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## Bennett teen dies in crash at Lady Bird Hill

by **Steven Vetter**  
Managing Editor

**BENNETT** — A Bennett High School student was killed during a one-car crash at Lady Bird Hill between Bennett and Strasburg Aug. 5.

A 16-year-old boy was the lone occupant of a silver Acura sedan that crashed on the uphill curve of the eastbound 306 exit of I-70 a little after 3:30 p.m. Wednesday.

"At a high rate of speed, [the vehicle] attempted to exit onto Highway 36 when it lost control and struck approximately 50 feet of guardrail on the left shoulder of the road," said a Colorado State Patrol report the day

the crash occurred. "The juvenile was wearing a seatbelt, but was ejected from the vehicle due to the crash."

The following day, the State Patrol added, "the Acura struck the end terminal, or nose, of the guardrail directly on the passenger side door, causing the door to push through the vehicle. The guardrail then folded, pushing the teen driver out of the driver's side door."

A State Patrol sergeant patrolling the area came upon the crash shortly after it occurred and, with the help of an Arapahoe County Sheriff's deputy, started CPR on the boy, but those

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STEVEN VETTER/The I-70 Scout

In the two days following an Aug. 5 fatal car accident on the eastbound Lady Bird Hill off-ramp, flowers appeared around the guardrail in memory of the teenage victim.



### Going down swingin'

ISAAC MANAUGH/The I-70 Scout

While the annual fireworks show was canceled because of the region's current drought status, the rest of Friday night's Strasburg Hometown Days activities at the original Community Park went off without a hitch, including this inflatable jousting battle between 13-year-olds Olivia Saxon, left, and Avery Qeyworth. For more Hometown Days coverage, see the Aug. 19 edition of *The I-70 Scout*.



PHOTO COURTESY ARAPAHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Among the confiscated items from a July 7 marijuana bust southwest of Bennett were 1,900 plants, including 600 ready for harvest.

## Local pot grow seized

by **Steven Vetter**  
Managing Editor

**BENNETT** — Additional particulars, including any suspects or people of interest, remain unavailable from a large-scale illegal marijuana grow that was uncovered in unincorporated Arapahoe County southwest of Bennett early last month.

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## DT School: New year, new cell phone rule

by **Steven Vetter**  
Managing Editor

**DEER TRAIL** — Deer Trail School students will experience a new cell phone policy and new faces in the classroom as the new school year starts this week.

During the Aug. 3 Deer Trail School Board meeting, Superintendent Mike Jobman announced that the teaching staff has six new educators this year and, most recently, added a special education paraprofessional to the employment roster.

"First day for them was today and all staff together for the first time tomorrow," he said, noting that the first day

of classes is Aug. 10. "Pretty solid staff-wise, depending on what [additional] students come in. We're already at 308 students, which is 20 ahead of the end of last year. Might need a couple more support staff, but we'll see."

Jobman added that new teachers' first day in their new digs was more comfortable than the previous few weeks as maintenance staff was hard at work remedying problems with the HVAC system.

Facilities Manager Bryce Ashbaugh noted that a new HVAC server installed earlier in the summer was already "fried" and was replaced just in time for the return of staff.

"Instead of \$9,000 we paid

the first time, now it was \$3,000," said Ashbaugh, noting the previous server was not under warranty. "We've moved everything out from underneath the unit, so we should be good from here on out."

"It was a balmy 87 degrees upstairs earlier today but, luckily, we got things cooled down by the time people started showing up," Jobman added.

### NEW CELL PHONE POLICY

The most notable change that will be felt by students, especially in the junior high and high school, is a more re-

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ISAAC MANAUGH/The I-70 Scout

Anythink Bennett library hosted a MySummer Reading Program magic show with Denver-based magician and mentalist Erica Sodos July 24. Formally trained in theatre and in the art of clowning, Sodos started her magic career in 2006. Above, Sodos receives assistance from 7-year-old Anthony Porter.

POLICE REPORTS

**ADAMS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**THURSDAY, MAY 14**

- Kimberly Nickell, 43, of Bennett, was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant out of the Denver Marshal's Office at Highway 36 and Hudson Road, **Watkins**.
- A vehicle was impounded at Highway 36 and Manila Road, **Bennett**.

**FRIDAY, MAY 15**

- The theft of \$650 via Venmo sent for the purchase of hay that was not delivered was reported in the 32800 block of East 147th Avenue, **Brighton**.
- A vehicle was impounded at Highway 36 and Imboden Road, **Watkins**.

**SATURDAY, MAY 16**

- Andrew Taylor, 28, of Strasburg, was arrested for third-degree assault and domestic violence in the 1700 block of Defoe Street, **Strasburg**.

**MONDAY, MAY 18**

- The theft of approximately 1,000 feet of wiring for traffic lights worth approximately \$150,000 was reported in the 3000 block of Petterson Road, **Bennett**.

**THURSDAY, MAY 21**

- Christopher Michael Boesel, 54, of Bennett, was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant from the Adams County Sheriff's Office at East 72nd Avenue and Converse Road, **Bennett**. He was also cited for driving under revocation and speeding 25-39 mph over the limit (75 mph in a 55 mph zone).

**FRIDAY, MAY 22**

- A vehicle was impounded in the 1800 block of Ance Street, **Strasburg**.

**SUNDAY, MAY 24**

- Feliciano Carillo Hernandez, 37, of Aurora, was cited for driving without a license and violations of the open container, compulsory insurance, and registration laws at Railroad and Monroe streets, **Strasburg**.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 18**

- A warrant arrest was made in the 26900 block of East Colfax Avenue, **Aurora**.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 19**

- Theft from a motor vehicle was reported in the 300 block of Grant Avenue, 1100 block of South First Street, 46500 block of Avery Lane, and 500 block of Second Street, all in **Bennett**.
- A traffic arrest was made on South First Street, **Bennett**.
- A warrant arrest was made on South First Street, **Bennett**.
- Harassment was reported in the 800 block of Seventh Avenue, **Deer Trail**.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 20**

- Menacing was reported in the 1000 block of 1000 block of Cedar Street, **Bennett**.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21**

- A missing person was found in the 26900 block of East Colfax Avenue, **Aurora**.
- A physical disturbance was reported in the 600 block of Yantley Street, Sky Ranch, **Aurora**.
- A sex crime was reported in the 28100 block of East Quincy Avenue, **Watkins**.

**MONDAY, JUNE 22**

- Fraud was reported in the 1800 block of South County Road 129, **Bennett**.
- A burglary was reported in the 4700 block of South County Road 217, **Deer Trail**.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23**

- A vehicle was repossessed in the 400 block of Fifth Street, **Bennett**.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24**

- A drug violation was reported in the 25600 block of East Quincy Avenue, **Aurora**.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

- Theft was reported in the 33100 block of East Quincy Avenue, **Watkins**.
- A warrant arrest was made and an assault was reported in the 900 block of Madison Way, **Bennett**.
- A property damage traffic accident occurred in the 1100 block of South First Street, **Bennett**.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26**

- Obstruction of a peace officer was reported on Picadilly Road, **Aurora**.
- Warrant arrests were made on Picadilly Road and East Quincy Avenue, **Aurora**.

COMMUNITY CORRAL

**Parks & Rec outing destined for gambling at Black Hawk**

STRASBURG — The bus leaves at 10 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 20, from Strasburg for a senior excursion to the casinos at Black Hawk.

The trip, which costs \$20, is intended for adults only without age restrictions. A minimum of 10 passengers is required or the trip will be canceled. The bus will leave from the Strasburg Recreation Center, 1932 Burton St.

Lunch is not included. Advanced reservations are required due to limited seating. To RSVP, visit [www.strasburgparks.org](http://www.strasburgparks.org) or call (303)622-4260.

**Small town foundation plans presentation to VIP Seniors**

STRASBURG — The Strasburg Seniors Comanche VIP Association potluck begins at 11:45 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 18, at the Strasburg American Legion Hall, 56423 Westview Ave.

The speaker will be Syndi Johnsrud with the Small Town Strong Foundation. She will discuss the goals of the nonprofit foundation.

The association provides a social outlet for area senior citizens. For more information, contact Iris Salladay Sirois at (303)822-5262.

**Colo display wins top honor at Great American State Fair**

DENVER — Colorado was awarded the "Best in Show State Pavilion" at the Great American State Fair on the National Mall in Washington D.C., July 12.

Guests were welcomed by the iconic "Welcome to Colorful Colorado" sign and real coniferous trees from the state's forests. The booth also featured a real ski lift inspired by Colorado's legendary mountain resorts, giving visitors a taste of the high country. Families enjoyed a kid-friendly river paddling, relaxed at a recharging station, and explored a miniature Red Rocks — all surrounded by fresh trees.

"This recognition reflects the stories, landscapes, welcoming communities and unforgettable experiences that make Colorado special," said Timothy Wolfe, head of the Colorado Tourism Office.

For photographs of the display, visit [www.i-70scout.com](http://www.i-70scout.com).

**Biz organization plans lunch with Air & Space Port leaders**

STRASBURG — The I-70 Corridor Chamber of Commerce will host its monthly Lunch & Learn from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 19, at Colorado Air & Space Port, Watkins.

CASP will provide both speakers and lunch.

The public can attend the presentation, but guests must RSVP for lunch by Friday, Aug. 14, to [officei-70ccoc@gmail.com](mailto:officei-70ccoc@gmail.com) or (720)731-1954. Space is limited.

**Worship in the Park planned by Byers Community Church**

BYERS — Byers Community Church will introduce its new pastor and its next installment of Worship in the Park at 10 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 16, at Byers Park.

In addition to the introduction of the Rev. Bethany Peerbolte, worshipers will enjoy a picnic. Attendees should bring their own lunch. The church

will provide drinks and desserts.

Visitors should bring a lawn chair or sit at the picnic tables under the pavilion as the congregation gathers to reflect on God's word.

Worship in the Park concludes for the season on Sunday, Sept. 20.

Byers Community Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

**Enrollment for e-bike rebates will occur from August 24-31**

WHEAT RIDGE — With \$3 million on hand for the current fiscal year, the Colorado Energy Office plans to provide point-of-sale rebates for qualifying e-bike purchases to more than 2,800 eligible Coloradans over the next 12 months.

Rebates are open to residents with a household income at or below 80% of the area median income in their county of residence. The standard rebate is worth \$1,000, with extra rebates available for e-cargo (+\$300) and adaptive e-bikes (+\$300).

Registration will open on a quarterly basis over the next year. Each round will be open for one week, and Coloradans can register at any time. The first round will start at 11 a.m., Monday, Aug. 24, and close at 12 p.m., Monday, Aug. 31. For more information or to register, visit at <https://energyoffice.colorado.gov>.

**Ranching history the theme of 17 Mile House occasion**

CENTENNIAL — Colorado's ranching heritage will bring the West to life at an open house from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 15, at the 17 Mile House Farm Park, 8181 S. Parker Road, Centennial.

The event will feature hands-on activities, brand-making, history displays, and lively demonstrations. Participants will include the Colorado Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee's interactive Agriculture Facts Barn Display, Colorado Beef Council, Mile Hi Cattlewomen, the state Brand Commissioner's Office, and the Littleton Museum.

No live cattle will be on hand, but families can "rope-a-steer," milk cows, and churn butter — a crowd favorite.

Admission is free but registration is recommended. To sign up, visit [www.arapahoeco.gov/17milehouse](http://www.arapahoeco.gov/17milehouse).

**CBI unit handles record surge in firearm background checks**

LAKEWOOD — The Colorado Bureau of Investigation Aug. 3 commended its InstaCheck Unit for successfully processing during July the highest volume of firearm background checks on record while remaining within the mandatory three-day waiting period for transfers.

Anticipating a significant increase in firearm purchases prior to the Aug. 1 effective date of Senate Bill 25-003, the CBI cross-trained 20 staff members to essentially double the size of the InstaCheck team, according to a release. The unit also utilized flexible work arrangements and overtime support to handle daily volumes that, on several days in July, exceeded the 2,547 firearm checks processed on Nov. 28, 2025 (Black Friday).

The result was a decisive response to a 195% volume increase, with the unit processing 59,452 checks in this July compared to 20,172 in July 2025.

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# ArapCo Road 42 closed temporarily

by Steven Vetter  
Managing Editor

BYERS — Beginning this week, many commuters along Arapahoe County Road 42 between Exmoor and Strasburg Roads will have to use a new route to get to Strasburg or Byers for at least 10 days.

Arapahoe County announced Aug. 7 that, starting Aug. 10, the roadway, also known as Knutson Road, will be closed between County Roads 161 and 177 for culvert replacement and application of additional gravel to the driving surface. Work on the road is scheduled between 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and is expected to run through Aug. 21, weather permitting. During construction, traffic will be detoured to the north through Byers.

“Local traffic will be allowed through the work zone using a single lane,” a county statement said. “[But] through traffic should use the signed detour via South Bradbury Road, U.S. 40, East Front Street, and South County



Arapahoe County Road 42, marked in red, is closed between County Roads 161 and 177 through Aug. 21.

Road 181 (Exmoor Road).” Additional information is available by calling Arapahoe County Road & Bridge at (720)874-7623.

# ArapCo bosses name new county coroner

LITTLETON — Arapahoe County’s new coroner is now on the job after the retirement of Dr. Kelly Lear.

The Board of County Commissioners June 30 appointed Dr. Casey Bitting as Arapahoe County Coroner, effective July 2, following the retirement of Coroner Kelly Lear.

Bitting will complete the remainder of Lear’s term, which extends through January 2027. She is also the sole candidate for the office in the November 2026 election.

“Bitting combines outstanding medical expertise with years of service to our community, making her exceptionally well prepared to lead the Coroner’s Office,” said Commissioner Leslie Summey, board chair.

Bitting has served as a forensic pathologist with the Arapahoe County Coroner’s Office since 2018. She is board certified in anatomic and forensic pathology by the American Board of Pathology and completed her forensic pathology fellowship at the Of-

fice of the Chief Medical Examiner for the State of Maryland. She earned her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Englewood and completed her residency in Anatomic & Clinical Pathology at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, N.M.

Throughout her career, Bitting has contributed extensively to forensic pathology through research, publications, teaching and leadership. She serves as an attending physician for medical student, pathology resident, and forensic pathology fellow education, has authored numerous peer-reviewed publications, and is an active member of several professional organizations.

“I look forward to building on Lear’s legacy while continuing to provide the highest standard of medico-legal death investigation for our amazing community,” Bitting said.

Lear retired after more than 20 years with the county, including 12 as elected coroner. She joined the office as a forensic pathologist in 2004 before her election in 2014.



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### LADY BIRD CRASH

efforts were unsuccessful and he was declared deceased on scene.

The initial on-scene investigation and cleanup took about four hours with the roadway reopening a little before 7:30 p.m.

At press time, the deceased's identity had not been released by the Arapahoe County Coroner's office but, the evening of the crash, the Bennett School District released a statement confirming that one of its students had died.

"It is with profound sadness and broken hearts that we share the news that, prior to Back-to-School Night on Aug. 5, there was a tragic single-vehicle accident involving a Bennett High School student," the district's statement said. "Our thoughts, prayers, and heartfelt condolences are with the families, friends, classmates, and everyone affected by this heartbreaking tragedy."

### FROM PAGE 1

The school district, East Central BOCES, and the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office combined efforts to provide crisis counseling and emotional support services the following day.

Bennett School Superintendent Robin Purdy added that the first day of school for kindergarten through 12th grade would not be pushed back from its original date of Aug. 10.

"Crisis counselors will also be available throughout the school day next week to provide continued support to students and community members," she said. "We're trying to keep things as normal and positive as possible through these difficult circumstances and provide everyone in our school community with the support they need."

The State Patrol added that the juvenile victim did have a valid minor driver's license.



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### POT BUST

### FROM P1

On July 7, SWAT teams from the the Lakewood Police Department and Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Unit, executed a search warrant to a 20-acre property in the 100 block of Dutch Valley Road.

Upon arrival, authorities found a large marijuana grow and a likely processing operation.

"The search resulted in the seizure of approximately 1,900 marijuana plants, including 600 mature plants ready for harvest, and 40 pounds of packaged marijuana," a sheriff's office statement said.

Arapahoe County Sheriff Tyler Brown told *The I-70 Scout* July 23 that the findings rivaled drug confiscation efforts closer to the metro area.

"Certainly as big as, if not bigger, than a lot we've found on the west side," he said. "It was a really big grow."

The sheriff's office confirmed that the uncovered operation was not legal under county or state pot legalization laws.

"This property was not licensed for cultivation," the sheriff's office statement said.

The investigation is ongoing and now includes additional jurisdictions.

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## In Byers, Co.





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Arapahoe County Sheriff's Deputy Matt Foster and K-9 Pavo were part of National Night Out festivities in Bennett at the Public Safety Building Aug. 4. This year marked the 43rd annual national event that focuses on enhancing relationships and building camaraderie between communities and law enforcement

# National Democrats see path to victory in all 8 Colorado congressional districts

by Jesse Paul  
KUNC

National Democrats now think there's a possibility they could flip all four of the Colorado congressional districts held by Republicans this year.

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee Aug. 5 added Colorado's 3rd and 4th congressional districts to its list of "districts in play" this year. They are held by Republican U.S. Reps. Jeff Hurd of Grand Junction and Lauren Boebert of Windsor. Until now, those districts appeared totally out of reach for Democrats.

The DCCC is already invested in trying to unseat Republican U.S. Rep. Gabe Evans of Fort Lupton in the 8th Congressional District and Republican U.S. Rep. Jeff Crank of Colorado Springs in the 5th District.

Democrats have a firm hold on the 1st, 2nd, 6th and 7th congressional districts in Colorado.

The districts in-play designation comes with candidate guidance and messaging help from the DCCC, though not necessarily funding. Money could come later.

But the DCCC believes the 3rd and 4th districts can no longer be ignored by national Republicans in their battle to retain control of Congress.

Democrats would count it as a win if their candidates lose in the 3rd and 4th districts if the GOP has to spend any money trying to protect Boebert and Hurd. That's because those would be dollars Republicans wouldn't have to spend elsewhere.

The DCCC's changing outlook is mainly due to the national political environment. Democrats have been winning in special elections across the country and polling shows President Donald Trump's popularity is at its lowest level. Voters have signaled they are increasingly open to ousting Republican members of Congress.

There are also district-level indications Hurd and Boebert may be in trouble.

In the 4th District, which stretches across the Eastern Plains and includes Adams and Arapahoe counties east of Aurora and all of Elbert County, retired Navy Rear Admiral Eileen Laubacher is trying to dislodge Boebert.

The 4th District is considered the most Republican-friendly congressional district in Colorado, but the DCCC sees Douglas County's trend toward Democrats and Boebert's historic under-performance in her congressional



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Colorado Republican congressional incumbents Jeff Hurd, left, and Lauren Boebert are expected to be in tough battles for re-election in November. Hurd represents the third congressional district and Boebert the fourth district, entailing much of Eastern Colorado including the I-70 Corridor.

Laubacher has a chance.

Laubacher, a first-time candidate, had raised roughly \$10.3 million through the end of June. After spending about \$6.6 million, her campaign had \$3.6 million in the bank to start July.

Boebert, by comparison, has raised a fraction of that amount for her re-election bid. She had \$250,000 in her campaign's bank account to start July.

In 2024, Boebert beat Democrat Trisha Calvarese by nearly 12 percentage points. While that was a decisive victory, the last Republican to represent the district for an entire term, U.S. Rep. Ken Buck, won in 2022 by more than 24 percentage points.

In the 3rd District, which spans the Western Slope into Pueblo and southeastern Colorado, Hurd's Democratic challenger, former Aspen City Councilman Dwayne Romero, recently released an internal poll showing him down just 1 percentage point to Hurd with 9% of the electorate undecided.

Hurd beat Democrat Adam Frisch, also a former Aspen city councilman, by 5 percentage points in 2024.

The DCCC did not get involved in the 4th District race in 2024, though it did offer limited help to Frisch in the 3rd District.

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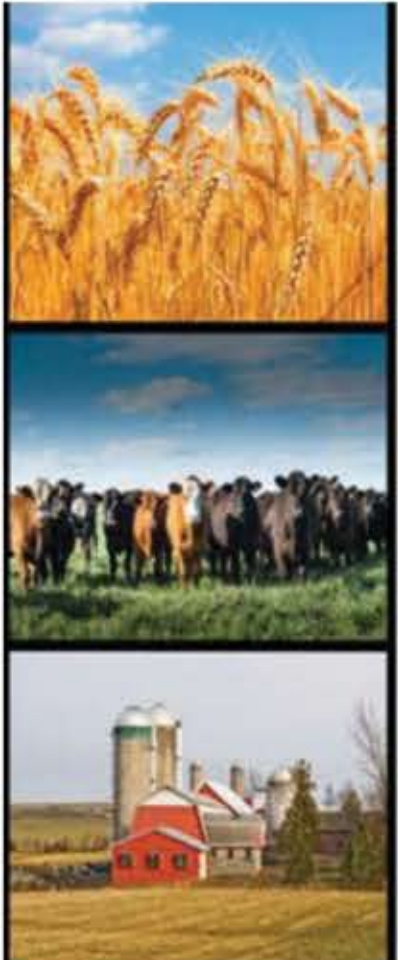
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ArapCo short-term rental permit deadline Aug. 23

LITTLETON — Current owners of short-term rental properties in unincorporated Arapahoe County have less than two weeks to be properly licensed under new county protocols. The deadline to apply for the license is Sunday, Aug. 23. “Legacy” applicants — owners of operating lodging units prior to June 20 — will not be subjected to new county rules regarding 500-foot setbacks or primary residence rules if the application deadline is met. Filings after the deadline will be subject to all new regulations. For information, visit [www.arapahoeco.gov/str](http://www.arapahoeco.gov/str); e-mail [STR@arapahoegov.com](mailto:STR@arapahoegov.com); or call (720)874-6711.

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strictive cell phone policy. “Our policy is now set up after we tweaked it for the secondary school. It’s not a full ‘no’ to cell phones in the building, but not in classrooms period,” said secondary principal Riley Williams. “They have to stay in lockers.” During the 2025 Colorado legislative session, HB25-1135 was passed mandating all Colorado public school districts, including charter schools, to adopt and implement specific student cell phone and communication device policy online by July 1 of this year. The law doesn’t specify what individual district policy must include, only that specific rules are in place starting for the 2026-27 school year. Williams hopes that the transition to no cell phones in classrooms is met with no or little resistance. “[Students] know it’s coming, so I don’t foresee a huge issue,” he said. “It’s now a matter of staff enforcing it. We’ll try to step things up around the bathrooms and the locker rooms as well.” Williams added he will lead by example as he will stow away his personal cell phone in his desk during the school day and only carry his school-issued device. Preliminary results of an ongoing nationwide school district survey conducted by Phones in Focus, including responses from more than 3,500 Colorado school teachers, have indicated almost 90% of elementary buildings have full bell-to-bell cell phone policies while that rate in the middle schools and high schools drop to 84% and 22%, respectively. Prior to the new Colorado law, approximately 20% of high schools had no cell phone restrictions in place. “There’s a paradox here, because when you look at data from the National Education Association, it’s in high school that the teachers say that cellphones become a real problem, but it’s in Colorado high schools that you have the most relaxed policies,” said Angela Duckworth, a psychologist and professor at the University of Pennsylvania and the leader of the Phones for Focus survey, during the May 13 Colorado Board of Education meeting. “If you fast forward to the modern environment of a student in a Colorado school, there is a conflict between doing schoolwork and, for example, checking TikTok.” With the new state law in place, roughly 55% of high schools in Colorado have opted to implement a “no show” policy in place of more strict alternatives. A “no show” policy means students may bring their phone anywhere while at school, but they can’t be out and visible. Deer Trail’s policy is one step stricter. “I will tell you as a psychologist that you’re allowing your students to keep their phones in their back pockets,” Duckworth said. “No show is ‘don’t ask, don’t tell,’ which means it allows students to keep their temptations very close to them, which makes it

harder to resist.” **EARLY RELEASE FOR ELEMENTARY** After indications earlier last month that previous implementation of a staggered release schedule might be scrapped, the board opted to stay with the 3:50 p.m. release time for the elementary and 4 p.m. for the secondary school after one board member requested the practice stay in place. “I think we need to reconsider — there was a huge difference for the better from when all the kids were getting out at 4 p.m.,” said Richard Haight, who is one of two Arapahoe County Sheriff school resource officers between Deer Trail and Byers. “From my standpoint, letting them all out at 4, there is no parking. That 10 minutes early for elementary kids to get picked up, it makes a big difference and is much safer. Plus on days that there are games or something else going on at the school, it’s really bad.” Board President Patrick Duff said the board never voted on rescinding the early release practice and asked that teachers and staff do a better job of adhering to the release schedule. “Have been a little frustrating over the last year-and-a-half with a few gripes that kids aren’t getting out when they are supposed to,” he said. “Hopefully, we can continue to work on it until we get it right.” Morning drop-off has no specific schedule. “It’s been anywhere between 7:30-9 in the morning,” Haight said. Transportation Director Robert Allen added that a more concerted effort will be taken to keep cars from entering the east bus lanes. “I’ve got a new sign to block the back drop-off lane and we’re sending out a voice message to all families,” he said. In addition, Allen noted that the roster of bus drivers has increased to four and that all will have completed training before the first day of school.

- OTHER BUSINESS**
- Whether the new walking bridge between the south edge of campus and the Bijou Creek subdivision will be open for the start of the new school year was uncertain as the Colorado Department of Transportation is waiting on ADA-mandated hand railings.
  - Later last week, head high school football coach Sebastien Minor announced that the Eagles’ Sept. 4 game at Washington County — the co-op sports program between Woodlin and Arickaree schools — had been replaced with an Aug. 22 home game against Bethune. Washington County canceled its 6-man season for lack of numbers.
  - Jobman and Ashbaugh both expressed optimism that re-sodded areas of the football field will be ready for the gridiron season.

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# I-70 Corridor hosts charity poker rally; veteran receives custom bike donation



The I-70 Corridor Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual Riders on the Plains Motorcycle Poker Run to benefit Combat Hero Bike Build July 25. Approximately 80 riders braved the extreme heat as they traversed the I-70 Corridor route that started at Colorado Air & Space Port Saturday morning and concluded at May Farms in the afternoon, including a custom-built motorcycle donation from Combat Hero Bike Build to military veteran Marlene "M.J." Zander. Stops included the Launch Pad Brewery in Bennett, Rookies Restaurant & Saloon in Strasburg, Shooters Bar & Grill in Byers, and the Deer Trail Jockey Club rodeo grounds. Clockwise from top photo, Zander is pictured with her new custom ride along with Combat Hero Bike Build board members Skip Binda, Bobby Henline, Terry Sharp, Mike King and Jamie Henline; Sheryl "Smoke" Blackhill sports her winning ace of spades flush; volunteers Joe Kubitschek, Shanna Kesely, Tailor Roberts and Carly Bowling man the squishy cow corral under the Deer Trail rodeo arena grandstands; and Kyle Johnson tosses a bean bag to a board full of bras during the stop at Shooters in Byers.

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NOTICE OF VACANCY  
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and particularly to the electors of the York Street Metropolitan District of Adams County, Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 32-1-808, C.R.S., that two vacancies currently exist on the board of directors of the York Street Metropolitan District (hereinafter referred to as the "District"). Any qualified, eligible elector of the District interested in filling a vacancy and serving on the board of directors should file a Letter of Interest with the board of directors of the District on or before the close of business on August 17, 2026, at the District Management office.

Forms of Letters of Interest are available and can be obtained from the York Street Metropolitan District, c/o Peggy, at Special District Management Services, Inc., 225 Union Boulevard, Suite 100, Lakewood, CO 80228, (303) 987-0835.

YORK STREET METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

By: /s/ Peggy Ripko  
Secretary

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NOTICE AS TO PROPOSED 2026 BUDGET  
AND AMENDMENT OF 2025 BUDGET  
MUEGGE FARMS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NOS. 5-8  
ADAMS COUNTY, COLORADO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Sections 29-1-108 and 109, C.R.S., that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Board of Directors of the Muegge Farms Metropolitan District Nos. 5-8 (the "Districts") for the ensuing year of 2026. The necessity may also arise for the amendment of the 2025 budget of the District. Copies of the proposed 2026 budget and 2025 amended budget (if appropriate) are on file in the office of the District's Accountant, Marchetti & Weaver, 245 Century Circle, Suite 103, Louisville, CO 80027, where same are available for public inspection. Such proposed 2026 budget and 2025 amended budget will be considered at a public meeting of the Board of Directors of the District to be held via Zoom, on Thursday, September 3, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. and can be joined through the directions below:

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Any interested elector within the District may, at any time prior to the final adoption of the 2026 budget or the 2025 amended budget, inspect the 2026 budget and the 2025 amended budget and file or register any objections thereto.

MUEGGE FARMS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NOS. 5-8

/s/ Ryan Stevens  
District Manager

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LIBRARY NEWS

ANYTHINK BENNETT LIBRARY

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**Bennett Sci-Fi Book Club:** Bennett's beloved Sci-Fi Book Club is now meeting at Anythink Bennett library. Readers will gather with fellow sci-fi enthusiasts for lively conversations. Appropriate for adults. 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 13.

**Open Hours with CSU Extension:** Colorado State University Extension in Adams County will provide gardening tips, farming guidance or youth development opportunities through 4-H — including animal care, STEM, health and life skills. Appropriate for all ages. English only. 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 14.

**Rummikub, Refreshments & More:** Adults gather for coffee, snacks and Rummikub. Other card and board games available. 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Friday, Aug. 14.

**Artist meet-up:** Adults can join the Corridor Creative Arts League for inspiration by a variety of artists and works from around the world. Professional art coach Kathy Beekman will present "Be Brave: Creative Courage for the Artist." Participants should

bring a piece of art to share each month. This month's theme is "Bold — Strong choices in color, scale or subject." 2-3:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 15.

**Toddler Time:** Children ages 1-4 enjoy stories, songs and activities. 10-10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 18.

**Teen Fortnite Tournament:** Teen ages 11-17 will compete in an Anythink World Fortnite Tournament, a chaotic Capture the Flag showdown on two custom Anythink creative maps. Whether participating as a runner making a mad dash for the enemy base, or a defender protecting the flag with their life, the event is all about teamwork. Players should bring their own controller, headphones and peripherals (controllers optional). Prizes will go to the winners. Space is limited, registration recommended but not required. 4:15-6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 18.

**Teen Advisory Board:** Kids ages 12-17 can attend regular meetings to take an active leadership role in planning and implementing library programs and events. They can also use their voices to advocate for youth services in Bennett. 4:45-6 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 19.

KELVER LIBRARY

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**Beautiful Butterflies:** Adults will observe tropical butterfly specimens from around the world and learn about their behaviors and life cycles in a presentation by the Butterfly Pavilion. 1:30-3 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 19.

DAVIES LIBRARY

128 Second Ave., Deer Trail  
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**Adult book club:** "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak. 6-7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 17.



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Anythink Bennett's mySummer Reading Program included Art with Mexico Day Signs program July 16. Longmont-based artist Mario Olvera, above, educated participants about the Tōnalpōhualli, the Aztec calendar or "count of days," and Mexico Day signage using stamps. Olvera leads a group that practices Aztec traditions every Thursday in Boulder.

"We're helping people claim their indigenous identity and protecting tradition," Olvera said. Above, Olvera displays one of his many handmade stamps to make family name signs.

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As part of Arapahoe Libraries' Once Upon A Summer reading program, Kelter Library in Byers hosted Flit It! A Skillet Quesadilla Lunch July 16. In addition to loading up and eating their own personal quesadilla with their fixings of choice, participants also enjoyed craft time. Above, Gadreel Pratt, 10, left, ponders the variety of condiment choices, and Lily Crowl, 7, eyes the rest of the food table while filling her quesadilla with ham.

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Anythink Bennett library hosted a water obstacle course July 29 as part of its MySummer Reading program. Youngsters beat the extreme summer heat with outdoor lawn games around a water feature shaped like a flower. Above, Landan Wright, 5, left, prepares to strike a croquet ball, and Lilah Maughan, 5, splashes across the library's lawn.

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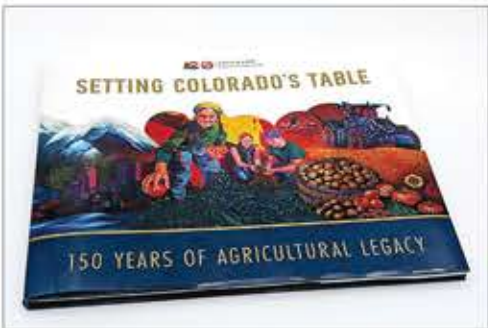
**New book marks 150 years of CO ag legacy**

BROOMFIELD — In celebration of America's 250th anniversary and Colorado's 150th year of statehood, the Colorado Department of Agriculture has released a new commemorative coffee table book titled "Setting Colorado's Table: 150 Years of Agricultural Legacy."

The limited edition book, written by Dr. Rachael Storm with History Colorado, explores the state's rich agricultural narrative through five core themes: water, land, life, resilience and celebration. The cover features a reproduction of a 35-foot mural created by Colorado's Thomas "Detour" Evans in honor of the occasion.

"his book serves as a bridge between our past and future," said Colorado Commissioner of Agriculture Kate Greenberg. "It honors the resilience and innovation of the farmers and ranchers who have stewarded this land for generations, including long before statehood, setting the table for all Coloradans."

"Setting Colorado's Table" features a narrative history alongside a collection of more than two dozen oral histories from people across the



state who've had a part in shaping the state's agricultural heritage.

"Technology has changed, economics have changed but, at the heart of it all, are our Colorado families who are farming and ranching and putting in that dedication and work, and taking that risk to feed us every year," Storm said.

To advance soil stewardship, \$30 from each book sold will go directly to producers enrolled in the Colorado Soil Health Program.

The book can be purchased at historycoloradoshop.org or in person at the History Colorado Center. Limited edition, unframed prints of CDA's ag mural created by Detour are also available through History Colorado.

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Above, Strasburg School students and families scurry across the crosswalk at the intersection of Adams Street and Colorado Avenue with crossing guard assistance from elementary art teacher Erin Seibel before the first day of the 2026-27 school year Aug. 6. Bennett and Deer Trail schools both started classes Aug. 10 and Byers joined the fray Aug. 12. Agate's first day of school is Aug. 24. Drivers are reminded to slow down and be mindful of children walking in school zones, particularly during drop-off before classes in the morning and pick-up at the conclusion of the day.

# MCC names new dean to foster work force

FORT MORGAN — Morgan Community College appointed a new Dean of Workforce Development effective June 1.

Bill Miller brings a strong combination of industry experience, instructional leadership, and institutional knowledge to the role. A valued member of the MCC team for the past five years, he has served as Precision Agriculture faculty since 2021 and as Career & Technical Education Division chair since 2023, helping expand and strengthen workforce-focused programming that supports students and regional employers.

As Dean of Workforce Development,



Dean

Miller will oversee the continued growth of workforce education and training opportunities, strengthen relationships with business and industry partners, and support alignment between academic programming and regional labor market demands. His experience working directly with students, faculty, employers and community stakeholders will help advance MCC's mission of preparing a skilled work force for Northeast Colorado, according to a release.

## CORRIDOR CALENDAR

- THURSDAY, AUG. 13**  
**170 Street Reach Food Bank** Deer Trail Pantry. 6 p.m., Deer Trail School Bus Barn, 370 Aspen St.
- FRIDAY, AUG. 14**  
**Free lunch** for military veterans, law enforcement officers, and senior citizens age 65 and older. 12 p.m., Bennett VFW.
- SATURDAY, AUG. 15**  
**Bennett Arts Council** Knitting & Crochet-ing Club. 10 a.m., Bennett Town Hall.
- SUNDAY, AUG. 16**  
**High Plains Trail Riders gymkhana.** Office opens at 9 a.m., gymkhana at 10 a.m., Quint Valley Fairgrounds, 601 U.S. 36, Byers. For additional information, visit [www.highplainstrailriders.com](http://www.highplainstrailriders.com) or call (303)921-6603.
- MONDAY, AUG. 17**  
**East Adams Conservation District Board.** 9 a.m., Farm Service Agency office, 133 W. Bijou, Byers.  
**Byers Fire Rescue.** 6 p.m., Byers Fire-house.  
**Bennett Planning & Zoning Commission.** 6 p.m., Town hall or virtually. Visit the Planning & Zoning meeting agendas page at [bennettco.gov](http://bennettco.gov) for information.  
**Byers Fire Protection District Board.** 6:30

- p.m., Byers School boardroom.
- TUESDAY, AUG. 18**  
**Comanche VIP Seniors** luncheon. 11:45 a.m., Strasburg American Legion Hall, 56423 Westview Ave.  
**Bennett Arts Council.** 4 p.m., Bennett Town Hall.  
**Eastern Colorado Beekeepers.** 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. E-mail [info@easterncoloradobees.com](mailto:info@easterncoloradobees.com) or visit [easterncoloradobees.com](http://easterncoloradobees.com) for link and location.
- WEDNESDAY, AUG. 19**  
**Bennett Arts Council Knitting & Crocheting Club.** 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Bennett Town Hall Community Room.  
**I-70 Corridor Chamber of Commerce Lunch & Learn.** 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., May Farms, Byers.  
**Bennett School Board.** 6 p.m., Bennett High School library. Visit [bsd29j.com](http://bsd29j.com) for a Zoom link.
- EVERY FRIDAY**  
**Preschool story time:** Children ages 3-6 can enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and other fun activities. 9:30-10 a.m., Anythink Bennett library.  
**Preschool story time:** Hear a story, sing a song, and spend time together to promote literacy for preschoolers. 10-10:15 a.m., [arapahoelibraries.com](http://arapahoelibraries.com).

## 2A Golf Preview



STEVEN VETTER/The I-70 Scout

# Byers Bulldogs

by **Steven Vetter**  
Managing Editor

**BYERS —** The Fall 2026 high school sports season along the I-70 Corridor includes a first-year program that has already teed off.

After sending interested students to play with Strasburg previously, Byers now has its own boys golf program.

While entering his fourth year teaching social studies at Byers and serving as an assistant baseball coach, Nathan Phipps takes over as the Bulldogs first-ever mentor for the boys golf program.

A native of the Clovis, N.M., area, Phipps is a graduate of Benedictine College in Atchison, Kan., and is certified under the PGA's American Development Model for player development on the golf links.



STEVEN VETTER/The I-70 Scout

In addition to a first-year coach, the inaugural Byers roster of 13 is packed with 11 first-year high school players, including five freshmen and a trio of sophomores. The green-and-white have only two seniors — Jon Brnak and Ethan Hardee.

"The big surprise so far is that 13 kids have come out to play golf and help us build a successful program," Phipps said. "Two played at Strasburg last year. But I can already tell our biggest strength is the integrity and character of these student-athletes. This is a mentally tough group that can handle the challenges that a golf season can throw their way."

When the season opened at the Swink Invitational in La Junta Aug. 7, Byers finished 13th of 17 schools in attendance. Leading the Bulldog charge was freshman Liam Millican, who finished in a six-way tie for 18th with an 18-over-par round of 88 on the La Junta Golf Club setup. Senior Jon Brnak finished in a tie for 44th with a round of 100 while sophomore Aden Davis was one stroke behind and in a tie for 46th. Sophomore Peyton Riemenschneider started as the Bulldogs fourth varsity member with a round of 111.

"Being mentally strong and under-

The inaugural year of the Byers High School boys golf program will be led by head coach Nathan Phipps, foreground, and his assistant Justin Denette.

standing that we can only control what we can control will be the guiding principle throughout the season," Phipps added.

Byers will compete in Class 2A with the state championship meet scheduled Oct. 5-6 at the Pueblo Country Club. State qualifiers will be the 84 individuals with the top scoring averages for their best five tournaments.

"Golf is one of the sports where anyone can win on any give day," Phipps said. "I am proud of the way these kids have come into the season ready to learn and compete."

Phipps is assisted by Justin Denette.

- FALL 2026 SCHEDULE**  
**Aug. 7:** @ Swink Invitational, La Junta Golf Course  
**Aug. 14:** @ Stratton, Stratton Golf Club  
**Aug. 17:** @ Elizabeth Invitational, Murphy Creek Golf Club  
**Aug. 19:** Horizon Invitational, Riverdale Knolls Course, Brighton  
**Aug. 28:** @ Timnath Invitational, Collindale, Fort Collins  
**Sept. 4:** @ Burlington, Prairie Pines  
**Sept. 11:** @ Akron Invitational, Washington Country Golf Club  
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# ArapCo Fair: A 120-year tradition



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While activities occurred throughout the next-to-last week of July, the opening day of public access to the Arapahoe County Fair was July 23 with the annual Boots Not Suits dinner hosted by the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners. Above, Arapahoe Rodeo Royalty Association Lady-in-Waiting Lucia Mosby, Princess Tabitha Cabrera, and Queen Aspen Schultz Royalty Association draw tickets for door prizes. Below, Larry and Becky Zierer with Lazy B Alpacas of Bennett eagerly await their ticket number to be called.



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Clockwise from above left, Jenah Bequette and Porter Snyder, both of Byers, take part in Saturday night's rodeo at the Adams County Fair July 25, and Denver-based country rock cover band Kingpin Posse, including Billy D'Vette and Jeff Schoonover, perform Saturday night.



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Words fail to express our feelings at the loss of our beloved wife, mother, sister, cousin, aunt, and friend, Annette Benson Lehman, who left this earth far too soon on July 24, 2026, in Strasburg, Colo., following a long journey with Alzheimer's disease.

She was born Oct. 11, 1954, in Fort Ord, Calif., to Bob F. and Lynn Goodrich Benson. While still a young child, her family moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, and then Roosevelt, Utah, where she graduated from Union High School in 1972.

Annette married the love of her life, Richard Duane Lehman, on May 4, 1973, in Roosevelt and they just celebrated 53 years of marriage. They lived in Naples (UT), Roosevelt, and Rock Springs (WY) before settling in Strasburg to raise their two sons.

She was preceded in death by her parents; infant brother Lyle; mother- and father-in-law Marllys and Orval Lehman; and sister-in-law Tammy Yeaman. Annette is survived by her husband Rick; sons Ken and Grant (Tina); siblings Brent (Jennie), Jeff (Jennifer), and Keith; and multiple nieces and nephews.

We will always remember Annette's smile, her laughter, her kindness — but, most of all, her deep love for all of us. She was a gentle, soft-spoken soul who rarely, if ever, had an unkind word to say about anyone. She was supportive of those around her, quick to laugh, and happiest surrounded by the people she loved.

Family gatherings were among Annette's favorite things, and she loved being with the people she cared about. She played the piano for her own enjoyment for many years. She delighted in playing bingo and entering sweepstakes and contests — and especially in winning them. She also enjoyed gardening and growing flowers, although the family freely admits that the produce aisle was often a more successful source of tomatoes. Her gentle nature, ready laughter, and unfailing kindness made people feel loved and accepted.

Above all, Annette loved Rick, her boys, her family, and the people fortunate enough to be part of her life. That love is the legacy she leaves behind — and the reason she leaves an angel-sized hole in our hearts.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Aug 22, at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 55126 East Wolf Creek Dr., Strasburg.

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One of the highlights of the annual Arapahoe County Fair is Saturday afternoon's junior livestock auction where local 4-H and FFA members show off the market livestock projects one more time in front of a plethora of buyers. This year's auction was held July 25 in the SM Energy Arena. Above, Emmery Meier, left, sold her champion pen of poultry for \$1,200 to FNB Bank of Bennett; Les Schwab Tires purchased Austin Euritt's grand champion meat rabbit for \$1,600; and the grand champion market goat exhibited by Kelby Hess was bought by Elite Surface Infrastructure for \$4,900. Below, the neighboring Bally's Arapahoe Park horse track was again among the auction's top buyers including the winning bids on three grand champions — the steer from Camden Hess for \$12,500; Mace MacLennan's champion lamb for \$5,100; and McCall MacLennan's top hog for \$5,400. For additional auction coverage, including reserve champions, watch for the Aug. 19 edition of *The I-70 Scout*.



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The I-70 Corridor Price family had a memorable Adams County Fair during the last week of July as they dominated in a couple of the livestock show rings. Julee Price took grand champion market lamb honors while older brother, Gabe, was named reserve grand champion. In the market hog show, Julee received reserve grand champion honors. Left photo, the brother-sister tandem is pictured with their award-winning ovines after passing through the ring during the Aug. 1 junior livestock auction; the grand lamb sold for \$5,500 to Transwest Auto of Brighton, while Gabe's reserve grand went for \$4,800 and was bought by SouthState Bank. Right photo, Julee and her reserve grand pig pose with her brother, fair royalty and family representatives of Shoco Oil after the Commerce City-based petroleum products provider bought the animal for \$4,500. This year's fair featured a whole new layout with livestock activities moved to the far north end of Riverdale Regional Park. The longstanding livestock facilities, including the previous auction arena were demolished after last summer's fair. In total, 68 youth livestock exhibits across market sheep, swine, cattle, goats, rabbits and poultry divisions were sold at Saturday's auction.



PHOTOS BY ISAAC MANAUGH/The I-70 Scout

Among the handful of I-70 Corridor livestock exhibitors at the Adams County Fair, held July 29 through Aug. 2, are, clockwise from top left, Eli Varra and Colton Varra with their market goat projects and Saylah Thyfault with her wide-belted market barrow. Thyfault also had grand champion breeding gilt and reserve champion market gilt.



# SYKES PUBLIC AUCTION

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**Auctioneer's Note:** Virgil Sykes was a perfectionist in his mechanical talents. The information on the pumps is what Virgil & Lavon had written down in their years of collecting. There are many rare and hard to find collectible items that the Sykes have acquired over the past decades. Plan to attend this auction of high-quality collectibles.

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The Riverdale Regional Park carnival midway was a major draw for youngsters and their families during the Adams County Fair. Clockwise from above left, Connor Colbert hangs on tight to his gunny sack as he navigates a big slide; Hazel Doudy seems to be enjoying her time dangling from one ride; and 6-year-old Savannah is all giggles while riding with mother, Savannah.

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# 1936: Depression-era Colo closes border with New Mexico

by Chase Woodruff  
Colorado Newsline

It's the stuff of science fiction, like the future dystopia envisioned in Colorado author Paolo Bacigalupi's 2015 thriller "The Water Knife" — Western states militarizing their borders and turning on each other in a time of crisis.

In 1936, as the Great Depression reached its lowest lows in Colorado, it really happened, albeit briefly.

Gov. Edwin "Big Ed" Johnson was a towering figure in state politics in the mid-20th century, serving two different stints as governor on either end of a three-term tenure in the U.S. Senate between 1937 and 1955.

A conservative Democrat, Johnson was a thorn in the side of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and the rest of the party's New Deal faction, which oversaw a sweeping expansion of social welfare programs and other government interventions in the economy after rising to power in 1933.

Though Coloradans had voted for FDR and his New Deal in 1932, they'd also elected Big Ed Johnson, a plain-spoken rancher from Craig who called for "less of government rather than more, and ... a curtailment and not expansion of public service."

As the Great Depression deepened, Johnson and other Colorado leaders clashed with the Roosevelt administration over the implementation of relief programs and new regulations on businesses.

Average Colorado incomes, which had declined roughly 40% between 1929 and 1933, were slow to recover. Relief programs stalled in both state and federal courts, and the onset of the Dust Bowl in 1934 and '35 further worsened conditions in Eastern Colorado.

Seeking scapegoats for all this economic

misery, a growing number of Coloradans blamed a lack of jobs in the state on its Mexican-American population, which swelled seasonally as employers, like sugar beet growers and other agricultural industries, hired temporary workers sometimes known as "braceros."

"No Mexicans Served Here" and "White Trade Only" were commonplace signs in restaurants and stores," wrote historian James F. Wickens in "Colorado in the Great Depression."

"To most Coloradans 'alien' meant 'Spanish-speaking' and these individuals, regardless of their birthplace, were 'Mexicans.'"

Ahead of an anticipated influx of seasonal workers in spring 1936, Johnson, who was preparing a run for Senate, mobilized the Colorado National Guard and sent troops to the southern border — the southern border of Colorado — where they set up highway checkpoints and began turning away hundreds of suspected "indigent" people arriving from New Mexico.

To carry out his shutdown, Johnson April 18 invoked martial law across a one-mile area running east-west along the border.

"If they do not have money, or means of support, do not let them pass," Johnson's order to the guardsmen said. "Colorado cannot care for indigents from other states, and these people become charges of the state after the brief spring labor season ends."

At Raton Pass, one pair of brothers from Maxwell, N.M., was turned away by guardsmen, the *Rocky Mountain News* reported April 21, when they were asked if they had money and "could show the patrol only \$3.50."

"An elderly man in (another) car had a postcard apparently from a farmer near Ault, explaining that he



The front page of the *Rocky Mountain News* on April 19, 1936, reports Gov. Edwin Johnson's order to close the border with New Mexico.

might have a job for him and his family in the beet fields this year, but that he couldn't yet be sure," the newspaper recounted. "There were tears in the eyes of several members of this party as the car turned back toward New Mexico."

The border shutdown quickly proved to be a political "fiasco" for Johnson, Wickens wrote. New Mexico lodged protests in Congress and threatened to retaliate with boycotts of Colorado businesses.

"Organized labor, liberal theologians, the Roman Catholic church, Spanish-speaking groups and political radicals all charged Johnson with racial prejudice and an abridgment of privileges and immunities guaranteed in the 14th Amendment to the Constitution," Wickens noted.

Johnson rescinded his order on April 29, just 11 days after issuing it. In a statement, he blamed "unfore-

seen complications of a serious nature" for derailing his plan, regretting that it had cast "Colorado in a most unfavorable light."

But he doubled down on what he called the "national problem" of migrant labor, still attempting to parlay the situation into a political advantage as a soon-to-be senator and voicing restrictionist views that have distinct echoes in today's revived "America First" movement.

"Restrictive federal laws must be enacted," Johnson's statement continued, "and all immigration laws rigidly enforced if an undersupply of American jobs is to be preserved for an oversupply of American labor."

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**20 YEARS AGO**  
**AUGUST 15, 2006**  
BENNETT — A Bennett boy, who is among the elite pre-teen motocross riders in the country, showed off his skills at a prestigious national event earlier this month.  
Tanner Wineland, 10, competed in two events at the American Motocross Association Amateur National Championship Finals Aug. 1-5 at the ranch of country music legend Loretta Lynn outside Hurricane Mills, Tenn.  
This year marked Tanner's fourth notional competition.  
Older brother Dylan, 14, didn't qualify this year, but has also competed one time at the national championships.  
AMA only allowed the top 42 qualifiers in each of 33 events to participate in the national championship.  
Over 23,000 amateur motocross racers compete across the country.  
"We have been to Iowa, Illinois, Oklahoma, and Texas, running national qualifying event," said mother Danna Wineland. "It's been our lives for several years and has been a lot work, but also a lot of fun."  
"It also keeps the kids out of trouble and focused on a specific goal."

**15 YEARS AGO**  
**AUGUST 16, 2011**  
BENNETT — A mill-levy override request to help fund Bennett Schools appears destined for the Nov. 1 ballot, but how much the district will ask for remains uncertain.  
According to Superintendent Dennis Veal, who took over the district's reins July 1, and finance director Keith Yaich, the last three years of state funding cuts and recent devaluations in assessed property valuations have led to the request for additional funding.  
"We had a small rescission in 2008-09, but the last three school years we've taken some pretty good hits to the tune of \$1.1 million," said Veal, during an Aug. 11 public meeting at the Bennett School Auditorium.

"We are also looking at another rescission this coming year, albeit a smaller one, but it's still coming, it looks like."  
According to Yaich, the combination of state rescissions and loss in property tax revenues total \$1.9 million over the past three years. A state mandate requiring in their general funds was rescinded several years ago and, as a result, the Bennett general fund is currently at \$135,000.  
"It was \$400,000 over three years ago," Yaich said.  
According to calculations using the most recent district assessed valuations, an additional \$750,000 would be generated in 2012 with an additional 8.632 mills being collected.

**10 YEARS AGO**  
**AUGUST 16, 2016**  
STRASBURG - Students along routes 53 and 54 have the option to ride the bus to and from school again after the Strasburg Board of Education unanimously voted to reinstate them Aug. 9.  
Citing a lack of drivers and the aging fleet maintenance cost, the two routes had been suspended for 2016-17 by a 3-1 vote.  
After last month's meeting, the district had three driver positions to fill rather than two following the resignation of driver Candy Apple. But since then, the district received two applicants and Transportation Director Lora Blake will drive a route to replace Apple.  
Board First Vice President Keith Yaich expressed concerns about high volume bus days.  
"Field trips, sick days, activity coverage, are we covered?" he asked. "If they are out on a field trip and they can't get home, then I would rather not do it. I would rather not do it at all than have missed days where they think they are going to show up and then aren't able to."  
Blake responded that she has reached out to former drivers who will help whenever available. Some Bennett drivers will also help on Fridays when Bennett is not in session.  
"I apologize to parents, but I am willing to work to take any information, any help that I can have to make this work for each and everybody," she said.

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**SOLUTION ON PAGE 18**

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 12, the 224th day of 2026. There are 141 days left in the year.

**TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT**  
On Aug. 12, 2017, a driver sped into a crowd of people peacefully protesting a white nationalist rally in the Virginia college town of Charlottesville, killing 32-year-old Heather Heyer and injuring more than a dozen others. (The attacker, James Alex Fields, was sen-

tenced to life in prison on 29 federal hate crime charges, and life plus 419 years on state charges.)

**ALSO ON THIS DATE**  
In 1867, President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton, with whom he had clashed over Reconstruction policies. (Johnson was acquitted by the Senate.)

In 1898, fighting in the Spanish-American War came to an end.  
In 1909, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, home to the Indianapolis 500, first opened.  
In 1944, during World War II, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., eldest son of Joseph and Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, was killed with his co-pilot when their explosives-laden Navy plane blew up over England.  
In 1953, the Soviet Union con-

ducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.  
In 1960, the first balloon communications satellite — the Echo 1 — was launched by the United States from Cape Canaveral.  
In 1981, IBM introduced its first personal computer, the model 5150, at a press conference in New York.  
In 1985, the world's worst single-aircraft disaster occurred as a crippled Japan Airlines Boeing 747

on a domestic flight crashed into a mountain, killing 520 people. Four passengers survived.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS**  
Actor George Hamilton is 87. Jazz guitarist Pat Metheny is 72. Actor Bruce Greenwood is 70. Actor-comedian Michael Ian Black is 55. Actor Yvette Nicole Brown is 55. Boxer Tyson Fury is 38.

— Associated Press

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A solar eclipse always arrives on a new moon, though most New Moons never become eclipses. That's what makes this one a headline. Think of it as the universe's opening night. Whatever you're ready to build, launch or become gets an extra dose of momentum. Read on for your emerging talent and a mantra to help you use it.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Your emerging talent: Landing on your feet. New Moon Mantra: Wherever life drops me, I find my way. I figure out how to work the scene, stay balanced and keep serving the purposes that are important to me.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Your emerging talent: Sensing and taking your moment. New Moon Mantra: I somehow know when to jump in and I simply trust the instinct and follow through. I'm patient, I'm confident, and I'm always paying attention.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Your emerging talent: Mastering what's difficult and explaining what's complicated. New Moon Mantra: I don't stop asking questions until I understand it so thoroughly that I can explain it over lunch with a napkin and a pen.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Your emerging talent: Getting to the right question and being bold enough to ask it. New Moon Mantra: With careful observation, relentless curiosity and the patience to pursue an issue until the logic adds up, I get to the bottom of things.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Your emerging talent: Finding the ethical shortcut. New Moon Mantra: My instinct is for directness and efficiency. I save myself and others from meandering and needless labor. I move with confidence and forge new paths.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Your emerging talent: Becoming unforgettable. New Moon Mantra: I turn ordinary things into adventures, do remarkable work and deliver a unique experience. Knowing me is a treat.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Your emerging talent: Astounding discernment. New Moon Mantra: I see what's worth fixing

and what's worth leaving alone. I don't waste time polishing things that don't matter. My eye goes straight to the one adjustment that changes everything.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Your emerging talent: Envisioning and creating the future. New Moon Mantra: I believe in a better tomorrow. I see things that don't exist yet. With endless creativity, I find ways of bringing beautiful visions into reality.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Your emerging talent: Making ambitious goals doable, or even easy. New Moon Mantra: Big accomplishments are built over time with manageable steps. I keep stacking smart decisions until one day people call it an overnight success.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Your emerging talent: Disarming powerful people with your authenticity. New Moon Mantra: Titles are not inherently impressive. It's the person who makes the title and not the other way around. I relate easily to those who value what I do.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Your emerging talent: You take a kernel of hope and grow it into something substantial. New Moon Mantra: Life-changing achievements start with little beginnings. I sense the promise in myself and others and keep investing in what works.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Your emerging talent: Reading the room. New Moon Mantra: I take a moment to assess the vibes and guess at the wants, needs and interests of the people around me so my conversations, presentations and general way of showing up begin on a strong footing.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 12).** It's your Year of the Observatory. There are marvels, solutions and breakthroughs to be drawn into focus. What you learn will make many lives richer, including your own. More highlights: Your interests expand, and you'll learn cultures, communication styles and operational methods to become masterful in new realms. You gain access Gemini and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 25, 13, 1 and 40.

— Horoscopes by Holiday

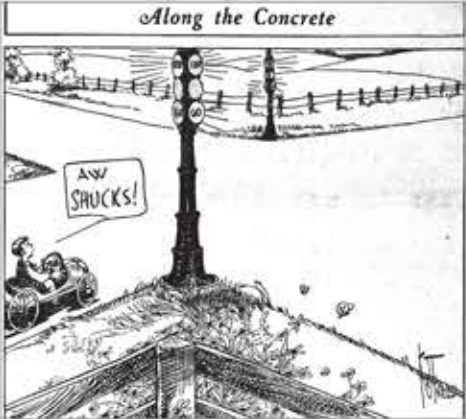
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TOUGH SPOT FOR TUTOR



Philadelphia—Col. A. J. Drexel Biddle, U. S. Marine Corps retired, who visited the Philadelphia Marine school to instruct future officers in the art of defense against the bayonet, is cornered by his students. Nearly all the members of the Marine Officers' training class are former college football players. They were enlisted by a corps of Marine officers who visited virtually every university in the East last year, seeking men of unusual physical stamina.

Eastern Colorado News  
August 14, 1941



Along the Concrete

Bennett News  
August 13, 1931



**WIFELY SUPPORT . . .** Women of Weinsberg, West Germany, partake in annual event of carrying their husbands on their backs, custom dating back to 1140, when the city was invaded and women were told they could leave with their most precious possessions.

The Strasburg News  
August 10, 1961



Strasburg Landmark Destroyed by Fire

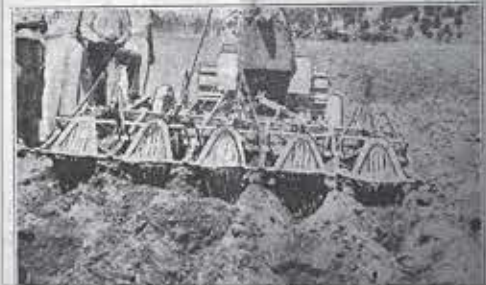
Not too much definite information about this old house in Strasburg, pictured in flames above as it was being destroyed last Thursday to make way for a newer home.

This property, now owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Heit, will soon be the site for a home to be moved from Denver, and preparations are now under way for the project.

A lot of history could be told about the old house, if we could find it, but no one seems to know about much about it. It is thought to have been built more than a half century ago and has since been the home of scores of important people living in Strasburg, including the first editor of the News, M. E. Dodd more than 45 years ago. It is thought to have been built by a man named Abe Edelen. Lying just east of the creek in the east part of town, the house has on several occasions been affected by high water in the stream.

The Strasburg News  
August 13, 1966

**Peacock Tillage Machine** which its owner claims has made it possible for him to raise successful crops year after year on his Eastern Colorado farm, will be an attraction here August 22. Colorado soil conservation service will demonstrate the machine during the afternoon, one mile west of Strasburg.



Eastern Colorado News  
August 13, 1936

New Railroad Promised For Adams County

Stock is now being sold in Adams, Yuma and Washington counties to finance the building of a railroad from St. Frances, Kas., to Denver, possibly by way of Brighton. The survey will be made into Adams county to a point north of Bennett, then partial surveys will be taken from there directly into Denver, and by way of Brighton and Bennett to Denver. The directors will then decide which way the detail survey will be made.

A temporary organization, called the Kansas Land & Development company, has been organized to put over the preliminary work of laying out routes and getting enough money to make the survey. The plans are to sell \$250,000 worth of stock, which amount will give means for the preliminary work. Great success is being met by Hubert Knapper of Denver, who has charge of the stock selling campaign, over one-half being sold. No money need be paid in until the whole amount is sold.

There is no question that a railroad through this country is needed and will make a great development of this land in a short time.

The plans are now to make the necessary surveys, lay out the townsite and then sell them to either the Union Pacific or Burlington to build the road. —Brighton Blade.

The Strasburg News  
August 13, 1920

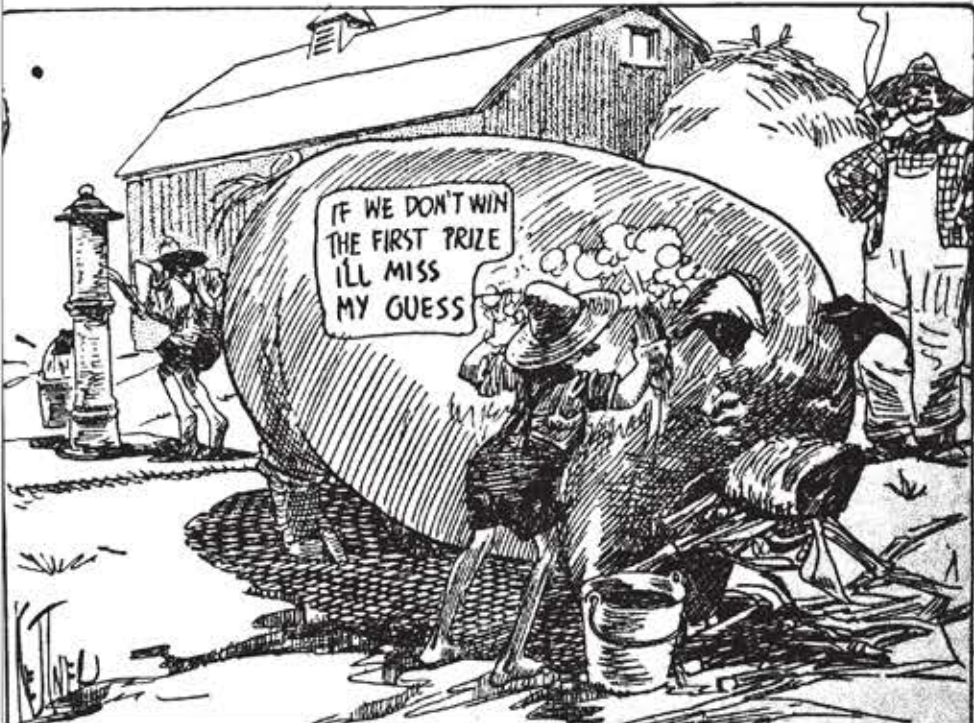
Keenesburg Boy Killed In Crash Near Bennett Saturday Evening

Lester A. Williams, 17, of Keenesburg, was instantly killed and a Denver boy injured Saturday evening when their auto plunged head-on into a milk truck on Highway 79, five miles north of Bennett.

Glenroy Williams, 16 of Denver, who accompanied young Williams, suffered a broken right collar bone and cuts and bruises. According to Courtesy Patrolman Tom Singleton, who investigated the accident, the car was driven by Williams and was going at a high rate of speed when it collided with the milk truck owned by David Small of Bennett. The top of the automobile was sheared off and considerable damage done to Mr. Small's truck.

Eastern Colorado News  
August 13, 1942

Preparing for the Big Show



The Strasburg News  
August 12, 1926

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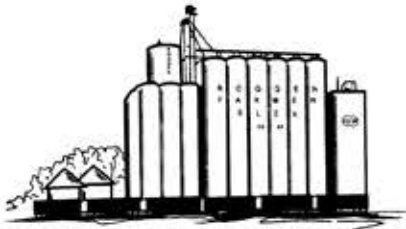
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## State health dept. releases thorough rural health report

DENVER — The Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment July 21 announced the release of the Rural Health Equity Report, a comprehensive assessment of health outcomes, community needs, and innovative solutions across Colorado's rural regions.

Rural Colorado is home to 14% of the state's population and encompasses vast, diverse landscapes that are central to the state's agricultural, energy, tourism and outdoor recreation economies. The report highlights both the enduring strengths and unique challenges of these communities. It underscores persistent barriers to accessing care and resources, ongoing provider shortages, health disparities, and economic insecurity. At the same time, it recognizes the resilience, innovation, and strong sense of community that define rural Colorado and drive work to improve health and well-being.

"Rural Coloradans are resourceful, resilient, and deeply connected to their communities, but too many still face long travel distances to health care, lack access to specialty care, may struggle with affordability in general, and experience other barriers that affect their health," said Jill Hunsaker Ryan, CDPHE executive director. "This report centers rural voices and identifies community-led solutions that can help every rural community build on its strengths and meet its distinct needs."

Findings indicate that rural counties have worse health outcomes than urban counties on 75% of indicators, while rural resort counties outperform urban counties on 87% of indicators.

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I just love turkey legs!

## Jesters, Jousts & Joy!

We re going to a fair that's set in a time period when kings or queens ruled and there were knights and jousts! It was a time of new ideas, inventions and changes in the countries of Europe. This time period is called the *Renaissance* or rebirth.

**Read these clues that describe the idea behind an exciting event called a Renaissance Faire :**

- the Renaissance started in \_\_\_\_\_ and spread
- it was a period of time that covered about two hundred years and brought great \_\_\_\_\_
- just before it began, a terrible disease or \_\_\_\_\_ had swept through Europe and killed about half of all the people there
- many of the countries then were ruled by a \_\_\_\_\_ or queen
- \_\_\_\_\_ were men who were the leaders in the king's army; they wore armor and rode on horses in battles
- later, knights only fought on horseback in competitions or \_\_\_\_\_
- people started to sail or travel to other countries to explore and \_\_\_\_\_
- buying and selling goods brought \_\_\_\_\_ more work and money
- people switched from trading goods for other goods (bartering) or from using silver bars to using gold \_\_\_\_\_ for large purchases
- it was a time of questioning, thinking and \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_, music and written works like poetry were encouraged
- a man named Leonardo \_\_\_\_\_ was an artist, scientist, musician, engineer
- math, science, technology, new medical ideas and \_\_\_\_\_ advanced quickly
- the invention of the \_\_\_\_\_ press let people share ideas widely and quickly
- your local Renaissance fair may have fun \_\_\_\_\_ like archery, or axe or star throwing



A Renaissance Faire!

### Going to the Fair



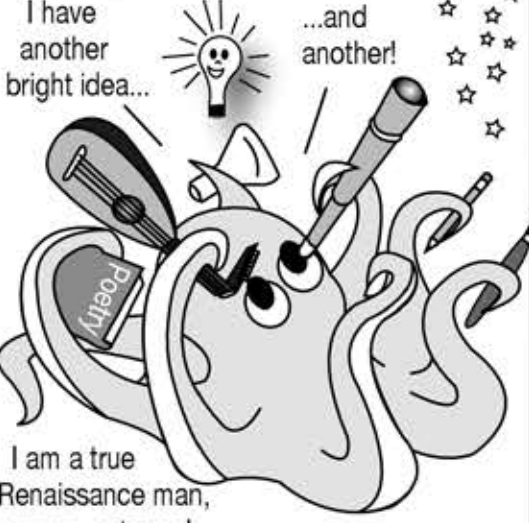
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There were no turkey legs at feasts in Europe until the bird was brought there from America.

### People and Games

I have another bright idea...  
...and another!



I am a true Renaissance man, errrrrr...octopus!

Some people, like Leonardo da Vinci, had so many ideas and did so many different things in the arts and sciences that they are now called Renaissance men.

**Find and circle my list of skilled people and some games at the fair:**

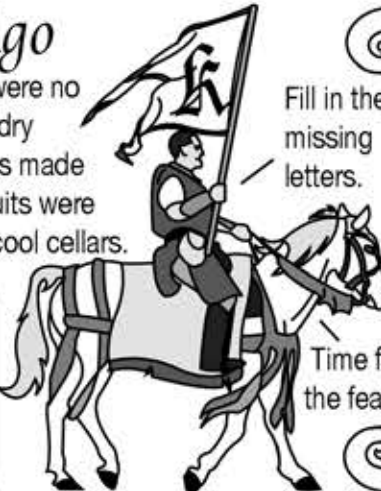
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During the Renaissance era, there were no refrigerators. People had to salt and dry meat to keep it longer. Fresh milk was made into cheese and butter. Herbs and fruits were dried, and vegetables were put into cool cellars.



Fill in the missing letters.

Time for the feast!

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In *The Anxious Generation*, Dr. Jonathan Haidt shows how the rise of smartphones and constant connection is fueling anxiety, sadness, and decreased well-being in children and teens. At Byers Jr./Sr. High School, we're taking action.

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#### THE ANXIOUS GENERATION: BY THE NUMBERS

Research from Dr. Jonathan Haidt's book shows a dramatic correlation between the rise of smartphones and the decline in youth mental health.



**+145%**

Increase in anxiety diagnoses among girls (ages 10-14) from 2010-2019.



**+161%**

Increase in anxiety diagnoses among girls (ages 15-19) from 2010-2019.



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Increase in anxiety diagnoses among boys (ages 10-14) from 2010-2019.



**< 7 HOURS**

Teens who spend more than 4 hours a day on screens are far more likely to get less than 7 hours of sleep.

The biggest mental health expansion in a generation didn't start with the pandemic. It started with the smartphone.

— Dr. Jonathan Haidt

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Students are expected to keep **CELL PHONES OFF AND AWAY** during the school day (including class time, passing periods, and lunch).



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Padres,

TRABAJEMOS JUNTOS POR

### MENTES MAS SANAS. ESTUDIANTES MÁS FUERTES. MEJORES BULLDOGS.

En el libro *La generación ansiosa*, el Dr. Jonathan Haidt demuestra cómo el aumento de los teléfonos inteligentes y la conexión constante está alimentando la ansiedad, la tristeza y una disminución del bienestar en niños y adolescentes.

En Byers Jr./Sr. High School, estamos tomando medidas.

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#### LA GENERACIÓN ANSIOSA:

##### LOS NÚMEROS NO MIENTEN

Investigaciones del Dr. Jonathan Haidt muestran una correlación dramática entre el aumento de los teléfonos inteligentes y el deterioro de la salud mental en los jóvenes.



**+145%**

Aumento en los diagnósticos de ansiedad entre niñas (de 10 a 14 años) de 2010 a 2019.



**+161%**

Aumento en los diagnósticos de ansiedad entre niñas (de 15 a 19 años) de 2010 a 2019.



**+195%**

Aumento en los diagnósticos de depresión entre niñas (de 15 a 19 años) de 2010 a 2019.



**+91%**

Aumento en los diagnósticos de ansiedad entre niños (de 10 a 14 años) de 2010 a 2019.



**< 7 HORAS**

Los adolescentes que pasan más de 4 horas al día frente a pantallas tienen más probabilidades de dormir menos de 7 horas por noche.

La mayor expansión de problemas de salud mental en una generación no comenzó con la pandemia. Comenzó con el teléfono inteligente.

— Dr. Jonathan Haidt

#### NUESTRA POLÍTICA DE TELÉFONOS CELULARES EN EL AULA



Para apoyar el aprendizaje, el bienestar mental y las conexiones reales:



Se espera que los estudiantes **MANTENGAN LOS TELÉFONOS APAGADOS Y GUARDADOS** durante toda la jornada escolar (incluyendo el tiempo de clase, cambios de periodo y almuerzo).



Los teléfonos deben permanecer en mochilas, casilleros o áreas designadas por el maestro; no están permitidos sobre los escritorios ni en uso.



Esto ayuda a reducir distracciones, mejorar la concentración y crear un ambiente de aprendizaje más positivo para todos.



Nuestro objetivo no es tener menos distracciones, sino promover una mejor salud mental y un futuro más brillante para nuestros Bulldogs.

#### August Schedule of Events

##### High School Schedule

Aug. 14: HS Golf @ Stratton/Burlington, 9:30 am  
Aug. 15: HS VB Scrimmage @ Strasburg, 9 a.m.; FB Scrimmage vs. Yuma, 10 am  
Aug. 17: HS Boys Golf @ Murphy

Creek, 9 am

Aug. 19: HS Golf @ Horizon, 11am

Aug. 21: HS XC @ Cheyenne Mountain, 5:20 pm

Aug. 24: HS VB vs. Clear Creek, 4 pm

Aug. 25: JH FB vs. Dayspring Christian, 4 pm

Aug. 26: HS VB @ Gilpin County, 4 pm

Aug. 27: JH VB @ Strasburg, 4:30 pm

Aug. 27: HS FB @ Jefferson - 6 pm

Aug. 28: HS XC @ Rocky Ford, 9 am

Aug. 28: HS Golf @ Timnath, 8 am

Aug. 31: JV FB @ Bennett, 4:30 pm

##### Elementary Schedule

Aug. 10: Back to School Night, 5-6:30

pm

Aug. 12: First Day of School (Kindergarten-Sixth)

Aug. 17: First Day of School, Pre-K

Aug. 17-21: Beginning of the Year Benchmark Assessments

Aug. 26: Vision/Hearing Screenings



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High School Math (Burns)

- 1 inch 3 ring binder
- Subject dividers
- Pencil, Eraser
- Spiral one subject notebook
- Graphing Calculator TI-83 or higher for Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, College Algebra, Trigonometry, Calculus (optional)

Business Classes (Lancaster)

- 1 subject notebook
- Pencils
- Pens
- Folder
- Highlighter

High School Science (O'Dell)

- One 3 ring binder
- 2 pack of notecards
- 1 spiral notebook (college rule)

High School Math (Byers)

- Big folder
- Pencils, Eraser
- Dry Erase Markers 4 pack
- Loose leaf college ruled paper
- Graphing paper
- Scientific Calculator TI-83 (optional)

Business Math (Lancaster)

- Pencils
- Spiral notebook one subject
- Folder
- College ruled loose leaf
- Dry Erase Markers
- Eraser

Science (Johnson)

- One 3 ring binder
- 1 spiral notebook (college rule)



#### Class Supply Lists

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School supply lists for high school and junior high classes, updated 2/10/26.

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