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QUARTERLY LIST OF PROGRAMMING PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

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DAYBREAK	Monday thru Friday	5:00-7:00a
KKCO 11 NEWS AT NOON - LIVE AT NOON	Monday thru Friday	12:00 – 12:30p
KKCO 11 NEWS AT 5- LIVE AT 5 P.M.	Monday thru Sunday	5:00-5:30p
KKCO 11 NEWS AT 6:00 - LIVE AT SIX	Monday thru Friday	6:00-6:30p
KKCO 11 NEWS AT 10:00 – LIVE AT TEN	Monday thru Sunday	10:00-10:30p

All of the above programs are locally produced News programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports and issue-related Feature stories. Issue-responsive program segments are usually one to two minutes in duration unless otherwise indicated.

Webchannel Feature: Grand Junction and the Western Slope of Colorado have a place on the Internet to go for local news and information. As more people turn to the Internet on a daily basis, people can count on KKCO to be the local news and information leader on the web. KKCO's website is an important source of local news stories of all kinds, community information and other Internet Resources, often listed on Quick Click Feature. KKCO's home page offers links to topics, which include news, weather, sports, health, family, education, government and community. It also includes up-to-the minute video streaming of news stories, weather forecasts and includes special features such as Six Online Live Chat or watching live press conferences through web streaming. While stories are continually posted and eventually drop off of the top 30 or so visually displayed, they never actually leave the Web Channel Feature server making these accessible for viewers to conduct a search to retrieve each of these in the future. Video segments stay within the server approximately 1-2 weeks, as space is available.

Regular Network News Programs Carried by KKCO:

EARLY TODAY	Monday thru Thursday	4:30-5am
EARLY TODAY	Sundays	4:30-5am
THE TODAY SHOW	Monday thru Friday	7-11am
NBC NIGHTLY NEWS	Monday thru Friday	5:30-6pm
SATURDAY TODAY	Saturdays	6-8am
SUNDAY TODAY	Sundays	7-8 am
MEET THE PRESS	Sundays	8-9 am
DATELINE NBC	Varied Days	Varied Times

All of the above programs are network news programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports and issue-related Feature stories. **Dateline NBC** airs throughout the week in prime time and often for expanded hours during times of breaking news events ... news magazine format with in-depth Features on current issues and news headlines.

All KKCO Newscasts are closed captioned for the hearing impaired. Closed captioning began on KKCO Newscasts in January 1991. Station conducts all weekly random EAS tests as well as monthly scheduled tests in preparation of needed emergency announcements.

US Farm Report - Sun 6-7a is America's #1Agri-business and rural lifestyle program. The host John Phipps and meteorologist Mike Hoffman provide America's farmers, ranchers, investors and brokers with the latest global and national Agri-Business information, weather and commodity reports. Topics this quarter include: Meat prices up, Cow herds down, The GMO Wheat Controversy, Low Crop prices, Mid-West Crops.

ANIMAL CONTROL & WELFARE/ PET HEALTH & LAWS

KKCO 10 PM Weekend Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 13, 2018 Reporter: Joey Prechtl/Stephanie Bennett

Including: Webchannel Feature

Duration: 1:37

(Joey) Almost one hundred cats are expected to be trapped, neutered and released this weekend as part of the launch for the newly formed Grand Valley Cat Coalition. Animals Planets Dr. Jeff, Rocky Mountain Vet and his team provided all the surgeries free of cost to the coalition. KKCO 11 News reporter Stephanie Bennett reports, Anna Stout, Co-Chair, Grand Valley Cat Coalition) "We can do anywhere from 100-200 cats all weekend long." With crates stacking and fur flying (Anna Stout) "We were totally amazed." Hundreds of volunteers piled into Roice-Hurst". (Anna Stout) "Frankly we're surprised that there are that many in this community who care." (Dr. Jeff Young, TV personality & owner, Planned Pethood Plus) "The idea is to target areas to really reduce the number of feral cats and cats in general in the Grand Valley." Roice-Hurst states that the overwhelming amount of cats that aren't spayed or neutered results in hundreds of kittens being taken into their shelter and ultimately runs them thin on supplies. (Dr. Jeff Young) "Fifty percent of cats have a litter before they are fixed," and it's not just un-owned cats, but owned cats are also part of the problem. (Jeff Young) "You decrease the noise problem, you decrease the overall population, you stop so many animals from suffering at night, there are a lot of positive things by doing this." By starting small (Anna Stout) "1st Street to 12th Street and North Avenue all the way down to the Riverside Parkway." To try and make a big difference (Dr. Jeff Young, TV personality & owner, Planned Pethood Plus) "So when she asked me if I would be interested in doing something like this I jumped on the chance, of course I would, and I love doing this, this is the way to spend a weekend."

KKCO NEWS 6 PM Weekdays LEAD Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

January 18, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Megan McNeil

Duration: 2.05

(Jean) Chronic wasting disease has been around for decades. It's a disease that slowly eats away brain and muscle tissue in deer and elk. It has a long history, and one that starts here in Colorado. But scientists have previously thought it couldn't be spread to humans, but a new study in Canada is putting that to question. KKCO 11 News reporter Megan McNeil tells us just if that is possible. (Megan), In a new ongoing study released by the Alberta Prion Research Institute, suggests it might be possible for chronic wasting disease to spread to humans. In their study, the disease was transmitted to a monkey, and that infected tissue was able to be transmitted again. Chronic wasting disease is a neurological disease in members of the deer family in Colorado" here on the western slope, we have a some of the highest numbers of both mule deer and elk in the state, here on the Western Slope testing has been done since around 2000. (Brad Petch, Senior Wildlife Biologist) "Most prevalence in those early days was less that 10 percent" but interest quickly trailed off and hunters were only submitting about two to three hundred heads a year for testing. "and the number of heads submissions for us to test has dropped off dramatically" so to get a more accurate idea of how much the deer and elk population is affected by the disease, CPW put a mandatory head submission for this last hunting season. (Brad Petch, Senior Wildlife Biologist) "And the work we're doing is testing each animal for the presence of chronic wasting disease, they got about one thousand buck heads from the white river herd to test for CWD that's done through either the lymph nodes, the tonsils essentially in the throat or it can be detected in the brain stem" but here's the other thing, on the CPW website, it says" there may be a small risk from eating meat from infected animals." but researchers say the possibility of it spreading to humans isn't the focus of the testing. "We don't have any evidence that chronic wasting disease is transmissible to humans still. The health products and food branch of health in Canada issued a risk advisory opinion in April last year saying ", the potential for CWD to be transmitted to humans cannot be excluded." (Megan) Researchers here in Colorado are still collecting the data on the head samples they got this last hunting season. They tell me they expect their results on overall prevalence in about a month. Lymph nodes and brain stems collected here on the western slope are sent over to Fort Collins where the testing is actually done, Jean? (Jean) Colorado Parks and Wildlife says there is no solid evidence the disease can be transmitted to humans, but says hunters

harvesting game from a game management unit where chronic wasting disease has been found in more than five percent of animals should have the carcass tested before eating the meat.

KKCO 10 PM NEWS Weekday Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

February 6, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl

Duration: 2:16

A new report is out and it paints a grim picture about mesa county animal services. This report was put out by No Kill Colorado a non-profit out of Denver. What the report shows is that Mesa County Animal Services is ranked last in the entire state for positive outcomes for animals. This report does not make Mesa County Animal Services look great, these numbers are out of 2016. The report says that out of more than two thousand 200 outcomes Mesa County only had a positive outcome 72 percent of the time. Mesa County Animal Services had plenty to celebrate in 2017 they got their old building re-modeled and the grand opening was late last year. "The biggest benefit is two-fold, one is the animals. It's a lot easier to clean a facility that works correctly then it is to clean one that doesn't." but a new report from No Kill Colorado shows that Mesa County actually had the worst save rate of any shelter taking in more than 200 animals in the entire state. "The underlying issue is leadership. Money never really saves lives but it makes it easier. There is no correlation with the amount of money per pet or per capita that you get at a shelter that correlates with life-saving." No Kill is a non-profit out of Denver. They tell me that they get all their raw numbers straight from PACFA or The Pet Animal Care Facilities Act. Each shelter in Colorado has to record their animal numbers and report them back to the Department of Agriculture which oversees PACFA. No Kill took the stats and looked at all the outcomes. Positive outcomes things like returning a stray to an owner or transferring an animal to another shelter. And negative outcomes things like animals that or were euthanized. An important note is that there is shelter euthanasia and owner requested euthanasia. No kill counts both stats. "My organization count's OREs as part of the whole number. Asimlor leaves them out and they say no that is an owner requested euthanasia and that isn't the shelter's fault. And we disagree with that" after going through all these numbers No Kill Colorado says Mesa County has the worst rate among all dogs and cats in Colorado. Still compared to the majority of other states in the u-s, we're not the worst. "We are one of the best, there is no doubt about that, when I see a shelter like Mesa or a shelter like Pueblo. They are not the standard of this state or the standard of the No Kill philosophy which is you never kill a healthy or treatable pet." but Doug Frye said back in November they haven't killed a pet for space in some time. "We haven't euthanized a healthy adoptable animal since 2010.

KKCO Daybreak 6 am 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

February 12, 2018 Reporter: Sarah Schwabe

Duration: 1:17

There is a push to improve habitat and migration corridors for big-game animals in several Western States, including Colorado. The US Interior Secretary is now asking his agency to work more closely with states and private landowners, this after his third visit to Utah, in less than a year. Hunting groups have applauded the move as adding important protections for animals like antelope, elk and mule-deer. The national wildlife federation says they are looking forward to working with the department of interior to help bring together private land owners, public land managers and other conservation groups to come up with solutions for wildlife, "Work with landowners and prioritize to make sure our kids and our kids' kids will have the same opportunity we have to enjoy our great outdoors, enjoy the legacy of hunting and fishing and make sure our wildlife is maintained, preserved, and kept." Meanwhile, critics of the order, like the Center for American Progress, are calling the move a "window dressing" to cover up damage they believe the interior secretary has already done to these animals' habitat.

KKCO NEWS 10 PM Weekdays Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

March 7, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl

Duration: 3:30

A new report shows Mesa County Animal Services ranking last in our state when it comes to saving animals. Tonight Roicehurst Humane Society is coming to their defense and providing context to the number of animals being euthanized, ask yourself this, when is it ok to euthanize a dog or cat? "I don't want that dog living next door to me and putting my dogs at risk. I think there are worse things than euthanasia." it's a tough question,

with no easy answer "having my arm ripped off by a dog, my dog getting killed." a question Roice-Hurst was faced with just this week. "There was a dog that mauled a five month old baby, that baby had to have a blood transfusion and almost didn't make it. That dog is in the court process right now and could be put down. "If MCAS followed the rules of groups like No Kill Colorado, No kill would have us keep that dog alive." This week a non-profit out of Denver called No Kill Colorado released a report, it said Mesa County Animal Services was last in terms of save rate. Anna Stout with Roice-Hurst says the report is taken out of context. She says these euthanizations are to keep our community safe. "You have to look at the reasons for each euthanasia you can't just look at it as a number and say well they're not saving things." and says Mesa county Animal Services only euthanizes as a last resort. "These are animals who are not able to rehabilitate they are either to sick and suffering or they're too aggressive to safely send out into our community." she says this "no kill" group doesn't know anything about animal welfare in mesa county. "An organization that is not in this community and has never come and toured our facilities or asked for context behind the numbers is offensive, misguided and ignorant." (same lady from first bite) "I think it's humane and there is a public safety aspect to it."

KKCO NEWS 11 News 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

March 19, 2018 Reporter: Amanda Mayle/Jason Burger

Duration: 1:40

With the coming of spring, wildlife in the grand valley will become more active, but with more activity comes the increased risk of your own pets getting rabies. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, tells me that there are over two dozen cases of rabies reported just this year. And with the coming of spring, it's important to watch out for your own pets. The department also is urging people to make sure their pets are up to date on their rabies shots, in order to prevent the spread of the virus from getting to other animals, or even to humans. Rabies can be found in a wide range of Colorado wildlife, but mainly it is found in skunks. And while it is normal to see an increase in rabies cases every spring, this year, the increase has happened earlier than usual, so it's important to get your own pets vaccinated sooner than later. (Steve TerLouw, Veterinarian) "If they are not vaccinated, there's a whole protocol for dealing with animals that are not vaccinated, and that can be expensive, and in severe cases, potentially deadly. The Department of Public Health and environment also says that animals infected with rabies can be seen with foam coming from their mouth, and can appear to be overly aggressive if they approach people or pets. It's a good idea to keep a look out for any kind of wildlife if you are out with your pets.

CRIME AND PERSONAL SAFETY

KKCO 6 PM News Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 2, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Megan McNeil

Duration: 2:16

2018 is here and that means that sales tax voters approved for public safety is now in effect.

The sheriff's office has some plans for that money too, but they won't be seeing it any time soon. The Sheriff and DA's offices really won't see the money from the sales tax until about the end of this quarter. But, they're planning on what to do with that money now, and basically, the Sheriff's office just needs more deputies. The Sheriff's office says it just simply takes time to find and hire the right people. It's the start of the New Year and that means those new taxes kick in, like the sales tax in Mesa County for public safety. The Sheriff's office is ready to use that money to grow staff. "We do have a plan, I think the bulk of our resources will be split between operations, which is our Patrol Deputies and our jail, but we do have some, for example going to our court house" that's because he says crime is an issue here... "We had a lot of incidences of violent crime here in Mesa County some of the highly publicized, we had some shootings, we had some tragic events here". But there's just one problem.... "The ability to staff to the workload that we have in this community was without a doubt the biggest hurdle, it's tough to find the right Deputies". "We weren't able to fill the positions we had last year". The Sheriff's office has room for 30 deputies over 2017 and 18, and they need about 10 more this year. "So we will staff up this year, but we will also take a different approach, a targeted approach on high crime areas and on known criminals". Part of that approach is using more technology too. Next month the Sheriff's office is rolling out a new online platform for reporting crimes for nuisance crimes where maybe you just need

a case number for insurance. "That will also alleviate some of the work load on our Patrol Deputies that are responding to some of those calls," with new Deputies, technology and money from the voters, the pressure is on to fulfill promises. "I think really 2018 is about accountability for us we came to the public with a big ask with1A and a public safety task and they came through for us. They do have jobs available and say if you're interested to apply online. If you're wondering how much the sales tax will strap your wallet, for the average taxpayer, they say it will cost you less than \$50 a year.

KKCO 10 PM Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 29, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl

Duration: 2:30

It's a story we've been reporting on for months now -- the ongoing saga over property crime on orchard mesa. Residents are telling us that the crimes just seem to be getting worse and worse and they feel as if the sheriff's office isn't doing enough. An Orchard Mesa neighborhood near Arlington and Monroe "there have been late night car break ins." the birds might be chirping, but the people are crying foul "causing a bunch of shenanigans." "It makes you fear for your safety in your house you don't want to leave it unattended during the day." This crime is shattering this neighbor's perception of what should be a safe place to raise their kids. "It's always been a concern but we're strict with our kids and know where they're going and not allowed to do things by themselves". "We have some lights on the way and I have not taken my Christmas lights down for this reason". There's a concern that the sheriff's office isn't doing enough to prevent this stuff. "We've also assigned four neighborhoods in Orchard Mesa a deputy of their own", but they can't be everywhere all the time. "If you see something suspicious then give us a call right away". And now the most recent incident, shattering this cars windshields - both front and back. There seems to be a new problem every night - whether it's their cars being keyed, tires being slashed, or in this latest incident, their windshield being smashed in. The crime has gotten to a point where one of the neighbors I spoke with told me that she's been in contact with a realtor and is trying to sell her house because of the crime. The sheriff's office told me that they've put in 34 additional hours of patrolling since the end of November in this specific area due to the amount of reported crime. So for now...neighbors say they'll be keeping an eye out.

KKCO News 8 at 10 Weekdays Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

February 1, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Crispin Havener

Duration: 2:07

(Jean) A local business owner is speaking out with a warning to keep a close eye on your finances...and your employees. This after one of his managers is accused of taking \$23,000.00 from the business. Randy Emmons says as a small business owner, he has to trust managers with such things as taking money to the bank. So he was shocked that his former manager was able to make off with such a loot, especially given *when* it happened. (Randy) She was put in a position of trust and she totally violated our trust. Small business owners like Randy Emmons have to rely on their employees with their livelihood. (Randy) you cannot be in operations all the time, unfortunately our trust was put in the wrong person. (Crispin) He's talking about the former manager of his Orchard Mesa Randy's Southside Diner location, Judy Ortiz. We had a GM who was out on sick leave and she was acting in that position. Randy says as part of that role she would take the cash on hand at the end of the day to the bank. (Randy) After a little while she started taking it home instead of the bank for us. (Crispin) Over a year adding up to \$23,000. The pain of that alleged crime hitting at an especially vulnerable time for Emmons. (Randy) I had some health problems with my family that we couldn't keep track of things as well as we do now of course. We're moving our Clifton location. It was a large purchase and it took a lot of the fluff out of the bank account. (Crispin) She was ticketed for felony theft last year. Because of the citation she never was booked in jail, which is why you aren't seeing her mugshot. (Randy) She confessed to the Grand Junction Police Department. We offered her to pay back the money that was stolen be on probation and have a felony for it because she stole \$20,000 she can't be in a position of trust. (Crispin) Last month she pled not guilty. (Randy) Unfortunately all my employees have been punished for it because they haven't been able to have raises. To sell bacon and eggs at \$5 or \$6 a plate it's hard to get that \$20,000+ back. (Crispin) His advice for people out there? (Randy) You can't let this stop you from trusting people but you have to check up more often.

Including: Webchannel Feature

February 15, 2018 Reporter: Sarah Schwabe

Duration: 2:10

Investigators say the 19-year-old accused in the deadly shooting at a Florida High School has confessed to the crime. He reportedly admitted to killing 17 people and hurting at least 15 more. Today, survivors are sharing stories about those who lost their lives. Daybreak reporter Chris Pollone has the story. 17 lives destroyed in a place which we expect to be safe. My heart's broken for everybody else's who's children are not. We have many, many friends who have lost and kids have lost. Family and friends are sharing stories and memories to help us understand all who've been lost. All of these people have...had...great intentions and had a great future. There was the new US citizen, a boy in the Junior ROTC, and a beloved Coach, who died so children could live. Without him some kids wouldn't be able to hug their parents last night and say mom I'm alive. The 19-year-old accused gunman is now on suicide watch in the Broward County Jail after his first court appearance, Are you Nikolas Cruz? Yes ma'am, Investigators say Nikolas Cruz took an Uber to the school he once attended, armed with an AR-15 rifle he had hid in a duffle bag. After seven minutes of terror, Police say Cruz slipped out with innocent students, he went to Wal-Mart, and McDonalds before Patrol Officers spotted him. I pulled my vehicle over immediately engaged the suspect. He complied with my commands. And uh, was taken into custody without any uh, any issues. But for all they know about Wednesday's massacre, what investigators still don't know is "Why", not that it would offer any comfort to a school and community wracked with grief. (Sarah) We're told both of Florida's Senators - Democrat Bill Nelson and Republican Marco Rubio will meet with victims' families and first responders today.

KKCO 6 pm Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

March 14, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Megan McNeil

Duration: 2:24

Some breezeways in downtown Grand Junction are closing at night, but they're not getting locked up, KKCO 11 news reporter Megan McNeil is downtown now and tells us why this breezeway now has open and close hours. Megan? (Anchor) Hey Jean, down here on Main, just off Fifth Street is a colorful breezeway, there are benches and tiles. It's an inviting spot for most, but when the sun goes down, the City is hoping it won't be as inviting with these signs here. Walking downtown you likely know this breezeway...dotted with color and even a sweet prom-posal today. (Rob Schoeber, Director of Parks and Recreation) "A place for people to gather to have a picnic". But it can get colorful for other reasons, (Brandon Stam, DDA Director) The kind of activities we don't want on our breezeways is people sleeping, vandalism" you can see the graffiti scars on the brick of out west books (Mary Johnston, owner Out West Books) "It tended toward the end of the year last year to look a little bit like a campsite. (Larry Lyon, concerned resident) "The breezeway would be locked up...and I would have to walk all the way around an extra block and back through a dark alley at night". Metal barricades blocked the area for a few months during parts of the day and night. "I didn't think it was unsafe, I understand it maybe it might have been abused before, but locking it up was not the solution" the city and the DDA agreed. Brandon Stam, DDA director) "Closing off the breezeways was a short-term solution; it wasn't a long term thing". Now, you'll see these signs, "If there is an unintended use occurring, then it gives law enforcement the ability to come in and enforce so when the clock strikes midnight, it's technically closed until 5 a-m. This is an area just to pass through and not to stop and take part in anything longer than that", but you won't find barricades, just the possibility of a ticket. "We really believe now that if we have the hours established for authorities to regulate the area as best we see fit" and posted hours. "I use this breezeway quite a bit and now I'm glad I'm able to use it". (Megan) The Grand Junction Police Department and the DDA have applied for a nearly nine thousand dollar grant to replace some benches with curbed landscaping and planters down the whole breezeways and decorative covers over the outlets. If they get this grant, the project would be done sometime around November this year. (Jean) The city says the midnight to 5:00 am closing is typical for other city parks.

KKCO DayBreak 5AM Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

March 15, 2018 Reporter: Joey Prechtl/Grace Reader

Duration: 1:55

(Joey)This week is flood safety awareness week -- it comes' a little before the heaviest season for floods in the state of Colorado. KKCO 11 News Reporter Grace Reader went and talked to some residence today...who know just how dangerous water can be, Grace? (Grace) Yeah, Joey even though we saw a little precipitation today we still haven't had nearly as much moisture as last year. That doesn't mean water's won't be dangerous this summer, this week brings some tough memories for the local national weather service group. This week is flood awareness week so the National Weather Service says it's a good time to start thinking about water safety, even though the season has been, well, really dry. (Tom Renwick, Forecaster NWS) "Considerably drier across the whole Western Slope." So when summer rolls around, what will that mean for our waters? (Renwick) "There's still going to be some snowmelt so the change still will exist. There will be a period when the rivers will run higher." Which means if ski season wasn't what you wanted...(Doug Sieckert, Mesa County search and rescue ground and water team) "there's not as much snow this year...it's time to get ready to get on the water" (Sieckert) "It doesn't matter how much water there is or how little, it's always very dangerous if you're not prepared for it." Search and rescue says the best way to stay safe is to wear a life jacket, let someone know where you're going -- and check water levels. (Sieckert) "Really know the river and be aware of safety for sure. You can check to make sure the water isn't too low....or too high." (Renwick) "If there are any flooding issues, we'll be talking about it...because they know just how important water safety is." (Joey) Thanks so much, Grace. We will have all of that information and the national weather service's link on

ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER/NATURAL DISASTER

KKCO 11 News at 5 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 11, 2018 Reporter: Amanda Mayle

Duration: 1:45

Time is running out for mudslide victims in California as search and rescue crews still haven't been able to locate 8 people who've been missing for 3 days. The death toll is now at 17 NBC's Jinah Kim joins us now from Montecito with the latest. Some 700 people are searching today for the last of those still unaccounted for. after the massive mudslides that rained boulders and slices of hillsides onto sleeping residents in Montecito. But with bodies being recovered yards away from homes and knee-deep mud now caking in the sun, the rescue effort is not easy. "oh my god" images of the moment the powerful torrents swept down the hillsides capture the dangerous destructive nature of the debris flow. In some cases drivers were washed down roads. "What surprised me was the amount of debris that made from 5 miles up the cannon down to the bottom, still two feet, three feet, just massive stuff." The cleanup effort will take months, if not years. (Cameron Carlson, recovery worker) "It's kind of emotional to see all that happened here because it's something I've never seen and I've been doing this 30 years." Highway 101, usually clogged with traffic is shut-down and will remain so through the holiday weekend, dealing another blow to an already battered tourist destination. "I took a left hand turn it looked like a war zone." Nearly 500 homes were damaged, 64 were completely destroyed. Among the missing are children, mothers and fathers many were the young and elderly who couldn't escape fast enough. With more lives lost now than the Thomas fire that preceded it, some say water proved to be deadlier than fire. I'm Jinah Kim in Santa Barbara County, now back to you.

KKCO 10 PM Weekday 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 19, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Crispin Havener

Duration: 1:38

Crispin) It's the million dollar question up here on the Mesa. How much snow will this storm bring and how much will it help the businesses that have been struggling up here this winter. (Andy) For the last 10 years this is by far the worst I've seen it. (Crispin) This winter has been one to forget for those that rely on the white stuff to make some greenbacks. (Ryan Robinson, Powderhorn Mountain Resort) We need help from Mother Nature and she hasn't soon too much this season yet. (Crispin) While there is some skiing up at Powderhorn, (Ryan) we are anxious to get additional terrain as soon as possible. (Crispin) For them, it's not just how much snow, but what *kind* of snow that will determine if more runs will open up. (Ryan) we're looking for that heavy wet snow that is good for building a base. (Crispin) Higher up the mountain. (David) It was a big shock to see it the way it is right now. (Crispin) These two best friends were the only ones inside the restaurant at the Mesa Lakes Lodge. (David) I Grew up in the tropics (David Arechavaleta, Grand Junction) And it's colder in Florida the past couple of days than it's been here! (Andy Brito/Mesa Lakes Lodge) It's been very, very slow. It's been tough for our customers. It's a juggling game. (Crispin)

Outside: A lone cross country skier and their dog were enjoying the beautiful surroundings. But there has been some good news. (Andy) The ice has been great. The cold temperatures up here the ice fishing has been fantastic. (Crispin) Guests have been pushing back their stays, hoping to find a time when the snow is measured in feet, not inches. (Andy) It's coming hopefully. But it certainly has put a big hit on all of us. (Crispin) However you try to sway Mother Nature. (Andy) Everybody is saying let's do the snow dance, C'mon baby snow! Yeah! (Crispin) Hope still springs eternal, that old man winter will finally make his grand entrance. (Ryan) we think this will be a great late season and there will be a lot of it.

KKCO News at 5 Weekday Lead Story Including: WebChannel Feature

February 7, 2018 Reporter: Crispin Havener/Amanda Mayle/Megan McNeil

Duration: 1:38

(Crispin) We're a community with an economy largely based on agriculture and that depends on water. (Amanda) The water that sustains that 80 plus million dollar a year business and our lives, it all comes from a water shed high up on the Mesa. KKCO 11 News Reporter Megan McNeil went up there to see what might come down this spring. Megan? (Megan) Hey guys, here's what the snow levels looked like last year, it's hard to imagine what that looks like in snow and even water, but it was a lot higher than this year, at least, so far. I went out with crews went today to test snow pack levels in the water shed, and the results are pretty concerning. In some areas, on top of the Grand Mesa, there were only 8 inches of snow, which would equate to about four inches of water. Slade Connell, Water Supply Supervisor City of Grand Junction says it's a winter he's never see. I went out with crews went today to test snow pack levels in the water shed, and the results are pretty concerning. (Megan) Connell says it's still too early to say the definite effects of this lack of snow. But he will say in the spring and summer when this snow starts to melt, the city may have to put in drought restrictions, like watering your lawn only on certain days. As of last month, the snow pack is at 22 percent of its' normal level. The city says it's always a good idea to conserve water.

KKCO News at 5 Lead Story Including: WebChannel Feature

February 12, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Stephanie Bennett

Duration: 2:08

it looks like our winter weather may finally be getting started in Grand Junction, temperatures dropped to the high 30's today, bringing rain and some snow flurries to the valley. KKCO 11 News Stephanie Bennett, met with the city to see how they are getting prepared for a wet night. Stephanie how bad could the roads be when we wake up in the morning? (Stephanie) Jean, city crews are busy tracking the next storm. They have only been deployed three times this year as a precaution: this time they may need to treat the streets.. And even clear them. (Scott Norton, Crew Leader Street Department, City of Grand Junction) "So it's been pretty minimal this year." to say we're off to a slow winter season, may be an understatement. (Darren Starr, manager streets & solid waste, City of Grand Junction) "The positive to it its allowed us with this nice weather to get stuff done that we haven't been getting done in the last few years, some other services." filling holes instead of packing snow. (Scott Norton, Crew Leader, City of GJ Street Department) "Shouldering, we have even been crack filling, pot holing, some dirt work where we can." but now mid-February our city road crews are finally firing up their plows. (Scott Norton, Crew Leader Street Department, City of Grand Junction) "We can work anywhere from 8 to 12 hour shifts depending on what we have coming in." monitoring road cameras, bridge temperatures, and local weather reports. (Darren Starr) We will probably bring some people in tomorrow morning earlier than our normal shift, usually they start at 7 we will probably roll them in around 5 o'clock and just to make sure that we can get out there and stuffs not slick. With more than 800 tons of deicing salt, several snow plow trucks, and a crew of ten, they say they're ready for what Mother Nature has to offer. (Darren Starr) "Load up, go around. Put down product if we need to." to make sure the roads stay safe and accident free. (Scott Norton) "It's to get the traveling public where they need to be where they want to be and also we have our families out there trying to get where they need to be."

KKCT The 10 Lead Story Including: WebChannel Feature

March 1, 2018 Reporter: Matt Vanderveer/Jean Reynolds/Crispin Havener

Duration: 1:56

(Matt) The drought monitor for Colorado puts some of our area in the extreme category. (Jean) There is a chance for rain and snow the next few days but will it put enough moisture in the bucket to help out? The 10's Crispin Havener is live outside with those answers and what we can expect going forward. (Anchor) something is better than nothing of course. But what we'll see over the next few days will be far from enough. And that has everyone on alert. (Aldis) We're going to need more than one definitely. (Crispin) How dry is it? (Aldis Strautins, Service Hydrologist, NWS Grand Junction) for the rest of the season to get up to normal we would need about 200 percent of our normal snow pack for now to the rest of the spring. (Crispin) Being so far behind isn't good news. Areas in the southwestern part of our region are in an extreme drought. (Aldis) Western Colorado is around 69-70% of normal for snow pack as of today. (Crispin) But others are in worse shape the Mesa is at about half of normal snow pack. (Aldis) It is unusual for us to have a drought situation with the extreme drought (Crispin) And that has people concerned about what that means come Spring and summer. (Samuel Hall) Mostly I'm concerned about farmers and the long term implications of the lack of snow we have. The orchards and peach farms. Agriculture is such a big part of our community. (Aldis) they've had failure of their crops because of the lack of participation. (Crispin) While March is one of our wetter months, long term forecasts right now don't offer much hope. (Aldis) The first week or two in March is looking slightly below average looking at the models right now. (Crispin) Some are trying to make the most of it. (Chris Brown Brown's, Cycles It's been good for me. When the trails are dry, people ride. (Crispin) While they wait for Mother Nature to help us out. (Chris Brown, Brown's Cycles) Maybe it will be winter until like June or something it will be late in coming. (Anchor) We did recover a bit in February with some areas at or near average. But we were so far behind on the drought it kind of kept us where we were. Live in Grand Junction. I'm Crispin Havener, for the 10.

KKCO 6 PM Weekday Lead Story Including: WebChannel Feature

March 9, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Jason Burger

Duration: 1:56

(Jean) With the dry conditions in the Grand Valley this winter, the stage is set for a busy wildfire season in Mesa County, KKCO 11 News Reporter Jason Burger was out in Grand Junction today, and found out why conditions for wildfires are so bad. Jason? (Anchor) Jean, it's no secret that this winter was pretty dry, and even though we got some moisture in February, it wasn't enough to tame this current wildfire season. (Rob Berger, Unit FMO for UCR Fire Department.) This is an issue that we all take very seriously." earth, wind and fire three elements when combined with just the right factors can cause things to go up in flames. (Rob Berger, Unit FMO for UCR Fire Department.) "With less snow, with less moisture, what we would expect is dryer, certainly the more, lighter, flashy fuels." The dry Mesa County earth, for starters. (Rob Berger, Unit FMO for UCR Fire Department.) "We are currently looking at those fuel moistures and the condition of fuels in the forests and the timberlands also then throw in the wind which helps fuel wildfires." (Rob Berger, Unit FMO for UCR Fire Department.) "It's hard to track from one day to the next, what kind of winds we are going to get." (Andrew Lyons, National Weather Service Meteorologist) "Wind is incredibly important for fire weather. It can take a small fire and make a really big fire really quickly." pair that with a spark from a controlled burn or a cigarette butt-- and you have a recipe for disaster. (Andrew Lyons, National Weather Service Meteorologist) "We are in D3 drought, which is the extreme category which means that parts of southwestern Colorado and parts of southeast Utah are exceptionally dry." February brought in some needed moisture, but it isn't fooling any fires. (Andrew Lyons, National Weather Service Meteorologist) "February was wet which was good, that means we are back above where we should be for the month, but overall we are still below average in terms of our precipitation so those fuels, while they can be wet temporarily, they are still much dryer than they have been." (Anchor) The National Weather Service says that we are in a D3 stage drought, and as of now, it's going to take a lot of moisture to slow down those wildfires from starting and spreading. Jean? (Jean) thanks so much, Jason. The National Weather Service says they're hoping this year's monsoon will help bring some moisture as the summer rolls around

CONSUMER INFORMATION AND PROTECTION

KKCO News 6 PM Weekdays Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

January 10, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Stephanie Bennett

Duration: 2:20

(Jean) Mesa County is closing in on 100 flu hospitalizations this season, with 16 cases just this past week, as the numbers continue to rise. Those most at risk, like the elderly, pregnant, and children should take extra precaution. KKCO 11 news reporter Stephanie Bennett, is live outside the Wellbrook transitional rehabilitation center with what they're doing to stop the spread, Stephanie? (Stephanie) Jean, the staff tell me they have just had one case of the flu so far, but in order to keep everybody safe, they ask everyone to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer, and if you're sick, stay home instead of visiting. (Lucie Frahm-Hazard, Executive Director) "We want to protect everybody here at Wellbrook." "The flu is flying around fast", (Mark Ketchum, Care Manager, Wellbrook Transitional Rehabilitation Center) "Just wash your hands." While there have been nearly one hundred hospitalizations in Mesa County since September-- that's not the case for one rehab center in Grand Junction. (Lucie Frahm-Hazard, Executive Director) "We have had one case then that person discharged pretty much that same day into the community." (Mark Ketchum, Care Manager) "Right now we are having everybody mask up when they first come into the building, people when they go into residents rooms who actually have active flu they also put gowns on, we are encouraging washing your hands before each patient and after each patient and use hand sanitizer as well." "It's a lesson in extreme cleanliness". (Lucie Frahm-Hazard, Executive Director) "Everybody right now is just being kept in their rooms so that we don't spread any symptoms or signs and symptoms of the flu." "Especially for those- most at risk" (Mark Ketchum, Care manager) "As you get older you know that your immune system gets weaker and as it gets weaker you become susceptible to ammonia with the influenza as well and we just want to prevent all complications." (Stephanie) Wellbrook will continue with these precautions until further notice. They currently have 15 residents and dozens of open beds for anyone interested in staying at the facility. We have more information about the facility on our website. (Jean) thanks Stephanie, they will be having an open house to tour the facility next week.

KKCO 6 PM Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 23, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Stephanie Bennett

Duration: 2:32

(Jean) The outdoor retailer snow show will be hosted in our state for the first time, this weekend. It's all happening in Denver, but Grand Junction won't be left out west, KKCO 11 news reporter. Stephanie Bennett spoke with the groups representing the Grand Valley Stephanie? (Stephanie) Jean, last February outdoor retailer snow show organizers announced their plans to leave Utah, where it had been held for years. They packed up shop over the states extreme anti-public lands policies and stances. It wasn't long before they cited Colorado's commitment to public lands and outdoor economy as their reason for moving here. (Mistalynn Meyeraan, Spokesperson, Visit Grand Junction) "People come here to play and they end up staying in our Grand Valley". (Seth Anderson, Co-Owner, Loki outdoor clothing) "We're right between dessert and mountains, I think it's perfect, it has a lot to offer" (Seth Anderson) "The Colorado National Monument, and Dinosaur, and Mesa Verde" and a group of people from Montrose, Delta, and Mesa County want to share that passion. (Mistalynn Meyeraan, Spokesperson, Visit Grand Junction) "We want them to come here to visit first and then we can hopefully convince them to move here or to bring a business or what have you." Including Loki outdoor clothing, (Seth Anderson, Co-Owner, Loki Outdoor Clothing) "We're going to meet with our fabric suppliers, meet with some retail buyers" .Using a \$25,000 grant from the Colorado Tourism office, matched by three other local agencies to help fund advertising. (Mistalynn Meyeraan) "This is the market to be marketing to and we know that these are adventures outdoor minded people and that's what the Grand Valley is all about." (Stephanie) the outdoor show kicks off tomorrow night in Denver and is expected to bring in around 45 million dollars into Colorado's economy. Governor Hickenlooper and a handful of guest speakers will lead first night discussions celebrating the environment and the people working to protect them. All those details and more will be on our website, Jean?

KKCO News at 5 Weekday Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

February 1, 2018 Reporter: Amanda Mayer/Crispin Havener

Duration: 1:40

(Amanda) Everyday more than 115 Americans die after overdosing on opioids, that's according to the Center for Disease Control. (Crispin) to help fight the epidemic, Jakes House opened its doors in Grand Junction this

week, acting as a live-in rehab for men looking to get sober. KKCO 11 News Reporter, Stephanie Bennett joins us live in the newsroom, and Stephanie what services are offered? (Stephanie) Crispin and Amanda, Jakes House can house up to eight men at a time, offering 24/7 counseling and medical attention. Each guest will stay for 60 days with the goal of becoming healthier and happier. After living on the streets in phoenix, Robert Jacobs knew something had to change, he quickly realized he wasn't the only one suffering from opioid abuse, years ago. It's an epidemic not new to the Western Slope, that's why Robert always wanted to open Jakes House, to help battle the growing opioid problem, along with other substance abuse and mental health issues. Locking away their phones and monitoring medications for sixty days, those sixty days are to get clean (Robert Jacobs, President, Jakes House) "It's a life changing experience and people get desperate and when people get desperate they do desperate things and this is an alternative to that desperation this is a way to address it." "Pulling staff from all around the country and by working one day at a time, addict by addict on the road to recovery." (Stephanie) Before you are admitted to Jakes House, staff must evaluate your situation over the phone and determine the best way forward. Jakes House is paid for by the client they accept private insurance but do not accept Medicare or Medicaid. I'll have all the contact information on our website.

KKCO 10 PM Weekday 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

February 13, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl

Duration: 2:20

(Jean) Imagine concealed hand-guns on school grounds like Fruita Monument and Pomona Elementary. A proposed bill in Denver would allow this. KKCO 11 news reporter Joey Prechtl has been looking into this bill all day. He joins us live now with some reaction from citizens about it. Joey? Yeah Jean, the argument is that if there is an active shooter situation in a rural community it could take a while for police to respond. And having someone armed legally would protect the kids and staff. Opponents of the bill though don't want guns in schools. The idea of guns in schools, "We all have to be prepared for the unknown." Some think it's necessary. "Since changes have taken place and social media, schools aren't the same anymore they were in 1965." Because of tragedies like Columbine High School, "I think that's a huge motivation." in Denver there is a bill that would allow those with a concealed carry permit to carry a hand gun on school grounds. The argument for it, get someone who is lawful and can potentially stop a bad guy with a gun. "It can happen anywhere anytime and anyplace." Rawlene Bainter knows from family experience. "I have a grandson that went to Bailey High School a few years ago and no one ever thought it could happen there and it did, so everyone needs to be prepared." Others are more hesitant. "I think we need police officers or security guards who are licensed appropriately to be there for everyone's protection that would be a better solution." Democratic Representative Susan Lontine said in a statement, guns do not make us safer as a society and more guns in schools undermine the spirit of trust and the free exchange of ideas. But Bainter thinks those who go through the right steps would be able to stop a tragedy from happening again. "Good training and most of these sessions where you get your license are very thorough." (Anchor) the primary sponsors for the bill are Representative Neville and Senator Neville I'm told they're father and son, but they believe this is right for Colorado because getting a concealed permit is quite the process. Here in Mesa County you must have a handgun training certificate, be at least 21, and make it through the background check that gets done. The bill is heading to the House State Veterans and Military Affairs a week from tomorrow.

KKCO 11 NEWS at 5 Weekend Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

March 6, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Matt Vanderveer / Grace Reader

Duration: 2:21

(Matt) Outrage tonight in Montrose County School District, (Jean) Parents say they want more to be done when it comes to safety on their campuses. But the Superintendent isn't listening. Grace Reader was in Montrose today talking to parents and school officials about what's next. Grace? (Anchor) yeah, Matt and Jean...yesterday at Montrose High School-- hundreds of parents got together to talk about safety, the school district says it's a way to hear what the community wants -- and what solutions work best...BUT parents I spoke to, say action isn't coming fast enough. (Adrian Rude, parent at Montrose High School) "The school board didn't say anything that they're actually going to do other than telling us that they don't have any money," several Montrose high school parents met with the district to talk... school safety, but say their concerns are falling on deaf ears. (Adrian Rude, parent at Montrose High School) I'm not trying to tell the school board how to do their job, or say they're doing a bad job. I want attention to this. And not just forget about it until the next shooting happens." But Superintendent Stephen Schiell says he's listening. (Stephen Schiell, Superintended MC school district) "People got to express their thoughts and fears and concerns and I got to express mine too, because I'm as concerned as anybody else." Lack of communication and physical security in schools was just some of that feedback. (Jason Adragna, Marketing director of Keep Montrose Kids Safe) "Those things cost money and it's a school district, they don't have a lot of money to begin with but citizens, I think are willing to pay a tax. They are willing to pay to protect their kids. I know I am whatever the cost." the school district says, they're doing what they can, with the money they have. (Pam Lillard, retired teacher) "I know the budget burden would be tremendous for hiring police officers or somebody else." Everyone I talked to can agree on one thing...school safety is a difficult topic. (Superint.) "We know that we want to communicate with our families and our community. That's why we had that meeting last night. Not every district is doing it in the state of Colorado. They're all waiting or not wanting to do it. Well we are not going to sit here and let it happen to us." Because as the saying goes, it takes a village. (Superint) "I've been in education for 41 years and I've had enough of letting this happen or maybe letting this happen." We also talked to the Montrose police department and they say they have worked hard with the school district to keep emergency plans and trainings current. The school district says they will have more law enforcement doing day-to-day work out of schools. Jean and Matt?

KKCO 10 PM Weekday First Story Including: Webchannel Feature

March 12, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl

Duration: 2:30

(Matt) A new billboard in Grand Junction is trying to start a conversation for those who drive by. (Jean) The billboard shows eight women, and it carries a strong message. The 10s Joey Prechtl is live for us tonight in front of the billboard to tell us more about it. Joey? (Anchor) Guys Ryan Smith who lives in Grand Junction told me today he put this billboard up at First and Grand Street to get people's attention and get the community talking about sexual assault. Cars go driving by this intersection of First and Grand every day. And now there is something new for the people to look at and think about. "I drive by it every day." That's Ryan Smith, "Can you call me the dragon?" He spearheaded this effort to feature this billboard. "We thought the statistic would be much more impactful especially when you couple that number with eight faces of local women in this town." the statistic is that one in four women will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime. "Our community can use this type of visual to begin to understand how predominant the issue is and it exists right here in Grand Junction." Lydia Hellums Is featured on the board. "The more people we can get talking about it and a conversation started about equal rights and women's rights the better." She is just one of eight women on the sign, eight faces to make more of an impact for those who see it. "They're waitresses, business owners and sisters and moms and it makes it personal." It's a message they don't want lost in this divisive political climate. "The hope is that it doesn't create a lot of backlash and creates awareness," at least for some who see it the message is loud and clear. "I have never understood how any man who has ever had a daughter can be against this movement. I have four daughters." And for others perhaps it can be a start to a conversation,. "That could be their daughter and their mom and their sister or whatever and take this issue more seriously." (Anchor) The billboard will be up through the end of March, Lydia Hellums who you heard from in the story told me they are trying to raise more funds though to keep the billboard up longer. (Matt) we'll have the link to their go-fund-me page on our website. (Jean) and there is a 24 hour hotline right here in Mesa County for anyone in immediate

danger from sexual assault or domestic violence. That number is on the bottom of your screen.

POLITICS/LAWMAKING

KKCO 10 pm Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 8, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl

Duration: 2:19

(Jean) The Town of Palisade is moving forward with more recreational pot within the town limits. They're now opening it back up to allow cultivation facilities with manufacturing and testing facilities. KKCO 11 news reporter Joey Prechtl looked into this for us and he joins us from our studio. Joey what's the next step in this process? (Joey) Jean the town is going to go to the board tomorrow evening and ask them to open up the application window. Palisade is known for many things, peaches, vineyards, but they are also one of the only towns in Mesa County to allow retail marijuana. "it became an opportunity with the vote of the citizens to allow it. They opened up their window for applications last July and picked the winners for the retail sales late last year. But this go around the town is asking the board to open it again to cultivation facilities manufacturing and testing. "We've heard from some people they're interested in especially the cultivation licenses now if we reopened the window." the last time the town opened the window for these types of businesses "One was for manufactured product but it didn't meet the qualifications so it was dropped out." Some residents are ready to see the industry grow as a whole in Palisade. "I think it's great for the local economy," and he thinks it's time to add more to what the town already has. "It'll bring in jobs and tourism and I don't see any downsides to it." And the town doesn't think the recent decision from the Department of Justice will affect what they're doing. "We're staying the course and we believe we've done everything we can to be legal and we believe we've done everything we can to follow the concerns for the Federal Government." "I want to direct your attention to this map these new facilities will be limited as to where they can go. They have to stay a thousand feet away from schools as well as the downtown area (Joey) the town will be going before the board at their meeting tomorrow night. They're asking the board to open up the window starting on the first of February and ending it on the 12th. Jean? (Jean) Palisades Town Administrator says it's recommended to have a short window for applications because it makes it easier on both the town and the applicants.

KKCO 10 PM Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 9, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Joey Prechtl/Matt Vanderveer

Duration: 2:51

(Jean) Mesa County Commissioners want to get State grants on the same level as Federal grants. Basically they're limited on how much revenue they can accept through the State grants. In a way it's De-Brucing State grants because it's taking the limit away so that it doesn't affect the county's revenue cap. KKCO 11 news reporter Joey Prechtl is live for us outside the Old County Courthouse with more on what this all means for us. (Anchor) Jean there are limits on how much money Mesa County can raise in a certain year because of the Taxpayer Bill of Rights. So the Commissioners are starting a conversation about how state grants will fall into that. Mesa County Commissioners say they want to see more State funding come into our area. "If we don't spend that money here in Mesa County, it will go to other counties and especially those on the front range." That money that Commissioner Rose Pugliese is talking about is mainly from State grants. "There are grants we apply for and at the end of the year we have to give back and there are other grants we don't apply for at all." And it's actually Tabor that's holding the commissioners back. Tabor doesn't allow Colorado counties to accept more than a certain amount of money in State grants. To get around that one idea is De-Brucing State grants so like Federal grants, there would be no revenue cap on state grants. Essentially Mesa County would be able to apply for all the grants they wanted. "Federal grants are exempted under tabor." commissioners say the extra cash would go to specific projects. "The more money we get the more roads we can improve and bridges' we can improve and again in public health it's a really important source of funding." Some residents I talked to are open to this idea of allowing the county to go after more State grants. "Because in a lot of aspects Mesa County is behind other counties in Colorado and we have a bigger population too, so I think it'd be good to go after more funding here." "If it's to help the community and help schools and different entities like that, it'd be wonderful for them not to be limited on what they can have access to grant wise." (Anchor) One thing that Commissioner Rose Pugliese stressed to me is that this is all just a beginning of a conversation and she and the other commissioners are open to any and all ideas about other ways to pursue more State grants. I did speak with one Mesa County resident earlier today off camera, Kevin McCarney told me that he's not in favor of De-Brucing and there has to be a better way to get access to this funding. Pugliese will start holding public meetings on this exact topic sometime next month. Guys? (Matt) Joey if the Commissioners decide to De-Bruce, what would have to happen to make that go into effect? (Anchor) Matt for any possible De-Brucing it would have to go directly to the taxpayers in the form of a ballot question. It's something that could appear on the November ballot this year.

KKCO 10 PM Weekend 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

February 3, 2018, Reporter: Joey Prechtl/Sonia Gutierrez

Duration: 2:00

(Joey) During the State of the Union this week, President Trump said that lowering prescription drug prices is one of his top priorities. On the state level there are a few bills aiming to do the same thing. Sonia Gutierrez breaks down where those bills stand. "I'd like to start actually by reading an excerpt from President Trump State of the Union. "One of my greatest priorities is to reduce the price of prescription drugs". "I bring to you today a bill that would allow you to have Colorado be at the forefront of helping bring prices down" (Reporter) Senator Irene Aguilar introduced the Wholesale Canadian Drug Importation Program to the State Senate's Veterans & Military Affairs committee. The bill would require the state to design a program that could import prescription pharmaceuticals from Canada for sale to Colorado consumers. "Drugs in Canada can be up to 25% of the price of the drugs in the united states. So there are some significant savings to be had" (Reporter) Aguilar, a Democrat, says some patients already import prescription drugs from out of the country. 9 Wants to Know did a month's long investigation looking at the price of prescription drugs, Johanna Bronze told 9NEWS her medication became so expensive, she had to buy alternative drugs outside of the country. "And I just said I can't afford this at all, they didn't give me a choice, I had to". (Reporter) the U.S. government doesn't like that because the FDA is only responsible for checking the safety of the drugs sold in the states, not the drugs being imported." But a study by Kaiser Family Foundation says it hasn't stopped 19 million Americans who purchase international drugs. Senator Aguilar's bill would make imports legal in Colorado. "I really don't understand what the political push back is to support these efforts to bring down the prices of consumers" (Reporter) Republican Senator Owen Hill-says it wouldn't make much sense to undertake a project like this if the federal government is already making this a priority. "when a state isn't in line with what the Federal Government is doing, often times that costs our constituents, that costs our consumers and our patients so much more so we need to make sure we work in conjunction on that front" (Reporter) He's not sure yet if he'll support the import of drugs from Canada or not. "Yes, we want to fix an important problem, I want to make sure this is the right solution to the problem and not something that will up end the entire structure that allows us to constantly be coming up with new solutions to really pressing problems that people face".

KKCO 10 PM Weekend 2nd Story Including: Webchannel Feature

February 6, 2018, Reporter: Amanda Mayle/Crispin Havener

Duration: 2:00

(Amanda) Lawmakers on Capitol Hill are racing against "another" government shutdown deadline.

(Crispin) But today - President Trump raised the stakes, saying he would love to see a shutdown, if they can't reach a deal on immigration. (Amanda) Blayne Alexander is in Washington, where those comments caught both parties by surprise. Amanda and Crispin lawmakers have been adamant, nobody wants a shutdown and they're confident they will reach a deal. Now some in both parties are criticizing the President.

President Trump with a direct challenge to democrats to make a deal on immigration or suffer the consequences, (President Trump) "If we don't get it, let's have a shutdown, let's do a shutdown, worth it for our country, I'd love to see shutdown if we don't get it taken care of." Democrats are showing no desire to force a shutdown this time around, but are clearly frustrated tonight. The house considering on another short term budget fix, but democrats are upset it does not include anything on immigration. Today the President is calling for action on MS-13 gangs, but no mention of so-called Dreamers (chanting protesters) their DACA protection set to end March 5th. Chief of Staff John Kelly telling reporters:" Do not expect that deadline to change, but dreamers should not worry about deportation" (audio only graphic with photo of John Kelly – White House Chief of Staff) "If you are an Illegal Alien in this country and you're obeying the law, you are not a

target for priority." Not a guarantee, as lawmakers try to reach common ground on immigration. (Anchor) And keep in mind, the house plan on the table would only fund the government for another six weeks or so - until March 23rd and it has to be approved by the senate - before Thursday night. I'm Blayne Alexander in Washington KKCO 11 News.

KKCO.....2nd Story

Including: Webchannel Feature
March 13, 2018 Reporter: Jay Greene

Duration: 1:53

(Jay) Today a major change at the top of the Trump Cabinet by President Trump, by firing his Secretary of State Rex Tillerson and naming C.I.A. Director Mike Pompeo to replace him. The move, sudden but not unexpected after months of reported tension, and comes as Mr. Trump prepares for critical talks with North Korea. Blayne Alexander has the story from Washington. (Anchor) A major cabinet shake-up President Trump has fired his Secretary of State Rex Tillerson. The news breaking just hours after Tillerson returned from a tour of Africa. (President Trump) "Rex and I have been talking about this for a long time we got along actually quite well - but we disagreed on things". But today's news reportedly caught Tillerson off guard with the President making the announcement on Twitter. A State Department official saying in a statement, "Tillerson did not speak to the President this morning and is unaware of the reason", adding that "Tillerson had every intention of staying". (President Trump) "I think rex will be much happier but I really appreciate his service". The move comes after months of reported tension - NBC news reporting, last summer, a frustrated Tillerson. called his boss "A moron on Capitol Hill". Lawmakers surprised by the news: (Sen. John Cornyn (R) Texas) "I think it would help us get more things done if there weren't so many distractions". (Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D) Connecticut) "At some level this revolving door, the reshuffling, the constant change, indicates a lack of stability and consistency that breeds chaos." Now tapped to take his place C.I.A. Director Mike Pompeo. The president telling reporters, with this change, he is close to getting the cabinet that he wants. (Jay) The President is nominating deputy C.I.A. Director Gina Haspel to take over the spy agency. If confirmed, Haspel would become the C.I.A.'s first female director.

KKCO 11 News at 5 Weekday 2nd Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

March 28, 2018 Reporter: Amanda Mayle/Crispin Havener

Duration: 1:55

(Amanda) The idea of shaping district maps in a party's favor is nearly as old as the country itself. (Crispin) Now new technology has changed the game and some critics say it borders on cheating. NBC's Blayne Alexander has more from Washington. (Anchor) Outside the nation's highest court battle lines over the drawing of district lines. The Supreme Court is considering the constitutionality of Gerrymandering setting the boundaries of voting districts to favor a certain political party. Today's case Maryland Republicans challenging a map specifically designed to flip the district from republican to democrat unseating a longtime GOP congressman. But the case could affect voting across the country from Maryland to North Carolina and Illinois critics pointing to oddly shaped districts as a move to stack the cards in favor of whichever party controls the state house. Michael Kimberly, plaintiffs' attorney: "People on the street understand what Gerrymandering is all about it's about rigging elections." but it's always been considered legal and not an easy issue for Justices to decide: Garrett Epps, Professor of Law, University of Baltimore "It's not enough to say this map stinks, gotta' say this is how to redraw it, they have to say how to redraw it that's been a real problem for the justices" and telling districts *not* to consider politics when drawing the districts is nearly impossible: Garrett Epps. prof. Of law, university of Baltimore, "It's like don't say don't think of pink elephant, of course you will, the question is how much is too much? That's a tough rule to come up with the ruling expected - sometime in June in a case that could have a big impact on future elections, Blayne out.

VOLUNTEERISM/ COMMUNITY AID/ COMMUNITY EFFORTS

KKCO 11 NEWS AT 5 Weekdays Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

January 9, 2018 Reporter: Crispin Havener/Amanda Mayle/Stephanie Bennett

Duration: 1:34

(Crispin) As our temperatures begin to drop with more winter like weather, Grand Valley homeless shelters are filling up. (Amanda) Homeward Bound of the Grand Valley say they have been working near capacity almost every night, even with their overflow shelter. KKCO 11 News reporter Stephanie Bennett reports. (Stephanie reporter) "Every night this entire room fills up, all the beds are taken and extra mattresses are laid across the floor." a hot meal, and a warm bed, can often be taken for granted. For Evie Sanguiast stays at Homeward Bound it is much more than a shelter, it has been her home for two years. The shelter is working near capacity almost every night, because the cold weather outside is drawing our homeless crowd inside. In addition to housing, staff and volunteers offer support with personal paperwork, and treat these people not like a burden, but more like family. They make sure no one is left out in the cold. (Evie Sandquiast, stays at Homeward Bound) "We have clean beds, we have wonderful staff, we have food in our stomach, it's a warm, safe place for us." (Heather Ripley, Director of Planning and Development, Homeward Bound of the Grand Valley) "We're stocked right now, I mean we bursting at the seams with everything that we never have." Homeward Bound is looking into opening a new emergency shelter to send children and families, but that is still in the planning stages. (Stephanie, reporter) "Homeward Bound says they have plenty of supplies right now just coming off the holiday season, but they need those supplies to keep coming all year round. The number one thing they need right now is volunteers to help with administrative work, sorting through supplies and serving food.

KKCO News 10 PM Weekday Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

January 15, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Joey Prechtl

Duration: 2:51

(Jean) more than a hundred people gathered today to celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. They held a symbolic march to honor him and his legacy. KKCO 11 news reporter Joey Prechtl tells us more about this march and what it means to the great grandson of local, black icon Josephine Dickey. (preacher talking to crowd) hundreds came together on this martin Luther King Jr day (music playing) to remember the message he spread during the civil rights movement. "This march represents a lot of what Dr. King was trying to do when he was marching." Angelo Adams, the Great Grandson of Josephine Dickey herself took to the streets of downtown grand junction with this group. "Trying to get the word out and trying to get people to see that everything wasn't alright and that segregation wasn't good and things like that." So with signs and their sheer presence they tried to show what racism looks like in modern America "They don't just disappear, 50 years isn't long enough for it to just go away so it is still around. It's declined but it's still around." AND ADAMS -- with his words tried to inspire the age old adage "love your neighbor". In hopes people take it as a sign, it's not just on one group of people that will help solve racial Inequality. "I hope they don't take it that we're calling them out. I hope they take it as in we see there is an issue and we can all work on this together it's not just one person's issue." (Joey Prechtl) the symbolic march for M.L.K. Jr. started out at the historic handy chapel – they made their way to city hall in downtown GJ where it was officially recognized as a holiday and they'll continue to celebrate dr. King's life here at CMU behind me. As Joey told us the celebration wasn't over after the march a program was held tonight at CMU, also new at 10 tonight the M.L.K. celebration committee had individuals from different parts of our valley to show the diversity that's right in our own backyard. And there was also a couple of awards presented tonight. Rick Baer earned the Harry Butler Community Service Award for his work through organizing for action. He's worked with groups like the Catholic Outreach Marillac clinics and the Hispanic Affairs Project. "It means a lot because just to be in the same sentence as Harry Butler for what he did for the community is pretty amazing." "It just takes your breath away to realize that people hold you in that esteem." David Combs, who you just saw, won the Martin Luther King Day Celebration Award for his tireless work in continuing to allow Dr. King's legacy live on here on the western slope.

KKCO 10 PM Weekend Lead Story

February 18, 2017 Reporter: Joey Prechtl/Grace Reader

Including: Webchannel Feature

Duration: 2:24

(Joev) Affordable Housing is an issue many Coloradans face, doesn't matter if you're living on the Front Range or on the Western Slope. It's an issue that Lieutenant Governor Donna Lynne is trying to tackle head on. KKCO 11 News reporter Grace Reader went to a town hall meeting tonight hosted by Lynne to find out more about the problems facing us on the Western Slope. A town hall meeting to discuss a big problem in the State of Colorado Affordable Housing, Lieutenant Governor Donna Lynne led the discussion, (Jody Kole, CEO Grand Junction Housing Authority) "The Lt. Governor of the State comes to GJ and wants to talk about affordable housing and that is my job so I'm very interested in hearing what the Lt. Governor has to say." Lynne is touring the state to address some of the issues she thinks are most important she's using the knowledge from the meetings to build her platform in running for governor. (Lt. Gov. Donna Lynne) "I've been the Lt. Governor and Chief Operating Officer and one of the first things that I did was tour all 64 counties. I simply asked the question to business owners, to employees, what are the three things that are concerning you the most. Pretty much without a doubt, I heard Health Care, Housing, and Infrastructure." The goal is to give people a space to discuss the issues she thinks Coloradans face, and also to hear her thoughts on possible solutions "(Lynne) "one of the things that troubles me about campaigns is that there are big promises. big ideas." She will then write a paper on her final thoughts and use that paper to show the exact steps she plans to take during her time as Governor, if elected. "I am a person that believes in both authenticity and transparency of what I'm going to campaign about and what I'm going to be able to deliver." It's her way of being concrete in her platform. "This is Donna Lynne's plan and this is what you can expect for her if she is the Governor." She says that in her sessions across the state she has noticed that the problem isn't just housing for the homeless, in fact, the state spent 16 million dollars from marijuana tax revenue on homeless housing last year. "The people that are showing up at these forums are middle class people that want to be able to have an apartment to rent that they can afford, have a home that they can buy." and in a community that they want to grow up in." Lynne says that the discussions have helped her see all angles to a problem. (Kole) "I wanted to talk about housing for people with domestic violence challenges and she seemed very receptive to that so I'm hopeful that might open some new doors for some of the ideas that we're percolating on right now," and just maybe traveling across the state will help Lynne piece together a solution for the housing crisis. (Kole) "GJ has need for affordable housing and the fact that the state capital is 250 miles away doesn't make us any less Coloradans. So we all are in this together and we need to work together." In Grand Junction...with KKCO 11 News...I'm Grace Reader. (Joey) other locations she's talked at include Pueblo and Carbondale. She has two more stops tomorrow in Glenwood springs and Steamboat Springs.

KKCO 10 pm Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

February 22, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Crispin Havener

Duration: 2:18

(Jean) Grand Junction's Black Lives matters group says a local bar is, quote, "A breeding ground for racism." after an encounter this past weekend, the group is boycotting and protesting the establishment until they say the ownership and staff answer to their demands. Crispin Havener has been tracking down this story. He joins us live tonight from Quincy's Bar in downtown Grand Junction. Crispin, what does the group want? (Anchor) (Anchor) They want an apology, diversity training, and an end to discrimination. But the owner of Quincy's Bar says...They've simply done nothing wrong. (Jennifer) asked him why are you touching me? He said "get out the f out of here you black b." (Crispin) Jennifer Vargas says she was shoved and the victim of racist comments from a bouncer at Quincy's Bar in downtown Grand Junction early Sunday morning, (Jennifer) we go there to listen to music. We asked the DJ to play some songs. (Crispin) according to the Grand Junction Police Department's report of the encounter, the DJ objected to a song request because they thought it was associated with the Black Panthers. (Jennifer Vargas alleges racism) my friend told me they said "Hey they said we're agitating her and they want us to leave." (Crispin) after they were kicked out (Jennifer) three of the bouncers were chasing us. One of them reached out and just shoved me. I just grabbed my friend who is irate. (Tia) I believe that we were in no fault. (Crispin) Tia O'Neill owns Quincy's. She says everything was handled according to their policies. (Tia O'Neill: Quincy's) oh there is absolutely zero tolerance for any violence. She got really out of control started making a scene she was removed. (Crispin) Vargas is a part of the black lives

matter Grand Junction chapter. The group says this isn't the first case of racial issues at Quincy's. The group alleges Quincy's didn't allow their co-founder in one night because of his BLM t-shirt, (Tia) We have several objective clothing that we don't allow into the bar. (Crispin) and that management failed to remove flyers for the KKK in a timely matter (Tia) that was some graffiti. (Crispin) the police report also shows the security guard told cops he thought it was unfair that black people could bring up race as an issue, but white people could not. BLM says they're boycotting Quincy's unless they make policy changes. (Tia) they have their right to protest. It's sad though that they already made these decisions before they even contacted us. I hope we can get past this. (Crispin) Vargas wants more awareness about racism in our community. (Jennifer) it's way more common than we think it is. I've been dealing with it on a monthly basis with my children as well. So we feel it.

KKCO 10 pm Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature March 2018 Reporter: Joey Prechtl

Duration: 1:46

(JOEY) The non-partisan political group Club 20 held their Spring Conference earlier today, with a focus on the Taxpayer Bill of Rights and the Gallagher Amendment. KKCO 11 News Reporter Jason Burger was at the conference, and spoke to several attendees about how the two concepts impact western slope residents. (Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor of Colorado) "I think it's important that elected officials, people that are considering elected office, hear the voices of everyone in Colorado." this year's club 20 Theme focused on how Tabor, and the Gallagher amendment impact the western slope. (Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor of Colorado) "The formula for TABOR is population plus inflation." With the Western Slope growing, money grows with it. (Christian Reece, Executive Director of Club 20) "It seems like a great thing, that our residential assessment rate is dropping, because that means we pay less in property taxes. But the way it flows, changes. (Christian Reece, Executive Director of Club 20) "But it's resulting in huge revenue losses for our local governments and our local communities. "With the Gallagher Amendment and Tabor in full force, lawmakers are looking at other ways to fund municipal services. (Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor of Colorado) "When your property values increase and your population is increasing, and there's more jobs and more businesses, there's other ways to get revenue, "And Donna Lynne who is the Lieutenant Governor says other Tax services might not be enough. (Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor of Colorado) "The cost of government doesn't cost less because government is basically workers." and Senator Michael Bennett says it's not a local problem, but a national problem. (Michael Bennet, U.S. Senator for State of Colorado) "We have 20 trillion dollars of debt on the balance sheet of this country, and on the other hand, we are not making the investments that we need." And for now, the decision to raise taxes is still in the hands of the people. (Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor of Colorado) "Tabor has been around for 25 years, I don't think we are going to throw it out." In Grand Junction, I'm Jason Burger KKCO 11 News. (Joey) And Lieutenant Governor Donna Lynne also said that on top of balancing Tabor and the Gallagher Amendment, She would also like to see a greater discussion on economic development take place throughout the state.

KKCO 11 News at 5 Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

March 24, 2018 Reporter: Joey Prechtl/

Duration: 2:20

(Joey) Earlier today, students and other protesters met at Lincoln Park as part of the National March for Our Lives Protest. KKCO 11 News Reporter Jason Burger joins us now from our studio and was right in the middle of the march earlier this afternoon, Jason? (Anchor) Joey, students and protesters met at Lincoln Park today to march for tougher gun legislation. But the students say, it's about much more than just guns. Students in Grand Junction hit the streets, as part of the national march for our lives protest. (Veniece Miller, Student Organizer for Grand Valley Students United) "We need to have common sense gun legislation that is making sure things like school shootings and mass shootings are mitigated." (Protestors) "What do we want? Gun Reform! When do we want it? Now!) The message comes after recent shootings in American schools. (Veniece Miller, Student Organizer for Grand Valley Students United) "We are putting youth's lives over somebody having their right." They are all fighting to reach their ultimate goal, (Veniece Miller, Student Organizer for Grand Valley Students United) "To support legislation that will help us to not feel the need to feel scared at school anymore." They say it's more about students, than guns. (Veniece Miller, Student Organizer for Grand Valley Students United) "I am a supporter of the Second Amendment, but we, as students, as

communities, can all agree that we need to put in common sense legislation that will protect our students." (Riley Trujillo, Fruita Monument Student) "So we are not by any means trying to take away people's guns, or ban guns, but maybe raise the age limit on the purchase of an assault rifle so we can prevent and have common sense prevention on things." For Fruita Monument students, the memory still remains from their recent lockdown. (Riley Trujillo, Fruita Monument Student) "Right before spring break when I pulled up to school and saw the cops barricading our school, it was unlike a terror I have ever felt." and it was reason enough, to march (Riley Trujillo, Fruita Monument Student) "My friends, my teachers, my brother were in the school and I automatically fell to tears because I never really thought that could happen at my school, and thank God everybody was safe." for local students, the fear drives motivation. (Veniece Miller, Student Organizer for Grand Valley Students United) "We are hoping to make a change in this community, and also throughout the nation." (Anchor) For now, students are more concerned with keeping their own schools and communities safe all around Grand Junction. Joey? The marching wasn't only happening here in western Colorado. Thousands were making their way to the Capitol in Washington, D.C. for the 'March for Our Lives.' temperatures were low but the energy high as marchers...mostly students from around the country carried banners and signs to help make their voices heard. The march was born out of the deadly school shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida last month. Today the throng of gun control supporters will hear from student survivors of the Parkland shooting and others, as the march peaked this afternoon at the foot of the capitol with speeches and music.

YOUTH/CHILDREN AT RISK/YOUTH VIOLENCE/YOUTH SUPPORT

KJCT News 8 at 10p Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

January 18, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/

Duration: 2:25

(Jean) it's an idea that has been around for years. A community and recreation center in Grand Junction. Now it's getting its first, big public conversation. Hundreds of citizens came out to voice their support, and discuss what they would want inside one. KKCO 11 News anchor Crispin Havener was at the open house at the faith heights church. He joins us live from the newsroom now. Crispin it was a packed house. (Anchor) Yeah Jean, a lot of people there tonight are curious as to what this is all about. But for those who have been pushing for a rec center for years, it was a chance to find out what exactly the community wants. (Dustin Gehrett of Grand Junction) I've always wanted one in this community. I've grown up here my entire life and now hopefully this is the time we get it. (Crispin) Montrose has a rec center. So does Fruita. But why doesn't Grand Junction? (Bennie) It's just needed here. (Crispin) Tonight hundreds of people came out to put in their two cents about what they would want to see if Grand Junction were to build a community and recreation center. (Andy Barnard/Managing Director, Perkins + Will) This is about us hearing who Grand Junction is as a community what your needs are, what your vision is. (Crispin) The vision has come this far, thanks in part the advocacy group behind the project, People for Local Activities and Community Enrichment. (Kimberly Langston, People for Local Activities and Community Enrichment). So what do the people want? Aquatic facilities course swimming is a big one. We live in the desert so I'd love to see a lot of water activities. (Dustin) Family friendly and accessible, I'd also like to see Investment in a part of town that's been left behind. (Kimberly) basketball courts, meeting rooms, space for programming. (Crispin) There are of course concerns (Andy) Fees and making sure we know what it costs to build and use the facility. (Kimberly) location and considering size, accessibility, affordability and all the great amenities we want to have inside. (Crispin) Answers that will have to be hashed out as the feasibility study continues into the spring and early summer. But after many years of dreaming, at least the path to reality is underway. (Kimberly) there is more of an expectation of why don't we have one yet? {***Jean***} if you want to voice what you want to see in a grand junction community center, we've put a link to community center's Facebook page on our website, KKCO 11 News.com.

KKCO 11 News 5 Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

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January 28, 2018 Reporter: Joey Prechtl/Grace Reader

Duration: 2:52

(Joey) Kids and fire are not the best combination. But the Grand Junction Fire Department is a program in place to combat just that. KKCO 11 news reporter grace reader has the details on that program..... The Grand Junction Fire Department says that may of the fires started by kids are because they find a parent's matches

or lighter while unsupervised. But the fire department wants kids to know about what could come next. "Fire and Medical Dispatch" "Hi yeah, we're seeing a lot of flames." Playing with Fire, "Is it a house on fire, what's on fire?" Seemingly harmless at first..."Um my backyard caught on fire earlier." but can lead to property loss, injury and even death. "Alright well I'll let you go, we're on our way, "Mesa County is helping kids learn that lesson...the easy way. (Ellis Thompson-Ellis, Community Outreach Specialist GJFD) "In their minds, they're just playing around." but playing around has serious consequences. (Ellis) "It could mean burning down a building and losing your home, it could mean hurting other people." (Brandon Craven, father) "It is a difficult thing to teach." and for older kids....it's also a felony--(Ellis) "I think a lot of families write off Fireplay as kids just being kids and the reality is the consequences can be major." but the Grand Junction fire department is working to intervene with kids before disaster strikes. (Ellis) "Our youth fire intervention program at GJF is for families who are experiencing kids experimenting with fire and are concerned about them. We bring them in and provide information for them." the program allows for families to have one-on-one time with a specialist. (Ellis) "We bring the whole family in because it's a whole family responsibility." A bigger picture of those consequences, (Ellis) "A lot of our education is focused on playing, the rest of the time about what happens after you start a fire and if it gets out of control and what the consequences are emotionally, physically, financially, legally and letting them have a complete view of what that means to start a fire." the fire department says that the program is tailored to the individual family and child - based on age and reasons for interest in fire. (Ellis) "Kids set fires for a lot of reasons...sometimes they're just curious and they want to explore that. Other times maybe they have deep emotional traumas and they don't know how to deal or cope with that and that the goal is to keep everyone safe." (Ellis) "We as a community have to work together to make sure that kids are safe, that families are safe and that our community at large is safe." (Grace) if a child needs additional intervention - such as counseling - the fire department will then work to set up those resources. To recommend a child to the program you can call the number on the bottom of the screen. We will also have that number on our website ...Joey? (Joey) thanks, Grace....the Grand Junction Fire Department says that parental involvement is key to making sure kids are safe with fire - if you need tips on how to speak to your children about fire, GJGFD would be happy to do that too.

KKCO 11 News at 5 Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

February 3, 2018 Reporter: Joey Prechtl/

Duration: 2:33

(JOEY) What if I described a mountain bike to you, and a year and half from now, asked you to remember exactly what that bike looked like and who it belonged to? Well one Montrose County Animal Control Officer. did just that. When a nice mountain bike was retrieved from a traffic stop earlier this week, deputy Bennett of the Montrose County Sheriff's Department, was pretty impressive in putting the pieces together. A traffic stop on the 600 block of Miami Road in Montrose County.(Keith Sanders, SGT County) "We contacted the vehicle after observing a traffic violation has become a pretty good example of how good your memory has to be, after I recognized who he was." to be in law enforcement. "And then one of the female occupants in the backseat, I recognized her as well." the traffic stop resulted in arrests for outstanding warrants, drugs, weapons – a happy K9 unit and (Tisha McCombs, lost bike in 2016) "Deputy Bennett told me that he thought he found my long lost bike." A really nice mountain bike, one Trisha McCombs thought she would never get back. "Later on when I described the bike in patrol, our animal control officer, John Bennett, recognized that bike as possibly being stolen" stolen in 2016. Would you remember the description of a bike you heard about in 2016? (Undersheriff Adam Murdie, Montrose County Sheriff's Department) "I gotta' give some big kudos to Animal Control Officer Bennett. John has got an amazing mind and to remember over a year and a half ago something that was posted on the Montrose message board to come back to his memory that quick - was pretty slick." Animal Control Officer Bennett isn't taking any credit though – he refused to be on camera because he wanted everyone to know the bust was a team effort. "We gotta' lot of good people that work here." but Tisha McCombs isn't letting him be too humble. "It was a very great example of going so far above and beyond and it was important for me to share that." she spread the good word on Facebook "To find a bike for one person might be small but for me that was really, really big "and most importantly...her bike is back where it belongs. (Grace) McCombs said the bike was stolen from the back of her car....even though it was locked to her bike rack. A good reminder not to leave expensive items unattended. And to register your bike through your local police department. Joey? (Joey) Thanks, Grace, McCombs says after her bike was stolen a year and a half ago, she bought a new one. Now, she's going to have a hard time deciding which one to ride.

KKCO 6 PM Weekday Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

Feb 16, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Megan McNeil

Duration: 2:34

(Jean) We start off with a story we first brought you last night. A Grand Junction man is now walking free after being convicted in 2015 of molesting six young boys and girls. Michael McFadden was sentenced to more than 300 years for those child sex assaults. Now we're learning just what got him off the hook something our DA says left him speechless. KKCO 11 news reporter Megan McNeil spoke with him tonight, she joins us now live in our newsroom, Megan? (Megan) Hey Jean, Michael McFadden was convicted in July of 2015 for sex assault on young children. Today, he is out of jail leaving many people, including those close to the victims, wanting answers. (Dan Rubinstein, DA) "I am frankly appalled, completely appalled at this decision, I think the criminal justice system completely failed here" he's talking about Michael McFadden the Grand Junction man convicted of several counts of child molestation on boys and girls in 2015. "Of 19 counts of sexual offenses including a habitual sex offender against children" but on Tuesday. McFadden became a free man, the question on everyone's mind...How? "And when a defendant whose set for trial like he was asks for a continuance, he waves his statutory right to a speedy trial" the answer lies in a technicality. "If you've heard the phrase, he got off on a technicality, this is exactly that situation" specifically, that a judge violated McFadden's right to a speedy trial. Here's what happened. McFadden had prior sexual offense convictions. "Because those facts were coming in, the defense had submitted a jury questionnaire, which addressed his prior conduct on whether or not they could be fair" according to District Attorney Dan Rubinstein, the judge never read that questionnaire until half way through jury selection and when he finally did decided McFadden couldn't get a fair trial. So he granted a continuance. "The defense objected and asserted their right to a statutory speedy trial" it's that continuance that led to a Colorado court of appeals to overturn his conviction. "because the error here was that he shouldn't have been tried longer than 6 months from the last time he waived speedy trial, there was no remedy for that and therefore there is no ability to retry him". Let's hear that again (I ask: is there a chance for a retrial?) "There is no possibility for a retrial the convictions have been overturned". (Megan) I've reached out to McFadden's lawver and have not heard back. The mesa county d-a did appeal the courts' decision to overturn his conviction. But the Colorado Supreme Court refused to hear it. McFadden is also not required to register as a sex offender, part of another legal technicality.

KKCO The 10 at 10p Lead Story Including: Webchannel Feature

March 9, 2018 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/Matt Vanderveer/Crispin Havener

Duration: 2:52

(Jean) knowledge is power. But at Grand Junction High School, that's being mixed with girl power. (Matt) they made history by becoming the first ever majority female team to win the state title. Crispin Havener talked to some of the members of this historic team. He's live outside GJHS tonight with their story. (Anchor) to make history with Grand Junction High School's academic team isn't easy. After all: they've won the State Knowledge Bowl 18 times in 21 years, and won the National Academic Championship in 2015. But three smart ladies from that team have put their mark on the record books. (Anchor) that competition for the State Knowledge Bowl begins Monday. One of the three girls who was on the guiz bowl team, Petra Jew-Flis, is on vacation, so no repeat of that honor for now. But they got a lot of very smart people on that team, (Jean) It's amazing not only much they know but how fast they know it! (Crispin) Spring Break means all is quiet at Grand Junction High School, except inside Cody Shawcroft's classroom. A flurry of questions and answers, the academic team is showing off their knowledge. They have a reputation to live up to, but this year's team has already made history. (Cody Shawcroft's coach) this is just not something girls have had a ton of influence in, more specifically, these three ladies. (Anij) it's amazing. (Crispin) Anij Magill, Amanda Gordon, and Petra Jouflas lead the first majority female team to win the Colorado State Quiz Bowl Championship. (Amanda Gordon, Junior) it's really fun. It's been really fun to win with such an amazing team. (Anij) it's really satisfying to get a question you've been studying about. (Crispin) a bit of history not lost on their coach and former competitor. (Cody Shawcroft, coach) we had two my senior year. I actually met my wife on the team (laughter) it's really cool for the team to show some girl power. (Amanda) I really like learning weird facts. (Crispin) and broad knowledge is key to quiz team success. (Amanda) during this disaster people fought it off by shooting bullets at it. And it was hurricane Irma didn't work but I buzzed in and got it. (Crispin) the historic win reverberated around the guiz world. They were named team of the week by national academic guiz tournaments. (Anij) it's always been one girl and 3 boys and it's exhausting after a while. It's really nice and the

other girls are amazing and brilliant. (Amanda) it's been really fun to win with such an amazing team. (Crispin) but this team has a job to do. (Amanda) right now we're hoping to win this trophy again. (Crispin) The State Knowledge Bowl, GJHS has going for its' 19th win in 22 years. (Anij) it's nice to carry on that legacy. (Crispin) And who knows where else this sisterhood of trivia stars will go next. (Amanda) maybe we do an all-female team. (Jean) it's amazing not only much they know but how fast they know it! (Anchor) Yeah, I was trying to answer the practice questions in my head while I was there... I definitely flunked. So you won't be seeing me on jeopardy! Anytime soon...the price is right is more my game.

KKCO 11 News at 5 Weekday Lead Story

Including: Webchannel Feature

March 22, 2018 Reporter: Crispin Havener/Amanda Mayer/Jason Burger

Duration: 1:32

(Crispin) Officials in District 51 are starting to seriously discuss school based health care centers. (Amada) The district has begun discussions with health care professionals around the area in an effort to improve physical and mental health of students, and keep them from missing class. KKCO 11 News Reporter Jason Burger joins us now with details on what school based health care would look like if the idea goes through in District 51. Jason? (Anchor) Amanda and Crispin, while the district and health professionals are still in the early planning stages, they tell me the goal of school based health care is to prevent physical and mental illness in students before it becomes a problem. According to officials at Marillac Health, a school based health care center is defined as a health care facility located inside a school, or on school grounds. It is meant to be staffed by a multidisciplinary team of medical and behavioral health providers, and sometimes even dental professionals. The idea is that students who have barriers or challenges to accessing health care would have access to services designed to identify problems early, provide continuity of care, and in turn, the student's academic participation would improve. (Dr. Jolene Joseph, Director of Behavioral Health at Marillac Health) "We are not looking at true diagnostic, and really managing chronic disease, as much as we are looking at that early intervention phase." Marillac Health reports that over 12% of high school students in Mesa County have seriously considered attempting suicide, and that is one of the highest rates in the state. (Anchor) And while the plans for school based health care in district 51 are still very far from being finalized, the district is hopeful that these health care centers could become a reality in the future.

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