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Community Brotherly Service in Dove Creek

Saturday October 17, around 60 students from the School of Mines SAE group drove to Dove Creek to donate time and energy for various clean up and community service, in the honor of Ryan Lance Jarmon, Dove Creek student who attended the school and passed away

while attending college. The group of young gentlemen split/stacked wood for multiple people, mowed/string trimmed, cleaned gutters, moved furniture, painted fence, painted the paw prints at the school again & did the highway clean up. Ryan's mother Crystal said "Most

don't know, these boys come down in their personal vehicles after class on Friday, camp at the river, do community service Saturday & drive home that night. Sure speaks volumes! Most of them had never met Ry. Sure makes this mama's heart happy to

know how loved Ry still is today. Thanks so much Mines SAE" A one mile section of HWY 491 along the entrance to Dove Creek from the west, is part of the Adopt-a-Highway program, the sign post shows "Ryan's Family & Friends in memory of Ryan

Lance Jarmon." Once or twice a year, volunteers help with picking up litter along the road. Thank you to all who participated!

Spilling the Beans...

By Kendra Cook

What a wonderful additon to our water table and soils, seeing winter wheat so green is such a sight to see! October is the start of the water year, and we received over 2" from the last event, with more possible on the way. The big surprise was the wet snow falling last Wednesday, the facebook video on Pinto Bean had seen over 100K views!

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Have a blessed week!

DOVE CREEK SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Officer Lane with his K-9 Oso with CPW

Dove Creek's 5th grade had a special visitor last week to learn about how K-9 Oso helps Officer Lane in his duties as a Wildlife Officer. The efforts of teachers and administrators to coordinate outreach with so many agencies and field trips, really increases the engagement of the students, and hopefully result in expanding their learning.



Congratulations to an undefeated Bull pup Football Championship Team! Great work with the volunteer coaches and partents cheering on this young group of athletes.

Also congratulations to our middle school football team for finishing fourth in the San Juan Basin League this season! Hard work and dedication of these young players and coaches really shows.



**SCHOOL
WEEK
CALENDAR:**

OCT 19 Red Ribbon Week
OCT 19 KB @Telluride
OCT 20 Science Field Trip 6&7
OCT 20 Highschool Volleyball @Nucla
Middle School Boys Basketball @Dolores
OCT 21 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCT 22 3rd & 5th Grade Field Trip
FFA Chapter Speaking Night
OCT 23 Middle School Boys Basketball (H) Ridgway

For full month schedules you can look at the monthly Pinto Bean and online click the calendar at <https://www.dc2j.org/>

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A huge congratulations to our middle school volleyball team for taking First Place at the San Juan Basin League Tournament!

Dove Creek Town Board Reviews Proposed Changes to Sewer Usage Fees

The Town of Dove Creek is moving forward with revisions to Section 24-85 of its Code of Ordinances, which governs sewer usage fees. Following a productive Town Board meeting, Mayor Grant Allen said board members and local business owners reviewed the proposed language in detail, discussed how individual provisions could affect businesses, and reached a consensus on how the ordinance should be reshaped.

In a public post, the mayor thanked those who attended and participated in the policy development process. The proposed language will now be reviewed by Town staff, the sewer operator and the Town Attorney to ensure it is legally sound, consistent with other ordinances and workable for Town administration.

The draft outlines a more defined structure for residential and commercial sewer billing. Residential accounts would pay a fixed monthly operating charge and a common capital charge, without fees tied to metered water usage. Commercial accounts would pay a separate fixed operating charge, a capital charge and a usage fee based on metered water consumption. The proposed commercial usage fee would apply to each completed 1,000 gallons, with no charge prorated or rounded up for partial increments and no free usage allowance.

The proposal also distinguishes residential properties from commercial accounts, specifying that a home-based business in a residentially zoned dwelling would not, by itself, trigger commercial sewer rates. Commercial customers would be subject to an annual compliance process, with a six-month initial grace period

and an additional 30 days to correct identified deficiencies after receiving notice before a noncompliance multiplier could apply.

Other provisions address shared water meters, unmetered County facilities, sewer-only services, RV dump facilities and properties outside Town limits. The Town Board would establish rates, charges and applicable multipliers annually by resolution. Sewer bills would separately identify operating costs and capital charges, with one common capital charge rate for residential and commercial accounts. The draft also retains enforcement provisions for unpaid fees, including potential tap forfeiture proceedings or water service termination following reasonable notice and due process.

The proposed ordinance is scheduled for first reading on October 27, followed by a second reading on November 10. Both meetings are expected to include public comment and opportunities to amend the language. The Town's target effective date is January 1, 2027.

The language remains a draft and is subject to professional review, public input and possible revisions before final adoption.



CO Elk & Deer Hunting Season

Rifle:

Second Season:
Oct 24-Nov 1

Third Season:
Nov 7-15

Fourth Season:
Nov 18-22

plus Deer Plains:
Oct 24-Nov 3

Safe2Tell Program

Dove Creek students participated in learning about Safe2Tell - a Colorado anonymous reporting program that allows students, parents, and community members to report concerns about school safety or the well-being of others. Whether the concern involves bullying, threats, substance use, or a student who may need help, Safe2Tell provides a way to share information so the appropriate people can respond. It reminds our students that speaking up when something doesn't seem right can make a real difference.

The STUD organization (Students Tackling Unhealthy Decisions) arranged for Deputy Branson Smith to speak with students about the dangers of drinking and driving just before their Homecoming festivities. This was an especially important message as students prepared for a week filled with activities and celebrations.



Town of Rico Board of Trustees Meeting October 21, 2026 7:00 PM

Remote participation: If you would like to participate in the meeting via Zoom, please email townclerk@ricocolorado.gov no later than 5:00 PM one business day prior to the meeting. Requests received on the day of the meeting will not be accommodated.

MEETINGS

DCAD Board Meeting
October 19, 2026 5:30pm at the Dolores County Commissioners Office

1. Administrative Business (5:30)
Call to Order & Roll Call
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes
Clerk Report and Approval of Financials
Future Meetings: Nov 2nd Workshop Nov 16th Regularly Scheduled Meeting

2. Old Business(5:50)
Power stretcher (& chair) fix; grant updates; timing of payment(s) - AJ & Lenore
Ferris cost reimbursement from state - AJ & Lenore
GY2027 Budget Updates - Lenore

3. New Business: (7pm)
Policy on volunteers - initial discussion - Lenore & AJ
Chief update - staffing etc. - AJ
Clerk update - Lenore

4. Adjournment (7:30)
*all times are approximate. The chair may modify the agenda during the meeting at their discretion.

Please join the meeting via: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89447344261>

DCAD 222 S. Guyrene St
Dove Creek, CO 81324
970-394-6266

Dove Creek Recreation Dept. Youth 3 on 3 Coed Basketball

Registration is now open for **Youth 3 on 3 Coed Basketball** for grades 1st-5th!

Costis \$35 per participant. Limited scholarships are available. Reach out to Kristy Chadd for more info.

Registration **DEADLINE is Friday 10/23**

Season runs four weeks starting the week of 11/10

Registration forms are available at the elementary school and ready for pick up at upcoming parent teacher conferences.

For more info, registration forms, and more contact Kristy Chadd at dcrecdirector@townofdovecreek.com

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PUBLIC NOTICES LEGALS & JOBS

PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Dolores County Commissioners, for the ensuing year of 2027. A copy of such proposed budget has been filed in the office of the Dolores County Commissioners where same is open for public inspection at the Dolores County Commissioners office, 409 North Main, Dove Creek, CO during regular business hours. (7:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday – Thursday.)

Notice is also given that the Dolores County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on such budget at a regular meeting of the Dolores County Commissioners, 409 N. Main Street, Dove Creek, CO on December 7th, 2026 at 9:00A.M.

By: Lenore Johnson, Dolores County Budget Officer Pro Tempore published in Between the Beans 10/19/26 10/26/26



DOVE CREEK Weekly Weather Outlook

MONDAY OCTOBER 19	TUESDAY OCTOBER 20	WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21	THURSDAY OCTOBER 22	FRIDAY OCTOBER 23	SATURDAY OCTOBER 24	SUNDAY OCTOBER 25
 Partly Sunny afternoon Storm 61/45	 Partly Sunny possible Showers 62/47	 Mostly Cloudy and Showers 60/48	 Cloudy with possible Thunderstorms, flooding 58/49	 Variable Clouds and Showers, Thunderstorm 53/43	 Morning spotty showers, then Sunshine 54/42	 Sunny Dry 55/44

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CHURCHES DOVE CREEK

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
AMMorning Service: 11:00 AMAWANA:
4:00 PM Teen Group: 5:30 PM

FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH of DOVE CREEK
970-677-2578
518 N Guylene 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
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~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
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CARE & SHARE



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Wed Thur Fri 12-2pm

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