration of Life honoring Robbin will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 3rd, at the Dolores County Fairgrounds in Dove Creek, Colorado.

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Weekly Weather Outlook

for Dove Creek, CO

by the
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Monday Sept. 14	Tuesday Sept. 15	Wednesday Sept. 16	Thursday Sept. 17	Friday Sept. 18	Saturday Sept. 19	Sunday Sept. 20
 Mix of Sun and Clouds Spotty Afternoon Storms	 Partly Sunny Afternoon Storms	 Cloudy with Afternoon Storms	 Morning Storms linger to Partly Cloudy	 Partly Sunny Chance of Afternoon Thunderstorms	 Partly Sunny Afternoon Spotty Showers	 Cloudy Showers and Thunderstorms
78°/55°	77°/57°	73°/62°	73°/58°	75°/57°	74°/58°	74°/59°

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CHURCHES IN
AND AROUND
DOVE CREEK CO

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of DOVE CREEK
(970) 677-2230
<https://www.firstbaptistofdovecreek.com/>
firstbaptistofdovecreek@gmail.com
303 N. Main St. Box 85 Dove Creek, CO
Service Times Sunday: Sunday School: 10:00 AM
Morning Service: 11:00 AM
AWANA: 4:00 PM
Teen Group: 5:30 PM

FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH of DOVE CREEK
970-677-2578
518 N Guyrene St. Dove Creek CO
firstsouthern@fone.net

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CAHONE
51252 HWY 491 Cahone CO
fellowshipbaptistcahone@gmail.com

DOVE CREEK SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
970-677-2792
<https://dovecreekco.adventistchurch.org/>
607 N Pine Dove Creek CO
Saturday Service times:
Sabbath School: 10:30 A
Worship Service: 9:15 A
Tuesday Bible Study: 5:00 P

THE DOVE CREEK CHURCH
thedovecreekchurch@gmail.com
601 N College St Dove Creek CO
Sunday worship at 11:00.
Stay for fellowship and snacks after the service.
Thursday evenings for 5:45 supper & 6:30 Bible studies for men & women. Childcare provided.
Potluck after worship on the first Sunday of each month.

DOVE CREEK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
970.677.3683 (DOVE)
DoveCreekAssemblyofGod@gmail.com
412 West Guyrene St Dove Creek CO

ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH
432 N Pine St, Dove Creek, CO 81324
Phone: (970) 565-7308
Sunday Mass: typically 3:00 PM
Part of the Montelores Catholic Community.

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