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Don't quote me but...

"It's better to have it and need it than not have it and not need it."

—Jesse Yon of Telluride

Calendar

Sunday

- Artists' Dropoff for 610 Arts Collective's Holiday Open, 10 a.m.-noon
- Second Sunday Cinema: "Honeyland," Fox Theater Penthouse, noon
- TMHS High School Musical: "Matilda," Palm Theatre, 2 p.m.
- AA: Christ Presbyterian Church, 5:30 p.m.
- Live Music: Cousin Curtiss, Sherbino Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Monday

- Artists' Dropoff for 610 Arts Collective's Holiday Open, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- School Board Work Session: Bridal Veil Conference Room, 3:30 p.m.
- AA: Christ Presbyterian Church, 5:30 p.m.
- Al-Anon: Christ Presbyterian Church, 5:30 p.m.

Monday

- AA: Christ Presbyterian Church, 7 a.m.
- Veterans Coffee: Sherbino Theater, 10 a.m.
- Mad Labs: Pinhead HQ, grades K-2, 2-5 p.m.
- School Board Regular Meeting: Bridal Veil Conference Room, 5:15 p.m.
- Adult Craft: Yarn Wall Hangings, Wilkinson Public Library, 6-8 p.m., sign-up required

Weather

Forecast: Sunday, Monday and Tuesday are predicted to be sunny with highs of 52, 46 and 49, respectively.

Muse: "Though I keep searchin' for an answer, I never seem to find what I'm lookin' for."
—Whitesnake

IN ORBIT:

Sunday Focus:
Business

Mountain Village
groceries

Wednesday:
Arts, Lifestyles &
Nonprofits

COMMUNITY

Thank a veteran Monday

By SUZANNE CHEAVENS
Associate Editor

Since 1919, when President Woodrow Wilson established Armistice Day on Nov. 11 to recognize and express gratitude for those who fought in World War I, veterans have been celebrated. The fighting in that war stopped on the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month, and so Nov. 11 was imbued with significance.

Renamed Veterans Day in

1954, the day, which became a national holiday in 1947, is observed with parades, dinners and other events honoring the men and women who have served in American wars. This year, Veterans Day falls on Monday. Federal employees will

National holiday hits century mark

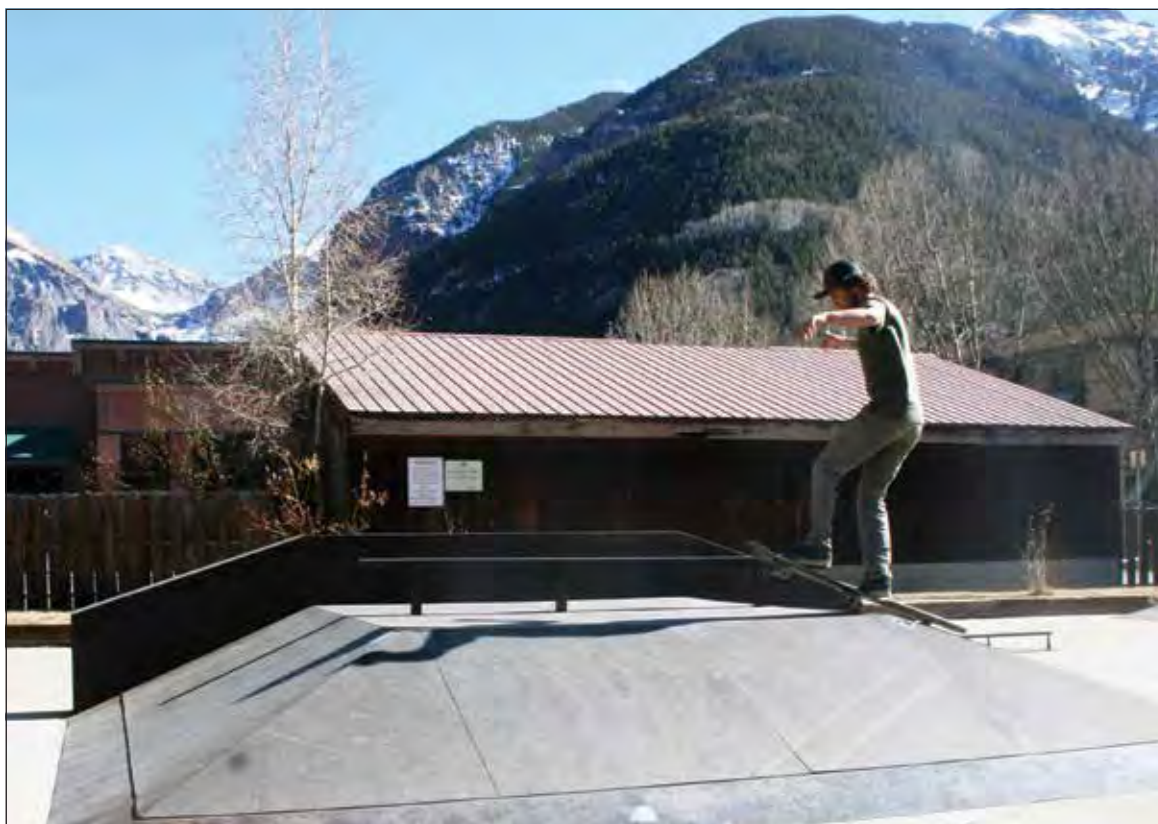
have a day off from work.

Not to be confused with Memorial Day, which remembers fallen soldiers in America's wars, Veterans Day is very much for the living. It's an excellent opportunity to thank a veteran in person for their service.

In Telluride, the Elks Lodge No. 692 hosted its Veterans Day dinner Friday evening, a popular well-attended event that serves a gourmet meal to veterans and active duty members of the military for free.

Bob Beer is a local veteran who rarely misses the Elks Lodge dinner. He especially enjoys the camaraderie with his fellow veterans.

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Sunny day shredding

Dylan Schulgasser rides the skate park at the corner of Willow Street and Pacific Avenue Friday afternoon.

(Photo by Justin Criado/Telluride Daily Planet)

COMMUNITY

David and Theresa Cannon to lead Telluride Christian Fellowship

Previous pastor Ketrich Steger and wife Suella pursue work in Texas

By JESSICA LACKEY
Planet Contributor

David and Theresa Cannon have taken over senior pastorship at Telluride Christian Fellowship, as former pastor Ketrich Steger and wife, Suella, relocate to Texas to work with the Refuge for DMST. At the refuge, the Stegers will work in rescuing and restoring women involved in sex trafficking.

The Cannons have been involved with Telluride Christian Fellowship for many years with

bible school and other programs. David Cannon has also served as the associate pastor.

"My wife Theresa and I are honored to be the new senior leaders at Telluride Christian Fellowship. Our hearts are to serve and help people discover God's amazing love and good plans for their lives," David Cannon said.

"Both of them are very good counselors," Ketrich Steger said, adding the Cannon's gifts in motivational speaking, Theresa's expertise in marriage counseling

and David's ability to connect with individuals make them valuable congregation members. "I really believe they can just take Telluride Christian Fellowship and the community to another level and continue the momentum going forward."

The Cannons are both authors. David Cannon wrote the book "God Speaks: Recognizing the Voice" and Theresa wrote "Enjoy the Journey: 90 Days to Refocus, Renew and Embrace Life."

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PUBLIC HEALTH

'DON'T FEED THE CUBS'

New Tri-County Health Network campaign aims to reduce underage drinking

SPECIAL TO THE PLANET

Feeding our local bear population never has a good outcome. The bears become habituated to humans and reliant on human food. Before long, those bears are in trouble. Most of us living in Telluride work hard to keep our bears safe and our food away from them. We also work hard to keep our youth safe in our community.

Tri-County Health Network (TCHNetwork) and the San Miguel Communities that Care Coalition are leading the efforts to keep our human "cubs" safe by reducing youth's access to alcohol. According to the Healthy Kids Colorado 2017 data, Telluride youth reported drinking alcohol at a higher rate than their peers across the state. The survey of Telluride High School students reported that 46.8 percent of students said that they drank alcohol within the past 30 days (compared to 28.7 percent statewide). In addition, 59.8 percent of Telluride High School students felt that it would be "sort of easy or very easy" to get alcohol in the community, if they wanted.

While TCHNetwork is confident that liquor stores are working in accordance with the law and endeavor to prevent sales to minors, it's known that young persons in our community are able to prevail upon locals and visitors to make purchases on their behalf, unbeknownst to the liquor store employees. This practice is commonly

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New campaign

CUBS, from page 1 known as “shoulder tap” purchases. “We see underage youth in the emergency room when they’ve consumed too much alcohol. We know that some of those inexperienced youth have had the alcohol provided to them by adults in the community,” said Dr. Diana Koelliker, director of the Telluride Regional Medical Center emergency department. “This campaign makes sense to help educate adults in our community of the risks of underage drinking and the dangers of providing alcohol to young people.”

Chief Marshal Jim Kolar added, “It is against the law to provide alcohol to underage youth. The law is clear on this issue and you can be fined and, in some cases, receive a jail sentence. And, according to the Colorado’s social host laws, a parent or community member who knowingly serves alcohol to a person under the age of 21 can be held civilly liable if the minor causes property damage or injuries or kills another person due to intoxication.

“It only takes one small error to create devastating consequences for the community.”

All three liquor stores in town — Telluride Bottle Works, Telluride Liquors and Wine, and the Wine Mine — have partnered with TCHNetwork for the campaign to educate customers, visitors to the area and local residents about the need to prevent the diversion of legal purchases to underage youths. Each store has informational stickers and posters.

Again, we don’t feed the real bears, so let’s be sure not to feed our Telluride cubs.

Local business owners interested in becoming part of the campaign, can contact Sami Damsky at coord-bh@tchnetwork.org or 970-708-7096.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LUNCH & LEARN

On Friday, TCHNetwork will host a lunch and learn at the Wilkinson Public Library from noon to 1 p.m. in order to talk about the behavioral health programs offered by the organization in the community.



A Tri-County Health Network sign in the window of Telluride Bottle Works. (Courtesy photo)

TCHNetwork recently expanded its school-based teletherapy program to all adults in the community. For adults over the age of 50, TCHNetwork offers six free sessions with a Colorado-licensed mental health professional. Individuals under the age of 50 can access this service at low cost. Teletherapy for students continues to be free in area schools.

All community members are invited to the lunch to learn about the teletherapy program for adults and students, Mental Health First Aid classes, and National Alliance on Mental Illness classes. Teletherapy professionals at the event will be able to answer questions from attendees about accessing mental health services via a computer, laptop or tablet. Our staff will be on hand with enrollment forms

for attendees interested in seeing a behavioral health professional through teletherapy.

For more information, call 970-708-7096 or email info@tchnetwork.org.

ABOUT TRI-COUNTY HEALTH NETWORK

Formed in 2010, Tri-County Health Network is a 501c3 non-profit with offices in Telluride and Naturita. TCHNetwork operates 20 community outreach programs that serve a vital role in filling the void of access to health care by assuring care is accessible, affordable and available to all populations in the four-county region (San Miguel, Montrose, Ouray and Delta counties). For more information, visit tchnetwork.org.

TECHNOLOGY

Facebook deleting the name of potential whistleblower

By BARBARA ORTUTAY
AP Technology Writer

Facebook says it is deleting the name of the person who has been identified in conservative circles as the whistleblower who triggered a congressional impeachment inquiry into President Donald Trump’s actions.

The company said Friday that mention of the potential whistleblower’s name violates Facebook’s “coordinating harm policy,” which prohibits material that could identify a “witness, informant, or activist.”

Facebook says it is removing mentions of the alleged whistleblower’s name and will revisit this decision if the name is widely published in the media or used by public figures in debate. The policy is not new. Facebook says

it has been applying it to the whistleblower case and removing the person’s name for a few days.

On Twitter, though, the alleged whistleblower’s name was circulating widely on Friday. The company does not have a policy against identifying whistleblowers by name and is not removing the posts.

Some of the stories identifying the person came from the conservative news site Breitbart, which Facebook counts as one of its news partners in a newly launched news section on its app. However, the company said it was also removing identifying posts on the whistleblower from Breitbart.

In a statement, Twitter said it prohibits the sharing of “personally identifiable information about any individual, including the alleged whistleblower.” But

the company’s policy on such information does not consider a person’s name to be private information, a category that does include details such as a person’s address, contact information or medical records.

This is not the first time Twitter and Facebook diverged on important policies. Last week, Twitter said it is banning all political ads from its service, in sharp contrast to Facebook, which continues to defend running paid political ads, even false ones, as a free speech priority.

U.S. whistleblower laws exist to protect the identity and careers of people who bring forward accusations of wrongdoing by government officials. Lawmakers in both parties have historically backed those protections.

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