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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 10p Lead Story**

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**October 25, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds**

**Duration: 1:15**

The Grand Valley Pony club held their annual Halloween fun show today. Horses and their riders dressed in costumes to be judged at the Mesa County Fairgrounds. Costumes included little red riding hood and her horses version of the big bad wolf, a fisherman and his lobster, and a headless horseman. The all-day event included barrel racing, jumps and other multiple obstacles and entrance fees from the multiple competitions went towards funding the Pony club through 2016. It's a day for kids to come up and parents to come out enjoy the day together with their horses, and it's a fundraiser for our Grand Valley Pony club. The Grand Valley Pony Club has been a staple part of our areas horse lover community since the turn of the millennium. The club competes in dressage, jumping, and eventing. New members are always welcome to join. We have a link on our website for more information

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 6, 2015 Reporter: Crispin Havener**

**Duration: 1:10**

The Mesa county Health Department has recently seen an increase in complaints about dogs in stores and restaurants. They want to remind people that only service animals are allowed in retail food establishments. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, only dogs and miniature ponies that are trained to do a specific task are considered service animals. Pets that are not service animals may put people's health at risk if they are around food. Marcela Lucas says, "You can have dog hair, sometimes pets aren't trained to do certain things so they might not be as obedient as maybe a service animal would be because they are trained to do that." Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, animals that provide emotional support or comfort are not counted as a service animal and are therefore not allowed in food establishments. However, the law does require all places of business to allow certified service animals.

CRIME AND PERSONAL SAFETY

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**October 26, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 2:27**

Jury selection began for the trial of Douglas Thames today. Thames is accused of sexually assaulting and murdering a woman in 1994. According to police reports, Thames lived next to the victim at the time of the crime, yet was not a suspect until DNA evidence was discovered in 2012. It's the start of what is predicted to a 6 week trial for Thames, who is accused of sexually assaulting and murdering Jacie Taylor, more than two decades ago. Thames is currently serving a life sentence without parole for the murder and rape of Susan Doll in 1989. Thames denies ever being at the crime scene where Taylor was murdered. Today the prosecution and defense attorney's Grath MacCarty and Greg Greer began questioning potential jurors for the case. Jury selection beings for Douglas Thames, the man accused of murdering and sexually assaulting a Palisade teen more than 20 years ago. On June 4, 1994 police received a call that a deceased woman was found in her upstairs bathroom at this apartment in Palisade. The victim, 19 year old Jacie Taylor, who was pronounced dead at the scene. The coroner said Taylor has been sexually assaulted and ruled Taylor's death a homicide by strangulation. Following the investigation in 1996 Colorado courts convicted Robert Dewey for the murder of Taylor based on circumstantial evidence. Throughout his case, Dewey maintained his innocence yet a jury found him guilty and sentenced him to life in prison without parole. Then in 2012, the Innocence Project, which helps prisoners prove their innocence through DNA testing, confirmed that none of the DNA found at the crime scene belonged to Dewey, specifically the semen found on a blanket. This eventually led to his exoneration for Taylor's death. However, this new DNA research did find a match to a man who was already serving a life sentence for a murder and rape in Fort Colling that occurred in 1989. His name is Douglas Thames. While DNA places Thames at the scene of the crime, he denies ever having been inside the apartment. Since the DNA evidence places Thames at the scene, moving forward the prosecution will have to prove a motive for the crime. Thames was joined today at the court house by his Grandmother and Mother. Neither the defense nor prosecution wanted to make a comment at this time.

Thames' jury will consist of 18 members, 12 of whom will have a say in the decision, as well as 6 backups. If convicted, Thames has the potential to serve another life sentence or be put to the death penalty.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 19, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:35**

Guests of hotels, often have a quick check in and little contact with staff, making it difficult for hotels to monitor the behavior of those staying in their rooms. Hotel managers sat there have been a recent string of vehicle break-ins and theft, as they team up with police to reduce crime on their properties. Local hotel owners underwent training today with Police to find effective ways to reduce calls for service on their property and minimize criminal activity that then affects our surrounding community. There are not only hotels, it's been out on the Redlands, and it's been all over. A crime spree in Grand Junction, is how Clarion Inn manager, Darshann Ruckman describes the recent vehicle break-ins at local hotels. Something Police say is one of the most common calls they respond to on hotel properties. "You have a lot of cars concentrated in a parking lot and it makes it easy for criminals to look through and try to get into those cars and get valuables," Cory Tomps says. Ruckman has already taken Police advice to increase parking lot lighting and security at night, something police suggest as part of their Safe Hotel training with local managers and owners across the valley. Ruckman says, "We communicate a lot with the other hotels out of Horizon Drive because if we have an issue with a guest, we don't want to send that issue to another hotel." Communication with police is all part of the PD's Safe Hotel Program. The training briefed hotel managers on ways to keep track of who is staying in their hotel for security reasons. As Police often see drug use and manufacturing in hotels as well as people pass in and out of the area. "People use a hotel room to manufacture drugs because it is a mobile crime that they can do it at different tops and do that process as they are moving along." Through this program police evaluate a hotel's environment to address how crime in the area can be reduced to not only provide for a safer resort for guests but reducing crime that can then move into our surrounding neighborhoods. By reducing the crime in those hotels, were also enhancing the quality of life for the people around there. One of the neat things about this program is that for the hotels that participate in the Safe Hotel Program with the PD, officers will release a weekly log of all calls they respond to on a hotels' property. Ruckman with the Clarion Inn says every week she goes through the log to see if there are any criminal patterns they can address to prevent dangerous situations. This program is part of the community outreach programs the PD provides to keep lines of communication open with the public.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 27, 2015 Reporter: Makenzie O'Keefe/Crispin Havener**

**Duration: 2:20**

Right to the latest from the shootout in Colorado Springs, where the suspect is now in custody. The shootout and standoff between the gunman and officers had been going on for more than 5 hours Friday at the Planned Parenthood clinic. According to Colorado Springs Police, of the 11 people transported to the hospital from the scene, 5 were officers. The Police chief does not have any confirmation on the number of fatalities in this situation. The suspect was apprehended by police just before 5pm tonight, no confirmation on whether that suspect was shot or injured; he was however taken into custody alive. According to law enforcement, the weapon used by the suspect is a long gun style. Police said they have only encountered one gunman. This afternoon many civilians remained in the Planned Parenthood building while this gunman was on the loose. Those who had been injured have been rushed out and in some cases taken in SWAT vehicles in order to be taken to waiting ambulances. Here's what some officials and eyewitnesses have been saying; "We did get officers inside of the building at the Planned Parenthood. The officers were able to shout to the suspect and make communication with him. At that point, they were able to get him to surrender and take him into custody." Joan Motolinia says, "She called me and said there was a shooting. I heard the shooting and she couldn't say too much because she was afraid." Vince says, "I was just walking into King Soopers to grab some groceries and were told to go back to our cars and umm that's when a bullet cracked over my head and hit the stop sign on my left side. I just kind of flipped the switch and tried to do crowd control and get people back to their cars as fast as they could." Reactions are coming in from far and wide. This is from Planned Parenthood, "Our top priority is the safety of our patients and staff. Our hearts go out to everyone involved in this tragic situation. Planned Parenthood has strong security measures in place, works closely with law enforcement agencies, and has a very strong safety record. WE don't yet know the full circumstances and motives behind this criminal action and we don't yet know if Planned Parenthood was in fact the target of this attack." Gov. Hickenlooper says, "We hold the Colorado Springs community in our thoughts and prayers. The bravery and courage of the local law enforcement officers have prevented a dire situation from being far worse and we are all grateful. We are in contact with Mayor Suthers. All state Public Safety resources are at the ready if and when needed." President Obama has been briefed on the situation throughout the day as well.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**December 15, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 3:33**

The man responsible for killing a Palisade teen upon the Grand Mesa while hunting this past September made an appearance in court today; Guy Pohto of Minnesota has been charged with reckless manslaughter for his role in the hunting death of Justin Burns. It was an emotional day inside the court room as friends and family of Justin Burns attended a hearing for Guy Pohto, the man accused of killing 14 year old Justin Burns. In today's hearing, family and friends filled the court room sharing a strong message. This is us coming together in support and in honor of Justin, who impacted so many and it's easy to see how many people he impacted. Hashtag Justice for Justin was printed across a white t-shirt worn by more than 50 community members sitting in the courtroom. The man charged in his death, Pohto in court for his second hearing that ultimately only led to a scheduling date for a plea on January 27<sup>th</sup>, still one step closer to justice for the Burns' family. In September, 14 year old Justin Burns was bow hunting on the Grand Mesa with his father, when he was allegedly shot in the chest and killed by Minnesota resident, Guy Pohto. Following an investigation, Pohto was charged with reckless manslaughter, a class 4 felony. Burns' family hopes hashtag justice for Justin will extend beyond the courtroom. While the hearing only lasted a few minutes, the support for the Burns' family was strong. Pohto's next court appearance will be on January 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am. He will have to either plead guilty or not guilty to both reckless manslaughter and a misdemeanor charge for hunting in a careless manor. Reckless manslaughter is a class 4 felony which according to Colorado Law can lead to between 2-6 years in prison with 3 years parole. We reached out to both the defense attorney and the district attorney on the case; both lawyers said they do have any comments at this time. Burns' family hopes to find additional ways to help spread the message "Justice for Justin."

#### ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER/NATURAL DISASTER

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 7, 2015 Reporter: Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 1:21**

Powderhorn Mountain Resort might open before the scheduled December 17<sup>th</sup> opening according to officials, as a new snow making system is covering the slopes in powder much faster than usual. The five new automated snow making guns cost eight hundred thousand dollars to install and can be monitored centrally on a computer or via a centralized application. Through the first 4 nights of snow making general manager Sam Williams says the cannons are producing on average 450 gallons of snow a minute, providing plenty of white fluffy powder for the future of skiers and snowboarders. "Each snow gun has a weather station on it and that weather station then controls the gun to be able to maximize the amount of water based on the relative air temperature, to make sure it is maximizing production," Williams says. The new technology is partnering with Mother Nature to produce such significant amounts of snow that officials believe the resort could open earlier than the December 17<sup>th</sup> date that is currently scheduled.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**December 4, 2015 Reporter: Crispin Havener/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 1:45**

It's early preview weekend up at Powderhorn Ski Resort and thanks to Mother Nature, they are opening a week early. Time to dust off the skis and snowboard because the season has officially begun, in fact it's early for those at Powderhorn Mountain Resort, as a couple hundred people enjoyed the first day of a preview weekend. The resort will open for good on December 11<sup>th</sup>, a full week early. Sam Williams says, "Mother Nature has blessed us with a lot of great snow and cold temperatures for snow making and we're able to debut our brand new high speed chairlift the Flattop Flyer. At full capacity the Flattop Flyer has the stamina to take up to 1,800 people up the mountain every hour, a vast difference from the previous lift. Caleb Weaver says, "You know it was Old Faithful, you would get up there about half way and it would freeze on you and it's freezing cold winds blowing but this new lift will be great. It's going to remedy many of those problems. Last year's Powderhorn Mountain Ski Resort saw about 60 thousand visitors, this year with the new lift, they are hoping to up that to 90 thousand. You're spending a lot less time on the lift and more time skiing and while many people call in sick to shred the powder, it was just another day on the job for me but today's excitement wasn't just about the state of the art lift. For this preview weekend, Powderhorn Mountain Resort will be offering discounted lift tickets and kids under the age of 6 will get to ski for free.

#### 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**

**October 1, 2015 Reporter: Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 2:15**

Many have been receiving new credit cards with microchips inside of them and today are the day the businesses are expected to start using them. It's a change in technology that many businesses are required to adapt to, but today, for all different reasons, I learned that many shops downtown do not yet have the technology to do so. Businesses across the country today are expected to accept chip-enabled credit cards, yet many local businesses are still waiting for the equipment or have yet to even purchase it. Those businesses that do not have a card reader after today's deadline may be held liable for any fraudulent charges that occur instead of the bank. This transition is in an effort to combat the multi-billion dollars' worth of fraudulent charges seen within the US each year. "We're seeing a lot more fraud happening, the banks have taken on a big burden of that and a lot of times it ends up costing the banks more, the businesses more, and the consumers more in the end," says Jeff Franklin. Unlike the magnetic strips on old credit cards these new chips will generate a new code for every purchase, making it nearly impossible for hackers to steal your information. This chip technology has been used by other countries for years. Willow's Creek owner Debora Beck has had her chip reader for a year now and says it's popular amongst her foreign customers. "They feel more comfortable with it probably because they have been using it for so long anyways," Beck says. Say goodbye to swiping because the chip technology is here to stay. We want customers to feel safe shopping with us as technology increases; we need to keep up with it. That's just the way it goes. The deadline was set to urge businesses to get the equipment needed to use the card readers. Don't worry, if you have yet to get your chip enabled credit card, consumers are not required to have one for another few months. Wells Fargo performed a study in which it said that 29% of the small business owners actually have their chip readers ready and working by today.

**KKCO 11 News at 6p 2nd Story****Including: Webchannel Feature****November 24, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Jessica Lebel****Duration: 2:26**

As the holiday season quickly approaches, it's important that parents know which toys can be hazardous to their children. Today there were experts at the Toys for the Fun of It toy store in downtown Grand Junction, speaking about what toy is safe for kids. There are a few tips and tricks that parents can do from their home to make sure toys are safe for their kids. One example is using a common household item like a toilet paper tube. The consumer product safety commission uses the tube to measure if the toy is small enough for a child to choke on. If the toy is able to fit inside the toilet paper tube, then it could be small enough to cause choking hazards for children. With Christmas quickly approaching, it's important for parents to detect if a toy can be hazardous to their child. This year, the Colorado Public Interest Group has found 4 potential hazards in toys you should be looking out for. "We first looked at the toxic substances in toys, whether that's from heavy metals like chromium or phthalates. We also looked at choking hazards as well as magnetic toys and excessively loud toys," says Jessica Johnes. Mike Allen, the owner of one local toy store, says he's careful about what he puts on his shelves. "One of the big things that I do is buying from reputable manufacturers, manufacturers that I know that are following the compliance standards with the CPSC," says Allen. Research finds many dangerous toys are still in stores across the country. Experts advise parents to check the consumer product safety commission's website for a list of hazardous toys. Another tip that parents can use when looking at toys is, if it's smaller than your pinky it's small enough to get stuck in a child's airway. If a toy is too loud for your child parents can put tape over the microphone or take the batteries out. Links to lists of harmful toys to look out for can be found on our website.

**KKCO 11 News at 6p Lead Story****Including: Webchannel Feature****December 18, 2015 Reporter: Makenzie O'Keefe/ Crispin Havener/ Tanni Deb****Duration: 2:51**

Mesa County may be the next destination for people looking to start an innovative business. Community leaders met this morning to announce a new tax relief program that will encourage new businesses to set up shop in the county and in turn increase job growth. Community leaders announced this morning that Mesa County is open for business. The county has approved a new program that is designed to help growth in the economies of rural areas in Colorado. This will increase both jobs and businesses in economically distressed areas, something we see here in the valley. The announcement this morning means big business for the Grand Valley. CMU and Mesa County officials have submitted an application to the state to participate in the rural jump start zone tax credit program. This program will offer tax incentives to new and existing innovative businesses, allowing companies and its employees to be tax free for 10 years. Last fall a number of business leaders came together and decided that they needed a tool that would help Mesa County to compete with the growing economic development of other areas in the state that we aren't quite seeing here in our own community. When you look at charts and graphs of job growth and real estate prices and such all across the state, we're seeing areas like GJ continuing to struggle and come out of the recession. CMU will be the judge, if they approve applications, businesses with ideas innovative enough and ones that don't compete with other businesses in the state will be eligible in January. Rose Pugliese says, "You think about all the jobs it creates and all the new people it brings in. That's money that's being put back into our community and that's really important." Timothy Huff is one of those innovative business owners who would benefit from the program and benefit the Grand Valley in turn. He has worked to develop a sustainable way to dispose plastic water bottles in Palisade and he says he will apply to be a part for the program; hoping to add 100 more jobs to his company within 5 years. Huff says, "It

shows companies here in Mesa County that we don't have to be dependent on oil and gas or hard construction. We can innovate and develop new products here." "People when they normally think of Colorado, they think of Denver, Fort Collins areas, they don't think of Mesa County being the destination place for new jobs or young students to start innovative businesses and we want people to know it," says Pugliese. If the State of Colorado certifies that Mesa County is a participating county in the jump start program, businesses can send their applications in mid-January to the county and CMU, who will filter through the applications to approve the new business ideas. They will then pass the applications to the state for approval. The Rural Jump Start Zone tax credit program has never been done in the State of Colorado. The program is jointly administered by the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the Colorado Economic Development Commission and the Colorado Department of Revenue.

## POLITICS/LAWMAKING

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**October 6, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Jordan Alexander**

**Duration: 2:28**

On Friday, Congress will vote to overturn the oil export ban originally introduced in 1975. In support of lifting the ban, "vital for Colorado", is a group promoting the benefits of energy production and 90 Colorado business leaders to the Colorado Congressional Delegation. The 1975 ban only effects crude oil, not refined oil, but with the growing oil economy here in Colorado, many business leaders and energy advocates, think it's now time the ban was lifted. The letter that Congress will vote on this Friday documents multiple benefits that could come from ending the ban. Lifting the ban could potentially result in lowering gas prices by an average of 8 cents a gallon, which would be a total of 265 billion dollar saving from 2016 to 2030. President Ford signed the Energy Policy and Conservation Act in 1975 to conserve domestic oil reserves and discourages foreign imports. Now 90 Colorado businesses including many here on the Western Slope think it's time for a change. Notably the Grand Junction Economic Partnership, the Craig Chamber of Commerce, the Rifle Economic Development Group, and some local elected officials from the Grand Junction and Western Slope area. Many Grand Junction residents agree with Vital for Colorado's objective. "The ban on exports should be lifted. It gives us the opportunity to give us producers to sell to the highest bidder wherever the market is, outside of the US, in the US, wherever that may be," says Lou Villaire. While others believe it could cost us our jobs. Kevin Brown says, "A lot of people in our community are suffering and struggling because the jobs are being done away with as a result of the oil being shipped out of our own country." Refineries that are against lifting the ban are more concerned about their profitability than advancing the oil industry. In their letter to the Colorado Delegation, Vital for Colorado believes that additional benefits from overturning the ban are a 73 billion dollar increase in annual gross domestic product and reducing our reliance on crude oil imports. Five of the seven representatives of each Colorado Congressional District, have said they are in favor of overturning the ban, including Congressman Scott Tipton. Diana Degette from District 1 and Jared Polis from District 2 have yet to share their position on the issue.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**October 20, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 2:22**

This weekend school board candidate Paul Pitton is under Scrutiny being told he's ineligible to run for the District B school board election because he resides in District D. After a further look district 51 says Pitton is eligible to run but may not be able to qualify for the position. It was a mistake that no one caught until the past week, but due to an outdated map on the District 51 website, school board candidate Paul Pitton believed he resided in what he was shown to believe was District B. Pitton says, "Everything was going along fine until this last weekend when there was a press conference that said I was in the wrong district." District B school board candidate Paul Pitton has been under fire this week after current school board member Ann Tisue discovered that Pitton, a Whitewater resident, does not live in District B. Tisue says, "district B doesn't go to Whitewater, it ends in Orchard Mesa, so that peaked my curiosity to look at the district website and that's when I discovered he wasn't in District B." This discovery shocked Tisue, who made a public statement on Saturday. "I just have a really hard time understanding how we couldn't be more careful, if he's going to be in control of a 100 million dollar budget with 44 schools. I would expect someone that would be a lot more careful," Tisue says. Pitton claims he was careful, according to a District 51 outdated map was used on the District website which at the time placed Pitton in District B. "I think it was a mistake and it's nobody's fault," Pitton says. The updated map places Pitton in District D, yet Mesa County laws say that Pitton is still an eligible elector for school board, assuming that if he wins he moves into District B. "He circulated a petition, was qualified for the office, he was placed on the ballot and we've printed those ballots, I don't think there is anything legally we can do to make him withdrawal at this point," Sheila Reiner says. When asked if Pitton is willing to relocate, "I am willing to sell my house and move into the District B boundaries, anything I can do to eliminate this stuff and move forward with my heart's desire with the community and the kids." Since much of this confusion occurred after the ballots were sent out, Mesa County Elections wants voters to know that if you haven't mailed in your ballot yet, you still have the potential to make changes. As long as the ballot has not yet been cast, you can contact the Mesa County Elections to make the changes. District 51 reports that they have updated their maps online in hopes of insuring this kind of confusion does not happen again.



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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 24, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:53**

When you go to buy a lottery ticket, you hope to turn it into the store clerk and collect a big prize, but a recent sting by the Colorado Department of Revenue and the Lottery Enforcement Division shows that some store employees were trying to take those big winnings to keep for themselves. The Shell gas station in Fruita just off of Jurassic Avenue was one of the convenience stores that were part of the lottery sting. Now the clerk at this gas station was actually offered a winning ticket, and because he didn't act with integrity, he's now facing felony charges. 4 people across Mesa County now face felony theft and forgery charges after the Department of Revenue and Lottery Enforcement Division held a sting operation at about 60 locations here in Mesa County to make sure the clerks selling lotto tickets are following correct procedures. Undercover officers would bring a winning ticket of 5 or 10 thousand dollars into the convenience store, "They would give the clerk the ticket and leave to go to the bathroom or do some other shopping and then come back and ask the clerk if it was a winner," Dan Rubinstein says. But at 3 of the stores, the clerk said the ticket holder did not have a winner, when in fact they did. "It was the next day that the clerk who didn't tell the winner that it was a winning ticket, which brought it into the lottery office themselves." Hoping to keep the cash for them, breaking a trust that helps fund programs throughout the state. The Colorado Lottery gives out 127 million dollars to organizations including Great Outdoors Colorado, Conservation Funds, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, and the best grant the recently helped the DeBeque School with a plan to rebuild. We work to the best of our ability to make sure were protecting our customers because maintaining the integrity of the lottery operations and retail operations is an essential part of us being able to provide those funds to our beneficiaries. The Colorado Lottery Investigative Unit says they hold these stings every year to raise awareness of the issue and encourage lotto players to always pay attention when turning in your ticket to ensure you too aren't a victim of scam. When the ticket is scanned, and it's a winning ticket, two things happen: on that screen it indicates the winning ticket and the winning amount and the machine itself plays a musical ditty. We reached out to the manager of this station, in which they had no comment in regards to the situation. When asked whether their employee was still working with them or had been fired, they had no comment on that as well. The Colorado Lottery says that 96% of the times convenience stores do act in perfect compliance with the procedures, our 3 stores were within the 4% that do not. Colorado's numbers in these are actually significantly lower than any other states in the country. The District Attorney's office said William Stenhouse, of the Fruita Shell station appeared in court yesterday on his advisement of the charges and will be released on a \$1,000 bond.

## **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**

**October 12, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kelsey Perkins**

**Duration: 2:29**

The community coming together to help a local family and their two dogs. The dogs were found with life threatening injuries last Thursday and generous members in the community have stepped up to help pay for their medical bills. Social media is just such an amazing tool in this case; it helped save two local dog's lives that were on the verge of death after being hit by a train. The Nickerson family's two dogs are lucky to be alive after they escaped Thursday night and roamed miles away. "When we went out to feed them, we noticed they were gone, so we had been looking for them for a couple of days," April Nickerson said. Both Jeter and Wolfe are just a little over a year old, were found right about here on 32 1/2 Rd out by the railroad tracks, both bloody and mangled. The vet saying their injuries were consistent with being hit by an oncoming train. Frist dog was hit in the back end, second dog was hit in the front end, so it had severe trauma to the face, lost an eye. It also tore out a couple of teeth; the tongue was bit and lacerated most on the tongue off. The Mesa County Lost and found pets Facebook page led the dogs to be re-united with their owners. "It's awesome that you can regain your trust in people again and your faith in God." The medical bills for the dogs, which had dug a hole under their fence, totaled over \$3000 and the group of members wouldn't let the Nickerson family do it alone; sending donations over the phone, and completely paying off the surgeries. "When we came in this morning it delayed our entire day, we were busy answering phones, the entire staff and I even called some additional people in just to answer phones because there was such an outpouring of the community." While Jeter will have to lose his leg, Nickerson says she's just happy they're alive and is overwhelmed by the community's support. "I want to pay it forward when it comes a time I can help, I want to do it too," Nickerson says. The community raised \$2050 and an anonymous donor matched that with another \$2000. Thanks to

the Mesa County Animal Services, Grand View Animal Hospital, and of course our community, the two pups are making it out alive; which the vet says doesn't happen very often with these kinds of injuries.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 2, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 2:26**

As the holiday draws even closer, a local business hopes to provide families in need by serving more than 1000 meals. Their goal is to fill their lobby with 2 tons of food donations. Roman Family Chiropractic is continuing their 15 year tradition of helping those in our community this holiday season that are doing their best to make ends meet. This year they set a very ambitious goal to provide 1,600 meals by collecting 4,000 pounds of food. For Dr. Randy Roman of the Roman Family Chiropractic, their annual food drive is just a small gesture they hope will brighten the holiday season for a family in need. Roman says, "It's easy to not know who you are buying the gift for, it's really simple because everyone wants help. People just don't know where to go or how to do it." This year Roman Family Chiropractic hopes to raise 2 tons of food donations for the Western Slope Food Bank of the Rockies, it's their busiest time of year for donations. "You look at all of the celebrations and you look at all of the other things going on and I think someone is struggling, it makes it just a little harder," says Starlene Collins. Last November, the food bank distributed more than 560 thousand meals to programs across 10 counties; Manager Starlene Collins says some families who use the food bank may surprise you. "It's amazing how many people have jobs but they just cannot make ends meet," says Collins. Like Amanda Hilton, who receives help from one of the food banks many programs, "How am I going to make sure my kids get a good Christmas, how am I going to make sure there's food on the table. There have been many times without this program my kids would not have had a Christmas at all." People really want to help other people sometimes they just don't know how so if you're at the grocery store and maybe there's a certain item on sale, and its buy one get one free, maybe you can consider sending that extra one to the local food bank. Roman Family Chiropractic will collect food through the 20<sup>th</sup> of November, giving people about 17 days to make a donation and help them reach their 2-ton goal. They are asking that you bring healthy, non-perishable foods and canned food items. In exchange for a donation, Roman Family Chiropractic is offering a complimentary bodywork package or \$10 off an hour long massage. They say this is the 15<sup>th</sup> year they have hosted this holiday food drive.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**December 16, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 1:51**

The community showed their love for 13 year old sweetheart, Delaney Clements, tonight at tree lighting in Lincoln Park. 5 years ago Delaney was diagnosed with Neuroblastoma, and after several years of treatment, she is now set to receive hospice care. Over the past 5 years, Delaney has been an inspiration to the community, acting a young advocate for Childhood Cancer research. The cold weather has not discouraged our community from coming out tonight to show their support for Delaney. At 5:30 today this tree was lit, serving as a reminder to Delaney that our community will continue to support her and her mission to fight childhood cancer. All week people have been decorating the tree with purple and gold ribbons. The purple ribbon represents the form of cancer that Delaney has and the gold ribbons represent all children with childhood cancer. If you walk around the tree, people have written messages for Delaney, sharing stories about how the young teen has impacted their life. Many of those who came to the tree today told us that they have never met Delaney personally but they say they have been personally touched by her inspirational spirit. One woman, a two time cancer survivor told me Delaney was her motivation to keep on fighting. This purple tree will continue to glow tonight if you would like to come by and look at it. It's really quite the sight to see. If you did not get the chance to hang a ribbon for Delaney, you can continue to show your support for her over social media using the hashtag "Delaney we are aware". Grand Junction Parks and Recreation says the tree will be lit 24 hours a day for the next couple weeks.

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

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**October 7, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Kalie Greenberg**

**Duration: 2:27**

Tomorrow is "bring your Bible to school day", a day to talk about the Bible with friends. Bringyourbible.org thinks thousands of students across the nation will be taking their Bible to school tomorrow, even at public schools. With tomorrow being bring our Bible to school day, a lot of parents that we spoke to today question why bringing the holy book to school isn't an everyday thing. While the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment gives children the right to bring their bibles to school some parents question why not have bring your Bible to school every day? Jaida Gray says, "I just think that we've lost what our country was founded on and if we brought those back into school, we would have less school shootings and happier kids in general." Montrose, Delta, and

District 51 school districts all say children are allowed to bring their Bibles to school yet Pastor Randy Mills says bring your Bible to school day should not focus on imposing your religion upon others. Mills says, "It's a choice, it's a deep personal choice and I what I believe is a belief in the Bible, I believe in freedom, and I believe in the free exercise of faith." Lisa Scott home schools her children. She feels public schools do not respect religion. While Scott is not alone in her belief, Pastor Mills says the idea of children felling uncomfortable when bringing religion material to school is rooted in political correctness. District 51 says they have never had a problem with children bringing their Bible to school. If a problem were to present itself, they say they will handle it at that time. Opponents to the "bring your Bible to school day" are concerned tomorrow may place too much focus on religion in a public school, which are designed to follow the separation of church and state. Bring your Bible to school day was designed to help remind students that it is their constitutional right to have their Bible in school. They are hoping to stop students from feeling pressured to hide their faith.

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

**Including: Webchannel Feature**

**November 12, 2015 Reporter: Bernie Lange/ Jean Reynolds/ Makenzie O'Keefe**

**Duration: 2:44**

No child should ever go hungry, it affects not only the social aspects of a child's life but also their ability to grow and learn. Over 7000 kids here in Mesa County have empty stomachs and students at Colorado Mesa University are helping to fight the growing epidemic of local childhood hunger. We all know the feeling of being hungry, but imagine it daily and as a young kid who is trying to learn and grow. District 51's Lunch Lizard aimed this summer to help underprivileged kids have access to nutritious food and CMU students are taking that one step further to alleviate the growing issue. A group of college students are now teaming up with the Western Colorado Community Foundation and District 51 to lessen the growing epidemic of childhood hunger. Lauren Heaton says, "Children are really impacted by the hunger here in the state. Over 23% of our kids go hungry." This past summer, District 51 launched a program, using a food truck to help feed the underprivileged kids meals they not otherwise get. Now CMU students are trying to raise money through donations for a second food truck that will allow the school district to provide additional 6-7 thousand meals to hungry kids. Ryan Ruark says, "Proper nutrition-your brain is working better, you're functioning better in the classroom, you're able to participate more and you aren't thinking about food while you are in class. You are actually thinking about your studies." According to D51 and students research about 44% of our households are at or near the federal poverty level. About 40% of our students qualify for free or reduced lunches. Tedi Gillespie says, "A community experiences a downward spiral in terms of economic sustainability, we see more and more kids." The WCCF says and anonymous donor is willing to match the funds raised in order to purchase a second food truck and CMU students say they won't stop until every Mesa County kid has a meal. "If they are hungry, they can't focus on anything that they do. They don't have the energy to do the things that they love and they just aren't as happy." Through the business honors society's few hours of campaigning on campus today to a population that may not otherwise be aware of the growing problem of childhood hunger; they were able to raise about \$1000. Organizers with the WCCF say that even the First Aid Backpack Program is seeing more of an immediate need. They provide 2000 backpacks filled with food every week. Showing just how significant this problem truly is. Some schools here in the valley have 80% of their student body qualifying for free or reduced school lunches. If you are looking to donate to the WCCF and their campaign for a second food truck, they will be part of Colorado Give Day on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

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.

**4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2015**

#### **Issues Programming Report**

#### **KKCO PSA's PROVIDING SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES**

**Topic of PSA (varying lengths of: 10, :15, :20, and :30)**

**# of Times Aired**

<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>KKCO</b>
<b>Alzheimer's Broncos</b>	<b>127</b>
<b>AMI Kid</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Best Friends Utah</b>	<b>41</b>

<b>Best Friends Connected</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Council for Adoption</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Debit Card Scam</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Disability</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Fishing License</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Girl Scouts</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Hope of the Grand Valley</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Roice Hurst Society</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>MADD</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Mosaic – Developmental Disabilities</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>Partners Kid</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Project Roadblock</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Make A Wish</b>	<b>74</b>
<b>Partners Mentors</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Shelter Pet Adoption</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Shriners</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Stand up 2 Cancer</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>TMYK-Cultural Awareness</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Wreaths Across America</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>TMYK-Recycling</b>	<b>91</b>