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Hydrological Flooding aka SnowMelt!

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Heavy Run Off High DOFLO

High early runoff is still filling McPhee at a rate of more than 1 ft/day. McPhee has reached a water surface elevation of 6916.9 feet, leaving only about 30,000 acre-feet of storage remaining until full. Releases from McPhee are still increasing in response to high early runoff.

McPhee started releasing approximately 2,800 CFS, as it ramps up to reach 3,400 CFS by May 5th. Releases are expected to remain at 3,400 CFS through the second week of May. Check online for most recent update as they may grow.

As always, there is uncertainty in the forecasted inflows; if the reservoir rises faster than current predictions, there is the possibility that releases will increase to control reservoir elevation, possibly to around 4,000 CFS. With the reservoir approaching full, operators must balance outflows with inflows to minimize reservoir gains, and so lose some discretion in regards to release rates. This is especially true this year, when low snowmelt has filled the reservoir weeks earlier than predicted. If recreating on the river, be aware that releases below McPhee can change at any time, though operators will endeavor to minimize unannounced changes.

For planning purposes at this stage, raftable flows (1,200 CFS or more) are expected to continue through Memorial Day weekend. Be aware, this is just a forecast, and the true length and volume of the spill remain unknown. The first half of the spill will have more certainty than the second half.

As they continue to monitor conditions updates will be available online - DoloresWater.com



Photos Dolores County SAR - Road and Bridge - 'pumps' road flooding more before and after page 3



Alerts for hydrologic flooding bringing debris into the river, washing out campsites



Dolores County and San Miguel County are warning of potential hazards - all search and rescue units are and will be very busy this season. San Miguel County Sheriff photo left. Facebook group Dolores River Rafters and Paddlers (Todd Gillman). The special DoFlo brings rafters from all over to the lower Dolores.

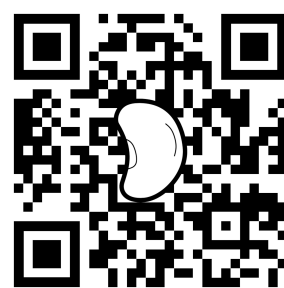


**FLOWERS
GARDENS
BLOOMING**

DC Care & Share behind
the VFW M-F 12-2pm

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What's Up Dove Creek / Dolores County



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Town website QR Code

County website QR Code



Winter Wheat crops coming right along - waiting for the snow off the Abajos before putting out garden plants. Will June bean planting go as planned?

Town of Dove Creek's Cleanup Day!

The Town of Dove Creek is offering two Cleanup Days for Town Residents Only. The first will be on Sat. June 3rd, with a second on July 22nd. The dumpsters will be open from 8am to 4pm or until they are filled up on each day. The Limb Pile will also be open just on those two dedicated days, both located at the Town barn at 505 W. 4th Street. Certain items will NOT be accepted, including: tires, inner tubes, or other large rubber items, batteries or any item containing acid, oil or anything soaked with oil, soil, any substance considered as hazardous materials. Scrap Metal will be accepted on the West side of the Town Yard - that includes: all metal, appliances, hot water heaters, microwaves (without the glass tray), refrigerators and freezers (IF they do NOT have freon) and tire rims but no rubber).

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SOLAR POWER

Lots going on with Solar Power. The Colorado Legislature recently passed HB-1234, which establishes the Streamlined Solar Permitting and Inspection Grant Program and provides nearly \$1 million to help local governments with start-up costs associated with adopting permitting and inspection software.

From PV magazine, they reported "Last year the Department of Energy (DOE) released a solar guidebook that encourages local governments to adopt SolarAPP+ (Solar Automated Permit Process), a software platform, developed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and UL Solutions, that can immediately approve residential permits. According to NREL, projects submitted through the app are 37% less likely to fail final inspections than projects that don't use the tool. At present, 32 communities across the U.S. are using SolarAPP+, resulting in over 15,000 residential solar permits issued, accounting for 100,000 kW of electricity and 15,000 estimated staff hours saved on reviewing permits." This is more applicable to counties where extensive building permits are required. As Colorado is said to offer more than 300

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days of sunshine a year that makes for great solar energy potential (though that must be an average as our '23 winter provided a lot of cloud coverage). They reported, "Currently the state has about 2 GW of solar resources installed, according to the Solar Energy Industries Association, and is ranked 13th in the nation for solar. Streamlining the solar permitting and inspection process can help more Coloradans speed up the process of harnessing that sunshine."

Locally, Empire Electric (EEA) offers interconnectivity to the distribution grid aka grid tied, for solar installations. They state, "The concept behind a residential solar PV system is that using the sun's energy reduces the use of non-renewable sources providing an environmental benefit. This serves two purposes; first, your home can receive power when there isn't enough sunlight to generate electricity (cloudy days and at night) and second, you can support the sale of excess solar energy to the utility. This is called net metering."



From solar well pumps, to small shed power, from phone solar chargers, to solar tied to the grid, or full off the grid solar with battery bank, solar power is making its way into everyone's lives. Do your own research to see if some solar panels might be a good idea for your future.



ALL NEW
7th Street Elementary
GROUNDBREAKING



10:45am
MAY 25

Dove Creek Elementary Schools - aka 7th Street Elementary, will hold their last full day of school May 25th, 8:30am Kindergarten Graduation, 9:45 Elementary Awards and 5th Grade graduation, and 10:45am will be the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the New School, move in date set for August of 2024.

The Dove Creek, ran higher than most could recall this spring, though it did not flood the banks, Budro Banks (photo below) shows how Dove Creek prepared with 'sand bags', just in case!



Early spring snow melt crashed down the canyons and washed out portions of the pumps road. After discussion and cooperation between the BLM and Dolores County, the Road and Bridge Department went to work to do a rebuild to reopen it just in time for the first release of the flow that brings in hundreds of recreationalists down to the river. Keith Keesling, SAR, courtesy photo before on the right, and after on the left, said in a recent water meeting that the road is narrow in spots, but very passable. The road had been closed during the reconstruction process, a **Big Thank You to all who worked around the clock to rework Road 9.7 and a Big Thank You to the BLM for working with Dolorees County on this issue.**

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Land Development in Rico

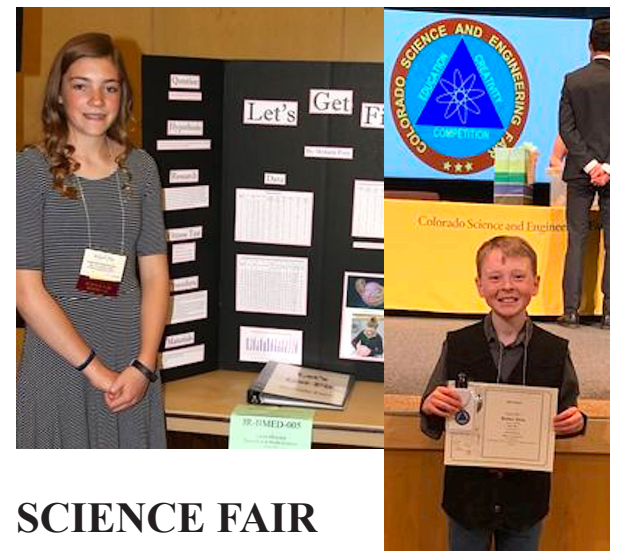
Durango Telegraph reported on the large property in Rico that was slated for development, and where things stand with regard to Atlantic Richfield. "Rico still may get gentrified, but the threat of it becoming a glitzy destination resort appears to have subsided. On April 5, the Dolores County clerk recorded a real property transfer and a special warranty deed conveying dozens of Disposition Properties' parcels to Atlantic Richfield. While the property transfer remains under wraps – it's labeled "sensitive" – the warranty deed includes a list of what appears to be all of Disposition's remaining properties. The transfer fee is listed as \$778.94, indicating that the sale price was about \$7.79 million." The reporter stated, "I wasn't able to get in touch with anyone at Atlantic Richfield – now the valley's largest landowner – about the purchase. I can rest assured, however, that they aren't going to be building a Rico Mountain mega-resort. Rico Town Manager Chauncey McCarthy said the mining company likely will hold onto contaminated and mining-impacted claims in order to remediate and reclaim them (which is probably why they bought the property in the first place). They may sell off other parcels and have expressed an interest in working with the town to make use of the in-town properties. The Montezuma Land Conservancy reportedly wanted to buy the property and put conservation easements on some parcels while possibly building affordable housing on others. Those kinds of scenarios seem far more likely. Rico, undoubtedly, will continue to grow. But what that growth looks like and how fast it will occur seems to be far more within the control of the community and its residents." Rico has become a potential bedroom community for Telluride, with little real estate on the market.

SCHOOL YEAR ENDING - SO MUCH GOING ON!

FBLA students participated in State in April with 3500 other students from Colorado. "FBLA inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences." Inspiring youth to participate actively in business and community is a critical part of our overall future. Great work!



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SCIENCE FAIR

Recently the Dove Creek Middle School had 2 students compete at the State Science Fair competition held at the CSU campus in Fort Collins, CO. Mykaela Fury competed in the Junior Medicine and Health Division. Hayden Forst competed in the Junior Physics and Astronomy Division and took home a 3rd place ribbon! Great work and Congratulations "way to represent Dove Creek School District!"



FFA

Dove Creek FFA members had the opportunity to compete in the Colorado State FFA Career Development Events at CSU Fort Collins recently. "Our Field Crops team took silver overall. Alexa Gray and Mason Forst took silver individually and Trapper Vinger took bronze individually. Kinser Cressler was also a member of the team. Our Horse Judging team tried hard and Joelle Moore took silver individually. Other team members were Madison North, Myles Ives, and Shea Carhart. Super proud of all these kids for stepping out of their comfort zones and trying something new!" There were over 1,800 FFA members from 107 chapters at the contest this year.

Track and Field Bulldog Sports



Dominate

Bulldog Sports Continues to perform well - at the San Juan Basin League track and field championships the boys won with Kade Hankins capturing wins in 3 events, with many superb athlete performances across the board, and the girls did well with standout wins for Tara Glover in the throws.

Dove Creek Bulldog Baseball started off slow, building strength and momentum to win in the District 1 tournament to get the team headed to the 1A regional round. With the tragic vehicle accident death of Ryan Jarmon, who graduated last year, the team showed their support and condolences to the family wearing badges on their helmets and paying tribute to Ryan's number.



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MEETINGS GOV. & ORGS

*Town of Dove Creek Board Meetings the first and third Thursday 6:30pm at the Town Office in person/zoom
 *DCDC Meetings monthly second Wed. 11-1pm 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

*Dolores County School Board meeting third Wed. Dist. Office 6pm.
 *DCVFD Every Wed at the firehouse
 *Dolores County Ambulance Third Mon 6:30pm Ambulance Barn
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COLORADO OCCUPATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP INITIATIVE - APPLICATION 2023

The COSI scholarship program is now open to receive student applications. Applications can be submitted to Ronda Lancaster, Margret Daves, Katti Gardner or Kristy Chadd. There are minimum requirements for eligibility and implications/commitments upon receiving a scholarship. COSI was signed into law on June 6, 2014 and is a program "created to address the Colorado Paradox."

<https://highered.colorado.gov>

A student support program is defined as, "a program that is at [the scholarship recipient's] college and provides case management, keeps students accountable, and helps them with anything college related such as financial aid, enrollment, etc." Four (4) students will be selected for a scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 per semester, or \$1,000.00 per year, for one (1) year. To be eligible for consideration, individuals must complete the application and mail both the application and supplemental documents to the address below.

Applications must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, June 2, 2022. For those applications submitted via physical mail, materials must be received by the selection committee by 5:00pm on Friday, June 2, 2023. Applications post-marked by June 2, 2023, but received after June 2, 2023 will not be accepted.

Selected candidates will be notified no later than July 1, 2023 Questions about this application or process can be directed to Ronda Lancaster at rondalancaster9@gmail.com 970-739-0073

Physical Mail: P.O. Box 512 Attn: Ronda Lancaster Dove Creek, Colorado 81324



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| May 12 HS Track @Grand Junction | HS GRADUATION |
| May 13 HS Track @Grand Junction | |
| May 16 HS Academic Awards | |
| May 17 School Board Meeting | June 3 All State 8-Man Football |
| May 18 HS Baseball State | June 6-9 State FFA Convention |
| May 18-20 Track State Championships @Denver | June 8 School Offices Close |
| May 23 MS Academic Awards | June 12-14 Football Camp |
| May 24 Spring Sports Awards | June 21 School Board Meeting |

CALENDAR

Happy Summer Break!

Congratulations Class of 2023



Congrats to All Dove Creek
- Dove Creek Dinner Bell

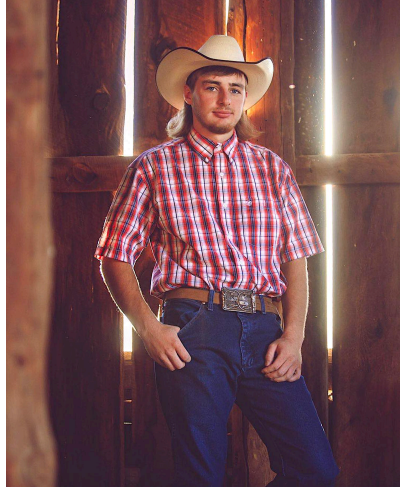


Kendall Gardner

Congratulations to our grandson Kendall on graduating high school!

We wish you all the best in your future endeavors and look forward to your success in life!

We love you!
Gigi and Papa Greg
Frosty's Liquor



Kinser Cressler

Congratulations and best wishes always! Love you, Uncle Randy, Aunt Michelle, Dakotah/family and Katiah/family



Alexa Gray

Congratulations!
Cross Canyon Yaks



Quaden Huffaker

Congratulations!!
Amber Dale



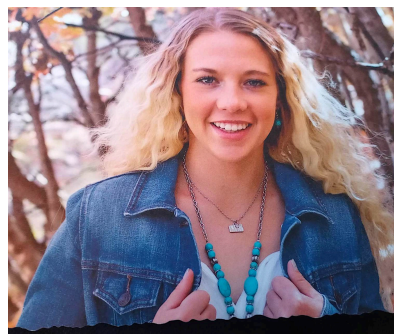
Nichole Coffey

We are so Proud of you!
Love Mom and Bubs



Samuel Snyder

Congratulations
2023 Monticello High School Senior
-Shauna Crawford Snyder



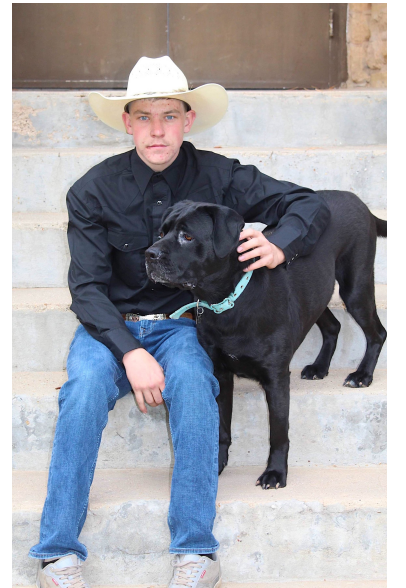
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Rylee Hickman

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Tanol Thompson

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Makenzie Litton

Congratulations!
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Sierra Lyen

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Tanner Williams

Good luck Tanner we are proud of you.
Lenore Johnson



Trista Barnett

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Mom and Dad



Sienna Hall

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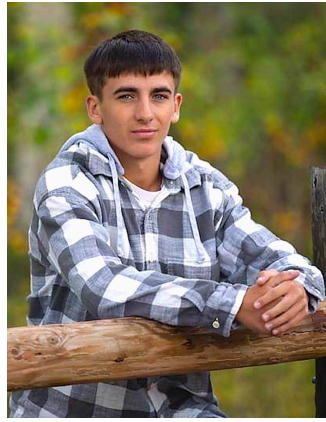


Asher Nye
Congratulations!
-A to Z Construction

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take." Proverbs 3:5-6



Audric Chadd
Continue to strive for your dreams and desires that God places within your spirit. He will always make your path straight in life in order to make you a blessing to others. Congratulations and best wishes for your future!
-Dagan and Kristy Chadd



Cole Taber
Congrats, Cole!
We are proud of you!
Love Dad, Mom, Carson, Granny and Papa!



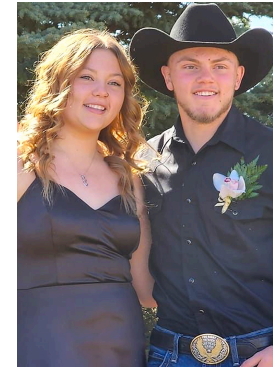
Class of 2023 - Congratulations on your completion and on to bigger dreams!! - Dove Creek Dinner Bell



Camber Schear
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Congratulations!
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Gaige Cressler
We're proud of you!
Love, Papa and Nana



Tara & Dustin Glover
"My pride and joy. Love you both Grandkids of Leslie Huskey."
Tara Glover is going to take a year off. Dustin Glover is going to UTI



Emma Hassell
"Nana and Pa are so very proud of you Emma. We love you"
-Dossey Trucking, Shon and Lenora Dorsey



Jacob Rehmert
"Congratulations we're all so proud of you! Jake wants to become a diesel mechanic and own his own business one day"
-A to Z Construction



Jessy Gore
Make up your mind what you are going to do. Then do it to perfection. Love you Dad and Gran



Isaiah Martinez
CO Connection
Congratulations!
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Destiny Star Toledo
Plans to enter the Nursing Program at Colorado Mesa University. "Super proud of you for your High School accomplishments!"
Love you, Julie, Shania & Josh Kibel



Kendall Gardner
Congratulations!
Attending the electric lineworker program at CMU / WCCC in Grand Junction CO
-Adobe Milling



Hailey Gillette
Congratulations
2023 Monticello High School Senior
-Shauna Crawford Snyder



Kaylin Smith
Congratulations from Carhart Feed and Seed



Kade Hankins
Congratulations!
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SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE!

The Telluride Balloon Festival is an annual event that takes place in Telluride, Colorado, USA. It is a three-day event that typically occurs in early June, and it attracts hot air balloon enthusiasts and spectators from all over the world. The festival features more than 20 hot air balloons that launch from Telluride. The festival also includes a variety of other activities, such as a balloon glowoff on Main.

June 2-4 2023

Telluride Balloon Fest



The Moab Music Festival river concerts are a series of unique and intimate concerts that take place on the banks of the Colorado River in Moab, Utah. This Annual Festival held **AUGUST 21 - SEPTEMBER 15, 2023** brings world-class musicians to stunning red rock venues around Moab, Utah for chamber music, jazz, and traditional music concerts. They call it music in concert with the landscape.®

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What's on Your Mind? *Spill the Beans* THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR ~ PUBLISHER

Kendra Cook



What are we doing, where are we going? If it feels like there is an ever increasing avalanche, or flood of information to filter through, it's because it is true, there is, and we are living in incredible times. By incredible, some can't believe or won't see what is being revealed, not only to us here in the U.S. but across the world. It's not easy to deal with finding out someone has lied to you; lies of omission are just as bad as a full blown creative 'story'. There are also stages of 'grief' in processing how one's own perception of reality is shown to be based on manipulations and deceptions. We are crossing into a time where deciphering a reality, will continue to challenge every individual to the core.



To know where we are going, it's pretty darn important to know where you came from - and yet, as a human race, there are so many questions left unanswered. Or, the historical documents, (a tip of the hat to 'Galaxy Quest') have been modified, rewritten, edited, or simply not a sound reflection of the ever illusive 'truth'. Enter "Artificial Intelligence" AI, and the ability for computer programming to edge towards what we refer to as 'sentience' or self awareness, while being able to produce and compute (research Quantum / D-Wave) to a level hardly comprehensible to most. We are seeing audio manipulations that generate speech that can imitate anyone's voice patterns, such that you could think a certain person is talking while it's a computer generated facsimile. Laws will be challenged with impersonations potentially wreak havoc on individual lives.

Then there is virtual reality - another reality that virtually mimics what you and I have seen in our low energy level 5 senses, 3D reality, and then can modify and change the view convincingly asserting that a movie, video, virtual headset or potentially our surrounding perceptions (project blue beam) is 'credible', believable, to the point of not knowing what's 'real' or not.

How does this impact our daily lives right now you might ask? We are tested to discern what is true, or what is being shown to manipulate our actions and reactions in a certain way by what is presented to us - mostly by the 'media'. Whether it be on the TV, on the Internet, a newspaper, a podcast, or radio program, taking that input at face value, may not provide the entire context of what and why that information is being pushed at us. Which brings me back to two famous favorite quotes, one accredited to Thomas Jefferson, "Question with boldness even the existence of a God; because, if there be one, he must more approve of the homage of reason, than that of blind-folded fear." and the second attributed to George Santayana, "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

In these times, it's highly critical to learn and research the past with open minds and hearts, to boldly question what you have been told or taught, and to think, really think for yourself, to determine the path forward. We may not know exactly where we are going, but with knowledge comes power, Use your noggin, be strong in your self, to think for yourself, and the future will be yours to enjoy. (Discernment is key!)

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"Climate Smart Commodities" Planning

Rural communities across the world, are no doubt aware of the global attention from international groups such as the WEF, on farmers/ranchers in efforts to reduce so called 'green house gases'. Here in the U.S., efforts by the USDA are initiating pilot programs for monitoring and adjusting farm and ranch practices to align with the globalist objectives.

This year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) kicked-off the implementation phase for 141 projects funded for 5 years, through the \$3.1 billion Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities effort. Project partners are beginning work on formal implementation of the climate-smart production practices, marketing, and quantification, monitoring, reporting and verification of greenhouse gas benefits that are funded through the effort as agreements are finalized on a rolling basis. The Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities Learning Network (Partnerships Network), is a collaboration of all the project partners to generate key lessons-learned as projects are implemented.

In Colorado, an example of one of the projects is "Low Carbon Beef USDA Pilot Program: A Fully Integrated Lifecycle Approach to Reduce GHG (green house gas) Emissions from Beef Cattle at Commercial Scale--This project will help to implement climate-smart methods in beef production, reducing GHG emissions and generating carbon credit revenue for producers." This project focuses on the adaptation of Sorghum.

"Farmers, ranchers and forest landowners are on the front lines of climate change. At the same time, they are uniquely positioned to deliver climate solutions through climate-smart production that reduces greenhouse gas emissions and sequesters carbon," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "Through these projects, our partners are working to create new markets for climate-smart commodities, while developing the tools needed to quantify impacts and help producers implement climate-smart practices on their land. We're excited these projects are getting underway and look forward to achieving meaningful results for producers, agriculture and forestry economies and our climate." For more information about the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities, search for Colorado state projects online : usda.gov/climate-solutions/climate-smart-commodities

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Colorado's All-State Game

Colorado's All State Game lineup for the 8-Man Team South, includes six Dove Creek Bulldogs, and headed by 2022 State Champions Dove Creek HS Coach Shane Baughman. The 2023 Game will be held on June 2nd, Friday Night with a 7pm Kickoff at the Gilpin County Stadium.



Coach Shane Baughman

Congratulations to Kendall Gardner, Cole Taber, Kade Hankins, Quaden Huffaker, Audric Chadd, and Gaige Cressler. Good luck at the game!



The 67th Pick n Hoe 2023 volunteer Chairperson, Teresa Martin, is busy pulling it altogether for a great 4th of July Dove Creek style. The usual activities are being coordinated on the 4th - Parade, Kids games, Adult games, Greased pole, Pig Chase, Corn Hole tournament and music before the DCVFD Fireworks display... and thanks to Jesse Bingham and family, the traditional meat pit is on schedule, along with Melissa Reid volunteering to head up the cook shack, bringing back the classic DC meal on the 4th.

In the days leading up to Tuesday the 4th, horseshoe, volleyball, washers, and a softball tournament are all being planned at the park. More music, hoping for the 'Outdoor Dance' night on the 3rd, along with vendors and the DCVFD beer tent at Weber Park, will make for a wonderful annual heritage event.

Martin is looking for more volunteers and sponsors to participate this year, in addition, there is information about PnH Royalty around town, a traditional fundraising competition that Joey Schultz is coordinating. There's been interest in donating money for all the increased costs associated with the meat pit and cook shack - if you would like to help out by a direct donation or creating a fundraiser, please contact Teresa at 970-739-4312.

Keep an eye out for the daily schedule to be posted around Dove Creek soon, with more details in the June Pinto Bean.

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July 1, 2023 Cahone Park Truck Show with RC Demo



As part of the Independence Day celebrations, Saturday July 1st will be the 3rd Annual SW Freedom Big Truckin' Car Show at Cahone Park. With many fun categories, and custom designed trophies by Cody Lingo, we are looking forward to participants from muscle cars to rat rods, old trucks to custom mods, as well as motorcycles and semi trucks! New this year, we are adding an RC (remote controlled) section - with its own "show n shine" as well as a demo area to showcase both racing and off road obstacle courses. Dove Creek Auto / NAPA, sponsor, will be showing off their RCs as they are making RCs and parts available for sale at the Dove Creek store in 2023. Registration opens at 8am, the event is open to the general public, free admission, from 10am to 2pm. Participate in chance drawings for fun prizes, and from 11am, enjoy the band "Broken Arrow" along with food and drink vendors.



Bring the whole family for this growing summer event! Bring a lawn chair!

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Gatherings...

Memorial Day weekend officially kicks off the outdoor grilling season, cooking up everything from your basic burger or steak, to kebabs or ribs, and chicken done in many ways, or delicious grilled veggies as the main dish. The sides often get thrown together or are just boring. Then I found the Jalapeño popper potato salad!



RECIPE CARD
Jalapeño Popper Potato Salad
 INGREDIENTS :
 3 lbs russet/red potato chunks
 1/2 tsp salt
 6 slices of bacon
 1 8oz pack cream cheese
 2 cups shredded cheddar
 1 cup ranch
 1/4 cup chopped pickled jalapeños or fresh chopped peppers
 3 tbs yellow mustard
 1/2 tsp black pepper
 4 hard boiled eggs chopped
 4 scallions sliced as rounds
 3 sweet gherkins chopped

For a 4-6 serving size, boil 3 pounds of russet potato about 5-6 taters cut into 1" squares or red potato equivalent, boil about 15 min. or until tender. Slightly smash the potatoes in a bowl with the cream and cheddar cheeses. Leave some chunks. Cook your bacon drain and crumble. Add salt, ranch, jalapeños and some of the pickled brine if you are using pickled peppers, mustard to taste, pepper, hard boiled eggs, scallions and gherkin pickle pieces. Use the gherkin brine if you use regular fresh jalapeños. Fold it gently altogether. Can be served as a warm side or cold. For best presentation, hit the top with more bacon and green onions.



Input for CPW on SWA - State Wildlife Areas

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is seeking public input on proposed regulation changes for State Wildlife Areas, they manage about 350 State Wildlife Areas (SWAs) across the state, which are properties held to benefit wildlife populations or provide opportunities for wildlife-related recreation. To help ensure SWAs are benefitting wildlife and manage increasing recreation demand at SWAs, CPW is proposing updates to SWA regulations and is seeking public input on the proposed changes.

SWA visitors are encouraged to learn more about the proposed changes to general SWA regulations and property-specific changes. The public can learn more and provide feedback on <https://engagecpw.org/> through Wed., May 24, 2023. CPW is looking for specific feedback regarding its general provision and property-specific changes. The proposed regulations are tentatively scheduled to be discussed at the May Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting before final consideration and possible adoption at the June PWC meeting.

The San Juan National Forest began selling permits for personal-use firewood cutting and other miscellaneous products on May 1st. Many forest roads are covered by more snow than in recent years, leading to a delay in re-opening the roads, so please contact your local ranger district for the latest road conditions or visit the webpage www.fs.usda.gov/sanjuan Visitors are asked to stay off wet roads and respect road closures, which will prevent long-term and costly damages to the roadway. Purchase your permit and know the rules before you head into the woods.



Each permit costs \$20 and allows firewood cutters to gather two-and-a-half cords of dead and downed firewood from the San Juan National Forest for personal use prior to December 31. Each household may purchase additional permits for up to 10 cords of firewood per year for personal use. A cord is the amount of tightly piled wood in a stack four-feet high by four-feet wide by eight-feet long. Permits are available for purchase at Dolores Outfitters 341 Railroad Ave in Dolores.

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