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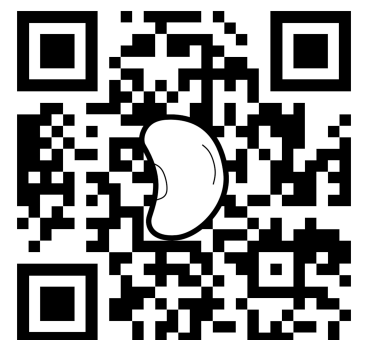
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 Combat Reporter Michael
 Yon, on **page 3**

The link to his Substack
 newsletter is on the left, and
 you can search his name to
 find interviews across the
 web, with revealing footage.

What is happening at our southern border? Too much to include in a short article, but as you can see from the front page graphic, and it is graphic, there is an incredible lack of respect: respect for our laws, for our law men and women, for are residents both at the border towns and now all across the nation. There is not a migration of people fleeing bad conditions in other countries to gain a new opportunity in the US, perhaps a few still fit that bill, but the vast majority are flooding into America by design.

Do not forget this is not just an American invasion, this mass migration and replacement population formula is being enacted and enabled by global organizations all across the world. In order to bring control to all countries by a global elite, first, all countries must be brought down to the lowest equivalent level. Thus, the out right attack on what was called First World Nations.

It may sound harsh to say out loud that this is an invasion happening, but by reading reports and watching videos with interviews, there are many individuals infiltrating our states that do not have good intentions to say the least. In the above graphic on the right, if you follow that QR code it takes you to an article that shows migrant 'cowards' beating up cops in NYC, as a 5th suspect is released without bail,

the headline states. The QR code next to the photo with a young male in the shadows with prominent tattoos, takes you to an article about "Hell Boys", the satanic MS-13 gang with a motto "kill, rob, rape, control", who slaughtered teens in Suffolk County NY, part of a murderous gang that operates all over the US. In Colorado this past December, arrested gang members were finally sentenced in a case of multiple murders near Denver.

One combat reporter, is notably helping spread the word of what is really happening at our border. In a recent article he reported, "Catholic Charities is EVERYWHERE over the border in Texas. Hiring fascist thugs in uniform, both private security and corrupt cops, to protect their human trafficking operation in the Rio Grande Valley. HIAS is EVERYWHERE in Panama building invasion camps for the US with Secretary Mayorkas, a former board member along with Sergey Brin (Google's Father) putting massive political and informational power behind them. But the people they are smuggling in won't be partaking mass or davening on Shabbos. Most of the invaders will be the very ones burning churches and synagogues to the ground while they follow their own messiahs of destruction on American streets. And you paid for it. You turned a blind eye because you didn't want to be called "Anti Catholic" or "Anti Semitic". Americans need to unify now and defeat the evil. The first step is look with "David's Eyes" upon the world for what this really is and start standing up to the Goliath that pretends he is on your side."

And who is funding all the camps, maps, and aid to help bring in thousands of people at a time? Look to the IOM - International Organization for Migration which is the 'principal United Nations agency working in the field of migration. The organization implements operational assistance programmes for migrants.' This UN arm along with supposedly 'charitable' organizations, are funding this undercover aggressive plan. A border patrol agent was quoted in January saying "There was a time when the Border Patrol would try to get to the truth of illegal aliens background, that is no longer the case. The priority is in processing for release as fast as possible."

<https://michaelyon.substack.com>

Dolores County School District January Board Meeting Summary

COMMUNITY / SCHOOL

January was School Board appreciation month, the last meeting kicked off with a cake and 'thank you's' to all board members. Board President Kimberly Alexander received one letter of interest to serve as District E board seat. The district was left vacant as former Board President Jenny Smith termed out in November. Denny Beanland was approved by the board to fill the District E vacancy.

The new elementary school (January photo right) is taking shape with most of the exterior wall studs in place and sheeting going up around the building. The roof is partially completed. The goal is to have the building dried in by the end of the January. All the utility subcontractors are on site completing installation of those utilities. Discussions about the end of this school year, move out of the current elementary school, and the move into the new building has begun with much more to come.

The 2024-25 district calendar was discussed. There will not be any big changes from our current calendar for the 2023-24 school year.

The district revised budget was discussed and approved to meet the January 31st deadline to do so. The revenues are higher than expected with the original budget.

The board approved the change in our



The new Elementary 7th Street School is starting to take shape

substitute pay scale so it would align with minimum wage requirements which went up in January 2024 in Colorado.

Two sealed bids were submitted for a new tractor for the district's maintenance department. The tractor will be used for snow removal and other maintenance needs.

The board voted to approve the purchase of the tractor from Stotz Equipment in Cortez.

Misc. personnel decisions were approved.

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DOVE CREEK FFA CHAPTER is hosting their annual Chili Dinner and Auction! Stop by the Dove Creek High School Commons on February 8th to enjoy a Chili dinner, and partake in the auction starting at 7pm.

The group has had a District winning Creed Speaker, they went to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, and also went to the National Western Stock Show. All would like to Thank You Dove Creek for your amazing support! See you at the Dinner and Auction !

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COMBAT CORRESPONDENT WRITER PHOTOGRAPHER

Michael Yon (Born 1964) Is An American Writer And Photographer. He served in the Green Berets in the early 1980s, an experience that taught him the art of observing and surviving in the most dangerous environments on earth. He became a writer in the mid 1990s, with a focus on military writing after the invasion of Iraq. Yon has been embedded on numerous occasions with American and British Troops in Iraq, most prominently a deployment with the 1st Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment (Deuce Four) of the 25th Infantry Division in Mosul, Iraq. That ended in Sept. of 2005.

During his 20 year journey of traveling the globe to report on world events firsthand, he has been to more than 80 countries including China, India, Bhutan and Vietnam. At present, he spends much of his

time reporting from the Darién Gap in Panama. The "Gap" interrupts the Pan-American "Highway" stretching some 106 km (66 mi) of rough terrain between Yaviza, Panama, and Turbo, Colombia, where an actual roadway has never been built. The Darien Gap is the most treacherous crossroad of the Americas. This is the route that many of the illegal immigrant invaders are using to come into the United States over our southern border. Not just central and south American nationals, but in 2023 he witnessed a considerable increase in extracontinental nationalities including Chinese (more than 13,000 through the first eight months of 2023), Indian (3,300), and Afghan (2,600). Yon continues to return to the area working to get more exposure on what is actually happening with the invasion of our border.

NGOs (non governmental organizations) like the Catholic Charities were caught on video at our border using police to suppress 1st Amendment rights, aid in child trafficking, and violate state and federal laws on child welfare and human rights. His most current warning in the beginning of 2024, alerts our population that the so called 'replacement population', is not coming in to the country just to replace jobs, but with more malicious intent. He has spoken with young male military aged individuals who are infiltrating our nation to be ready for taking it over.

He needs your support in the fight against



communism and communist China among all the rest of the global agencies targeting the USA and western cultures. At the very least, follow his reporting so you will have a first hand view of the happenings on our border.

MichaelYon.com



Spotlight: Dennis J. Kaniatobe II - Musician Entertainer

Musician Vocals-Guitar-
Keyboards-Bass
(Country/Rock)

To meet DJ is to feel a light and passionate energy, driven by his obvious love of music and sharing and connecting through good vibrations to audiences of all types.

Born in Shiprock NM and raised in the four corners areas of South Eastern Utah, he grew up on the Oil fields and Navajo Reservation Border. Dennis said "Music was always around, surrounded by it like everyone else at the time in the early 80s, 90s with Cassette Tapes and Records, being introduced to all different types of Genres. I grew to like the 60s and 70s Rock-Country Music best. My father was in a band and was a music teacher and is now retired. I owe a lot to my father, as he influenced me to carry it on. I grew up playing the Bass guitar. My father taught me Piano at the age of 8 and I took lessons and learned more. As I grew up I joined my father's band called "War Eagle"; At the age of 13, I got paid for playing music and I have been a professional musician ever since. We went on to Opening For Classic Rock Bands like "RedBone & B.T.O", and played twice for the "Iron horsemen Rally" .

Over time, I learned more about music, with



influences from "The Yardbirds to Van Halen & Santana" while honing different techniques and styles. Also learning who I am as a Native American Southern Cheyenne/Navajo, learning to keep that Beat Going (War Drum), like your Heart. My first ever concerts were Waylon Jennings, Marty Stuart & Dwight Yoakam in the 90's - I saw them guys in their prime as a young boy, you can say I said "I want to do that when I grow up". Since then I've been "Living the Dream"!

You can see me do acoustic guitar sets at Red Cliffs in Moab Utah, every other month in 2024, or Check out my Band "The Band Broken Arrow" on Facebook. Look for our upcoming show dates around the Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona areas.

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DOVE CREEK BULLDOG SCHOOL FEATURE



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A Few Boys' Basketball Updates ..

Taking on the team of Nucla on Jan. 11, the Dove Creek boys' basketball team lost 51-42 on its home floor. In their game against Ouray High School on Jan. 19, the Dove Creek High School boys' basketball team played together well to score a 52-37 win over Ouray. Most recently, Bayfield ran to a solid win against the Bulldogs on Jan. 31, 77-43.



Playing at home against Nucla on Jan. 11, the Dove Creek girls' basketball team raced to a 52-35 victory. The team handily beat Ridgway on Jan. 20, with a score of 65-31. With a good track record, at the time of publication, the Girls 1A team is ranked 7th. There's a full month of games ahead on the road to regionals at the beginning of March.



Dove Creek Winter Sports are well supported by many families and friends - driving great distances to cheer on these young athletes! Much Appreciated!!

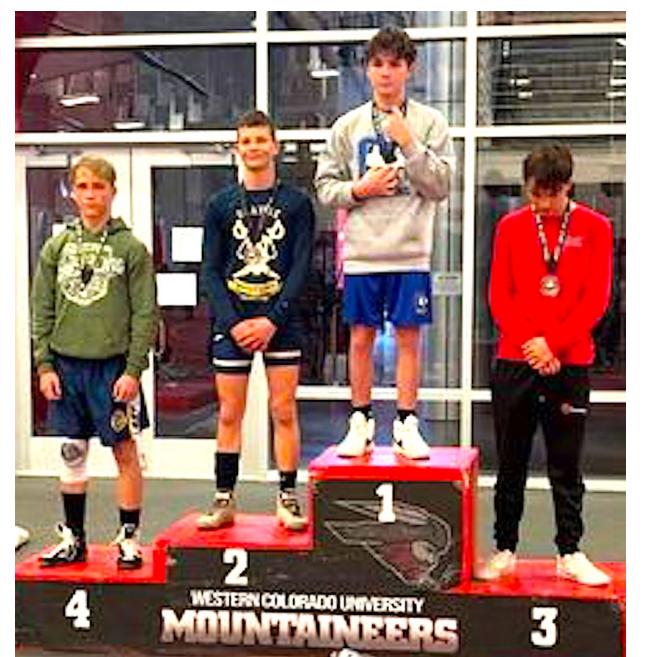


Dove Creek Wrestling

Courtesy Photos See @DoveCreekWrestling on Facebook



Coach Colten Huskey's Bulldogs wrestlers are hitting the mat hard this season. Notably Senior Cody Alexander held 20 plus wins, with the earlier tournament in Nucla Norwood, seeing him win all five matches. The entire team performed well taking home a lot of medals. The big upcoming meet was at the Dawg House - we shall see how they do in the San Juan Basin League meet, the team is pretty confident that many may win the chance to go to state this year.



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*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

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A Punny group of "Dad Jokes" - Logan Lisle, creates tik tok videos delivering short punnies. Here are more samples for your amusement:



There was a study done on the effects of alcohol on people's walks... the results were staggering...

What do you call a factory that makes okay products? A satisfactory.

DOVE CREEK MS/HS SCHEDULE



- Feb 1 HS Wrestling (H) League Tournament
MS Girls Basketball @Ouray
- Feb 2 HS Boys Basketball @Ouray
MS Girls Basketball (H) Telluride
- Feb 3 MS Wrestling @Ignacio
- Feb 6 HS Basketball @Ignacio
MS Wrestling @Norwood
MS Girls Basketball (H) Dolores
- Feb 7 HS Girls Basketball (H) Cortez
AR 25% deadline
- Feb 8 FFA CHILI DINNER
- Feb 9 MS Girls Basketball (H) Nucla
- Feb 9-10 HS Wrestling Regional Tournament
- Feb 10 HS Basketball @Dolores
MS Wrestling @Cortez
- Feb 12 HS Basketball (H) Telluride
- Feb 15-17 HS Wrestling State Tourn.
- Feb 16 HS Basketball @Nucla
- Feb 17 MS Girls Basketball
SJBL Championship
- Feb 19 PRESIDENTS DAY Closed
- Feb 19-22 FFA WEEK
- Feb 21 School Board Meeting
- Feb 22-24 HS Basketball District Tourn.
- Feb 22 MS Wrestling (H) DC Quad
- Feb 24 MS Wrestling @Bayfield
- Feb 26 First Spring Sports Practice
- Feb 29 MS Wrestling @Mancos
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Easter Jeep Safari is Right around the Corner!

Founded in 1967, what became the Red Rock 4 Wheelers was initially formed by the Moab Chamber of Commerce, featuring an annual trail ride event. When the BLM required permits, the club split off to coordinate the Jeep Safari in 1982. That's the short story. Ask a local and you'll get a lot more info and details!

A little history from their site, states that Moab was a uranium mining town from 1952 until the 1990s and the majority of area trails were created from exploration in search of oil, gas, and minerals, as well as ranching access.

The Red Rock 4-Wheelers of Moab announced the 2023 recipients of the club's Annual Charitable Donations at the end of the year. Fifteen organizations received a total of \$49,500 donated by the club and its members to local community organizations in Grand and San Juan counties (photo right). Donations have totaled \$92,750 provided by the club over the last 3 years.

The Red Rock 4-Wheelers host the annual Moab Easter Jeep Safari and a Labor Day Jeep Safari, support local community organizations and promote stewardship and responsible public lands usage.

As part of their mission, they work with organizations such as the Blue Ribbon Coalition, to whom they donated \$25,000 last fall.



BLUERIBBON COALITION

To find out more about the work of the BRC, visit their site online at www.sharetrails.org "Championing the responsible use of public lands and waters for the benefit of all"

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Love the history of this true American Diner - started in the 1960's as a car hop, the legacy continues today with a friendly feel with an attentive staff and a menu that is sure make everyone's tastebuds and pocket book happy. We stopped in for a breakfast, and I had to go with the Jeep Safari Special, which was hearty and cooked to my request. The full menu is fun to read, as the owners named the dishes after all sorts of local icons. If you are headed for a day out, it's a simple to go Box Lunch that takes the worry out of what to easily put in your cooler. And when the hot summer days are too much, cooling off with a waffle cone, real ice cream shake or banana split is sure to hit the spot. Tell your friends you saw this on SWAC.TV - we would certainly recommend it for a special stop on the SWAdventure Corridor!





OPINION PIECE - Research CO SB24-043

Regulating selling raw milk, is it the first step?

A Plea for Helping ALL of us, written by the Clutter Family Farm in SW CO. Research the bill that was introduced 1/12/24 at the QR code above.

"CO SB24-043 is gaining ground. I know a lot of you think you may not make a difference. But you are. I am asking you to please write or call out our state legislation and tell them how you feel. If this passes we will be losing our raw milk food source from our small raw milk dairies!!

The Colorado Department of Agriculture along with the Department of Health will be able to regulate it all.

These are the things they will enforce:

*state testing of milk and milk products. If found contaminated you will be brought up on criminal charges. And fined \$1000/container!

*state approved facilities required for milk

*All milk not for human consumption must be dyed

*special labels with a warning that you may die if you drink raw milk

*special handling requirements

*special transportation requirements (refrigerated truck) that will keep all milk under 40 degrees. (that will be physically impossible. Because every time you open the door the temperature changes.)

And now let's hear the drum roll. Here is the special treat Colorado is giving us.

If you agree to all of this. We will let you sell at the Farmers Markets and roadside stands.

But don't fall for this. This is the open door they want at the Colorado Department of Agriculture and our State Legislature. This means they can come in and not only regulate raw milk. But now can and will have the ability to regulate *all farmer's markets*. Especially all the Vegetables and Fruits!!

This will potentially increase the liability insurance for farmers markets and or close them down permanently.

Please help by spreading the word, calling or writing our legislators! Your voice counts.

This is all about Government Food Control.

We have sold raw milk for 18 years I am not going down without a fight. But I need the support of our communities, fellow dairymen, farmers markets, and livestock producers

We have to stop CO SB24-043

Please help our small dairies from being shut down. We can not afford their requirements, fines or charges they can and will enforce."

Better Living through Tech

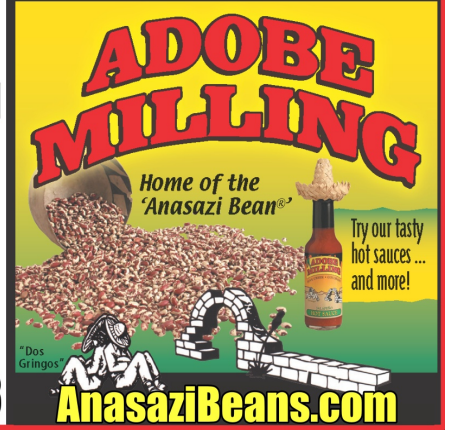
This year CES (consumer electronics show) was again themed to emphasize human security for all, and doing so in alignment with seven key pillars that the United Nations set out for the betterment of mankind. Now that access to technology has been added by the UN as the eighth pillar, CES 2024 set out to demonstrate how the industry is embracing innovations toward a safer, more secure world for people everywhere. Is this "Better Living through Tech?" We will find out soon enough.

Kubota was showing their newest tech, stating it is built on 100+ years of developing innovative solutions that support the future of the earth and "Humanity" by contributing products that help the abundant and stable production of food, help supply and restore reliable water, and help create a comfortable living environment through its superior products, technologies and services.



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SUSTAINABLE FARMING?

Be aware of what 'sustainable and green' farming may actually mean. Sounds obvious that farming would be sustainable, and green, in that you grew a crop, saved some seeds, and planted that source for the next season. But not so in today's world of high tech companies selling designer seeds for specific enticing reasons - better yield, less pests etc. - but they are not re-seedable.

Global groups such as the WEF World Econ. Forum, launched in December, the First Movers Coalition for Food; an initiative that "uses the combined procurement power for sustainably produced farming products to speed up the adoption of sustainable farming, innovations and transitional funding."

These countries and companies, look to increase demand for sustainably produced low emission agricultural commodities, with goals of net zero transitions within the food systems. The big wigs make it sound like they are saving the world, while telling their audiences they are looking to depopulate the world by A LOT. The Minister of Climate Change and Environment of the United Arab Emirates said, "The way we produce and eat food causes 30% of the world's greenhouse gas emissions, uses over 70% of the world's freshwater, and is responsible for 80% of deforestation and habitat loss in tropical areas." Bottom line, literally, is that the coalition is aimed at transforming how companies procure agricultural commodities, enabling a shift toward eco friendly production.

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What's Going On - Four Corners - February

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- February 18 @ 11:00 pm

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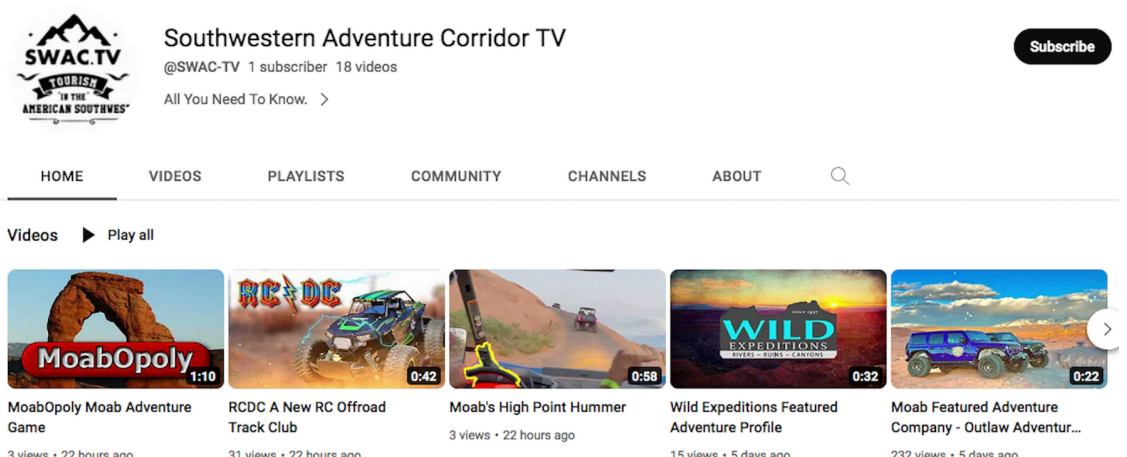
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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR ~ PUBLISHER

Kendra Cook



THE GREAT CHALLENGES IN OUR TIMES

Lots going on in February and March, you'll continue to hear rumblings of all types of wars... war on the economy, war on food, war on races, war on countries and on and on. Definitely a war on your mind - as that is what drives your reality. I'll state the bottom line up front - don't panic, don't fear, don't be stressed and depressed - though many affronts on each one of us would suggest those would be justified and reasonable responses, we 'play into the hands' of those attempting to change our world for us. And not for our betterment. So how do we stay positive and loving in a chaotic world spiraling into crazyville?

I don't have the answer.

But, I do have an idea - we, the very many more than the few driving the propaganda and making the rules, we, do .. not.. comply. What if we choose our reality to be a new future of helping one another, and changing the whole game? What if we did not do what has always been done, but create new ways of working together as communities. Back to basics - back to growing and raising our own food, organizing education by teaching our children by example, not relying on the government to save you, or expecting a hand out. Stop looking for leaders to be your savior, take control and responsibility for ourselves our children and our future. We each bring something special to the table, and we each can make a difference.

We have been the frogs in the luke warm water for too long, and now with things literally heating up, it is becoming more obvious to more people, that the 'system' is not working, and a potential crisis is on our horizon. I write about the WEF quite a lot, as that global entity has quite a high profile, but there are many more working behind the scenes as well. Klaus Schwab who founded that International group, said "you will own nothing and be happy". In part, in order to accomplish this, 'they' need a big collapse to enact a great reset. You think they can't take everything away from us? Think again. But they can never take our souls.

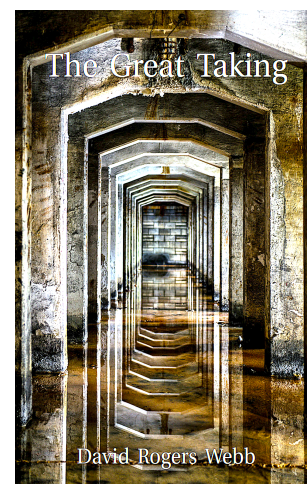
It might interest you to read the Great Taking, by David Rogers Webb. There's a free pdf online. Being aware of all the mechanisms that have been put in place for a huge transition, will help all of us to navigate our own futures. Or at least understand what is going on, and make informed decisions.

A quote from his introduction "It is about the taking of collateral, all of it, the end game of this globally synchronous debt accumulation super cycle. This is being executed by long-planned, intelligent design, the audacity and scope of which is difficult for the mind to encompass. Included are all financial assets, all money on deposit at banks, all stocks and bonds, and hence, all underlying property of all public corporations, including all inventories, plant and equipment, land, mineral deposits, inventions and intellectual property. Privately owned personal and real property financed with any amount of debt will be similarly taken, as will the assets of privately owned businesses, which have been financed with debt. If even partially successful, this will be the greatest conquest and subjugation in world history."

Watch what the banks are doing, watch what is happening to interest rates, inflation, and organizations calling in their debt. Be prepared to not depend that the systems will continue on as usual. In conclusion in the book, Webb states,

"To not know is bad.
To not want to know is worse."
I can't agree more.

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COLORADO PRIMARY UPDATE

The Presidential Primary ballots should arrive in the second half of February, there are no ballot drop boxes, you must return the ballot by mail. Unaffiliated voters will receive both Democratic and Republican primary ballots, and can vote in just one primary (if you return both, neither will count).

Any questions, contact the Office of the Clerk and Recorder 970-677-2381

The Dove Creek Conservation District serves land owners in Dolores and Western San Miguel Counties by assisting them with natural resource stewardship. The district, with help from the Natural Resource Conservation Service, the Colorado State Conservation Board, the Colorado State University Extension Service and others, helps land owners implement programs designed to address resource issues such as the prevention of soil erosion, noxious weed control, irrigation and water management and range management, to name just a few.



PUBLIC MEETING ON SOIL & CROP MANAGEMENT SPONSORED BY DOVE CREEK CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Dove Creek Conservation District would like to invite all Dolores County producers to attend the public meeting on Soil & Crop Management on Thursday, February 22, 2024, at the Dolores County Public Service Center from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be a drawing for three door prizes of Milestone Herbicide. The speakers for the meeting include:

Jeramie Black, Certified Agronomist from RNM Agronomics in Tucson, AZ. His presentation will cover fertilizer and certified organic products available from RNM Agronomics.

Katie Russell, Manager and Research Scientist of the Southwest Colorado Research Center, Yellow Jacket, CO. She will be presenting the activities that are happening at the research center.

Gus Westerman, Dolores County Extension Director; Oma Fleming, Dolores County Weed Control District Manager; and Kenny Smith, Dolores County Weed Control District Sprayer will review the weed concerns for Dolores County.

The menu for lunch is fried chicken, coleslaw, cookies, and drink. Therefore, if you plan on attending, please text "fertilizer and the number attending" (example: fertilizer 2) to 970-676-8099 by Monday, February 19, 2024. This will help the district in planning the lunch.

The Dove Creek Conservation District hopes to see you at the meeting on February 22, 2024. If you have any questions about the meeting, please contact Margaret Lestina, District Manager at 970-676-8099.

AI CAMPAIGN ADS IN CO

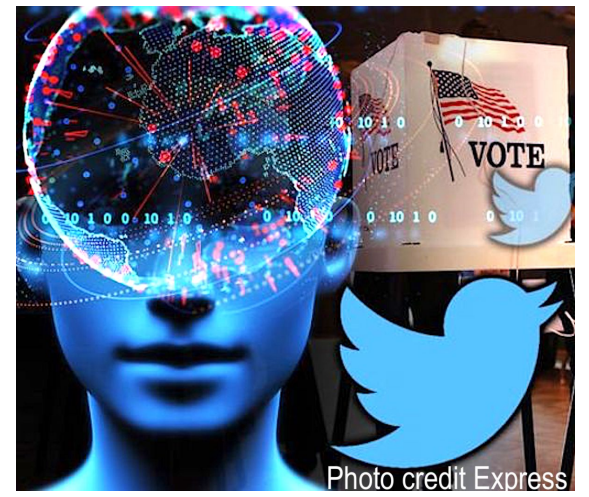


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Colorado Secretary of State has moved forward on presenting legislation that would set guidelines and possible fines for using AI, artificial intelligence, in political campaigns and election communications of all types. The root concern is that the new technologies can provide 'fake' photos, videos and audio, that could confound and confuse voters on real actual messaging from the actual candidates. The first step, is getting education to the masses, that this technique is more than just "photo shopping" a picture. It can be a video that looks and sounds like one person, while it was generated using AI, and is not actually that person.

"AI is being used to manipulate what candidates or elected officials say or do to make them appear like they're doing something or saying something that they actually did not," said Democratic Secretary of State Jena Griswold.

An obvious first attempt to alert the voting public, is to require a disclaimer on any AI electoral content in Colorado. "AI technology is so sophisticated that sometimes it's really hard to discern whether a communication is fake or not," said Griswold.

There have been three states that passed legislation last year, Michigan, Minnesota and Washington. While Indiana, Illinois, and New York had proposed legislation addressing this that was not passed. Likely, the actual verbiage in the proposed law, will play more of a part on whether it passes or not. The First Amendment rights for free speech are continuously entering challenging times, and this goes for computer generated AI, and those pulling the strings.

HB24-1147, aka Candidate Election Deepfake Disclosures, requires clear disclaimers on communications that have been generated or substantially altered by AI. Communications that fail to include proper disclaimers shall be subject to civil penalties, and the bill establishes a private right of action for candidates who are the subject of deepfakes. "The future is already here, and the people of Colorado deserve to know what's real and what is manipulated," said Representative Junie Joseph. "Artificial intelligence represents a huge turning point in history, and we must act to protect our elections."

Dear Dove Creekers, and Cahone,
Pleasant View and Egnar friends

For those of you who don't know me, I've been the District Wildlife Manager (game warden) for Dove Creek for almost three years. I'm sorry that I never got to meet you. For those of you who do know me, but may not have heard, I recently took a new job with CPW. Now I'm a big game biologist based out of Craig, helping manage the deer, elk and antelope herds that were so drastically affected by last winter.

I hope you won't mind me taking a portion of this wonderful paper (shout out to Kendra) to say thank you to all of you for making my time in Dove Creek so great.

I grew up in Meeker (about 50 miles south of Craig), and my parents still live there, so for me this was a chance to go home and play a direct role in managing the herds that I grew up hunting. Despite how much I have come to love the Dove Creek district, I just couldn't pass up that opportunity. But I want everyone in the Dove Creek community to know that I am in no way excited to leave. Dove Creek very quickly became home for my husband and I, thanks to the wonderful and welcoming people who live here. As a game warden, it's scary moving into a new community. You expect to be loved by some, hated by some, but barely tolerated by most. That wasn't the case for me when I moved to Dove Creek. I am amazed by all the great relationships I was lucky enough to build, and how much I will miss a LOT of people. You made my job easy and fun. I am truly sad to leave.

Realistically, you probably won't get a new DWM until next January. I am sorry that you have had to put up with so much turnover of game wardens for the past

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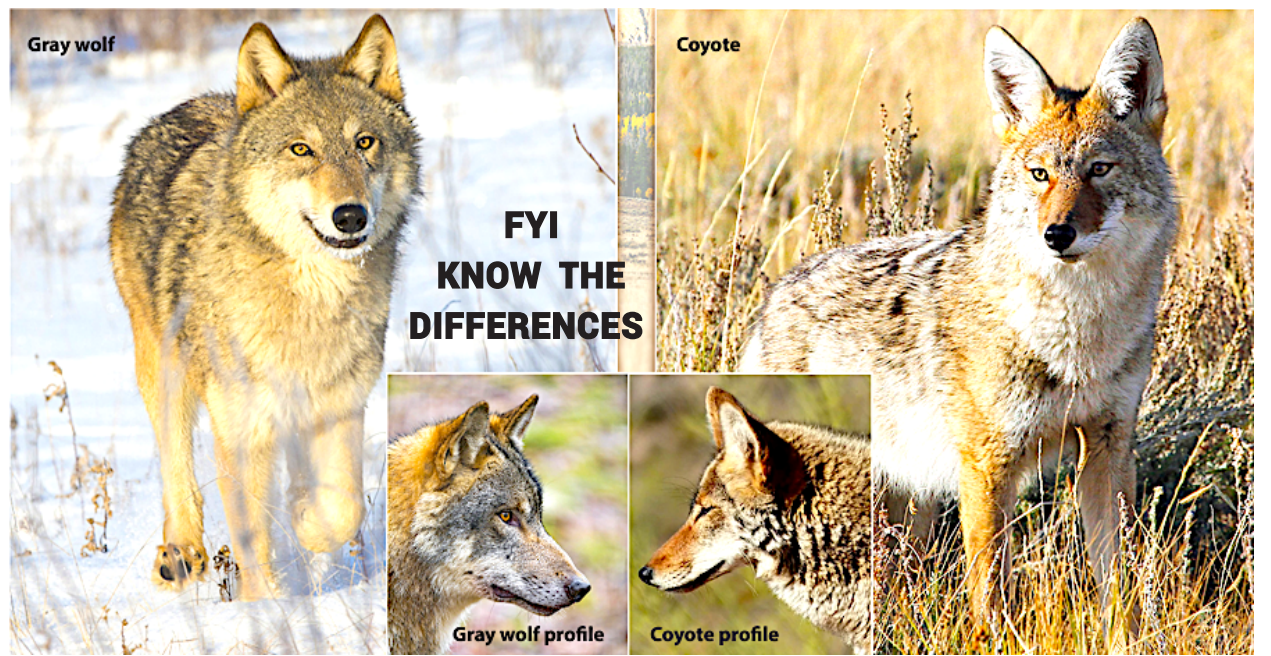


Becca de Vergie - enjoying her work with the Colorado Parks and Wildlife team

several years. I will do my best to ensure that the next person you get will be the best fit possible, and I will give them all the help I can so they can do a good job. In the meantime, many of you are used to calling Ryan Lane with questions or problems. He is still a great resource. You can also call the CPW office in Durango at 970.247.0855, and they can put you in touch with Matt Sturdevant, the Dolores game warden, or Andy Brown, the Cortez game warden. Both are happy to help in the interim. THANK YOU everyone! You should all be proud of your community. It is a great place to live. Farewell, and stay awesome!

~ Becca de Vergie

WOLVES FIRST COLORADO REINTRODUCTION LOSSES PUBLIC TRUST



More wolves on the way? In an agreement between Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, the tribes will source up to 15 wolves for the Colorado gray wolf reintroduction effort. CPW plans for these wolves to be captured on tribal lands during the

capture season from December 2024 – March 2025. This successfully concludes the December 2023 – March 2024 capture season.

Wolf work is being funded by statute, depredation compensation will not come from revenue generated by the sale of hunting or fishing license fees or from associated federal grants. Compensation will occur via the General Fund, the Species Conservation Trust Fund, the Colorado Nongame Conservation and Wildlife Restoration Cash Funds, or other funding sources for non-game species.

There continues to be push back on the wolf re-populating program, not only about the dangers of bringing more wolves into Colorado, but a mis trust of how the roll out happened. The Fence Post reported at the end of January, that a SMART Act hearing took place, providing an opportunity for Dept of Natural Resources and CPW officers to answer questions by the joint agricultural committees. This came after the release of a new tracking map, that shows data from 12 collared wolves' locations. The first release data and information transparency and notifications were less than adequate for many interested parties. CPW told the lawmakers that they would "do a better job" with future releases.

As for the potential increase in population through mating; wolves mating season is around December through April, with a 60-65 day gestation period. Litter size typically averages 6 pups. Life expectancy is 11 years. (data from San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance)

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Colorado Crawfish Change

Crawfish lovers can rejoice as red swamp crayfish, otherwise known as Louisiana crayfish, become legal in Colorado. Beginning Jan. 1, 2024, Coloradans can now import, transport and possess red swamp crayfish for human consumption. Release and use as bait remains illegal to protect Colorado's lakes and rivers.

For many, spring crawfish boils are an important family and community event. Unbeknownst to many, the importation of red swamp crayfish, tasty and popular to consume, was illegal in Colorado, until now.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife now allows the importation, transportation, and possession of live red swamp crayfish in Colorado for human consumption, provided the following conditions are met:

No person may possess an individual of the species alive for more than 72 hours.

Any person who possesses the species alive must have:

- * a copy of an importation license that authorizes the importation of the crayfish in the person's possession; and
- * a receipt or delivery confirmation reflecting the date the person took possession of the crayfish.

The importation of many live aquatic species is illegal due to the threat they can pose to our aquatic resources (e.g. rusty crayfish, New Zealand mudsnails, zebra/quagga mussels) and the importation of most live crayfish species remains illegal in Colorado.

How does this affect consumers and businesses?



Red swamp crayfish importation, transportation and possession now legal in CO

This regulation change will primarily impact businesses that import crayfish into Colorado and should have minimal impact on the average consumer. In most cases, the business importing live crayfish will apply for the importation license and a copy of the approved license must accompany the shipment of crayfish. Consumers buying live crayfish from a vendor will receive a copy of the importation license along with the required receipt. Consumers buying cooked crayfish from a restaurant will be unaffected.

Importation licenses are available for \$91 per calendar year through cpwshop.com.

Why was this change made?

In early 2023, CPW became aware of a large market for live red swamp crayfish in the state. After further investigation, it was discovered that illegal imports of live red

swamp crayfish had been occurring for years, if not decades, with most importers unaware they were breaking the law.

A public outreach campaign determined that many members of the public believed that CPW should allow the regulated importation of live red swamp crayfish for human consumption.

CPW then drafted proposed regulation changes (approved by the Colorado Fish Health Board) that were finalized at the November Commission meeting.

In Nov. 2023, the Parks and Wildlife Commission approved regulation changes to allow for the importation, transportation and possession of live red swamp crayfish in Colorado for the purpose of human consumption. Again, the changes went into effect on Jan. 1, 2024.

NEW TRUCKSTOP OPEN SOUTH OF CORTEZ CO



On the first of February the Love's brand Travel Stop opened its doors and pumps at the south end of Cortez CO, the first new store of the franchise for 2024. Love's is headquartered in OK City, with over 600 locations across the nation.

SW Colorado and SE Utah routes of CO 491, and UT 191, are major trucking routes, and yet the nearest truck stops are far and few between. It's the site of the old M&M truck stop and family restaurant that used to host truckers and travelers alike, conveniently located adjacent to the port of entry. In 2001, that property abruptly closed, leaving an eyesore in the community and a

needed service lost. Started in 2020 Love's project has finally come to fruition with the travel stop and country store, along with a Subway franchise inside. Stop in and check it out!

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Love's facebook page says "we have many amenities, such as warm showers, fresh food and complimentary truck parking spaces."

RICO COLORADO

The town of Rico CO was recently selected to receive a grant award for a proposed campground near the Dolores River.

San Miguel Power Association representative Terry Schuyler reported that the SMPA board of directors approved a Sharing Success Economic Development Grant for "Town of Rico Campsites" at its regular monthly meeting in December. Rico was one of two selected from a list of 25 applications submitted. The award amount is \$15,000.

Each site would consist of a railroad tie and gravel tent platform, picnic table, fire ring, and site signage. Sites would share bearproof food boxes, porta-potty, water spigot, and a dumpster. Guests of the campground could utilize the new parking lot that will be constructed as part of the town shop project. They would also have access to the bathroom and water station at the new building as well.

MONTICELLO UTAH

The San Juan Health District is preparing to replace the San Juan Hospital with a new building, requesting \$34 million through the Utah Community Impact Board (CIB). The project is estimated at over \$36 million, and is planned for a 15 acre land parcel already owned at that location. San Juan Health CEO Clayton Holt was reported by the SJR News at a commissioner meeting, that "The architect opinion is you can't fix this existing building," adding "It needs to be replaced." Holt stated the loan to fund the project is not to create a burden on the San Juan County residents. This month there should be another meeting to determine full funding. If approved, the construction will likely begin in the spring of 2025.



MOAB UTAH

The USU Moab (Utah State Univ.) enrollment saw a 15.8% increase in enrollment this past fall. The campus is just two years old, serving what they call non traditional college students with a median age of 33. Samantha Campbell, director of students at USU Moab said the most popular programs are nursing and welding, though the school offers over 90 certificate and degree programs. The college is located at 1850 S. Aggie Boulevard Moab, UT for more information contact: (435) 259-7432 moab@usu.edu

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MANCOS COLORADO

The Mancos Commons, is a multi-use development project adjacent to the Mancos Press. It is scheduled to be completed at the end of March. The project features an approximately 4,000 square foot, two-story mixed-use development including three single-bedroom housing units, a large printmaking space, and retail and office space, retaining the pocket park/courtyard and mural on the existing Press building. The exterior has been prepped for siding, windows have been installed, electric and plumbing completed, and drywall wrapped up on the second floor and was finished on the ground level in January.

Another spring opening/re-opening is in the works for the site of the Absolute Bakery & Cafe at 110 S Main St. New owners are doing repairs and renovations expected through the month of February.



CORTEZ COLORADO

The State of Colorado is testing out a new way to reimburse SNAP shoppers for the money they spend on fruits and vegetables at farmers markets. There will be a Farmer Focus Group on February 21, 2024 from 4:30-6 PM, followed by dinner, at The Warehouse (30 N. Beech St in Cortez). Participants will receive a \$60 prepaid Visa gift card as a thank-you for their time and input. They are looking for feedback from fruit and vegetable growers who sell their produce at the Cortez, Mancos, Bayfield or Durango farmers markets. The new program is called Colorado SNAP Produce Bonus and it is an alternative to Double Up Food Bucks.



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SAY WHAT?!

By Keith Knechtel

"When money ceases to be the tool by which men deal with one another. Then men become the tools of men. Blood, whips, and guns... or dollars. Take your choice. There is no other and your time is running out."- Ayn Rand, Atlas Shrugged

I know we may seem far away from the troubles of the world. Unfortunately, fate has determined that our generation bear the burden of history. At this point, no religion, ideology, or perspective can bind us together more than the prosperity of our friends and families. Whatever our differences and no matter how desperate we may feel; the time to decide how our children remember us, is now.

We face three simultaneous crises at once. Firstly, the loss of the petrol dollar leading to a second great depression. In addition, global conflicts and a series of inept administrations, have cost us the vital trade routes our standard of living relied upon. Most pressing, though, is the civil war brewing over the border with third-party cells lying in wait. As we speak, militias are being raised; National Guard troops are deploying to neighboring states.

Time is running out. Town hall meetings must be held to start the conversation of how we'll weather this storm as a people. The storing of Food, Water, and Energy, however we accomplish it, must become our new civic duty. In '29, around half of all family homes were self-sufficient. Think of how desperate times were, then. During peace, no less. With fewer than five percent of the country able to feed itself, today, how long until the cities turn back to rioting?

Kari Lake was bribed. They're removing candidates from ballots. They locked you down and convinced you to turn on your neighbors out of fear. They gave \$100 billion to Ukraine while letting Gonzalo Lira be tortured to death. Eighty thousand children disappeared into sex trafficking and still not a single client of Epstein has been arrested publicly. And have you noticed the excess deaths, lately? It's time to accept we're on our own as Americans.

The true nature of nationalism is simply the belief in a common purpose. The only civil war worth fighting is the one in our minds with the conceptions given to us by those who care about us the least. No one can defeat us if we choose cooperation over division. Those who seek to divide us are the real enemies of freedom. Second only to our unwillingness to act. The senate is calling for a new "Praetorian Guard" as a means of earning citizenship. And March is soon approaching with "barbarians" at our gates...

Monthly Column Commentary by
Contributing Writer Linda Cunningham

I used to think the greatest threat to American Liberty would come from overseas or maybe a terrorist boogiemer, but now I realize the greatest threat to America and the American way of life is sitting in our nation's capital. The bought and paid for crooked politicians and globalists, that have been sitting in their cushy positions for way to long, are the ones leading America into a third world country and destroying our sovereignty from within. Is this a new thing? Is this current administration the cause of all the turmoil in the country now? No and no, it is not, but what it is doing in my opinion, is setting the stage for the total control of many aspects of life as we know it...or knew it. This agenda they are using of 'control thru fear' won't work, it can't work. Fear of economic failure because you won't convert to digital currency when cash is king and always will be. Fear of global warming if you drive that diesel pickup shame on you. And remember Al Gore and his inconvenient stretch of the truth fiasco? John Kerry has picked up the ball on that one, unfortunately he needs to get control over his own flatulence before trying to control mine. There has been a shift taking place and most of it isn't for the good but I still have hope that good will prevail.

"If everyone is thinking alike, then someone isn't thinking"

- General George Patton

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Let the Good Times Roll....

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Recipe - Ingredients

By Kendra Cook

Fat Tuesday, is celebrated far beyond the french quarter or bourbon street in New Orleans. One of the key parts of celebrating before Lent begins, 40 days of fasting or giving up something as we approach Easter, is to fill up on good food the night before. Bring on gumbos, Andouille sausage, shrimp, crawfish, Étouffée and jambalaya, and of course, beignets and the King cake. But here is a fantastic full flavored sandwich idea, you may not have heard of - it's called a Muffuletta. It's so much more than a sandwich, one can serve up to 8 people! It really is, the Big Sandwich (without being a multi foot long sub).

It basically is a layered sandwich of Italian cold cuts and olive salad. Boring? No way, but the trick is to let it sit so the olive oil and flavors penetrate the bread and it all gets 'happy' as all star New Orleans's Chef Emeril Lagasse would say.

Start with a really good wide round flat loaf bread. Ok, home made is another step, but some groceries offer something similar. The original usually has sesame seeds, but the important part is a soft crust, a standard



A Muffuletta truly is a regional Big Sandwich! Enjoy your favorite meats and cheeses, nestled in with big flavors of an olive salad. (photo credit: Felix and Greg.com)

ciabatta would work. The balance is to find a bread that isn't too soft so it gets too soggy inside, and not too hard on the outside, so you can bit into it without it squeezing out the filling.

The next important part is the olive salad. Never heard of it? No worries, you can easily make it by chopping olives, pickled celery, cauliflower and carrots (also called giardiniera), with finely chopped garlic, olive and vinegar. You can also find those that add red peppers or parsley to the mix. And if you like it hot - chopped pepperoncini will do the trick. Best to make this ahead, and let it blend the flavors in the fridge, or make more than enough to have for other meals (it goes well rolled up in a stuffed flank steak meal). To assemble this sandwich, thoroughly spread the mix on both sides of the sandwich inside. Now it's time to make it your own with alternating cold cuts such as salami, pepperoni, soppressata, Mortadella or bologna, capicola, coppa, prosciutto or speck, and throw in a thin layer of cheese of choice (provolone perhaps). If you use thinly sliced meats, run multiple layers alternating the mix. Carefully put the top piece on, and then wrap it up, plastic wrap or a tightly wrapped wax paper, and put it in the fridge for a few hours or overnight. Make one or more larger ones for a party!

Olive Salad

- 3/4 c pitted mixed oil packed olives
- 1/2 c pickled veggies (giardiniera)
- 1/4 c chopped roasted red peppers
- 2 tbs parsley and 1 tbs capers optional
- 1 medium garlic clove minced
- 3 tbs evoo
- 1 tbs red wine vinegar

Plus

- 1 large bread
- 1/3 pound each of your 3 favorite meats
- 1/3 pound thinly sliced provolone

Dear Ann.... signed - Info Researcher in Dove Creek

Do you recognize the woman on the right? "Ask Ann Landers" was an advice column originally started in the late 40's. it was syndicated across many newspapers in the US. Though a fictional 'character', her popularity and frankness was eagerly consumed by millions of readers, following a broad range of free advice topics - often personal relationship concerns. The readers would write in their questions, and she would do her best to provide a reasonable sound response.

This one post clipped out below, was recently shared on facebook, so for those who do not follow the online media, here is a repost that stirs up much discussion. It's referred to as the parable of the cow and the isms! Relevant in 2024 as back then...



Eppie Lederer, better known as Ann Landers, is the most widely syndicated columnist in the world. Having never held a job before nor written a line for publication, she was given a chance "to help people" by the Chicago Sun-Times in 1955. Her column now appears in 988 cities around the world.

Here's a trivial fact you may not have known.. another famous advice column that was started in 1956 that went under the name Dear Abby - was actually the twin sister to the woman Eppie Lederer who took over Ask Ann Landers! This all began in Chicago, where Landers column ran daily, and Dear Abby ran 6 days a week. Daily newspapers... a thing of the past. The heritage lives on in online forms, but social responses have created an environment ill suited for common straightforward responses.

Ann Landers

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST



Dear Ann: I am an inner city English teacher, and my students are reading George Orwell's 1984. I am having a difficult time explaining

communism, socialism and fascism without giving a full-blown, time-consuming history lesson. I recall you printed a humorous column some time ago explaining these concepts. Will you please print it again? I'm sure it will kick-start a lively class discussion. — A

Teacher in Mississippi

Dear Mississippi Teacher: Thank you for asking. It's an "oldie," but a "goldie." Here it is:
Socialism: You have two cows.

Give one cow to your neighbor.

Communism: You have two cows. Give both cows to the government, and they might give you some of the milk.

Fascism: You have two cows. You give all of the milk to the government, and the government sells it.

Nazism: You have two cows. The government shoots you and takes both cows.

Anarchism: You have two cows. Keep both of the cows, shoot the government agent and steal another cow.

Capitalism: You have two cows. Sell one cow and buy a bull.

Surrealism: You have two giraffes. The government makes you take harmonica lessons.

Ann Lander's replies were often known for including one liners, while she was also very liberal with her use of sarcasm. Her column still tried to provide advice that was useful and could set a good moral example. In this "oldie but goodie" a man of the street's definition parable helps show the differences in major "isms".

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