




The Perry Park

Sentinel

SEPTEMBER 2017

FALLTIME

Carl Sandburg...



GOLD of a ripe oat straw, gold of a southwest moon,
Canada thistle blue and flimmering larkspur blue,
Tomatoes shining in the October sun with red hearts,
Shining five and six in a row on a wooden fence,
Why do you keep wishes on your faces all day long,
Wishes like women with half-forgotten lovers going to new cities?
What is there for you in the birds, the birds, the birds,
crying down on the north wind in September, acres of
birds spotting the air going south?
Is there something finished?
And some new beginning on the way?

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CLIENT TESTIMONIALS



"Ben was excellent in all aspects. He knows the area very well and personally reviewed the MLS and picked homes to show us based on our taste and never tired in showing us over 60 homes until we finally found the perfect home. His honesty was beyond reproach. He negotiated price and inspection provisions always with our interest in mind. He set up the closing and helped review all documents pre-closing and during closing. We always knew Ben had our best interest at heart and would highly recommend Ben."

Art & Beth Zabinski
 Regarding the purchase of their home in
 Bell Mountain, Castle Rock

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BOOK CLUB will meet on Tuesday, September 19, at 10 a.m. at the home of Kathy Marsh 6645 Wauconda Drive, in Perry Park Ranch. The book for discussion is *The Shoemaker's Wife* (BCE) by Adriana Trigiani. Set

in the first half of the 20th century, the novel is a love story of two Italian immigrants for each other and for their new life in America. The book for October is *The Winter Palace* (BCE) by Eva Stachniak, a novel about Catherine the Great. Visitors and newcomers are always welcome. For additional information, visit the club's website, <http://applelane.com/Perry-Park-Book-Club.html>

LARKSPUR BOOK EXCHANGE in Larkspur's Town Annex, 9524 Spruce Mountain Road. Open every Saturday (except holidays) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and every **Thursday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.** The Book Exchange is free and provided by the town of Larkspur. You don't have to bring a book to take one (or two or three) from the Exchange. To date, the Exchange has over 5000 volumes of adult fiction and non-fiction, over 300 volumes for children and young readers, and over 250 cookbooks. In addition, there is an interesting selection of vintage and rare books for sale. All proceeds go to the Book Exchange. For more information contact Cindy at 303-681-3046.

28TH ANNUAL COLORADO ARTFEST IN CASTLE ROCK: The weekend after Labor Day, the Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce hosts a juried fine arts show with artists from across the country. Historic downtown Castle Rock provides the perfect canvas for the Colorado Artfest, which has become a summertime tradition for residents and art enthusiasts alike. ArtFest will be in a new location this year—in the east parking lot of the Castle Rock Outlets. Saturday, September 9, 9 a.m.-6 p.m; Sunday, September 10, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL ROUNDUP, September 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Castle Rock Water, 175 Kellog Court. \$25 per vehicle and proof of Douglas County residency. For additional information, contact Ellen Kennedy, Tri-County Health Department, 720-200-1592.

LES PTO'S ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

Mark your calendars for the 21st annual Larkspur Elementary School PTO's

Fall Festival on Saturday, October 28, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Colorado Renaissance Festival Grounds in Larkspur.



This fundraiser is a true community event that draws families from Douglas and El Paso counties and beyond. All guests are invited to come in costume and enjoy a fun-filled day. Ac-

tivities scheduled include a Costume Contest for Pre-K thru 6th Grade, Cupcake and Toy Walks, a Haunted House courtesy of the Larkspur Fire Department, Inflatables, a Fall Flavors Baking Contest, Bake Sale featuring home-baked goodies, Chili Cook-off, Trick or Treat Street and much more!

We are looking for teen and adult volunteers to help and teens can earn community service hours. We are also seeking sponsorships and donations of goods, new toys, candy, and bottled water. If you can help or are interested in sponsorship, please email Larkspurpto@gmail.com.

Check out www.larkspurfallfestival.org for event details!

Invite your friends and family to come spend the day at our Fall Festival and help raise funds for our little school in the woods. Thank you for your support!

LARKSPUR MOMS PLAN SEPTEMBER

Debbie Swanson,
Director of Larkspur Mothers' Group

It was nice to see everyone in August. The kids had fun playing together at the Spray Dayz event and at the MAC Center Park! I'm excited for more fun in September!



Many new families have moved to our area over the past year. If you are one of them, and are interested in joining the Larkspur Mothers' Group, you are welcome to join for any of the events below! The Larkspur Mothers' Group is open to all moms in the Larkspur area and we are always looking for new moms and kiddos to join our group! Throughout the year, we schedule monthly play groups and moms' nights out, and host a couple of large community events, including the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. For more information or to request membership, please visit us at www.larkspurmomms.com or email us at larkspurmomms@gmail.com.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Friday, September 8th and 29th: 9:30 a.m.-Noon: Join us at the Miller Activity Complex (MAC) Park in Castle Rock. Meet at the park in Castle Rock. Also feel free to pack a picnic lunch if you plan to stay until noon. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Larkspur Mothers' group and meet other Larkspur moms and kids. If you have been thinking of joining the LMG, don't miss this fun play group events!

Thursday, September 14th: 6-9 pm: Moms' Night Out! Join us for an outdoor deck party to kick off another great year with the LMG. Adult beverages and appetizers will be provided courtesy of the Larkspur Mothers' Group. Moms new to the

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Larkspur area and current members welcome! Welcome baskets will be handed out, courtesy of the LMG, to anyone new to the area. Come and see what the LMG is all about and meet some amazing Larkspur Moms! For more details and to RSVP, please see our Facebook page.

Hope to see you this month!

Because the **Perry Park Metro District Board** has had several recent resignations, there is no report for the month of August. Monthly reports will resume when new members have been added.



CALLING ALL VETERANS IN THE LARKSPUR AREA:

**Larkspur Veterans 2nd Appreciation Day
September 09, 2017
Larkspur Town Park**

Flag Retirement Ceremony, noon
(Bring the flags you've been holding)

Veterans, Spouses and your families
(Playground for children)

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WHAT A BEAUTY

Taken by Mike Riebau, 4285 Cheyenne Drive, Perry Park at 6:45 p.m, August 10, 2017, with a Nikon 5000 35mm with a 300 zoom lens. Beautiful Cinnamon colored and beige black bear sow estimated at 450 pounds. This picture took first in the August 16 Wildlife Wednesday photography contest held every week by the Douglas Land Conservancy.

DECADES OF PERRY PARK MEMORIES

Chris Coleman...

It's hard to say goodbye to a place that holds so many memories, decades of memories. My family, the Pickoffs, have lived, worked and played in Perry Park since the early 70s. My dad, Julius, or Pick as he was lovingly called by his friends, and my mother, Jo, built their first house here on Fox Circle in 1972, though my dad had been selling lots and working for Lee Stubfield and Colorado Western Development since about 1970.

That house was beautiful, with a glorious view over the rest of the park. We shared many family holidays there and in other Perry Park homes over the years. After Fox Circle they moved to a house on Fox Court, then a house on Red Rock Drive, then into a townhouse in Echo Village, and finally another townhouse in Echo Village that we owned, which is where they lived until my father passed away in 2000. My mother stayed in the townhouse until she recently moved into Liberty Heights in Colorado Springs, where she is, by the way, having a marvelous time. At a young 90 years old, she barely has time for getting

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PERRY PARK COUNTRY CLUB BRIDGE MARATHON

Welcome back to Perry Park Bridge Marathon. We will be playing on the **SECOND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH!** Beginning day for Perry Park Bridge Marathon will be **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2017.**

We will play six rounds of six hands of partner play. Play will begin sharply at 9:30 a.m. Please arrive no later than 9:15 a.m. Players are responsible for arranging their own substitutes. A score of zero will be assigned if both players fail to show up.

Total cost to play Marathon Bridge is \$12 per person and will cover monthly team and end-of-the-year prizes, as well as expenses. In addition, all players are obligated for a \$13.00 food and beverage service each play date. This includes a morning beverage, a chef's choice lunch, taxes and gratuity.

The coordinators are Shelley Leiser, 303-681-2217, and Susan Wheeler, 303-728-4945. We are looking forward to enjoyable days of bridge. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you need a partner, we will do our best to find one for you.

Please fill out the lower part of this form and mail it with your check for \$12 **no later than September 29, 2017.**

Mail this form to Susan Wheeler, 438 Galaxy Drive, Castle Rock, 80108.

Play dates are: October 13, 2017, November 10, 2017, December 15, 2017, February 9, 2018, March 9, 2018 and April 13, 2018.

Perry Park Country Club Bridge Marathon
Please include your information as well as your partner's.

Name: _____ Name: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
Email: _____ Email: _____

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together with her daughters as she immerses herself in daily numerous fun activities.

Bob and I and our son, Patrick, moved into the Park when we returned from tours in Greece and England in 1984. We rented a beautiful townhouse next to the club, right on the lake, owned at the time by Dick Gruitch. We lived there until we bought a townhouse in Echo Village, where we lived until we joined the U.S. Department of State's Foreign Service in 1989. We subsequently moved to Washington DC and later spent 20 years serving at overseas posts and in Washington DC.

When we started thinking about retirement in 2008, we knew we wanted to return to Perry Park. There was obviously a huge draw to this place, my mother was still here and the beauty of the Park is something that is hard to rival anywhere in the world. And of course there were the memories, all those memories acquired from decades of visits and living in one of the most beautiful places on earth.

We have loved our time in Perry Park this time around. We've made great lifelong friends and created many more memories to carry with us forever. However, it is time to move on. Bob and I both have wanderlust in our blood, and to stay in one place for too long makes us antsy. We are only going to the southwest end of Colorado Springs, near the Broadmoor, but for us it will be a big move away from the quiet and beauty of Perry Park. We'll live there until we get the urge to move again, who knows where, California, Scotland, the Eastern Shore of Maryland . . . it is a big world out there.

We will always have the memories . . . memories of family gatherings, memories of good friends and neighbors, young and old, memories of hikes on Perry Park roads and up into the hills around us, memories of deer . . . so many deer and bears and wild turkeys and mountain lions--and birds galore.

My family has been here for over 47 years. That is a long time to be in a place. Goodbyes are difficult when you've been in a place for that long. So long Perry Park and thanks for all the memories.



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UNDERSTANDING COLORADO'S NEW END-OF-LIFE OPTIONS ACT

Terry Brownfield...

Last summer, I helped gather signatures to place Proposition 106, The End-of-Life Options Act that authorized terminally ill adults to have the option of medical aid in dying, on the ballot. Many of the people I spoke to had a story about loved ones who could have benefited from medical aid in dying or shared how they wanted this option on the table for themselves. The End-of-Life Options Act passed with overwhelming support in November 2016, and the law went into effect in December. Now that Coloradans have this option, it's important to know how the law works.

To be eligible under the law, a person must be an adult who is terminally ill with a prognosis of six months or fewer to live and mentally capable of making personal medical decisions. In addition to these requirements, the person must also be a resident of Colorado, acting voluntarily and making an informed decision that includes being given information on all end-of-life options. A person accessing the law is required to have the ability to self-administer the medication by ingesting it. The terminally ill adults must also be informed that they may decide not to take the prescribed aid-in-dying medication, even after they have obtained it.

Medical aid in dying is the option of last resort for terminally ill adults when no other palliative treatment will provide relief from intolerable suffering. It is a safe and trusted medical practice to bring about a peaceful death.

Compassion and Choices, the nation's oldest, largest and most active nonprofit organization committed to improving care and expanding options for the end of life, also provides a Find Care Tool on the organization's website, helping people find facilities that are supportive of their end-of-life decisions. A full list of resources available can be found at www.CompassionAndChoices.org/Colorado.

Terminally ill adults should be empowered to make their own decisions about their treatment options, including the full range of end-of-life care options, based on their values, in consultation with their doctor and loved ones. It is important for terminally ill adults to start these conversations with their doctors and loved ones as early as possible because it can take a minimum of 15 days and usually takes much longer to get a prescription for medical aid in dying even if your healthcare system has policies in place to support patient end-of-life decisions.

Accessing medical aid in dying does not affect a person's will or insurance. The underlying illness must be listed as the cause of death on a person's death certificate. The law specifies that a death resulting from self-administering aid-in-dying medication is not suicide.

Studies show terminally ill adults get a huge sense of relief

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knowing medical aid in dying is available -- whether they get a prescription or not -- because having this option means they won't have to suffer needlessly, enabling them to enjoy their remaining days as fully as possible.

I witnessed the painful natural death of my mother-in-law. I also heard from many of you in our area who had similar touching stories of loved ones who endured difficult and painful ending days of their lives. I know from others, that having your end of life preparations complete makes a difficult and sometimes tragic time at least bearable for loved ones who must deal with all the arrangements after each of us dies. I would therefore encourage everyone to think carefully about what you want when your death nears. None of us knows when that moment will happen. Prepare now the written legal documents (will, living will, Colorado MOST form, durable powers of attorney, etc.) that identify your end-of-life wishes.

Most importantly - have the conversations with your loved ones and doctors so they know your end of life wishes. Do it now.

WALT'S WORDS

Walt Korinke...

With only \$755 million of assets vs. \$1.36 billion in total debt, **GYMBOREE**



declared Chapter 11 bankruptcy in an effort to reorganize its operations and remain a competitive retailer in the children's clothing industry. They join seven other major brand name retailers (Sears, JC Penney, Macy's, etc.) that are in the process of closing 250 or more stores this year. The operator of Gymboree, Janie and Jack, and Crazy 8 plans to close about 350 of its 1,300 stores nationally, including seven of its 15 Colorado stores (Flatiron Crossings, Cherry Creek, Foothills, Mesa Mall, Promenade at Centerra, Orchard Town Center and Aspen Grove). Today's retail industry continues to adjust to the declines in mall traffic and the challenge of online retailers such as the ever-expanding Amazon. Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization is a tool typically used by retailers to reduce or eliminate debt while developing a new mode of operation.



BASS PRO and **CABELA** received FTC approval to complete the integration of the two leading outdoor sports retailers into the leading "big box" retailer of all

your fishing, hunting and other outdoor needs. Preparing for this since last October, the combining of Cabela's 85 stores and Bass Pro's 100 will create a nationwide network that should be accessible from your favorite fishing hole or deer blind. This transaction is valued at \$4 billion. A third party to the transaction is Synovus Financial, a Georgia based bank who is acquiring Cabela's financial arm and is the final piece needed to make it all work.

The \$6.8 billion merger of **WALGREENS** and **RITE AID** failed to make it past U.S. regulators after two years of anti-trust analysis by the agency. Change in plans, and now Walgreens plans to buy the 2,186



Rite Aid stores, three distribution centers, and inventory. Over time, they will all be converted to Walgreen stores. The acquisition is expected to take about six months to complete and will leave Walgreens with about 11,000 stores across the nation.

CASTLE ROCK - Chicken finger specialist, **RAISING**



CANE, is almost here - guessing late September. It follows recent openings of the Highlands Ranch, Parker (outside Costco) stores which are already experiencing booming business, and a fourth store is planned for

Centennial. Folks who have experienced their chicken fingers from stores in other states (or Fort Collins), are willing to stand in long lines at the new Colorado stores in order to feast on box combos of chicken fingers, crinkle cut fries, coleslaw, Texas toast and of course Cane's homegrown sauce that makes it all work. You do not have a lot of decisions to make other than "how many pieces" which makes it easy - Come - Order - Eat. Founded in Baton Rouge in 1996, they have grown to over 300 stores and they are already ranked in the "Top 5" quick-serve restaurant chains in the country.



In operation for the past two months at its first Castle Rock location in the library-anchored center on the southside (190 S. Wilcox), the **ENT** Credit Union is into the City for permitting of a drive-thru to compliment the walk-up window already on the building exterior. They have just broken ground for their second and more prominent Castle Rock location across from the new Sam's Club at the Promenade at Castle Rock. Another location recently completed and preparing to open is located by the entrance to Polaris Pointe, the Bass Pro anchored center on N. Academy in Colorado Springs.



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A 9.8 acre part industrial, part residential parcel located on the east boundary of the Douglas County Fairgrounds at **249 S. GILBERT Street** is in the process of being rezoned to all light industrial. The Town's public trail use easement along the common boundary has

expired and the Town is in the process of acquiring the 1.56 acre strip as a part of the overall zoning process. The Town Council has approved the rezoning and the process is underway.

Directly across Woodlands Boulevard from the Church of Christ, the **CALVARY CHAPEL**, a 5.4 acre parcel located at the north west corner of 5th Street and Woodlands Boulevard, has been approved for annexation into the town of Castle Rock. The process includes annexation, zoning and a development agreement with the use of the site limited specifically to church use only.



With the on-going population explosion, Castle Rock continues to have increased pressure to house its growing student body. As a partial answer, Douglas County continues to approve new charter schools for Castle Rock. The most recent approval

was the **APEX COMMUNITY SCHOOL** which has just broken ground in the Meadows west of Castle Rock Adventist Hospital. The initial year of operation is 2018 with a capacity of 450 students ranging from kindergarten through sixth grade. By 2021, they will expand the grade levels to include seventh and eighth grades and a total capacity of 750 students. For information on their curriculum and enrollment, please visit their website at www.ApexSchool.co.

MONUMENT – Greenwood Village developer, Lokal Homes, has started the development of 40 townhomes just east of the King Sooper – Jackson Creek Crossing Shopping Center on Lyons Trail Road, to be known as **JACKSON CREEK TOWNHOMES**.



There will be eight individual buildings with four to six units each on the 4.18 site. The 24-foot wide individual lots will have three designs ranging between 1,490 and 1,920 square feet. The townhomes will include covered patios, attached two-car garages, optional fireplaces and finished basements priced from the upper \$200,000s

to low \$300,000s.

PERRY PARK – Twenty-four new homes are in various stages

Perry Park SALES
year to date

DATE	HOUSES	CONDOOS	\$\$\$
21-Jul-16	21	1	\$27,323,200
21-Jul-17	25	3	\$21,763,100

of construction as land prices continue to rise for lots that are buildable (streets and utilities) and speculation continues to grow on lots that are adjacent to, or near existing streets. Number of home sales similar to last year at this time – dollar volume up substantially.

PALMER LAKE – Wounded Warriors USA is in the process



of raising funds and materials to complete the **MEDAL OF HONOR – Master Sergeant William Crawford Memorial** (May 19th 1918 ~ March 15th 2000) at The Lake in Palmer Lake by this October. "During World War II, after

destroying two machine gun nests, Bill was taken prisoner by the Germans. He was reported missing in action and presumed dead by the U.S. Army. Bill's father accepted the Medal Of Honor for his son from President Franklin Roosevelt in 1943. Forty-one years later, President Ronald Reagan presented the Medal Of Honor to a very much alive Master Sergeant Bill Crawford at the US Air Force Academy on May 31, 1984." The planned permanent memorial is in recognition of all one can give for his country. Donations may be made to "Crawford Memorial Committee" – 224 S. Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO 80133.



DENVER – More jobs for the area as U S BANK acquires



two buildings backing on the Centennial Airport in Denver's south side Inverness Office Park. They plan to bring over 300 jobs to their new campus. The side-by-side properties include the 65,700 sq. ft. 7459 S. Lima Street and the 49,500 sq. ft. 79 Inverness Drive buildings acquired at a cost of approximately \$25 million.

As population and traffic continue to grow, concentrated multi-family development tends to concentrate near or at the FastTrak Park & Ride stations. The latest announced development is



by a joint venture of L.A.-based Cityview investment firm and Houston-based developer Dinerstein Company. The proposed

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five-story buildings will contain 350 units with easy access to three light rail lines at the corner of Colorado Boulevard and Evans Avenue. **COLORADO STATION APARTMENTS** plans to break ground late summer with completion anticipated by the second quarter of 2019. Amenities will include a roof terrace, on-site virtual skiing simulator, and for those that choose to drive, electric charging stations for their cars.

LARKSPUR – The Town and Chamber sponsored a delightful



MUSIC IN THE PARK concert in July featuring ASHTONZ, a Monument-based music group, who in spite of the pending evening storm, played to a group of sturdy local residents who knew how to weather the event. Town Clerk Matt Krimmer kept a faithful eye out for lightning. The **KANTANKEROUS** brought their Blue Grass magical sounds to the August 4 concert with

over 300 folks stomping their feet to the rhythm. Hard to beat the great feeling of the small town band concert-in-the-park to lift your spirits.

The Larkspur Town Council held a **Town Meeting** to hear comments on their proposed sale of the **3.51 acre Town owned parcel** to the



Truck Stop development (Off the Chain 2 LLC) and provided zoning to permit the planned **three restaurant facilities**. About 40 citizens were present, and a half dozen opponents voiced their displeasure. The meeting was recorded and the council will review the comments, go forward with a third party appraisal, and discuss the results at their Sept 7th board meeting. If the council approves transfer of the parcel for the planned restaurant additions to the truck stop, in addition to the sales proceeds, it is estimated that the town will receive nearly \$1-2 million in stabilized annual sales tax proceeds from the overall development thereby providing more funds for other community needs as well as providing about 80 year-round jobs within the town. With the pending I-25 expansion and the Tomah Road frontage road expansion to connect with Spruce Mountain Road, this project would anchor the highway end of the Town's commercial strip and hopefully kickstart other development along the entire strip to enhance the community's CBD. Some want things to remain, but changes are coming in any event, and the Town Council is making an effort to coordinate the community needs with the future changes.

COLORADO SPRINGS – Colorado Springs downtown **“WISHFUL THINKING.”** With the Olympic Hall of Fame and Museum under construction on the downtown's mostly blighted south side, the City Council is to take an active posture on the future plans for the area, instead of waiting for developer



submissions and then voting yea or nay. Their initial effort was the July presentation to the Council of an 83-page, very preliminary draft of a **20-year plan** that proposes a 19-floor hotel that would support the tourist draw of the Olympic Hall, and a one-story residential building, a 15-story office building, retail space and underground parking. This is all-conception, without any real numbers or potential developer interest and is admittedly just the beginning shot at the City Council's effort to lead rather than follow. Good start – we will see what the future has to hold.

Another downtown hotel is in the “NOW” time frame vs the 20-year plan. With a 10 story, 165 room Hilton Garden Inn already under construction at Bijou and Cascade Streets, a local developer wants to bring the Marriot flag to downtown with a dual flag operation to be built at the corner of Tejon and Costilla



Streets. The combined 230-room project would house a 120 room **MARRIOTT SPRING HILL SUITES** and a 110 room **MARRIOTT ELEMENT** in the same 9-story structure. The project would cost about \$50 million and include 7,500 square feet of ground-floor retail, 3,500 square feet of meeting space, and an activity area with pool, fitness center, bar and outdoor patio would be located on the fifth-floor. Needed for the “go ahead,” would be approval by the City of the 1 acre site design-

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nated as urban renewal. The designation would provide up to \$20 million in bond funds that would be repaid from the sales and property taxes generated, and assist in the additional construction of an adjacent 340 space-parking garage. Once they get a shovel into the ground, construction is estimated to take about 18 months.



A familiar name disappears, as the last three ALBERTSONS in Colorado Springs change their signage to SAFEWAY. A result of the 2015 merger of the two grocery giants, this brings their sales operation under a single banner and provides

Safeway with 16 competitive stores in the Pike's Peak region. Also included is a \$6 million remodeling of the three former Albertsons. Just three more Colorado stores to convert; one in Durango and two in Pueblo. Groceries are a very thin margin business with only the biggest surviving as new challengers expand in the business, i.e. King Sooper, Walmart, Sam's Club, Costco and now even Amazon which is in the process of acquiring Whole Foods for \$13.7 billion.

The long vacant 43,000 square foot Safeway store in the Cheyenne Hills Shopping Center (455 E. Cheyenne Mountain Boulevard) has obtained a long term lease with VASA FITNESS which plans to open its first Colorado Springs fitness center in the space in 2018 after adding another 10,000 square feet to the building. A FirstBank branch is replacing the former Grease Monkey building on the corner of the lot, and the remaining 9,000 square feet of shops on the side of the Safeway building are tenanted and will remain in operation.



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NEWS FROM THE LARKSPUR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (LFPD)
Mike Grill, Board of Directors for the LFPD...

LFPD Mission Statement

Dedicated to our community through quality services, compassion, and excellence.



As mentioned in the July issue, one of our board members – Mr. Ken Sanders – is no longer with the Board of Directors. One of Ken's duties was to write the articles for the *Perry Park Sentinel* with a goal to inform our readers as to what's going on with the LFPD.

Board Chairperson Peggy Whalen asked if I'd be willing to take on this function – and I'm pleased she did!

My name is Mike Grill and I've been serving as a board member since May of 2016. I'm honored to attempt to fill Ken's shoes!

LFPD Call Statistics - July 2017

Fire	9
EMS	45
Alarm Activations	3
Other	49
TOTAL	106

Upcoming Events

- September 14** – 7 p.m. – LFPD Board of Directors Meeting at Station 161, located at 9414 South Spruce Mountain Road
- September 30** at 9 a.m. – Board of Directors 2018 Budget Workshop
- October 15** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. – LFPD Open House at Station 161, followed by the annual Larkspur Volunteer Fire Auxiliary Chili Cook-off

Items of Interest to YOU!

The Board of Directors is interested in learning what you – the citizens we serve – would most like to know regarding the LFPD?

In past issues we've included items such as:

- Monthly call volume and types of calls
- Upcoming events, such as open houses, educational offerings, and fundraising activities
- Seasonal safety tips
- Larkspur Volunteer Fire Auxiliary activities

Are there questions you have about our services? Are you interested in learning how to serve our community? What about becoming a volunteer firefighter/EMT with LFPD? Please send any ideas to me at mgrill@larkspurfire.org

Until next time, be safe!

AUGUST NEWS FROM THE WATER DISTRICT Jim Matchett...



The August, 2017, meeting of the Perry Park Water & Sanitation District Board was held on the 16th and called to order at 4:30 p.m.. All directors participated in the meeting. As there was no audience participation, the first order of business was the approval of the minutes of the July 19th regular meeting, and that approval was unanimous. Disbursements totaling \$113,472.91 were then unanimously approved.

Next, a resident had requested relief from a high water bill due a water line leak in a crawl space. The District Manager will work with the resident to arrange for payment over an extended period of time. Former Perry Park Metro District Board member Stacie Sneider was in attendance to explain in more detail the Metro District plans to eradicate some of the Gateway Pond cattails and restore the actual pond water area to its more original dimensions. While no final decision has been made by the Metro District as to how this will be accomplished, PPW&SD is very concerned with any proposal that involves the use of chemicals and herbicides, as the District has both alluvial wells and a water treatment plant which could be adversely impacted.

At the previous board meeting in July, the request for an amendment to the District's Master Plan for the location of an East Side Lift Station at Independence Court had been briefly discussed. Further discussion has been postponed for a future meeting. Next, time was allocated for the public's participation in a discussion of PPW&SD Resolution 2017-08-001 for proposed tap fee increases, proposed development/core fee increases, and other proposed miscellaneous fee increases. There was no public participation and the Board unanimously approved the motion to adopt the resolution for the proposed increases effective September 1, 2017.

At this point, the regular board meeting was adjourned, and a Public Hearing was opened for the consideration of petitions for exclusion and inclusion for certain properties generally described as Remuda Ranch out of and into the PPW&SD. The petitions were presented, public comments made, and both the Exclusion and Inclusion Agreements were reviewed by the Board. After further discussion the board unanimously approved these agreements.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. As always, further information is available on the District website, www.ppwsd.org.

TO STURGIS AND BACK, BUT COLORADO IS BETTER Michael Stone...

In late July, a group of four friends made the ride to Sturgis, South Dakota, to attend "The Biggest Motorcycle Rally in the World." Having been there several times before, we were well aware of the price difference between "pre-rally" and "rally". So we went before the official start of the rally. The cabin we rented was \$150 per night until the rally officially started. After the official start, the exact same cabin was \$350 per night!!!!

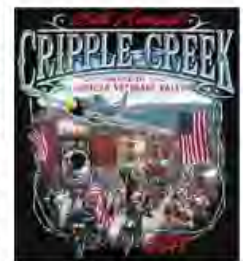
The rides we did around the Black Hills had gorgeous scenery, and by going pre-rally, we got to enjoy the scenery with far less traffic. Also by sticking to the creed of "do not ride after dark" all of us had a good time and not a bit of trouble. The trip back from Sturgis was hot, but it was a good time and getting home reminds us of how lucky we are to have made Colorado our home.



BUT, here's why Colorado is better. I will be doing the 25th annual "Salute to American Veterans" event. Have you heard of it? It was started the year after the first "Rolling Thunder" ride to Washington, DC. I'm doing the **POW/MIA Recognition ride** from Woodland Park to Cripple Creek, which has been conducted for 30 years. Here is a quote from Joe Galloway, the author of *We Were Soldiers Once...and Young*.

*"The Salute to American Veterans Rally is a veritable explosion of good old-fashioned patriotism! The Rally attendees welcomed every veteran of every war with equal enthusiasm and support.
If you aren't proud to be an American when you arrive, you will be when you leave!"*

This Colorado event asks a modest registration fee of \$8 per rider and \$12 per couple riding two-up. That's much less than a cheeseburger in Sturgis during the Rally. You don't have to be a veteran to participate. I'm riding with the best friend I ever had in my whole life. I'd ride ANYWHERE with him, but this ride is special. The riders have a clear path from Woodland Park to Cripple Creek, complete with the support of local police and the Colorado State Patrol.



The route from Woodland Park High School to Cripple Creek is lined with people who support the military and who support the participants of this ride. Husbands and wives, families, and

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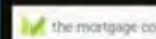
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little kids cheer as you ride by. Many spectators display signs acknowledging what veterans have done. But ALL participant riders will feel the love.

As a veteran, this ride means a lot to me. When I see all the supporters cheering us on, it makes me VERY PROUD to have served my country and to be acknowledged. To be totally honest, I get goose bumps as we pass the groups of spectators. If I wasn't supposed to be such a tough guy, I might let a tear slip from my eye, but I'd probably claim that I got hit by a bug.

Upon arriving in Cripple Creek, all the riders are treated as heroes. The streets are packed with people who are cheering, waving flags, and enjoying the largest procession of motorcycles in the state of Colorado each year. An enormous American flag is draped across the main street, and everyone is celebrating the freedom of life in America. Sturgis is cool, but this ride into Cripple Creek is AWESOME. You can read more at this web address: www.theveteransrally.org.

WE WALK IN THEIR FOOTSTEPS...

Karen Dale...

The Paleo-Indians



Starting about 30,000 years ago waves of pre-historic peoples, traveling in small groups, migrated from Siberia to North America, probably across the Bering Strait land bridge between current Alaska and Siberia. There are several other theories that take issue with the Beringia route, but by and large, paleo-archaeologists

agree most of the North American aboriginal people crossed the once-upon-a-time land bridge and spread south along the Pacific coast or eastward across the Canadian Plains. When is still under discussion. One of the latest theories is that for some 15,000 years people actually lived on the land bridge, thus escaping the intense cold in Asia, and moved into the North American continent only as the Ice Age began to wane, about 15,000 years ago.

These Paleo Indians reached the tip of South America about 13,000 years ago. Evidence of human activity at Monte Verde in the southern Llanquihue Province of Chile dates to around 12,500 B.C. These migrations of small groups of hunter-gatherers continued for thousands of years. The Inuit of Alaska and northern Canada were late arrivals, coming as the Ice Age ended about 11,000 years ago.

When groups arrived on the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains, they were following game, but what game it was: megafauna bison, camel, horse, mammoth, pronghorn—even giant beavers. An early theory was that the Paleo hunters were so efficient that mammoth, camel and horse, all native, became

extinct in North America. However, more recent studies indicate that 75 to 90 percent of the megafauna were extinct before humans arrived. It was the end of the Ice Age. Earth was changing. Current studies are crediting climate change for the extinctions, with some help of the human kind. In a real stroke of irony, a few horses escaped the North American hunters and headed across Beringia going west—away from their native land. It would be almost 10,000 years before they returned with the Spanish.



Clovis Point

These Paleo hunters are known by tools. Some of the earliest of the migrants in our part of the country made what is known as the Clovis point, dating back to 11,500 B.C. Clovis points have been found in situ in association with mammoth skeletons. But styles change—even in spear heads. Folsom points, a bit more delicate than the Clovis, are found widely across North America and are dated to the later period between 9500 B.C. and 8000 B.C. An even later style of prehistoric points is called the Cody complex and includes several different configurations.



Folsom Points

Douglas County has three excavated Paleo-Indian sites, one north of us and two east of here. No doubt the groups also camped and hunted in the Larkspur area, along what we now call the Rampart Range, but there are no professionally certified excavations. However, there are arrowheads to be found!

The most famous Paleo-Indian site near us is Lamb Spring, between Platt Canyon Road and Chatfield Reservoir. Lamb Spring is a pre-Clovis Paleo-Indian archaeological site with the largest collection of Columbian mammoth bones in Colorado. The 1960-61 excavation found the bones of at least five mammoths, one of which was radiocarbon dated as slightly older than 13,000 years, suggesting that the animals visited the spring toward the end of the last Ice Age. After the Ice Age mammoths became extinct, and the horses and camels left for different climates, bison and pronghorns were still plentiful. Lamb Spring was a hunting ground into modern times.

I can't tell you how to get to Lamb Spring. I've been there, but it was back in the eighties when new excavations were taking place. I was doing an article on Douglas County archaeology sites, and I was able to visit the site, but the archaeologists made me promise not to tell a soul where it was! In those days it was fairly inaccessible anyhow. There was this dirt road somewhere off Hwy 85...

However, in 1995, The Archaeological Conservancy purchased the site to safeguard it from development, and in 1997 Lamb Spring was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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It is now under the auspices of the National Park Service. Free tours are offered from May through October (and we assume they'll give you directions!). For more information, visit the Lamb Spring website: <http://www.lambspring.org/>.

There are two more Paleo-Indian sites that have been excavated in Douglas County between Parker and Franktown. They are not open to the public. The Bayou Gulch site is a campsite dating much later than Lamb Spring. It was inhabited about 2500-2000 years ago.

The Franktown Cave site was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2006. On the north edge of the Palmer Divide, it is the largest rock shelter documented on the Palmer Divide. The overhang is about 131 feet wide and measures 65.6 feet between the dripline and the rear wall in the northern half of the shelter.

It contains artifacts from many prehistoric cultures. Prehistoric hunter-gatherers occupied Franktown Cave intermittently for 8000 years beginning about 6400 B.C. The site held remarkable stone and ceramic artifacts, but it is better known for its perishable artifacts, including animal hides, wood, fiber and corn. There is evidence of the site being a campsite or dwelling as recently as 1725 A.D.

By the time people were camping out at Franktown circa 1725, the Paleo Indians were long gone and the historic tribes populated the land. History arrived in the Americas with Columbus in 1492, and when he arrived, the Utes were already living in Colorado. I like the Canadian term First Nations. The Utes were the First Nation in Colorado, its earliest historical residents.

But theirs is another story...

**PET TALK WITH PILAR
Pilar Starman, DVM...**

Is your pup or kitty prepared for the Back to School time of year? When our pets have had the opportunity to be with their people more, it can be very stressful for them to suddenly be without their human buddies. Sometimes, our pets will try to escape their home to find their people. This may result in a lost or injured pet. Our environment presents some unique challenges, because some of our neighbors (bear, cougar, etc.) are waiting to eat our pets. Every human in the home needs to be trained to manage the doors so our pets do not escape.



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If our pets do escape, they need to have a trustworthy recall command so they do not get hurt. If you are not confident your pet will come back when you call, then training is essential. A certified dog trainer will provide assistance if you are not satisfied with the training you have used. Call us if you need a recommendation; we know a fantastic trainer. Even cats can be trained to come on command.

Dogs, cats, and even smaller pets like birds and ferrets can be microchipped. A microchip is a great device to improve the likelihood of your pet finding its way home if it becomes misplaced. We were able to reunite three dogs with their families before we even opened the hospital because those dogs had microchips. The microchip is a small device, slightly larger than a grain of rice, that is implanted with a needle.

That microchip contains a unique identifying number that relates to a database with the owner's information. The microchip is only as good as the owner's information so keep it up to date. If your pet has a microchip and you are not sure if the information is updated, please feel free to stop by the hospital so we can scan your pet to provide you the microchip number and registering company. There should never be a charge to update your microchip.

The microchip we use is called "Save This Life." We chose that microchip because the microchip number can be Googled. This means if your pet is wearing its microchip tag, is lost, then found by someone who does not have a scanner that person can google the number to input their information. The registry hotline is staffed 24 hours a day, and you will be contacted (by text, email, phone) so you can be reunited with your pet quickly. This allows more rapid return because your pet does not have to wait to be scanned by a veterinarian. This chip also gives the added benefit of \$1000 in Lost Pet Health Insurance.

We are so happy to be here to provide care for the furry, feathered, and scaly family members in our community. Thank you all for such a great welcome. We are excited to be here for you for many years. If you have any questions about any pet-related issue, please call us at Larkspur Pet Hospital (303-681-3980).

BEAR WISE



Howdy, neighbors. Beary Bear here. September is known for three things: back to school, the beginning of Bronco football season, and the black bear eat-o-rama fest.

This is the time of year when we black bears begin to concentrate on putting on the pounds in preparation for our winter hibernation time. Normally, we bear consume 5,000 calories a day, but in the fall, it jumps to 20,000 calories per day. We can gain up to one and a half times our

summer weight in the fall. And you thought you had nothing to be grateful for.

The official term for the fall feeding frenzy is called "hyperphagia." Our winter survival depends totally on us packing on sufficient fall-time calories to provide enough nourishment to survive four to five months of not eating while we hibernate. It's kind of like food "fasting" in reverse.

After a very dry, hot spring and early summer, the recent cooler wet weather has provided an ample food supply of berries, insects and other natural goodies for us to consume. PLEASE do not feed us. A fed bear (non-governmental) usually ends up a dead bear – as in gone forever.

Bears in the News

The Chicago Bears seem on an upswing heading into their second preseason game against the Arizona Cardinals. Oops, sorry. Wrong bears.

Perry Park/Larkspur, CO Although there have been numerous sightings of black bears in the area by local residents during the month of August, no bear/human conflicts have been reported to me to date. If you know otherwise, please send me an email with an update. Wisebeary@gmail.com



These pictures are local bear beauties spotted in the Perry Park area this past month.

This lovely was captured making a wake in

the water of a favorite bear pond in the Larkspur area.

This local black bear took a bath, then with flower in mouth sauntered off into the forest. Date Night?



Glacier View Ranch – Ward, Colorado Unfortunately, there was a recent report of a 19-year-old man, identified only as Dylan, who woke up from a camp sleep out being dragged out of his sleeping bag by a black bear at Glacier View Ranch. Parks and Wildlife spokeswoman Jennifer Churchill told the Associated Press the teen punched and hit the bear while other staffers who were sleeping nearby yelled and swatted at the wild animal,

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which eventually left, she said. Why the bear decided to attack the young man in the middle of the night is still a mystery. No food source (the usual cause) was discovered near the site. The bear's behavior was so atypical that any bear found in the traps set by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife in the next few days will likely be euthanized and officials will test later to see if it was the same bear involved in the attack using DNA evidence, Churchill said. Dylan was treated for lacerations on his head and released.

Bear Wise Note: Although we black bears are usually not aggressive toward people, always assume we are. Give us the benefit of the doubt and a good safe distance from you. If attacked, do what Dylan did – fight back.

Durango, Colorado – A bear broke into an SUV and took the vehicle for an unintentional joyride through a Colorado neighborhood by accidentally shifting the vehicle out of park and into neutral. The joyride ended when the car the bear was driving collided with a mailbox. The auto was later found abandoned, rear window busted out, interior ripped to shreds plus the steering wheel and radio were missing. Oh, and a pile of bear scat was also found on the driver's seat. Evidentially the accidental ride scared the %#\$& out of him!

Bear Wise Note: Always keep vehicle doors locked and windows up when not occupied by you or else your car may be occupied by one of us. Do not leave food in the car.

Durango, Colorado. A black bear (different from above story) made a daytime visit to a Starbucks in Durango recently. The bruin climbed a utility pole outside the cafe and ended up knocking out electricity to the Starbucks when it received an electric shock from a power line. No word on the bear's health but rumor has it he got his latte to go.

Bear Wise Note: It seems since we black bears are eager to drive (story above), that it would be safer for us to use the drive-thru option next time we visit a Starbucks. Just a thought.

Please send your bear stories, reports of sightings and pictures to me at wisebeary@gmail.com I'll share them with readers. Until next time, keep your head up, your paws dry and never pass up a free meal -especially this time of year.

Your furry friend,
Beary



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A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

Susan Peters...

Eclipse Musings...Soggy End of Summer...Fun and Games...Mule Deer Surprising Behavior...Short Takes



Plunged into Near Darkness

One has to ponder what the animal kingdom does when it is suddenly plunged into darkness in the middle of the day. It is all quite simple. Diurnal animals settle down for what they think is going to be a long nap. Nocturnal animals sleepily come out to frolic before the lights get turned back on again. So, how many beavers did you see during the eclipse? Did you catch them red pawed hauling away your Aspen trees? Did you catch a glimpse of a horned owl and hear its who-who call?

One observation is that the hummingbirds started pigging out on nectar and homemade sugar water just like they do in early evenings until they had to hurry to find a roosting spot. Then... just kidding. Our 90 percent eclipse did not even cause the birds to fall from the sky or silence their song.

Green, but Not with Envy

Trying to type this article with house flies darting in-between my fingers is a bit challenging. Usually they are inside because the weather is beginning to cool. But this past month has had me wearing fall attire and checking on my supply of long Johns (now called base coats). And the flies are tired of doing back strokes outside in the lingering pools of water.

The monsoons of August have outdone themselves. We are one rain storm short of a major machete session. We frequently go to sleep to Alexa and her thunderstorm sounds, but this year, no point, as the storms are for real. So many birds, particularly the young ones, looked so frumpled from their wet hair dos or feather dos, I reckon it is.

The huge abundance of wild mushrooms this year serve a purpose. I don't know what, since they are poisonous, beyond being artistically show-stopping.

Mule Deer – More than Just a Pretty Butt! (and doe eyes)

If you have not seen PBS's Nature: Touching the Wild – Living with the Mule Deer of Deadman Gulch, pop open your browser and search for it to watch Joe Hutto's incredible tale of his life integrating with mule deer. Hutto is a naturalist who lived on a ranch in Wyoming for seven years. He documented and filmed his story, and also wrote a book. It will bring a range of emotions from you...smiles to amazement to tears. Nature can be and is brutal.

Mule deer, very skittish of people, came to know and trust of Joe. Raggedy Ann, the herd leader, like with the female elephants, was his first conquest in friendship. Except for the

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pregnant does, the deer would migrate away seasonally, returning to recognize Joe once more and renew their friendship.

White tail deer have inhabited the earth for six thousand years, but mule deer are fairly newcomers, and already they are in trouble with man as predators and destroyer of their natural habitat. But you would never know this driving through Perry Park!

What Joe found out is that mule deer experience an entire range of emotions that include sorrow, despondence, joy, curiosity, and sheer terror. It takes a doe weeks to get past the death of a fawn, often returning to its remains. And a fawn losing a mother is heart-breaking, as it desperately searches for its mother. Their lives depend on finding her or another means to survive.

Eventually Joe had to return to the society of human beings, but not before he left us with an incredible look inside that of mule deer and some photography of the beautiful Wyoming landscape that many of them occupy.

At a previous time, Joe got up close and personal with turkeys in the same manner. That, too, is documented and filmed. It makes you want to try the same with our burgeoning turkey flocks, still frequently seen by the road and in the road. Just some cracked corn should do the trick.

Short Takes

Whew. The main hummingbird frenzy is over, as the adult rufouses have headed south, along with some of the adult broad-tails and black-chinned. For some reason, this year they seem desperate to look and even bang into the windows, like I had infused their sugar water with fermented cherries. Maybe because they see that inside it is not dripping with rain.



After the eclipse, we found a listless young female broadtail hummer in our kitchen. We promptly whisked her up and held her in a napkin while trying to feed her sugar water from an eye dropper. I was wondering how I was going to get her mouth open. But, WHA LA! Her diminutive beak fit right inside the dropper. After about 10 minutes, her long, tiny tongue started darting out to lap up the food. Then three times she opened her beak to about 120 degrees and I was able to put drops of sugar water down her throat. It still took about another 30 minutes for her to really open her eyes and start moving her wings. We put her outside on the napkin on a dish and watched.

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About 10 minutes later, she started testing her wings and then she was gone! Mission accomplished!

Maybe it has been the cooler temperatures coupled with pre-migration preparation, but the birds have really



socked in the bird food. And the young-uns are sure to get their share. A young black-headed grosbeak lazily pecked at the suet feeder until his dad came along, took a large bite and fed it to his eager, open-mouthed fledgling stationed on the deck railing next to him.



And the hawks have been hanging around to take a d v a n t a g e of the situation – young, reckless fledglings, snakes, and scurrying rodents. See the juvenile

Sharp-shinned's hawk picture. And a friend was able to get photos of a juvenile red-tailed hawk eating a mouse in her horse ranch's coral.

Speaking of snakes, AGAIN, a recent visit to a pond tour in the Black Forest brought us to a home with incredible ponds and landscaping. I asked the owner what she does about the snakes getting into her ponds and this tiny woman went into her offensive "NOT my babies!!!" pose. If a snake goes after her koi, she grabs it and cuts off its head with scissors. Now, that to me is totally outside my sphere of hunter-gatherer. Besides it would probably dull my scissors and make a mess. I say to leave the snakes to the hawks and eagles.

And maybe all the rains have caused a banner year for cockle-burs, whose flowers the hummers attack with pure gusto. And whose nasty burs with their teensy hooks bury themselves in our long-furred pooch Ollie, who then makes sure that they get distributed over the property for next year's bountiful crop. And we had them tamed during the past years.



If you are curious as to what happens if you leave your bird feeders out during bear season, catch this video of a bear family and their rollicking adventure:

At least those feeders were still intact...I have a bone yard of mangled bird feeders.

Our local bear feasted on a yellow jacket nest in the ground along our usual property path. Until then, the nest has gone undetected, but now the surviving wasps are really mad and literally out for blood. Ours will do nicely.

That's all, folks, for this month. Gotta run – there's lots more cockleburrs to be pulled and bagged...sorry hummers...check out the butterfly bush.

HowtoContactMe: Email is best at susan@larskpurconsulting.com. Alternatively, call my cell phone at 303-725-6868 or send a short write-up to 2255 Quartz Mountain Drive.

Sharp-shinned hawk and hummingbird photos by Dave Peters. Cocklebur extraordinaire photo by MOI. Juvenile red-tailed hawk eagle by Lenore Raff.



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Classified *	\$ 5 / line (min \$10)
Business Card (scan only)	\$40.00
Quarter Page (3 1/2" x 5")	\$50.00
Half Page (7 1/2" x 5")	\$62.50
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TEEN FOR HIRE

Hi! I'm Dawson Dwernychuk, I am 17 years old looking to do any job you need. I can provide yard work, watch/feed your animals or plants, shovel snow, or anything you need. Contact me at (303)660-5231.

Experienced and responsible 17 year old available to pet sit and babysit. To reach Mallory Meeks, please text or call (832)363-7933 with any questions.

Dependable and trustworthy 14 year old looking to pet sit and babysit. CPR and first aid training completed. Please call or text Jacquellne Meeks at (832)600-8014.

Hey! I'm Chance Cotham, I'm 15 years old and a sophomore at castle view high school. I can take care of plants, dogs, yard work, and any other thing you'd need! Please contact me @ 720-775-8345 or chancecotham17@gmail.com

A trust worthy sixth grader looking for hire for pet sitting. Anywhere in the Larkspur/ Perry park area. To contact Kylie email kateandkylie910@gmail.com or call 720- 877-1998.

My name is Trace. I am 16, PP Res, and am homeschooled so available frequently. I cut grass, clean gutters, house sit for plants and pets, help with fire mitigation, etc. For local ref contact Sandy Divan at 303-681-0132. Please call me at 720-420-9767. He has a brother to help with the bigger jobs and is available during the day.

An experienced and trustworthy 12 year old looking for hire to pet sit in the Perry Park area. I am qualified for all your pet sitting needs. To contact Kylie email kateandkylie910@gmail.com or call 720-412-1567.

I am available for babysitting! I am twelve years old (almost 13), CPR/AED First Aid certified. I enjoy spending time with little kids. Please contact me Carissa O'Donnell 303-578-2323 or obavy@aol.com.

My name is Clayton Saunders I am a hard worker, boy scout, and high school athlete. I will work for all jobs and services you would need. Contact me at (720)-369-6941 or clayton.saunders19@gmail.com

My name is Delaney Liebbe, and I am 17 years old and am available for babysitting or pet sitting throughout the Larkspur area. I have had my licence for over a year now, so I can drive any place necessary. Please contact me at dgliebbe@gmail.com or 303-681-9091.

New! Super Summer Nanny/Sitter Available For Hire: Need a fun, dependable, affordable nanny to provide care for your kiddo(s) this summer? My name is Teaghan Todd; I am a freshman in highschool and I absolutely love kids. I am responsible, CPR/AED certified, and have my babysitting certification. I would love to help give your kids a summer they can remember. Call or text me at (303) 728 7534 or email me at teartodd@gmail.com

My name is Kylie Cronin and I am 14 years old. I am great with children and animals and will always give them 100% of my attention. If you are looking for an experienced and dependable baby sitter, pet sitter, or someone to do household chores please contact me at kylie.queen21@gmail.com. I am looking for work in the Perry Park and Larkspur area.

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