

WINTER ROLLS ON IN

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Earlier than Expected Snowfall All Around the Region

By Kendra Cook

The weather set up that makes for more avalanches in a season, is when an early wet snow, is followed by some dryer warmer weather, the base created is not hard packed, so the next snow on top is less stable. The weak base layer sets up potential avalanche dangers.

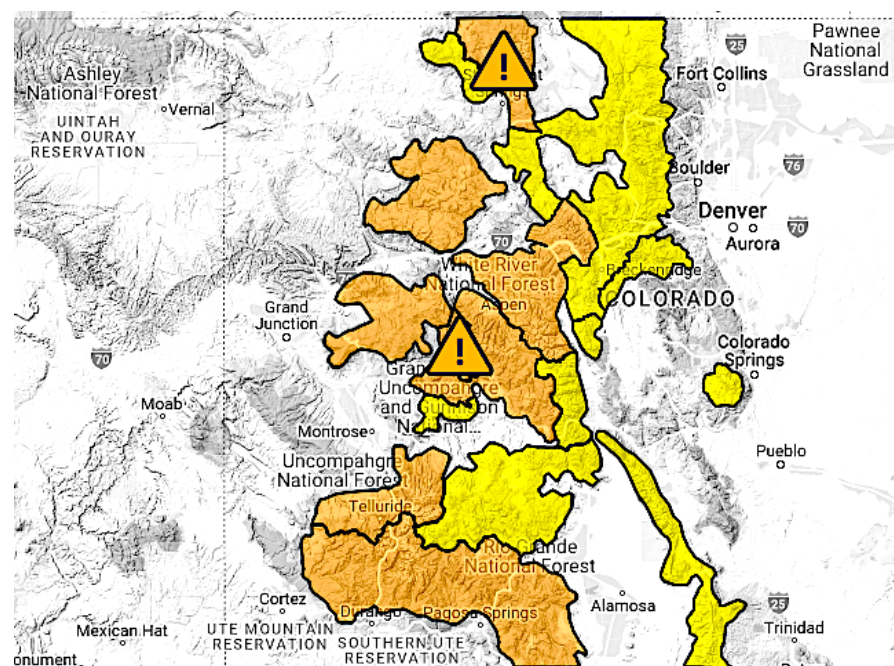
In November and into December 2023, the area has seen some earlier than expected snowfalls, and lower than average temperatures. Though we are told the last few years were La Nina - with less snow, we know better from what was experienced here at the UT/CO SE/SW border area. NOAA is telling us that this year it's El Nino, so get ready for a colder wetter winter in the north, but the southern half of the country is given a 50/50 chance of going either way. Suffice to say, weather is 'unpredictable*', and we must be prepared for whatever is thrown our way. We need the mountain snow pack to provide good runoff waters in the spring. But not to get ahead too far, the month of December looks to provide us with at least a few more snow storms, and the Rocky Mountains are set to get a good snow base for some great Ski and winter sport seasons - as long as it doesn't warm up too much in between the storms.

In Utah, the Avalanche Awareness Week is Dec 3-9th, an annual event since 2019, the "Know Before You Go" educational awareness is a primary effort to educate the public about avalanche safety.

In Moab, a Winter Kickoff Party will be held at the MARC, the Moab Sun reported it as a sort of "ski wax/pray for snow benefit" according to Eric Trenbeth a local forecaster



CDOT Avalanche Mitigation Technology Readies for the Season
 CAIC provides an interactive map online, to see Avalanche levels



with the Utah Avalanche Center interviewed by the paper. This is a fundraiser for support of avalanche forecasting and education.

In snowy Colorado, CDOT crews were busy in November, replacing equipment that is used for avalanche mitigation on towers, specifically in our region located above HWY 145 north of Rico. CDOT also recharged their systems over Wolf Creek Pass. The Colorado Avalanche Information Center or CAIC is the agency that provides safety information, education and promotes research to help reduce risk from avalanches. The website hosts an interactive danger scale map, shown above from the start of December: green low, yellow moderate, orange concerning, and red for high alert. <https://avalanche.state.co.us/>

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Rabbit Hole

*Weather - GeoEngineering



DOLORES COUNTY SCHOOLS

The new Elementary School building construction was the focus of a board workshop mid November, with a tour of the new site. The steel portion went up in November revealing the shape and magnitude of the final building profile. The Board meeting started with a plaque presentation to Jenny Smith recognizing her for all her years and work on the board. They fielded reports from the facilities director Vern Hall. Secondary Principal Shane Baughman reported on SAT/PSAT stats from last spring, and spoke to the success of the fall volleyball and football team programs.

Kimberly Alexander reported on the successful Rico Annexation/Detachment vote as well as BOCES, reporting how Montezuma Cortez District is in the process to leave BOCES (Boards of Cooperative Educational Services - whose "programs and services include management and technology support, career and technical education, special education programs, and much more") The District boundaries were discussed as to the need for aligning the boundaries with the recent Rico detachment for July 1 2024, and how that will affect the five board seat districts.

The superintendent evaluation and contract renewal and policies were identified as to what needs updating, and action taken on personnel additions.

COMMUNITY / SCHOOL

Dolores County Public/HS Library

BOOK SALE

Dec. 4 - 21st



7:30am to 6pm Mon-Thurs
9am to 12 noon Friday

All proceeds benefit the Library

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The Superintendent Reported: this was her final meeting due to term limits which were reached at 10 years of service. There was celebration and recognition of the incumbent three board members re-elections, congratulations Crystal Harmon, Kim Alexander, and Donella Fury.

Three members attended a zoom meeting with Studer Education - an organization that says, "We work with educational organizations to implement improvement practices that impact the entire system from the district to the classroom." The board is considering how this program might be beneficial. Insurance renewals went smoothly, and acquisition of a minibus in Denver will be transported to Dove Creek after a CHSAA board meeting already meant a trip up north.

Dove Creek will be leaving the group named the Southwest Colorado Collaborative, as there is lack of clarity to our benefits, and

concerns it is not a true collaborative group working together. Follow up after the holiday break will determine a final decision.

The Mastery Library is "our work request program and it should go live after the Thanksgiving break. The system is very user friendly... and will help organize requests and help streamline the process." This is a facilities management software tool specifically designed for schools.

The December District RE-2J meeting is Dec. 6 2023.



Courtesy photo
7th Street Elementary School
New Building taking shape!
Steel beam signing last month

Do you have an Event, News Lead or Press Release you'd like to share? The Pinto Bean is Growing! Along with the new larger format, the ad space will be changing for 2024. We are currently distributed to over 250 locations from Moab, Monticello, Blanding to Bluff in Utah and from Dove Creek to Cortez, Mancos, Dolores, Rico, Telluride and Norwood in Colorado. Submit contributing articles and opinion pieces subject to the discretion of the publisher.

Dove Creek School Times

Dove Creek School curriculum offers a journalism class, taught by Crystal Proffitt, with nearly 20 kids enrolled. It was a great opportunity for Pinto Bean creator, publisher, editor Kendra Cook, to stop in as a guest speaker at the end of September. Bringing in a pen for each student, Kendra described her background, and why a journalist or reporter should always carry a pen! The students are learning how to write articles, and assemble them into a newspaper/newsletter that an audience would be interested in reading. The current story topics cover all sorts of programs that the school offers. Sports is a big topic, while they work on expanding what news they will cover in the upcoming months. The School District is enacting more community outreach as well. Look to business spots in Dove Creek to pick up the next issues of all school communications.

Mid November, the DC School Times put out an Eviewer Special Edition online, connecting with Veterans.

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LIVESTOCK 4~H DOLORES COUNTY

The Dolores County Extension Office would like to showcase our 4-H Livestock Program that began in 2021. In 2023 we had 5 Members complete livestock projects. Mykaela Fury completed with a Market Steer, Ashly Fury completed with a Market Steer, Haley Kelshaw completed with a Market Lamb, Cason Fisher completed with a Market Goat, and Daniel Fisher completed with a Market Goat. Please congratulate these young folks for their hard work and dedication to their projects.

This Program is a partnership between the Dolores County Fair Board and the Dolores County Extension 4-H Program. We provide opportunities for youth to learn, practice and apply animal science knowledge, skills, and abilities to prepare them for success in careers in the livestock industry. This program exposes Dolores County 4-H Members to real-world livestock production and marketing.

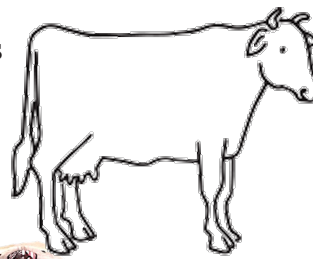
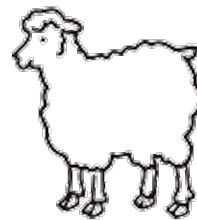
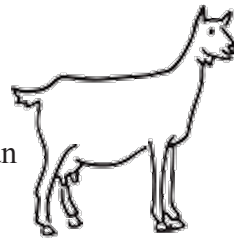
Our 4-H Livestock Program is unique because our community does not have the resources to support our own Jr. Livestock Auction like other counties with larger populations and business communities. Therefore, we have started this program from donations from local businesses and community members to provide our members a monetary add-on to their livestock marketing proceeds to assist them with their project expenses. These funds are also allocated to offset Dolores County Fair expenses incurred from the Livestock Program such as equipment for all 4-H Youth to utilize, and fees charged by Livestock Judges at the Dolores County Fair.

The Dolores County 4-H Livestock Program was developed due to feedback received from our 4-H Families regarding our lack of a Livestock Program based in Dolores County. Due to this feedback and increasing participation by 4-H Members, this program was launched. We could not have done this without the overwhelming

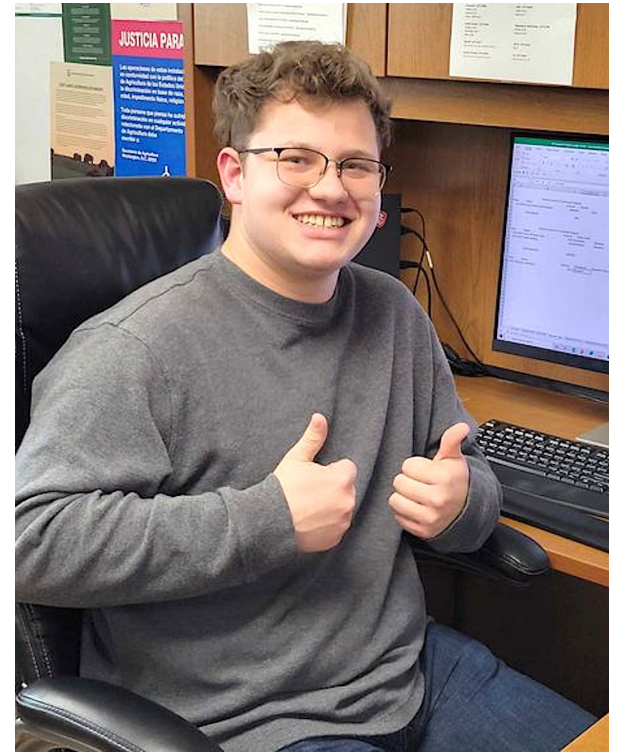


support from our local community members and businesses. The following is a list of 2023 Sponsors. If you see them, please help us by thanking them for their support of a program that would not be possible to thrive and grow without them.

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The Dolores County Extension Office would like to welcome Nolan Hankins to our team! Nolan will be a great addition to our office and we are very excited to have him with us. Nolan was a career 4-Her and now he will continue his 4-H career from the other side. Please swing by our office and help us to welcome him to Team Extension!
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 Breakfast Lunch Dinner
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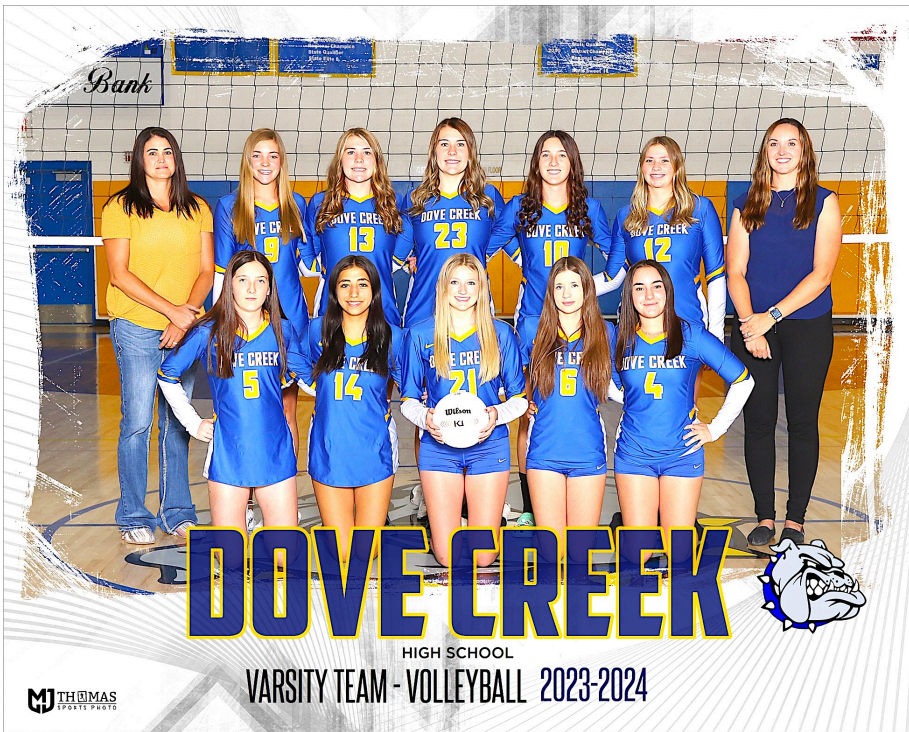
4-H Enrollment for the 2023 -2024 4-H Year is open!
 If you would like to get involved, please contact the Extension Office at 970-677-2283 or gus.westerman@colostate.edu and we will get you started.





DOVE CREEK BULLDOG SCHOOL FEATURE

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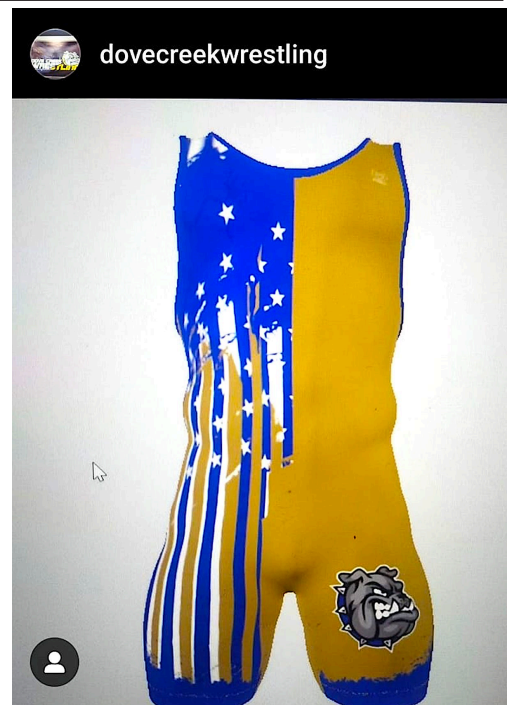
Another great season for the Dove Creek Bulldog Volleyball team - winning their Regional title, they fought valiantly at the State level, tackling the no.1 seated Merino team twice to eventually halt their path to a title, getting to the program's state semi final, with a 26 to 4 season record. Post season, Dove Creek seniors Kalie and Kylie Gatlin, as well as junior Ralynn Hickman, were selected for the 1A classification all-state teams. Led by Coach Lacey Murphy, we watched a great effort and team work by the entire program all season. Congratulations to all!

Congratulations to the 2023 Dove Creek Bulldog Football Program, coming off of a state championship year, the team never stopped pushing for the best wins at every game. They finished the regular season at 7-2. Heading once again to the playoffs, they moved their way through each game bringing it their all, making it to the quarterfinals in a tough match versus Lyons that ended the trail for the cup this year. With Coach Jason Fury and his assistants Jesse Poole and Adam Warren, the program once again showed the spirit of training hard, working together, and keeping positive, makes each player a winner.



DOVE CREEK WRESTLING

The Wrestling team had their Singlet Design be a winner for the Team! First weekend in December the team competed: Cael Beanland, 113lbs took 2nd. Teagan Larimore, 120lbs took 3rd. Chad Kline 132lbs took 1st. Konner Spigner 150lbs 1st. Cody Alexander, 150 2nd. Different 150 bracket. Taber DeJane 4th. 175. Frankey Montoya 2nd at 215.



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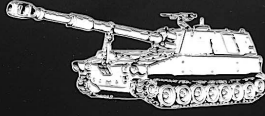
Season Team	Abbr	Count	Points
San Juan, UT (GET)	SJ	26	390.0
Durango, CO (GET)	DUR	20	306.5
3 Dove Creek, CO (GET)	DC	7	219.5
Gunnison Valley, UT (GET)	GUNN	13	212.0
Mancos, CO (GET)	Man	7	193.0
Monticello, UT (GET)	Mnt	11	188.0
Grand County, UT (GET)	GC	8	171.5
Nucla, CO (GET)	NUC	9	163.0
Norwood, CO (GET)	Nwd	7	129.5
Dolores, CO (GET)	DOL	7	76.0

MEETINGS GOV. & ORGS

EVENTS

*Town of Dove Creek Board Meetings the first and third Thursday 6:30pm at the Town Office in person/zoom
 *DCDC Meetings quarterly Wed. 11-1pm Call CSU office in person/zoom
 *Dolores County BOCC meetings first and third Mondays and as schedule additions noted on their webpage. PSC meeting room. In person/Zoom
 *Neighborhood Watch - follow on Facebook

*Dolores County School Board meeting third Wed. Dist. Office 6pm.
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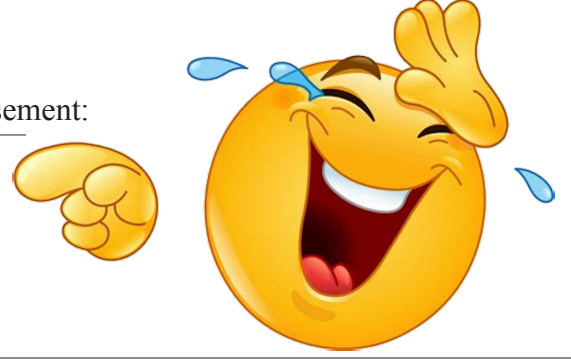
Food for Thought
 By Kenny Ray

No one can know the song in your heart, unless you let them hear it...

The Pinto Bean



A Punny group of "Dad Jokes" - Logan Lisle, creates tick tok videos delivering short punnies. Here are a couple of examples for your amusement:
 "What do you call a poor Santa..... Saint Nickle less"
 "Do they allow laughing in Hawaii?.... or just a low-ha"
 "Why are mountains so funny.... because they are hill areas"



UGLY SWEATER PARTY

Sat. Dec. 16th
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DOVE CREEK MS/HS SCHEDULE



Dec. 1-2	HS Basketball @Centauri Tournament
	HS Wrestling @Moab Tournament
Dec. 4	Knowledge Bowl @Mancos
Dec. 6	Board Meeting
Dec. 7	HS Wrestling @Cortez
Dec. 8-9	HS Basketball @Rangly Tournament
	HS Wrestling @Montrose
Dec. 12	FB and VB Sports Banquet
Dec. 13	MS Science Fair
Dec. 14	HS Girls BB (H) Blanding FFA Christmas Party
Dec. 15-16	HS Basketball (H) Bulldog Classic
Dec. 16	HS Wrestling @John Mall Tournament
Dec. 21	END of First Semester
Dec. 22	Christmas Break starts no school School Resumes January 9th 2024

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Herd Management in SW Colorado

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CPW's draft herd management plans for deer in Southwest Colorado are open to public comment through Dec. 15, 2023. "Public feedback on our herd management plans is critical, as we manage these herds in the best interests of all Coloradans," said CPW Senior Wildlife Biologist Jamin Grigg. "Our Herd Management Plans dictate how our deer herds in the region will be managed for a 10-year period, so it's crucial for us to hear if people prefer specific alternatives or if their experience of what they see on the ground differs from that of our biologists."

The new deer HMPs for the region were drafted after public engagement efforts were conducted throughout the summer. Of note, CPW has proposed to combine a few Data Analysis Units (DAUs) into a single DAU. That includes combining D-31 and D-37 from the Sand Dunes area into a single DAU, now D-56. CPW would also like to combine Gunnison Basin DAUs D-21, D-22 and D-25 into a new single DAU, D-57.

"The purpose of this is to more effectively model and manage what is functionally one biological herd," said Grigg. "Management can still vary by each Game Management Unit within the DAU. This is similar to what we have previously done with elk DAUs in the Gunnison Basin and elsewhere."

The 14 herds included in the plan are the D-19 Uncompahgre Plateau, D-20 North Fork of Gunnison River, D-23 La Sal, D-24 Groundhog, D-26 Saguache, D-29 Mesa Verde, D-30 San Juan Basin, D-35 Lower Rio Grande, D-36 Upper Rio Grande, D-40 Cimarron, D-51 South Grand Mesa, D-52 Hermosa, D-56 Sand Dunes and D-57 Gunnison Basin deer herds. CPW is proposing extensions of previously approved management objectives for the D-20, D-26, D-



-30, D-36, D-51, and D-52 herds. New management objectives have been proposed for the D-19, D-23, D-24, D-29, D-35, D-40, D-56 and D-57 herds.

A local example is Groundhog : The last HMP for D-24, which includes GMUs 70, 71 and 711 in parts of Dolores, Montezuma, Montrose and San Miguel counties, was approved in 2014. The previous population objective was 15,000 to 19,000 deer, and the 2022 post-hunt estimate was 18,300. CPW's preferred objective for this DAU is 19,000 to 23,000 deer. "The deer population overall has been stable for the past 15 years following a previous decline," said CPW biologist Brad Weinmeister. "Based on the herd performance over the past 10 years, minimal game damage issues and the desire for more deer on public lands, CPW recommends increasing the population objective."

Another local plan for Mesa Verde : The last HMP for D-29, which includes GMUs 72 and 73 in parts of Montezuma and

Dolores counties, was approved in 2014. The previous objective was 5,500 to 7,000 deer, and the 2022 post-hunt population estimate was 9,300. CPW's new proposed population objective is 9,000 to 12,000 deer. "Over the past 20 years, the deer population has been on an increasing trend," Weinmeister said. "The majority of growth in the population has occurred on private lands, especially around the towns of Pleasant View and Cahone. The portion of the population that uses public lands hasn't experienced the same increasing trend."

Submit Public Deadline
Dec. 15, 2023

Please submit public comments to Grigg at jamin.grigg@state.co.us Comments also will be accepted by mail addressed to:

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REVIEW What a fun option for a Thanksgiving buffet when you don't have family in town, or even if you did! We drove the stunning River Road north of Moab, to arrive at the Redcliff's Lodge for their specialty spread. Well attended to, the offerings were plentiful and delicious. With two large rooms to accommodate all those participating in the seatings, it did get a bit cool with the appetizers and desserts set in the center section that opens to the spectacular view of the mesas. The Easter and Mother's Day weekends are also a treat, make reservations if you have a larger group. While there, check out the Moab Museum of Film and Western Heritage in the basement as well. Looking forward to an overnight in one of their western appointed accommodations soon. Tell your friends you saw this on SWAC.TV - we would certainly recommend for a special meal stop on the SWAdventure Corridor!



News from Around the Southwestern Adventure Corridors

URANIUM MINING BACK

NEWS / MINING

Thor Energy is working on Uranium and Vanadium extraction in our region. Recently, they reported that their drilling at “Wedding Bell and Radium Mountain projects is now complete, with all drillholes intersecting favourably reduced sands indicative of hosting uranium and vanadium mineralisation.” They report that it has been a “safe and well-executed program by Thor’s experienced locally based (Nucla-Montrose, Colorado USA) uranium exploration team.”

“A sample submission to Australian Laboratory Services, in Vancouver, for uranium and vanadium assays results, is currently in progress and the remaining downhole gamma eU308 uranium results will be released to the market once the surveys are complete.” according to Managing Director Nicole Galloway Warland.

The shallow RC (reverse circulation) drilling program is now complete at priority prospects; Section 23, Rim Rock Mine and Groundhog - The program comprised 23 shallow drillholes totalling 2,737m, with geological logging visually identifying favourably reduced sands in all drillholes. Downhole gamma logging returns up to



3,186 ppm (0.32%) eU308 uranium at the Rim Rock Mine, along strike of historic mined-out areas – (ASX/AIM: 15 November 2023), and the Groundhog Mine downhole gamma results are pending.

Thor Energy holds a 100% interest in three uranium-vanadium projects in the highly prospective Uravan Mining Belt on the border of Utah and Colorado. The Wedding Bell

Project and the Radium Mountain Project are both in Colorado and comprise of 199 mineral claims over areas of historical high grade uranium and vanadium production. The Vanadium King Project in south-east Utah comprises of 100 mineral claims, approximately 40km north of the town of Moab.

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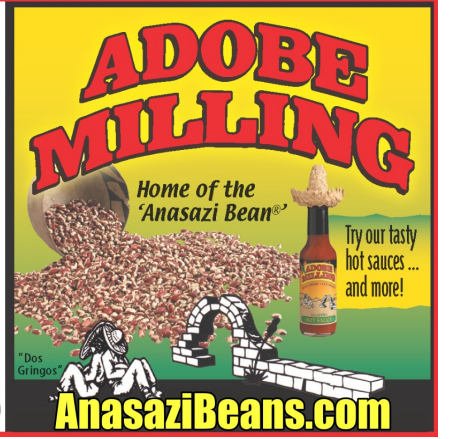


Photo: Mining Magazine

White Mesa Mill - Enery Fuels

Energy Fuels recently held a two day open house program at their facility south of Blanding Utah, to entertain questions and present an open informational venue to connect to the public about their energy operations. The open house offered tours and a variety of presentations about the mill and monitoring / testing radon to keep within standards for protection to the public, with air and well monitors. Utah Gov. Cox offered his concern of domestic energy supply, for milling uranium, vanadium as well as rare earth elements, in a pre recorded video presentation. Energy Fuels established a San Juan County Clean Energy Foundation in 2021, “to help fund organizations in the county that support initiatives in education, environment, health



Energy Fuel owns a series of uranium/vanadium mines in eastern Utah, including the Beaver, Pandora, La Sal, Energy Queen and Redd Block Projects.

and wellness, the economy, and tribal prosperity.”

However at the same time as the open house, members of the Ute Mountain Ute tribe marched on Hwy 191, protesting the White Mesa Mill, arguing that the mill has polluted air, water and wildlife, and puts profits over people in their operations.

EF is also reopening The La Sal Mines Complex and what is now called the Pinyon Plain Mine which is grandfathered in for operations on the south rim of the Grand Canyon. Potential plans for reopening the Whirlwind Mine near Gateway Colorado is also a possibility, and concern for impact to the area is being vocalized in area newspapers as well.

With the soaring price of uranium hitting

over \$80, with experts looking to a surge over \$100 in the near future, the economics of mining, and processing, becomes attractive to more than just Energy Fuels. Another company, Western Uranium & Vanadium has acquired a site in Utah and begun work on designing and permitting the facility to process uranium, vanadium and cobalt according to World Nuclear News. The new plant will process feed from Western's restarted Sunday Mine Complex. at their upper disappointment valley Colorado location, with projections to build a facility in Green River UT. According to this report, “Western said it expects the plant to be licensed and constructed for annual production of 2 million pounds U3O8 (769 tU) and 6-8 million pounds of V2O5, with initial production in 2026.”

EF owned, White Mesa Mill, is currently the country’s only fully licensed and operating conventional uranium processing mill, with a capacity of 8+ million pounds of uranium per year, employing 150 people at full operation.

Coming up in the next issue....
More Mining news:
Potash Mining/Processing
Rare Earth Elements



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Run Forest Run! is an incredible scene from the 1994 blockbuster movie Forest Gump.

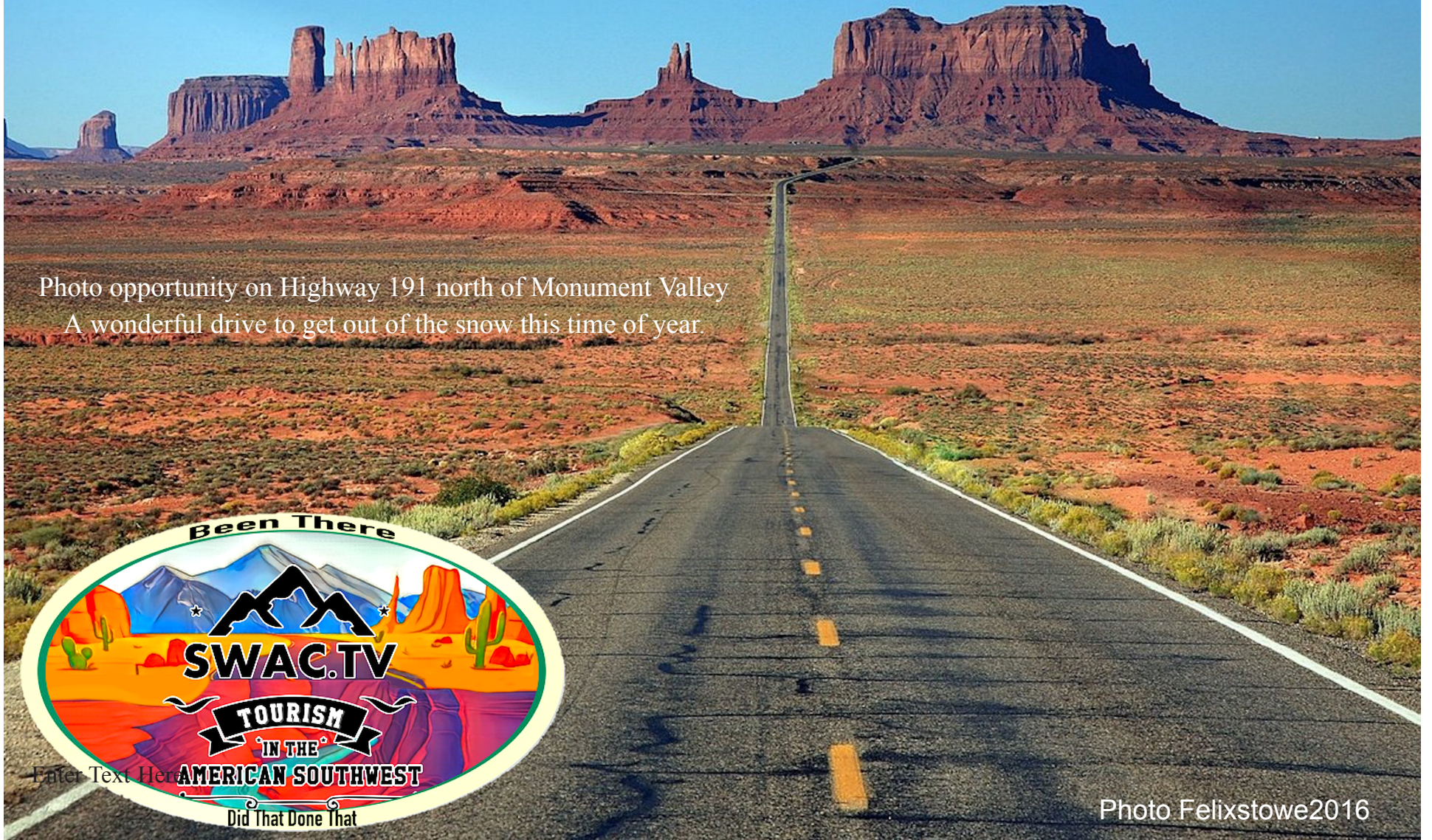


Photo opportunity on Highway 191 north of Monument Valley
A wonderful drive to get out of the snow this time of year.



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ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY SAFELY

December is a transition time in the four corners - the general tourist 'season' falls off quite a bit, while there are still opportunities to recreate (depending on the weather), as well as hitting the slopes at ski resorts in the area. The month is filled with all sorts of Holiday events, usually on a smaller scale for the locals. Check for Parades (many happened the first weekend), as well as Businesses offering special events, parties, live music, and don't forget New Year's Eve festivities!

SWAC.TV is gearing up to bring you more of what you've asked for - gathering the events from around SE Utah and SW Colorado... so be sure to stay tuned!

Live Music in Moab in December

- 9 - Blu Pig - Bob Greenspan & Mama T
- 14 - Blu Pig - Dustin Burley
- 15 - Blu Pig - Wolf River Band
- 15 & 16 - Red Cliffs - Dave Mensch
- 17 - Red Cliffs - Brunch & Santa - Alan Snow.
- 21 - Blu Pig - Dustin Burley
- 22 - Blu Pig - The Nanites Band
- 22 - Red Cliffs - Broken Arrow
- 23 - Blu Pig - Jon Budd
- 23 - Red Cliffs - Down in the Roots
- 25 - Red Cliffs - Christmas Brunch -Down in the Roots
- 28 - Blu Pig - Dustin Burley
- 29 - Blu Pig - Danny Rose
- 29 & 30 @ Red Cliffs - Alan Snow

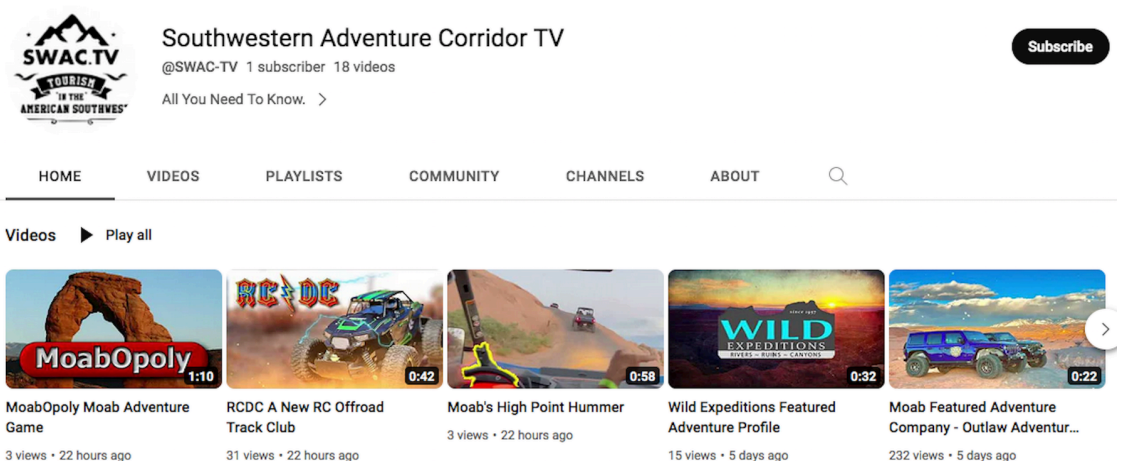


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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR ~ PUBLISHER

Kendra Cook



America the Beautiful?

Living off grid needs a lot of patience - waiting for more solar input until you can turn on x y or z, and sometimes it reminds me of green acres the TV show, where the wife could plug in the toaster and fridge, or dishwasher and hairdryer, but not all at the same time. The American lifestyle overall, is said to have become so full of convenience, in an on demand society, everything is just a click, or a plastic card, or a button away.

Then I think of Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory movie, and the Veronica character, who wants more more more, and wants it now! When I was younger and traveled abroad, that stereotype was called "The Ugly American". Sadly, it seems this has spread to many parts of the world, that it might not be just an American thing anymore.

And what makes America/ Americans different? What does it mean to be an American? We were taught it was a land of opportunity - anyone could be anything they wanted, the pathway to whatever you dreamed of, was only a matter of your own efforts to get there. At one point we were told it is a "melting pot" - again, in the 70's when Fondue pots were all the rage - you bring all types of cultures and traditions together, and stick them in a hot blend of molten cheese, so they all are dipped American. But did or does that really work? Did we really want to blend down into being all the same, or is the challenge of the American lifestyle, to allow traditions and cultures that can not harm or encroach, or impact badly on others, while still living all together in support of one another. The "experiment" may have ultimately failed. Or perhaps it was too much to reach for in the first place?

The "getting back to the land" movement, timed up with a Jesus movement again, in the 1970s, had many of the same global pushes, removing the gold backed dollar, one world government, climate issues, energy fears and on and on, to say there's nothing new under the sun is an obvious factual phrase if you live long enough.

Here we see still today, transforming human society is the 'game' that is being played across the planet. And has been for a long time. In the end, the agenda is for a single world government, a single world army, a single central bank, a single world no cash Digital Currency, and the population - all across - is to be controlled by a connection to the brain by artificial intelligence. It's not scifi. It's here.

Racial religions must be crushed, as the goal is a Global Mono Culture. Everyone has, believes, and is the same. The one world connection, creates a human hive mind - perception being dictated to the masses by a tiny elite. Western culture, white people, Christian religion, is the current target of the day. The stereotyped ugly American is, however, not the end, but just the first. Once that is taken down, then they are coming for the rest of You!

There is a common threat to all of us. They may be taking out the first leg, but make no mistake, as in Germany, the authorities took out the brown shirts after they were 'just doing their job'. The desire to 'take over' other peoples culture, has never worked in the history we have known about.

You have a choice - you accept the injustice, or reject participating in the system, or watch it turn to violence. Once there is violence, the fault is pointed at that group. Seeing the world transformed, and being ignored, the majority is being ignored, there is a reason for that. It is the plan. They want civil wars, this gives the powers the excuse to come in and shut things down; Bring in young military age males into countries all over - not as refugees, but to be ready for a fight.

The few to impose their view, will ultimately completely transform humanity to the point of not recognizing it anymore. If you don't see it coming, you will certainly be shocked when it is too late. Knowing how to live without relying on these big government entities, controlling what you do to keep your 'job', or what you can and cannot buy or do based on complying with their direction, will be the ultimate 'weapon' against the on coming 'wars'. It may be a harder road to hoe, but developing and holding on to your core values, core character, and core kindness, loving and strong way of life, not hurting others, will certainly make you, a part of America the Beautiful, and a beautiful American.

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HEALTH

THC ED Part 4. Five part feature for a series exclusively in the Pinto Bean, helping to educate those unfamiliar with the plant cannabis sativa, looking into what is happening in the four corners and beyond, as we end 2023. Medical and Recreational dispensaries in Colorado are only available to those 21 years old or older.

By Contributing Writer - Hayden Pate

Delta 9 THC Gummies

In 2018 Congress passed the 2018 Farm Bill, which removed hemp as a federally controlled substance.

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Def: THC (TetraHydroCannabinoid)

The Entourage Effect - is a hypothesis that cannabis compounds other than tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) act synergistically with it to modulate the overall psychoactive effects of the plant.

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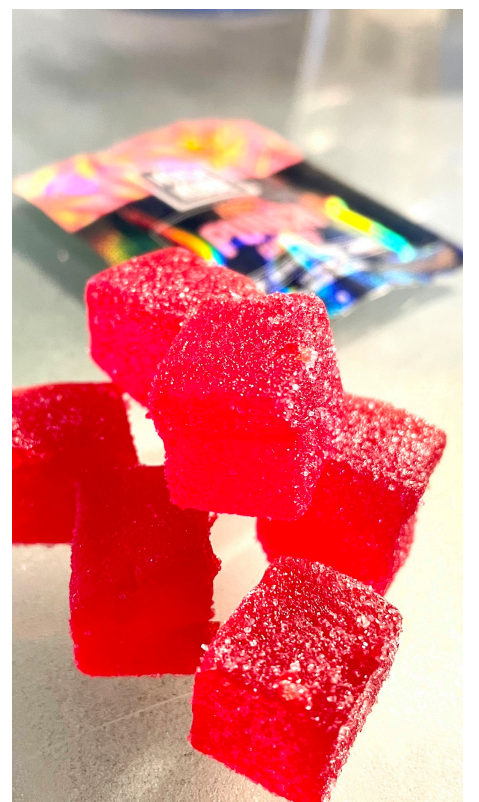


Dose Advice is to "start low, and go slow" when consuming any cannabis edibles. Every body and mind, react differently, one person's experience may be different from another depending on many variables.

The best hemp derived Delta 9 THC starts with the highest quality hemp, and the highest quality hemp can be found right here in American farms.

Delta 9 gummies are sold online in the US, be sure to read about whichever company you might buy from, to learn about their methods and sources.

A company out of Salt Lake City UT sells gummies under the name KushKubes courtesy photo pictured right.



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NATIONAL PARK TIMED ENTRY - TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING?

By Kendra Cook

For Arches National Park in Moab, over the last two busy tourist seasons, the park has run a program where visitors must pre-purchase tickets during the park's busiest hours and months. Public Lands policy from the Park Service, has been working on a "timed entry system" pilot program to address the potential over crowding in some popular national parks. Solicited comments from the general public and the local area businesses were taken til Dec. 1, to look at how the program worked for the first two years, and assess long-term strategies for congestion and overcrowding concerns.

In addition to a timed entry system, they are examining possible shuttle systems, site-specific reservations, as well as developing a second entrance or expanding parking lots where heavy traffic congregates.

Though overall tourism seemed robust in the 2023 season for much of the region, Utah Office of Tourism is still compiling the data to try to determine where visitation is down and why. Some Moab businesses expressed their concerns that the three month window excludes international travelers who make



Photo Credit: Moab Area Travel Council

plans a year in advance. Local tour companies and hotels say they are feeling the impacts of this ticket purchase system, experiencing cancellations and generally being frustrated, especially that the Parks isn't responding to their concerns.

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COOL GADGETS AND NEW TECH

New Tech gear is making its way to market faster than ever these days. When you've purchased 'the latest' this or that, it seems the very next week there's a newer model, or next generation. What's new and cool at the end of 2023?

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Cut Your Own Christmas Tree

Find the right office and buy your permit from the National Forest nearest you. Permits tend to range from \$8 to \$20 depending on your location.

There's a website where you can learn all about what to cut, where to cut, or not, and all types of regulations and suggestions. Go online to Recreation.gov and select your nearest location for fees and permit info.

The website also provides downloadable maps you can use to plot out your tree hunt!

And as always, be sure to securely strap the tree to your vehicle or in the back of a pickup truck bed.



The general recommendation is to put the tree in an unheated but sheltered location when you get home, a shed or garage will do, if you can, for a week or two before bringing it into the house. Keep it well watered right from the start. Place it away from heaters or potential fire hazards. And, best of luck if you have cats or fun dogs!

Agriculture License Plate?

OUTDOOR / AGRICULTURE

What is involved in all those specialty license plates - choices, designs, and where do the donations go? Take as an example the design of the the Fishing CO plate, first there's a minimum donation needed to Colorado Trout Unlimited, the non profit works for fishing conservation, then they give you a certificate that you then take to the DMV and then apply for the new plate, where additional fees apply. Each "group" plate similarly denotes a cause or a team, and the funds go towards their projects while raising awareness of the general topic through your display of the plate.

In 2023, far and away the most popular group or specialty plate is the Columbine - with over 80,000, followed by several plates around 32,000 - Wildlife Sporting then Pioneer and next Breast Cancer Awareness. The flower plate isn't a tip of the hat to the beautiful state flower (though it is displayed in the center), it honors the victims and survivors of the 12th grade student shooting at the Columbine High School on April 20, 1999. It's YOUR turn to help push through a new Agriculture specialty plate by signing the petition before December 25th 2023. Find a petition in Dove Creek at the Dinner Bell, or

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at the Station Boutique in Cortez. The Logan County Cattlewomen in Merino CO are coordinating the effort to bring over 3000 signatures to the state application. The Pinto Bean helped to coordinate the petitions in SW Colorado.

There was an Agriculture Plate available in 2001, Exec. Director of the Colorado Foundation for Agriculture replied to the Pinto Bean on the status of that retired plate, saying, "The original Growing Your Future Colorado agriculture license plate was started by the Colorado Foundation for Agriculture (a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization established in 1991) and designed to promote Colorado agriculture and as a fundraiser to support agricultural literacy. The tagline of Growing Your Future coincided with the domain name for the Foundation. The mission of the Colorado Foundation for Agriculture is to connect Colorado educators and students (preK-12) to their food, fiber, fuel, and natural resources through the Agriculture in the Classroom program. Annually, we reach 325,000 students, teachers, individuals, and families each year in urban, suburban, and rural communities across the state. The main reason the Growing Your Future plate was discontinued is because it was difficult to meet the certain number of plate sales that were required to keep the plate active."

This current effort would result in a new design and new tagline to be determined as the process moves forward.

Sign the Petition for a NEW Agriculture Support License Plate



Proposed by the Logan County Cattlewomen Merino CO

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ELK SURVEY CPW

Colorado Parks and Wildlife to randomly survey 6,000 elk hunters about over-the-counter elk license regulations - As Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) wraps up its review of the current Big Game Season Structure, staff are reaching out to hunters about current over-the-counter (OTC) elk license regulations.

CPW will be emailing surveys to 6,000 elk hunters who received an elk license in Colorado in 2018 or 2022 to share their perspectives about issues such as whether or not to eliminate OTC elk licenses (currently unlimited in number for specific seasons), which has been a controversial issue for many years. Following the Commission's resident/nonresident license allocation rule, 75% of the sampled hunters will be residents and 25% will be nonresidents. To ensure that there is representation of perspectives based on hunting type, the survey will be sent to an equal number of archery and firearm elk hunters.

The survey will take place between November 2023 - January 2024. The results from this survey will be presented to the Parks and Wildlife Commission at its March 2024 meeting. Survey respondents will be asked about their support or opposition to potential options for limiting OTC rifle and archery elk licenses. Hunters will also be asked about the influences impacting their responses and anticipated behavior changes based on various approaches to OTC limitation.



Visit our Big Game Season Structure Engage CPW webpage to read a detailed description of each OTC elk license limitation alternative currently under consideration and to find more information on the Big Game Season Structure process and ways to continue to be involved.

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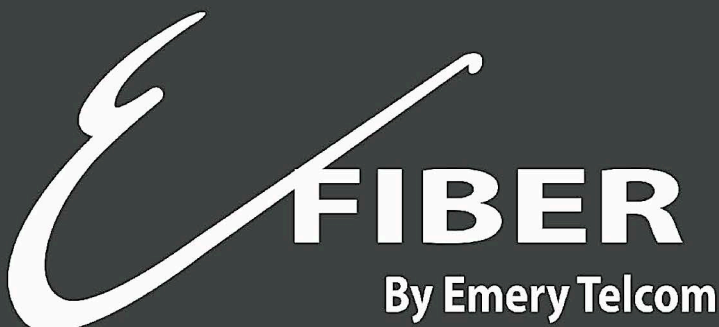
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As we head into December and face the loss of Sergeant Moran in Cortez, we reflect on the jobs at hand, and look to a potentially more dangerous future, where we must 'have each other's backs' in the many ways that can unfold.

The Thank You below, is for the help pouring out for a child's medical issues, the child of a Sheriff Officer. The article on this page is in tribute to a fallen officer in Cortez, in the line of duty. As is inscribed in the remembrance marker - "All give, some give all." it's hard not to feel a deep emotion for struggles and losses. Thank you to all who are there reaching out to help one another. May God Bless you.

SAY WHAT?!

Monthly Commentary by
Contributing Writer Linda Cunningham

Imagine a world where scientists could manipulate a common garden seed to circumvent the laws of nature. A world where a tomato can be used as a bio-vaccine, or a grain of rice can be used to administer vitamins to people in need. Seem like a far fetched idea? Futuristic? Welcome to the world of Genetically Modified Organisms or GMO foods. These products are being used in many different forms, from seed to the finished product.

Roughly 90% of all soybeans and corn grown in the United States holds the GMO scar. And if you think GMO grown soybean and corn are only for animal use, think again.

GMO ingredients are being put into foods, whole foods and processed foods. GMO technology uses the most advanced scientific methods to manipulate the cellular structure of the very soul of a seed or plant. That fresh tomato you bought at the store could very well have the DNA of artic fish imbedded into the tomato plants DNA to make it more cold tolerant. Some other plants that are GMO modified are apples, eggplant, potatoes, squash and much more.

In a Cornell study done by Blane Friedlander in 1999 showed the toxic pollen from GMO corn can kill monarch butterflies.

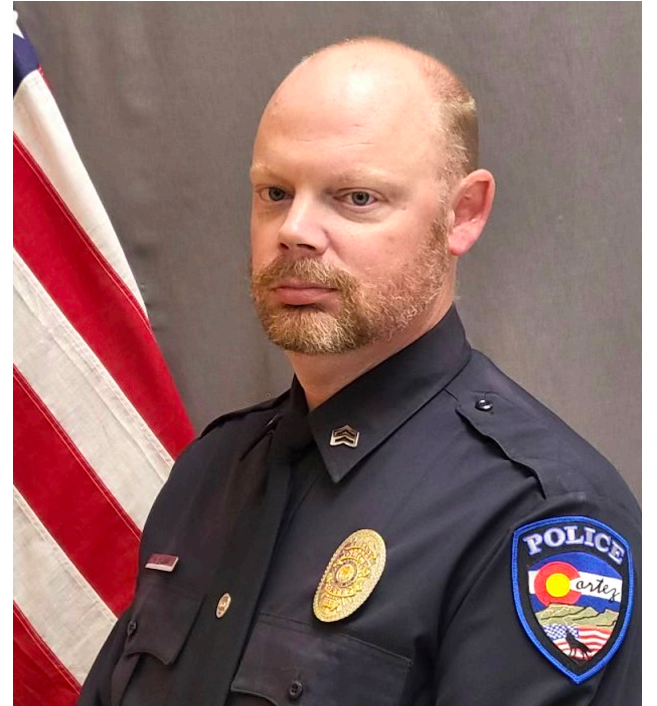
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Fallen Hero in Cortez

Cortez Police Department honors their fallen hero Sgt. Michael Moran, end of watch Nov. 29, 2023. Sgt. Moran served his country as a Marine for 9 years, including two tours in Iraq, prior to joining the Cortez Police Department in 2012. Sgt. Moran rose quickly through the ranks, becoming a k-9 officer in 2016. He was most proud of his canine partner Otto, who retired in 2020. Sgt. Moran will be remembered by his fellow officers for his dedication and sense of humor. He leaves behind two daughters, many friends and family.

A candlelight vigil for Sgt. Moran was held on Nov 30th the day following the shooting, with several hundred people in attendance. During the Parade of Lights, his life and contributions to the community were celebrated during the parade.

Colorado Fallen Hero Foundation is accepting monetary donations on behalf of Sergeant Moran's family. Click the QR code to go directly to the donation page.



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Thank you Dove Creek!

The Purkat family would like to thank everyone who attended and participated in the fundraiser for Trapper. It was a great night and the amount of support that was shown was emotional and humbling to our family. All funds have been placed in an account for Trapper that will be used during upcoming hospital stays, travel expenses, medications and medical bills. Thank you for your kindness and donations. We cannot wait until Trapper is old enough for us to tell him the story how the town came together to help him. We would like to send a special thank you to Melissa Reid and Alisa Shultz for putting it all together we would also like to thank everyone who volunteered and donated time, energy, money and items for the auction and bingo prizes. Thank you from the Purkat's.



USDA bioengineered foods list



The American Academy of Environmental Medicine, www.aeonline.org, has done many studies on the serious health risks of GMO foods and how it affects the body, such as Allergies, infertility, immune issues, accelerated aging, cholesterol and insulin regulation and changes in liver, kidney, spleen and the gastrointestinal system. I guess the only way to know you're not getting GMO foods is to grow your own, and we all can't do that, but we can make better choices, this writer included.

In Genesis 1:29 God said, "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of the tree yielding seed, they will be yours for food".



Trapper at one of the hospital stays near Denver



From 'Twas the Night Before Christmas - "And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap" the 'nightcap" was not a strong drink to 'cap off' the evening, but a piece of clothing worn while sleeping. Originally used to keep your hair free from tangles, it was also used to keep the heat in your body as many rooms did not have nighttime heating in many cultures.

If you had been told as a child - put a hat on, you loose the greatest amount of heat through your head - that might not be exactly true. Experts say "you can lose 40 to 45 percent of body heat from an unprotected head and even more from the unprotected neck, wrist, and ankles. These areas of the

WINTER HATS TO KEEP YOU COVERED

body are good radiators of heat and have very little insulating fat. The brain is very susceptible to cold and can stand the least amount of cooling. Because there is much blood circulation in the head, most of which is on the surface, you can lose heat quickly if you do not cover your head." - FM 21-76 US ARMY SURVIVAL MANUAL, BASIC PRINCIPLES OF COLD WEATHER SURVIVAL, PG 148.

So whether it's 10% or 50%, everyone feels warmer with a hat on. Winter hats come in all sizes, shapes, and colors, but many have the familiar pom-pom on the top. Where did THAT come from you ask? The most common sense answer seems to be that a knitted hat has a hole at the peak, so a nice flare or pom pom added, keeps the warmth in, and is highly decorative.

Those fluffy balls have served a categorical purpose throughout history as well. In military culture, from forces in France, Scotland, to Hungarians, the color of the bobble indicated rank. In South America, the female and male pom poms were traditionally indicative of one's marital status. In the 20th century, there were several decades of the pom pom trending in fashion. The label "pom-pom" likely comes from the French word "pompon," which



means "bobble" or "small ball of fabric." Current "beanie" hats have taken over in popularity. They are mostly machine made, with a seam at which a button looking like a little 'bean' was sewn on to making the beanie look! Once the prevalent blue collar hat, it now has universal popularity around the world. Whatever winter hat you choose, you can bet it'll be your best friend to keep you covered in the upcoming cold months!

Eating Out Taking a Bite out of your Budget

By Kendra Cook

How has the average cost of a hamburger in Colorado gone up to currently \$15 on average? Colorado Sun News reported that the pricing break down shows an increase in nearly every way since 2020 - Beef up 43% Bun up 40%, Cheese up 79% Lettuce up 85% along with labor up 54%, utilities up 55%, equipment and maintenance up 20%, and even plastic gloves up 37% (sourced from the Colorado Restaurant Foundation and Association). The overall cost of eating out at a restaurant in Colorado is up nearly 30% since 2020 states the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index. Restaurants owners and managers are working hard to provide a value experience while keeping the doors open, and it's not easy for patrons to swallow.

For Colorful Colorado, residents may be making some colorful remarks about eating out costs, and just cost of living in general. The Bureau of Economic Analysis data from 2021 showed a cost of living being \$53,374 per year, with groceries and food costs averaging \$342 per person per month, with full 2023 data not yet being available, that looks to be headed up as well.



Photo credit Omaha Steak

Depending on which part of the state you reside in, the costs are anywhere from 4 to 14% higher than the national average as well.

So when next you dive in to a juicy burger, make it one from a family owned restaurant, to satisfy your appetite, and help keep small businesses going as we all face the future together. One bit at a time....

Foods for the Holidays

By Kendra Cook

Fully into the "holiday" season, people tend towards more gatherings with food being a central feature. As the daylight hours lessen and the temperatures plummet, eating a hearty meal is important to supply the calories to burn doing all the shoveling, hauling wood, and whatever else is demanded upon your body at this season.

Between the weather and the economy, budget, cozy and inexpensive foods are on a trend according to search engines and other resources. A favorite of mine already: the "French Onion Soup" craze, starts with the basic of caramelized onions in a savory broth, topped with a chunk of toasted bread and melted cheese. One new trend is french onion pasta - a twist on mac and cheese, or even using gnocchi as the base for a delicious combo of golden onions and cheese.

Though I enjoy a creamy brie (try a Camembert for a lighter taste while still sumptuous) - the baked variety never thrilled me, yet Baked Brie has made a come back from the 1970s rage, including cooked in a flaky puff pastry,

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Above are bacon and puff pastry Christmas tree party appetizers - put strips of bacon on a pastry dough, cut into slices, add savory seasoning to taste, skewer to form a tree and bake. Top with a nugget of cheese!
Below is bourbon bacon brittle - find the recipe online for a unique tasty holiday treat!



then topped with rosemary or garlic, or even some type of sweet topping: brûléed, with crispy prosciutto on top.

But my favorite delight (well any time of year truthfully) is Bacon. It's not just for breakfast! Adding a layer of bacon on top of a meat while cooking, adds the fat drippings with flavor, and seals in the juices. Or, make 'candy jerky' by baking bacon that's coated with brown sugar and red or black pepper flakes - or a new favorite, sprinkle the bacon with Tajin seasoning that adds salt/pepper and lime flavor and a dash of brown sugar, bake til crisp. These treats are delicious additions to a holiday Bloody Mary too! (wink wink)

And apparently you can add bacon to sweets as well - some crisp bits sprinkled into chocolate chip cookies with a touch of sea salt are a surprising delight. Or try bacon topped on your pecan crackle or brittle recipe for a unique twist on a holiday favorite.

Whatever you may cook and share and devour for the holidays this year, the Pinto Bean family wishes you and yours all the best. "may you live as long as you want, and never want as long as you live" See you Next Year!

The Periodic Table of Meat

1 B Bacon																	2 H Hamburger						
3 P Pork chops	4 Bb Baby back ribs																	5 Bk Blackened fish	6 Gf Grilled fish	7 Bf Baked fish	8 Ff Fried fish	9 Mb Meatballs	10 Sg Sausage
11 Pl Pork loin	12 Sr Spare ribs																	13 Sh Sashimi	14 Im Shrimp	15 Sl Shellfish	16 Sq Squid	17 Ci Chia	18 Sj Skippy joe
19 Cu Pork cutlet	20 Hh Hamhock	21 Ha Sliced ham	22 Ca Capicola	23 Cd Corned beef	24 Tp Beef tri-tip	25 Bs Beef sausage	26 R Beef ribs	27 Kb Kobe	28 Rt Pot roast	29 Cr Crab	30 Tu Tuna	31 Lb Lobster	32 Pg Chicken parmigiana	33 Tm Chicken tempura	34 Fg Chicken fingers	35 Ng Chicken nuggets	36 Fr Fried chicken						
37 Ro Pork roast	38 Cz Chorizo	39 Ch Christmas ham	40 Mr Mortadella	41 Rb Roast beef	42 He Head cheese	43 Td Beef tenderloin	44 S T-bone steak	45 Fm Filet Mignon	46 Sf Stroganoff	47 St Beef stew	48 Cb Chicken carbon bleu	49 C Grilled chicken	50 Gt General Tso's chicken	51 Ty Teriyaki chicken	52 Jm Jamaican jerk	53 W Buffalo wings	54 Q BBQ chicken						
55 Pp Pulled pork	56 Ap Al pastor	57 Z Zurgenwurst	58 Rs Prosciutto	59 Pm Pastrami	60 Cw Cow tongue	61 Pr Pepper steak	62 Tt Steak tartare	63 Si Strip steak	64 Md Mandarin beef	65 Bt Brisket	66 Cs Chicken casserole	67 Re Rotisserie chicken	68 Tr Tandoori	69 K Kabobs	70 Gb Gumbo	71 Sp Spam	72 Pe Pepperoni						
73 Gr Ground pork	74 Ct Carnitas	75 Fe Pig's feet	76 Pt Panotta	77 Gy Gyro	78 Fi Steak fingers	79 Sy Salisbury steak	80 Cf Chicken fried steak	81 Ry Ribeye	82 Sw Shawarma	83 J Beef jerky	84 D Duck	85 Th Thanksgiving turkey	86 T Sliced turkey	87 Sm Summer sausage	88 Bg Bologna	89 Lf Pimento loaf	90 Hd Hot dogs						
																91 Bn Bacon	92 Ek Elk	93 L Lamb	94 Go Goat	95 Kl Roadkill	96 Bh Bushmeat		
																97 Dr Deer	98 Ra Rabbit	99 Wb Wild boar	100 O Ostrich	101 E Emu	102 G Gator		

Key Meat Facts:

- Bacon is the "meat of life." Without bacon, life on earth as we know it could not exist
- Noble Meats are named as such because they rate the highest on the Glanburg "Yumminess Scale." Lowest-ranking meats include Pig's feet, Spam and Roadkill
- Meats occur in two basic forms: boned and boneless
- Basic chemical formulas: H₂B = Bacon Double Cheeseburger; ThReD = Turducken; HaRbT = Cold Cut Trio; HdQH = A Barbeque, FrCiB = Heart attack

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