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

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# PROGRAMS PROVIDING MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

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

<b>EARLY TODAY</b>	Monday thru Thursday	4:30-5am
<b>EARLY TODAY</b>	Sundays	4:30-5am
<b>THE TODAY SHOW</b>	Monday thru Friday	7-11am
<b>NBC NIGHTLY NEWS</b>	Monday thru Friday	5:30-6pm
<b>SATURDAY TODAY</b>	Saturdays	6-8am
<b>SUNDAY TODAY</b>	Sundays	7-8 am
<b>MEET THE PRESS</b>	Sundays	8-9 am
<b>DATeline NBC</b>	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 #1 Agri-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.

**"Pet of the Week" (On-going Weekly News Series)**

**Daybreak Reporters Crispin Havener, Jean Reynolds**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

A weekly segment showcasing animals up for adoption from a local no kill shelter. Weekly reports provide a variety of information on pet health, regulations and general animal control issues. On our Webchannel there is a direct link devoted specifically to these reports.

**KKCO 11 News at 6p 2nd Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 26, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds**

**Duration: 0:57**

Local pups aren't having a problem finding their forever home! Believe it or not. Roice Hurst humane society is out of dogs to adopt! Roice Hurst adopted out 25 percent more dogs in 2016 than the year before. That means there aren't enough dogs to fill the shelter and there's a zero wait list. They're now looking to transfer dogs in from around Colorado and surrounding states. This is something that's happening across the state. And it's something we're excited about and proud of because what it means is that we've done a really good job of creating a culture of responsible pet ownership and spay and neuter." dogs not your thing? They say they still have plenty of cats to adopt.

**KKCO 11 News at 10p 2nd Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 6, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 1:44**

Spraying for pests; the grand valley pest control district is asking residents for permission to change the species they spray for one is wine pest-- grape Phylloxera-- (fil lak-'sir-ah) that has the potential to destroy vineyards. Phylloxera -- a complex name for a pest that in simple terms is bad news. "They will either act to kill a tree entirely, and growers will have to replant, or they can just cause damage to the fruit and render them unsellable." It gets into the roots of grapevines-- and has already infested at least one grand valley vineyard. "We believe it might be more widespread than we currently think " this is one of three pests that an area of grand valley residents will be voting on in a special election - to add to a list of regulated species by the upper grand valley pest control district. If residents approve-- it will allow the committee to make sure property owners are doing what they can to rid of the bugs....and provide funding to trap, monitor and research the pests threatening our fruit. Teresa Nees says, "it's to be able to get more info on what's the best way to control them and slow damage and mitigate it and to educate growers how to deal with it so they don't experience more damage." the pest control district says they have been keeping an eye on the three species-- the grape pest, a fruit fly and a fungus-- for years. After recent suggestions from citizens, fruit growers and local organizations-- officials are now turning to a ballot vote to prevent a possible disaster in our wine and fruit country. "Since this is a whole district was originally created and voted on by the residents, changes like this -- part of the law states the changes should be made by the residents too."

**KKCO 11 News at 6p 2<sup>nd</sup> Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**March 8, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:13**

Some grand valley residents voted -- to allow three new fruit pests to be regulated by upper grand valley pest control district. Growers within that district say, this proactive research is vital to their crop's future. Well-- one of the three pests were voted to be regulated, was the grape Phylloxera. It's a bug that has recently been found in the valley that could threaten vineyards. The pest, grape Phylloxera....Garrett Portta says, "it was one of those things we were happy to not have and now it's something we really have to deal with." a dangerous bug-- recently discovered in the grand valley. "It feeds off non grafted vines roots, and it will kill the plant eventually." it's one of the pests that will now be regulated by the upper grand valley pest control district. "The more we know about it, the better off our industry is going to be." adding the bug to the list of critters to be regulated, means more funding will be allocated to monitoring, trapping and researching the three pests. Teresa Nees says, "it will hopefully allow us to understand the pattern, the movement and what we need to do to prevent larger economic damage." some grape growers welcome.us in finding it so early and then the increase in funding helps us to continue to test it and move forward with practices beneficial to us and this bug. The pest control district says aside from research and education-- fruit growers will have a responsibility in the matter. "- people have to show that they are taking steps to reduce the populations of these pests on their property." meaning if they receive a complaint about land where fruit trees aren't being maintained-- they come in and educate the landowner. "we don't want them to be a safe harbor for those pests to breed and grow or spread to healthy orchards." and while Carlson Vineyards hasn't come across the bug themselves-- knowing its being monitored and researched, provides a sense of relief. "even though we're not seeing it, it's something we know we will deal with in the future and so the more knowledge we have now, the better we feel." this pest has been known to destroy vineyards across the world-- which is why our local growers tell me it's so important to be proactive. The other two pests that made the list include a fungus that specifically target peach

trees, and a winged bug that target ripened fruit. The money for this research comes from the pest control district through a mill levy tax homeowners within the district have adding these species had no added cost to tax payers.

## CRIME AND PERSONAL SAFETY

### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 3, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 2:35**

An amber alert was issued by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation about 48 hours after David Puckett went missing. Many are asking why the alert wasn't issued sooner, and what's the criterion for an amber alert to be issued? It's a parent's worst nightmare that has people wondering what it takes to find a missing person. In David Puckett's case, 150 personnel from variety of law enforcement agencies and more than 200 volunteers searched the boy's aurora neighborhood over the last couple days. Even after all these resources were put to use, they still didn't get the outcome they wanted. Glen Klaich, at the Grand Junction regional dispatch center says an amber alert is only issued if there is abduction. Just because a child is missing doesn't necessary qualify the case for an amber alert? There also has to be suspicion that the missing person is in danger, a good description of the victim, and the suspects and suspects' vehicle. Even though some cases don't meet amber alert requirements, the work doesn't stop. Glen Klaich says "we have other resources such as, a community notification, door to door canvassing with officer, request volunteers, enlist search and rescue, use a k-9 to help track, a lot of resources we don't just stop with the paper work of an initial investigation." The ever powerful...social media, Heidi Davidson says, "It's an imperative tool, in getting every set of eye that we can out looking for a missing person, or missing child." Tina Tippen says, "I don't get the full story and detail of it until, so really for me Facebook is more effective. Just love your kids; it only takes a minute, for them to be gone forever." Grand Junction police say that social media plays a crucial role when people are missing too. It's a way for law enforcement to get the information spread far and fast. The decision to issue an amber alert is ultimately up to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, once CBI decides to issue an amber alert; they alert the department of transportation, to post the information on roadways, and the national association of broadcasters to share on media outlets like ours. Technology certainly has the potential to help out in moments of crisis. Tonight though, that just isn't how this one ended. Tonight in Colorado many parents are holding their little ones tightly.

### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 10, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Karaline Anne**

**Duration: 1:19**

8 hundred thousand dollars' worth of heroin seized right here in our backyards... That's the second major drug bust in mesa county in the last week. It happened at around 10:30 Tuesday morning. Law enforcement made a routine traffic stop when the car didn't have a visible license plate. 23 year old April Gomez and 24 year old Ricky Medina were inside the car when a cop approached near mile marker 28. They smelled marijuana, and then were given permission to search the car. They found six large plastic packages with a total of 14 pounds of heroin packed inside. The sheriff's office says the most common drug bust around here is methamphetamine but they are seeing an increase in heroine. Sergeant Henry Stoffel says, "We're seeing an increase of heroin in the valley, that's due to it being more difficult to get opioid type prescription drugs. So those who have been addicted to oxycodone, OxyContin, things of that nature turn to heroin because it's the most similar type of high." The sheriff's office tells me drug busts are not uncommon as I-70 is a main corridor for drugs being transported from the west coast to the middle of the country. Last Thursday's drug bust was near Mack where a K-9 detected multiple different drugs. Like meth, cocaine, and pot. The two people in the car were booked into the mesa county detention facility and are both being held on a 50 thousand dollar bond.

### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**March 14, 2017 Reporter: Matt Vanderveer/ Melinda Bolton/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:16**

The numbers are in and in 2016--- the city of Grand Junction saw a 40 percent increases in violent crime. That's according to the Grand Junction police department's annual crime report. It's a spike that comes as law enforcement resources are stretched thin-trying to fight the crime which continues to increase and become more dangerous. Crime in general in Grand Junction increased 9 percent between 2015 and 2016. This crime report allows the p-d to break down areas they need to focus on more, to help keep the community safe. It was a busy year; it was a dangerous one for law enforcement." A 9 percent increase in crime...."that is pretty surprising, it feels like a peaceful valley." and more shocking-- a nearly 40 percent increase in \*violent\* crime in 2016. That includes homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault. Police say there may be a reason for this staggering increase. Heidi Davidson says, "We were able to identify a change in legislation in 2016 changed the way that strangulation investigations have been classified turning the crime into a felony. Regardless, violent crime was still up. It could have been as low at 17 percent- which is still alarming. The police department says they have seen a big increase in call load over the years-- but their staff only increases by one or two officers a year. "Our

officers certainly have less uncommitted time which is time in-between calls to do that proactive enforcement. This is why they say the annual report shows misleading trends-- such as only a 9 percent increase in drug violations, and a 5 percent increase in DUI's. "So when we see decreases in them, it may be a reflection of less time officers to enforce them." the Mesa County Sheriff's office says they also saw violent crime on the rise across the county. Todd Rowell says, "right now out of all the sheriff's offices on the western slope, we investigate more than half the violent crime." their increases were linked specifically to child abuse, sex offenses and homicides. "There is a reality facing us in the future. We are going to need more resources and the community helps. "Law enforcement will continue to track trends to see if 2016 was an unique spike or the new norm....."What we want to focus on is how do we best utilize and deploy the resources we have." GJPD will be hiring two new officers to patrol downtown. Their annual report shows that trespass incidents increased by 60 percent in 2016-- and they hope these new officers will help to address those issues. Now police tell me that these numbers don't mean anything without an evaluation. For example—DUI's only increased by 5 percent in 2016. While that may look and sound good...there are underlying reasons behind that. They tell me they just don't have enough patrol officers to be out providing proactive enforcement to catch drunk drivers.

## ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER/NATURAL DISASTER

### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 5, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 1:52**

Snow dumping on the grand valley early this morning hasn't let up yet. The city says their main priority for plowing is main roads like here on Patterson as well as North Avenue and I-70 business loop. As you can see the roads snow plows are busy. Darren Starr says, "we came in at 4 am thinking we were going to get ahead of it, at 4 am had the crew in here, at 4 am nothing happened. A storm that came in quick this morning." John Adams said, "It came on kind of fast and really dumped for a while." Caught everybody by surprise I think. Lux Miller said, "I'm really surprised we have this much all of a sudden. Causing snow plows to work double duty." Darren Starr said, "The biggest dilemma with stuff like this is about the time that people started to come in and commute to work was about the time it started to snow." The city has 11 plows and put 9 on the road this morning. Darren Starr said, "we saw we needed to pull some snow off some of our wide roads, Patterson and I-70 B, so we tandem up some trucks, that allows us to get the snow off in one scoop. I went along for the bumpy snow plow ride. Plows throwing salt and magnesium chloride." Lux Miller said, "They were really, really slippery ... even when I was going really slowly my car was like swaying a little bit. I was trying to minimize my driving as much as possible." John Adams says, "They plow the main road, you get on this die streets, if it stays like this tomorrow morning it's going to be ice." City officials say if you don't need to go out on the roads, try to avoid it. On the flip side, there is a benefit to all the cars on the road. Darren Starr says, "We do need the traffic, to make the salt work, the more cars that drive it and stir it up the better off we are. With the continuing snow fall, the plows continue their work." Darren Starr says, "we will have another crew come in tonight for tomorrow morning commute, making sure we are taking care of stuff, here when people are going home and take of it again out tomorrow." City officials add that they usually budget enough product for the roads about 13-15 each year, so they will continue to use their resources, as this is the biggest storm so far this winter.

### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 20, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 1:30**

If this warm weather has you thinking spring, you're not alone... Peach trees are budding earlier this year. With the unseasonable warmth come concerns on what this means for palisades famous fruit season. The peach trees are just starting to bud-- while cherries and apricots are well underway-- earlier than usual. They've still got plenty of time, but farmers are keeping an eye on the weather, to predict their season and protect their crops. Palisade farmers tell us the earlier warms up here in the valley, the sooner crops begin to form. For Bruce Talbott-- some of his trees specifically cherries and apricots are already starting to bud. He says that farmers usually like what they consider "boring winters and springs"....this one is proving to be a little more unusual than normal. Bruce Talbott says. "It is concerning. It is not something that we can do anything about, so were just aware. Those are high risk fruits because they have a longer exposure period for spring frost." The national weather service says a cold front will be moving in this weekend-- where overnight temperatures could dip below freezing. Farmers say as long as they stay around the 20 degree mark-- they shouldn't see too much, if any damage to any of this year's fruit. Talbott tells me he generally likes uneventful winters and springs... So the spring like weather we're getting really has him worried. On the flip side, Talbott is relieved about the above average snowpack on the grand mesa which means plenty of water for him and his neighbor's farms this spring.

### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: WebChannel Feature**

**March 15, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 1:56**

We tied the record yesterday-- breaking the high temperature today; the valley hitting 75 degrees in \*March\*. That sunshine and warm weather has people itching to hit the trails, and get outside and play. They say you can do it all in the grand valley in one day- "I'm doing a twofer today"- and the weather is certainly proving that to be true. Nick Jordan says, "I ripped holy cross and now I'm going to go shred Powderhorn and its going to be beautiful." It's perfect weather for both the slopes and the trails. It's a pretty exciting time right now as more bikers and hikers head to the hills. People come from all over the planet to ride our trails. There are so many and they are so diverse. Organizations are working to make sure our 10 thousand miles of trails, are in tip top condition. Dave Grossman says, "because of all the activity they see, is a pretty significant effort and requires a lot of work of all types." The Grand Valley Trail Alliance says after a wet winter, trails need a bit of work. We see erosion from moisture, we see erosion because people walk through mud or rode bike through it; meaning its time, to prepare the trails for the heavy foot and tire traffic that's to come. Outdoor recreation is beginning to step up and become one of the most important economic drivers in our valley and I think the trails are the real reason for that. As those trails undergo maintenance, it's important to make sure your bike is geared up and ready to go too. Henry Mollack says, "Once the weather warm up, everyone seems to pick their bikes up out of the garage." This means bike shops are busy at work too; checking to see if the brakes work and see if it shifts correctly. If it doesn't, bring it on in and as many are eager to enjoy the great outdoors. "It's the spring thaw, it happens every year." The trail alliance reminds residents to use proper trail etiquette. Stay on the trails, try not to impact the trail and just be a good user. As bikers from all over, come to enjoy what the western slope has to offer. It brings a lot of money, a lot of people, a lot of fun- I think is the most important thing. The grand valley trail alliance is working with numerous organizations to update the trails, but also build new trails and new features to existing ones....to remain what they call being the "trail capital" of Colorado.

## CONSUMER INFORMATION AND PROTECTION

### **11 News at Noon – Ongoing**

**Reporter: Crispin Havener**

Every other Wednesday, a Home Depot store associate joins us in the studio with home improvement ideas, varying with the seasons, and how to achieve maximum home improvement with less cost.

### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 4, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 2:29**

A local post office worker is sentenced in federal court today for stealing several gift cards out of people's mail. One of the victim's -- is a local couple who are sending a birthday present to their daughter in California. It was at this post office box, where Jennifer Healy and her husband Spencer dropped off their letter to their daughter. It was six days before her birthday but her present never arrived. Personally I feel violated after they say their daughter's birthday present was stolen by a postal worker. Spencer explains what happened. Spencer Healy, I sent her a birthday card with 100\$ gift card form target. I drove here so I could put it in to a post office mail box, I drove here and I put in this box over here marked letters, on Friday the 13th, so she would get it on the 19th. Just in time for her birthday but it never arrived.... someone had stolen the card and used it. Spencer Healey, my wife Jennifer called at target and they said the card was cashed the next day after I mailed it. According to court papers, that person was Fruita resident, and post office worker Kara Leigh Neff. Neff's job was to transport mail to and from the foresight mail processing facility, in Grand Junction, from other post offices in mesa county including this collection box in Mack, CO. Spencer Healey, I feel like I were cheated I attempted to contact Neff at her home, she refused to comment. She was sentenced on Tuesday to serve one year probation and ordered to pay \$200 in restitution ... \$100 of that to the Healey's. Spencer Healey said, "That's only fair and maybe she learned a lesson and maybe me doing this." Spencer was a postal worker himself for 40 years and says it could be easy for Neff to go under the radar and employees knew what the consequence would be. Spencer Healey says, "We used the post office all the time and we are satisfied with it, my concern is violations like that, need to be reported." In the end, Neff was busted through a sting operation, where authorities placed a bait envelope along her route. Court papers also said that Neff was involved in a shoplifting incident in 2006.

### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 3, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Karaline Anne**

**Duration: 1:56**

It's not an easy topic to discuss, sexual abuse among our children. The Western Slope Center for Children is now hoping to make it a bit easier through a training program they offer. While there are no definite answers, since introducing the program about a year ago the center has seen a decrease in abuse. In 2015, 424 kids came through the center, that number declined in 2016 to 391 kids. But what hasn't changed is 7 to twelve year olds are the age group most commonly assaulted. Melissa Lytle, director of center, but went through course says, "personally I feel like I have given my kids the resources to know that they are making good decisions when they're out there" it's tough to talk about, Lytle also says, "we

like to not think about the terrible things that happen, not only in the world but especially in our own little community." For Melissa Lytle- the darkness to lights steward of children training opened up the door for conversations with her two boys. Lytle says, "They can come to me and what potentially may be very difficult conversations." It's a free sexual abuse training program, offered by the western slope center for children. Jody Brandon says, "it's an evidence based approach to child sexual abuse prevention to educate any adult on sexual abuse in children." Brandon also says, "if a child is just acting differently, if they're not eating right, or withdrawing somewhat, getting stomach aches all of a sudden, teaching people how to start the conversation." Brandon says, "You want to let that child feel safe and comfortable. Let them know you're proud of them for coming to talk to you about it, and you're going to be there, and just listen to them." Prompting child advocates coming, learning, and hopefully decreasing that number even more. Lytle says, "Getting the education that I need, as well as how to keep my kids safe, and promote it to other people on how to keep their kiddos safe as well too." The one catch is that the program is only offered to adults. The next training day will take place later this month, then another one in March. There won't be any sessions in April but the center has different events for child abuse awareness month.

#### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**March 22, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 2:05**

Warm weather is drawing people to Grand Junction parks, but graffiti is turning them away. Parents are calling it inappropriate and offensive and they've spotted it at a busy local park. This time of night there are a ton of kids here at Canyon View Park, and especially during spring break. But words like this, splashed in parks are not something parents want to see. More families are heading here. Alanna Spees says, "we love the park here we love coming out." But a trip to the park can quickly be ruined. Spees says, "I wouldn't take my kids out of there if there was inappropriate graffiti." If there's graffiti visible to the kids, not this kind (chalk); this kind. Oh noooooooooo it says Crip. Parents say this word has been painted here at canyon view for nearly two weeks. Alanna Spees says, "I don't want to point fingers," but parents do want answers. Due to funding cuts the GJPD and the sheriff's office have cut their graffiti removal programs. Alanna Spees says whether it's a bad word or not it deals with a harmful subject matter. The sheriff's office says they still do graffiti removal just not to the extent that they used to; but when we called the graffiti hotline this is what we heard. At this time the program has been suspended and we are not able to do any clean up. So whose responsibility is it to clean up our parks? Mike Vendegna, Parks superintendent says, "we do an inspection every day, of everything playground and well as every facility." The parks and recreation department says it's in their daily operations, to make sure parks are clean and safe. Mike Vendegna says, "We will take care no matter how much we get and although they have faced budget cuts too they says they make graffiti removal a priority." Vendegna says, "It's still a lot, we don't want that type of stuff there." Rebecca Cert says, "I think it's really important especially in this area since this is where the kids play so they don't see the graffiti and think it ok." So anytime you see something like this in a park make sure you call the parks and recreation main line. They say they can usually power wash graffiti off, or they can use a sand blaster. Grand Junction parks and rec takes care of 300 acres of parks and they say they have a significant staff to do so.

#### **POLITICS/LAWMAKING**

#### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 16, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 2:14**

Today hundreds around the grand valley came out to celebrate the life of Martin Luther King Junior and remember his fight for civil rights. Allies and community leaders took to the streets to peacefully march and create awareness on this historic day. At CMU's event there are speakers, community resources and jazz bands playing. It's a great day for a march isn't it? Everyone marching for a different reason. Barbara Michel says, "I wanted the boys to know that today is not just a day off from school or a day off from work that it has a meaning behind it, and that we didn't always have this day." What does unity look like; this is what unity looks like. Emmanuel Cisneros says, "That we are engaged and willing to stand up and not be complacent anymore." Jon Williams says, "This day means to me and acknowledgement and recognition that civil change is important." Taking to the streets and filling up civil rights icon. Handy chapel, Juanita Trujillo says "it's the first year she has passed on, it's so important to carry on the legacy for Grandma Josephine." Barbara Michel says "a community like Grand Junction is majority white, they are coming out support a holiday like this it mean a lot it shows that the principal that this man stood for we all believe in, a day to remember a man who fought for change in 1963." Jon Williams says "I think this is really amazing, as the racial tension in our country have been high, and even within our small community we are making acknowledgements about civil change." Barbara Michel says "that she hopes and dreams it our duty and responsibility to keep this alive, I don't think that administration has to do that reminding the community to judge people not by the color of their skin but by the content of their character... I have a dream today." Emmanuel Cisneros says "to let people know they are not alone, if you believe in equality and fighting for civil rights, it's amazing, it's inspiring it really is." Juanita Trujillo says "it's a time for us to stand up and speak up and speak out and go in a way that we keep hope and not fall into despair, sometimes its causes me to tremble, tremble, and tremble." The celebration is not over,



though here at the CMU university center, speakers will take the stage to encourage the community to keep raising their voices.

#### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 16, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Karaline Anne**

**Duration: 2:15**

According to migration policy dot org-- there are around 20 million legal immigrants in the United States. In response to trump's immigration plans- people across the country protested today as part of "a day without immigrants." businesses across the country either closed completely or allowed employees to take the day off to show solidarity for immigrants in the country. Carlos Ruiz says, "I got to the united states in 1998." Carlos Ruiz was just 22 years old. Ruiz says, "My first impression of America was about opportunities, about hard working people get ahead" he says his reasoning for immigrating is simple. Ruiz says, "To be able to be successful, to work hard and accomplish your dreams" and after living in this country for more than a decade. I became a citizen a few years ago." Ruiz is one of thousands protesting in -a day without immigrants. Ruiz says, "I decided to join this effort of a day without immigrants because I think it's very important to send a message across the country." Businesses are closing or allowing immigrant workers to take off for the day. Tom Acker, from Hispanic affairs says, "I think it's an important means for showing solidarity with the immigrant community we have to remember we're all 1 or 2 generations away from immigrants ourselves." It comes as a response to president trumps immigration ban. Ruiz says, "It's more complex than what you think, in order to become a citizen you have to have somebody to apply for you to become a citizen and says if there's one message he hopes to send. Ruiz says, "We have a very strong stereotype just like bad people, and that's not the case. We are here; we're just hard working people who want to provide for our families, who want more opportunities." Ruiz tells me that stereotypes exist everywhere-- he hopes that today will stand as a message, and get people to not judge as quickly as he worked hard to become a citizen- and is proud of the accomplishment. The chamber and downtown business improvement district- and they both said that there were no business closings that they were aware of.

#### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 6p 2<sup>nd</sup> Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**March 27, 2017 Reporter: Crispin Havener/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 2:10**

More than 150 people who weren't buckled up died in car crashes in Colorado in 20-14. Those numbers are from c-dot. C-dot says if everyone had buckled up, nearly half of the victims would have lived. Ahead of this week's click it or ticket enforcement. James Romero, Fruita says, "I just got a dirty habit just jumping in the car and going" buckling up is still an issue in the grand valley. James Romero, Fruita says "to me short distance I am not going excessive speed, I'm here in town." Trooper Glen Hunter says, "We find that a person not wearing is a state wide thing, it does happen more in rural areas." Sunday CSP sat at 32 & E road to see how many people wear wearing their seatbelt. Tpr. Glen Hunter says, "We have a trooper sit on the side of the road, and check they found that 23 percent of people were not buckled up. They were not stopped." CSP says a trained state trooper can see whether or not you are wearing your seatbelt from the back of your car. Let me show you; when I get in my car, and choose not to buckle seatbelt, look here. You can see this seatbelt is facing down, now if I do buckle my seatbelt, you can see the angle has changed. Tpr. Glen hunter says, "a lot of times, we stop someone that we know they aren't wearing their seatbelt and we watch them grab their seatbelt really slowly and put it on. They know all the tricks." For adults -- not wearing a seatbelt is a secondary violation, which means you have to be doing something else, like speeding, following too close, or have a cracked windshield for troopers to pull you over. James Romero says, "I don't know why I've never been that way, I grew up when we don't have seat belt I just don't need it one." A recent and very serious accident in Fruita where two were injured proves the point even more. Frannie Terrell - west of Mack said, "I had a bad accident last December. I'm still recovering, probably would have been worse if I didn't have my seat belt on. Making always buckling up... Well worth it. Buckle up because it can save your life." The minimum fine for not wearing a seatbelt is 65-dollars per violation. Troopers say it has to be worn correctly.

### **VOLUNTEERISM/ COMMUNITY AID/ COMMUNITY EFFORTS**

#### **Community Calendar**

**Web Channel Feature**

An ongoing calendar of community events, classes, volunteers opportunities, etc... This is a viewer/station collaborative effort.

#### **KKCO 11 NEWS at 10p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 2, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Karaline Anne**

**Duration: 2:42**

It's not the Christmas surprise anyone wants to receive...After living in the same home for years... A Montrose family is now facing eviction. They say the entire situation is out of the blue. They're being evicted by Colorado west property management but they consider themselves to be good tenants. Larry Bouchez, says, "We've been here for 10 years, we've never been late for our rent and now they want to evict us." Larry Bouchez and his family were shocked. "I couldn't believe it. I go to my daughter, get the lease and read it, I don't think they can do that." The Bouchez family has been renting the same home for nearly a decade, but over the last few months they've continued to receive what property management is calling service fees. Larry says, "Not mowing your grass, needs to be watered, can't park a truck in front of your house, things like that. Every time they come out, they charge us \$20, and I did not know this." What started as a few minor payments became much more. Larry says, "I got out the lease out and paragraph 4, which are what it reads: any non-payment of service fees will be deducted from the deposit." The Bouchez family awoke to an eviction notice, on their front door." Larry says, "But according to our lease they cannot evict us because of a service fee." The family has since taken the issue to court, where their property manager won. Linda Bouchez says, "We were blindsided, we already knew he was a tough guy to deal with. For him to be in control of a property management and do people this way is really ruthless for him to do." ruthless -- they say because of another complication. It's not going to be easy for them to simply pack up and haul their life away. Larry says, "I'm a disabled veteran, my wife has cancer." While the family doesn't know exactly why this is all happening, they have their suspicions. Larry said, "If you rent in this area, they seem to single you out because you're a renter, you don't own a house here in bear creek." They say it all started when they made a simple bathroom maintenance request months later. It still hasn't been fixed. No matter what, the Bouchez's are out of options and out of a home. "We have to be out by the 5<sup>th</sup>, I just don't want to move because I have no place to go." Bouchez's two daughters and grandkids also live in the home. He says they're considering an eviction yard sale to try and raise money for their moving costs the family says they want answers, but instead have a judge's ruling ringing in their ears.

#### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 15, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:05**

Dangerous driving, it's an umbrella term for an action that can put the lives of others at risk. 2016 is being called the deadliest year on Colorado's roadways in nearly a decade-- and triple a foundation for traffic safety is reporting that millennials are in part to blame. Nationally-- traffic deaths have continued to rise and here in Colorado, were no stranger to that trend. Troopers say over the past 45 days-- 48 people have died on Colorado roadways. Young drivers admit...Collbren Lange says, "I try not to but I have been guilty at glancing at it or trying to see whose getting ahold of me at times." their cell phones lead to a new world of distractions. "It's just the instinct to look if you hear an alert and see whose trying to get ahold of you." According to a report by triple a-- 88 percent of millennials-- aged 19 through 24-- engaged in at least one risky behavior behind the wheel in the past 30 days. Whether that's sneaking a glance at your phone...it's becoming more and more of an issue or other distractions such as a car full of people. State Trooper, Chris Wright says, "teens are already inexperienced and at that age we felt like we were superman and were bullet proof and we are not. "It's something local driving instructor Tom Trodgon teaches-- how to be safe and aware on the road. "Everyone has a bad day. Your emotions take place, inside distractions, outside distractions, but when you are the driver you have to focus on the primary task of driving." The triple a report shows millennials drivers are twice as likely to send a text while driving, and 12 % feel it's safe to speed. But it's not just young drivers that are putting lives at risk. Colorado state patrol says in the past 45 days-- 48 people have died on our roads. "Deaths behind the wheel have become normal. We accept it and there is no reason to accept that. We need everyone in the community to focus on fixing the problem." Troopers are doing what they can to protect drivers...from a physical reminder for high schoolers, to just overall education. You can make a pledge to not drive distracted- put that in your vehicle so I promised myself at least that I wasn't going to do this. Those 48 deaths we have seen on our roadways this year-- are about the amount we saw this time last year. Troopers say that if drivers-- millennials and adults-continue to drive dangerously we could see upwards of 400 fatalities in 2017. That triple a report says that 50 percent of millennial drivers also report running red lights.

#### **KKCO 11 News at 10p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**March 21, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:19**

Hard to believe-- one year ago today, the Grand Valley lost 13 year old Delaney Clements to a rare childhood cancer, neuroblastoma. Delaney touched the valley and far beyond with her personality and infectious smile-- but she also left a legacy of awareness for childhood cancer, a message her friends and family will never let die. A tough day for friends and family, and quite frankly-- a tough year while Delaney may be gone-- her message and awareness of the need for research and funding for childhood cancer-- lives on. "I really just think of her laugh," says Brianna Brodak. 365 days without 13-year-old Delaney Clements. Taylor Simonton says, "I think she touched almost everyone's lives." a brave young girl--"she made everyone around her be who they truly were deep down," says Brelyn Troutwine."Delaney, who lost her battle one year ago to a rare cancer, had the ability to look above and reach beyond what most adults can see as what she was going through," says Gilbert Garcia. That vibrant spirit, "even on bad days she still found a way to smile and still found a way to

be positive," says Briana. Led Delaney to be the voice of other children suffering like her. "Childhood cancer I think, it's overlooked a little bit," says Brian Clark. While it's been a tough year- losing the beautiful dancing queen, Briana says, "its felt like one really long bad day." Her friends and family are now making sure her legacy and mission to raise awareness, lives on. Taylor says, "She has inspired me to want to advocate for childhood cancer, and to get people to know it isn't as rare as everyone thinks." every year 800 more kids are diagnosed with cancer. Of all the funding that goes into researching different kinds of cancer, only 4 percent of it goes towards children. Briana says, "Most of the treatments are 20 plus years old, or they are adult treatments that are really hard on kids." now that her fight is over-- those close to her will focus on Delaney Donates, an organization the young girl put together her. Brian says, "we have helped a lot of people in this valley who have struggled through cancer, with financial donations and support in that way- so we want to keep that going to honor Delaney." Allowing her- to continue to touch the lives of many, Brian says, "We just don't want to forget about her. She made a big impact and I think her legacy lives on today." Hoping that one day, there will be a cure, "one small difference can make a huge impact in the world," says Brelyn. Friends tell me that Delaney Donates did receive their 501C3 to be a non-profit organization-- and they are working on updating the website to get it up and running that way they can begin helping our families in need once again. Here will be a celebration of Delaney's life this Saturday night at Charlie Dwellingtons. The entire community is invited to go and dance in Delaney's honor.

#### YOUTH/CHILDREN AT RISK/YOUTH VIOLENCE/YOUTH SUPPORT

##### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**January 12, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Carly Moore**

**Duration: 1:06**

The National Education Association says kindergarten creates a solid education foundation. But a new plan could cost millions. District 51 board of education weighed the pros and cons of implementing a full day kindergarten program in every school. Harlin Wall says "in preschool there is quite a difference for one child to the next, some of them seem prepared for kindergarten and some really don't. Research shows the importance of full-day kindergarten programs, 40 percent of students that weren't in an all-day program, were left behind by their peers, leaving a learning gap." Eric Nilsen, D51 director maintenance and operations says, "I think the real benefit is the difference it makes, it education, I think they are looking at the data, that shows kids that, spend a full day in kindergarten, have a first start going into first grade. I don't think all kids go into first grade with an equal foundation." Eric Nilsen says he gives his analysis as a grandparent, but usually he is a numbers guy. Eric Nilsen says, "My part is try and come together with some capital costs with additional class rooms." Right now a typical kindergarten classroom holds about 20 students, if the district decides to go to an all-day kindergarten; they'll have to add 9 new class rooms. Eric Nilsen says the district has some option to do that, one of the options we are looking at are module buildings, some of the school have several modular, we are giving them an option, to do additions to the school so I might be blend of modular. Adding modeler's at six different elementary schools would cost the district 2.5 million dollars. If the district decided to build on additions that cost is estimated at about 10 million dollars. Eric Nilsen says "the board of education, is trying to put all the pieces, together so that they can weigh this in a responsible fashion, see what are their options and how can they make this work. What will our community support?" Harlin wall says, "That money has to come from somewhere and it's probably going to come from tax payer's wallets, like we aren't already stretching it thin, enough, the district says this plan is still in the research phase and nothing is set in stone, yet." The district doesn't know how they'll get all the necessary funding. That'll determine the timeline and when and \*if they decide to move forward.

##### **KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**February 6, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Crispin Havener**

**Duration: 4:41**

One in four people in the world will be affected by mental or neurological disorders at some point in their lives. And from young to old it's a crisis that has really been impacting our community. That's why every Monday this month; we will be taking an in-depth look at Mental Health in our community in a series called "Changing Minds." Just think 1 in 68 kids have been diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. To put that into perspective, there are 21 thousand kids in district 51, that means as many as 600 could be on the spectrum. But a lack of funding to help treat autism along with other mental disabilities and health issues is limiting what can be done. And in some cases Mothers like the one you're about to meet, are going above and beyond to do whatever it takes to help their kids. Kaylee Cooper looks like any young mother taking care of her 5 year old twins. But there is more than meets the eye in her and her twins' journey. It's traumatizing to say the least; overwhelming, frustrating, yeah helpless. Kaylee was just six months into her pregnancy back 2011 when she went into labor, the twins born with a host of health problems. They were born requiring oxygen, hemorrhages on their eyes, immature feeding requiring feeding tubes; a nightmare that would only continue during a 2 month stay in the NICU. Alarms were going off if their heart rates were dropping or oxygen dropping. Looking up all these diagnosis on the internet and realizing my kids were going to have long term consequences. Physical ailments and mental challenges had Kaylee searching for help, and she found it was tough to find on the western slope. We only had 1 pediatric eye specialist, and when she retired there was no pediatric eye specialist...The feeding clinic my son needed to be a part

of, there is nothing like that around here. It's a problem Doug Sorter has seen a lot in his years with Strive. A lot of times in the past they would be uprooted from the community and moved to the eastern slope or elsewhere. Each year Strive treats 1400 kids and adults with mental disabilities and health issues. There's certainly more recognition of mental health and are getting better diagnosing...there is also some increased diagnosis like Autism Spectrum Disorders where it's happening more often and we don't know why. But they've taken strides to bring more support to Western Colorado. We are able to provide those needed therapies and training that are not provided by other agencies in the area and haven't been until we took the role. But support can only go as far as their funding allows. We lose \$180k a year supporting people and families with autism. We can't sustain that and we can't find that support in our community. Kaylee has turned her need for support into support for others, she's recently started a program called the Parent Mentor Network to help other families you need someone to point you in the right direction instead of just asking "can you help me? Can you help me?" She hopes her knowledge and that other of other parents can help moms and dads going through the same ordeal find the path to give their kids the best care. We are out there we know how traumatizing and heavy this is asking the same questions over and over again. Now Mom says Both Alexandra who you saw there and Hayden are now thriving. But one message we kept on hearing was learn about the issues. What needs to be done, how it's done, and what can be done is hugely important.

I also talked to one of the mothers in Cooper's Parent Mentor Network program named Joanne Proppe. She told me how difficult it was just a generation ago to find out what was really up with her kids, and how once she found out on her own happened got the help for them that they needed.

**KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story**  
**Including: Webchannel Feature**  
**March 1, 2017 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**  
**Duration: 1:41**

The man just arrested on those dozens of child sexual assault charges has our community wondering -- what are the signs and symptoms of child abuse, and how can they help prevent it? The reality is- child sexual abuse isn't all that uncommon. Experts estimate that one in 10 children are sexually abused by before their 18th birthday but there are ways to spot abuse in its early stages. Casa- or the court appointed special advocates- provide a voice for abused children in Mesa County. They tell me red flags of abuse-- differ if the person abusing the child or victim is someone they know, or a stranger. But like most sexual assaults, 90 percent of child victims, do know their abuser. Advocates say to keep an eye on children who seem to be neglected-- that could mean they don't have warm clothes, or they have poor hygiene. But if the abuse is physical or sexual -- I'm told those victims will shy away from the person who is hurting them or may seem uncomfortable. Just pay attention to the kids around you and ask open ended questions - are you okay and can i help you with anything? Currently if you see a change in their behavior, it's something you can ask about. Advocates say even though it can make you uncomfortable, parents need to talk to their kids about abuse, even at a young age. That way- they understand that a perpetrator can be anyone in the community, especially close family members or friends. If kids are aware of what abuse looks like, they'll be better prepared to react if they're ever faced with abusive situations. If you do suspect child abuse of any sort being committed against any child- you're asked to the number here on your screen. Advocates say even if you are unsure, it's better to make a call when everything is okay, than to not make a call, and leave a child suffering and in pain.

Live interviews are conducted on a regular basis by the mid-day anchor, Crispin Havener. He speaks with community Leaders, non-profit organizations, medical personnel, etc. to discuss topics of concern and information for the viewer. Interviews are also held with organizations regarding upcoming events to benefit their community programs and services.

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