



Daggett County Newsletter

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Dutch John Humanitarian Project

The community of Dutch John joined together to create humanitarian kits to send to the victims of the natural disasters that are happening all around the world. The citizens had a fund



raiser to acquire the funds necessary to purchase the materials and then on December 19th they gathered together to assemble 400 kits for shipment to those places like the Philippines and the Northeastern parts of the USA where they were hit so hard by the recent storms. Thanks to all of those who participated in the project!

Best Support Business Award

Business/Individual Name: Myvocom

Pat and Sandy Asbill are very involved in the Myvocom business and they provide internet to many of the local businesses. Pat is also involved in the community as a school board member, has served on the Manila Planning & Zoning Board and the County Board of Adjustments and is currently serving on the Rural Broadband committee for the Uintah Basin Association of Governments. He helps keep the free over the air TV going and puts up and takes down the Christmas lights in Manila each year.

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Public Notice—Rob Bishop's Land Exchange Bill

Please plan on joining us on the 7th of January at the Daggett County Courthouse Commission Room for one of two public meetings either at 10:00 am or 7:00 pm to discuss the shooting range and Rob Bishop's Land Exchange Bill.

The Daggett County Commissioners welcome your ideas; if you can't attend either meeting please email Vicky McKee at vmckee@daggettcountry.org or any of the commissioners with your comments for or against the shooting range.

You can also mail in your comments at Shooting Range c/o Vicky McKee, P.O. Box 400, Manila, Utah 84046.

Hope to see you all there,

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**Across from the Daggett County
Courthouse
Manila Clinic 435-784-3575**

We have changed the date for mammogram mobile from Feb to May. More on this later.

We are still working on the billing situation, a problem was encountered when UBMC forgot to put Duane P.A. in the computer; so, anything to do with Medicare for the last year will be written off. We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and please have a happy and safe New Year. Thank you for patronizing the Manila Clinic. We are doing well, we appreciate being able to serve the community, and surrounding areas.

The Manila Medical Clinic Staff

We are excited! Now we are carrying Key Lix Tubs for the cattle and horses!

Our tubs are 200 lbs. and you can pick up what you need. If you need a pallet of tubs, please let us know and we will get it ordered for you!

Tired of the wind blowing you across the lake? We have ice houses in stock and ready for you. If you need heat in your ice house check out our propane heaters. They will keep that ice house plenty warm.

Flaming Gorge Market would like to thank everyone for your patronage. We are here to serve you and would like to thank you for all your support throughout the year! Because of people like you, we can help support the FFA, 4-H, school activities and other projects around town that need assistance.

THANK YOU AND HAVE
A VERY HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

**Flaming Gorge Market for All Your Needs
Flaming Gorge Market & True Value**

75 E Hwy 43, Manila, UT
435-784-3582

Commissioner's Corner

There will be a Public Hearing on January 7th at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm to hear public comment on a couple of different subjects. One of the issues to be discussed is the Public Land Bill. We felt it may be helpful to know what this entails before coming. Below is list of the items we are asking to be included in this bill.

1. Legislatively approve approximately 80 acres of BLM property known as the Jarvie Ranch for disposal and transfer to Daggett County or to private interests so that this property may become developed for recreation and tourism use and thereby become an economic driver for Daggett County.
2. Designate a segment of the Green River .5 miles below the Dam until Indian Crossing Boat Ramp as part of the National Wild and Scenic River System under the designation of "Scenic" with appropriate allowances made for dam operations, recreational facilities, existing pipeline corridors, local and regional businesses, and fish and wildlife management.
3. Designate approximately 20,500 acres on Baretop Mountain as a National Conservation and Recreation Area.
4. Designate the Utah portion of the Diamond Breaks Wilderness Study Area as a National Wilderness Area.
5. Release the Utah portion of Cold Springs Wilderness Study Area.
6. Legislatively approve approximately 6,800 acres of Forest Service land on the west side of Hwy 44 at the 191 Junction for disposal and transfer to private interests for development of a Summer and Winter Recreation Area.
7. Legislatively approve approximately 397 acres of BLM property known as the Swett Ranch for disposal and transfer to private interests.
8. The Green River segment from Indian Crossing Boat Ramp until the Colorado State line be released from management as "recreational" and be returned to traditional multiple use management.
9. SITLA parcels located within portions of the Green River watershed and other areas, be transferred out of Daggett County to the State, so that they may be developed and the revenues from this trade come back to Daggett County according to Utah State law.
10. Approve the disposal and transfer to private interests 90 acres in the Deer Lodge Summer Home area plus an additional 40 acres. The 30 acres of meadow contained in this area would be retained as an open area for wildlife. Deer Lodge HOA would purchase 78 acres located in Section 21, T1S, R21E, which is private land surrounded by Forest Service land and transfer ownership back to the National Forest Service.

These are the items we have requested and what will be discussed in the Public Hearing. If you have questions, please contact one of the Commissioner's.

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Links: Commission Agendas & Minutes: <http://www.daggettcountry.org/minutes>

Letter to the Editor

Burbot Bash is a blast!

Hey Daggett County Commissioners,

Congratulations on running a fun and successful Burbot Bash! I wanted to drop a line as an avid sportsman and let you know what a good job I think you're doing. Foremost, you're doing something constructive to help mitigate the problem of the invasive species of Burbot in Flaming Gorge, so good on ya! But also you're providing a fun opportunity for us sportsmen to get out and help you and having a dang good time doing it.

We came to the Burbot Bash the first time last year and our success was, well..., dismal. But we had a great time and so we came back this year. I think the two weekends and over a couple months is a great way to do it. We came out for the opening weekend in November and we'll be back in January for the closing weekend. Although we didn't score big on the opening weekend, we did manage to win a prize for one of the smallest Burbot.

We did enjoy all the festivities and especially the sponsor prizes at the ceremony on Sunday. We really appreciate great institutions like Ford Truck (I drive a Ford F150), Mountain America (I'm a member - Go MACU!), Sportsman's Warehouse (where else to get yammamoto glo grubs?), and KUTV2 (Debbie the weather girl is my favorite!), and all the other sponsors like Daggett County and the rest. I think it's really cool that you guys got such great sponsors and it provides a fun and useful outing for the dedicated sportsman, please let them know how much we appreciate the support!

I recognize how much work it must be to put on such an event, so thanks for your hard work and that of all the other agencies that have people putting in so much time. With all your hard work I hate to be a distracter, but with the Bash I can't help but feel a bit slighted and a little uneasy about the fairness. With the original rules I was all for professional captains being ineligible, it seems they have such a huge advantage. But when Ashley Bonser put up a stink to have that changed I was ok with it understanding his point of view, but still feel slighted. There is such a huge advantage with Daggett County locals versus guys like me who can only come up for a couple weekends from Salt Lake (Draper actually). I mean if you look at the results last year and this year, it's pretty evident that Locals will almost always take most of the top spots because of their knowledge, accessibility, proximity, and just practice. The only way guys like us can win if we get real lucky with a huge Burbot, small Burbot, or a tagged Burbot.

Maybe you would consider two categories - Locals (within 100 miles) and Traveling Sportsmen (outside of 100 miles) or something. Split the pots and give just the top 3 places or something. I don't know, but it just seems that when you live in Salt Lake there's such a remote chance of us actually competing with the guys that are out there every day, every weekend, and live on the lake. We will still come up for the fun but we recognized we're at a serious disadvantage and understand the odds are not in our favor. Just something to think about.

We do appreciate your efforts and your support of the Burbot Bash and want to thank you for all the hard work. Good Job.

You are most welcome to forward this in whole or in part on to the sponsors of the Burbot bash, we do appreciate the great sponsors - or if you provide me emails, I'd be happy to let them know we're big fans of them and their products.

Your friend and fellow sportsman,

Mike Pitts

Draper Utah

Letter to the Editor

Applications for Conservation Stewardship Program Due Jan. 17

Popular Farm Bill conservation program seeks producer participation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2, 2013 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is opening the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) for new enrollments for federal fiscal year 2014. Starting today through January 17, 2014, producers interested in participating in the program can submit applications to NRCS.

"Through the Conservation Stewardship Program, farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners are going the extra mile to conserve our nation's resources," NRCS Chief Jason Weller said. "Through their conservation actions, they are ensuring that their operations are more productive and sustainable over the long run."

The CSP is an important Farm Bill conservation program that helps established conservation stewards with taking their level of natural resource management to the next level to improve both their agricultural production and provide valuable conservation benefits such as cleaner and more abundant water, as well as healthier soils and better wildlife habitat.

Weller said today's announcement is another example of USDA's comprehensive focus on promoting environmental conservation and strengthening the rural economy, and it is a reminder that a new Food, Farm and Jobs Bill is pivotal to continue these efforts. CSP is now in its fifth year and so far, NRCS has partnered with producers to enroll more than 59 million acres across the nation.

The program emphasizes conservation performance — producers earn higher payments for higher performance. In CSP, producers install conservation enhancements to make positive changes in soil quality, soil erosion, water quality, water quantity, air quality, plant resources, animal resources and energy.

Some popular enhancements used by farmers and ranchers include:

- Using new nozzles that reduce the drift of pesticides, lowering input costs and making sure pesticides are used where they are most needed;
- Modifying water facilities to prevent bats and bird species from being trapped
- Burning patches of land, mimicking prairie fires to enhance wildlife habitat; and
- Rotating feeding areas and monitoring key grazing areas to improve grazing management

Eligible landowners and operators in all states and territories can enroll in CSP through January 17th to be eligible during the 2014 federal fiscal year. While local NRCS offices accept CSP applications year round, NRCS evaluates applications during announced ranking periods.

To be eligible for this year's enrollment, producers must have their applications submitted to NRCS by the closing date.

A CSP self-screening checklist is available to help producers determine if the program is suitable for their operation. The checklist highlights basic information about CSP eligibility requirements, stewardship threshold requirements and payment types.

Learn more about CSP by visiting the [NRCS website](#) or a [local NRCS field office](#).



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Spirit of Flaming Gorge Business Award

Business/Individual Name: Villa Café

The Forrester's and the Villa Café have gone out of their way to be an active participant in the activities of Daggett County. They volunteered to help with the location of one of the Burbot Bash check-in sites. They also went to the Senior Citizens and have offered to deliver meals to the seniors during the winter months. This is a huge benefit considering how many of our seniors don't like going out when the weather is bad. They have been friendly and offer something new to the community with their smoked meat products. Glad to have them in the community

"Big Dreamer" Award

Flaming Gorge Recreation Service – Delta Plan One. The crew at Flaming Gorge Recreation Services have been working hard to develop their business into something that improves the community and is an asset to the area. They have not accomplished everything they had hoped in 2013, but have made significant progress. Their idea fills a need for additional lodging and incorporates bringing new people to the area that are not familiar with Flaming Gorge and the opportunities that are here. Their remodel of the store and restaurant area and the new buildings or Shires are completed and are inviting and appealing.



Spirit of Flaming Gorge Individual Award

It was a tie this year!!

Mark Wilson: Mark Wilson has long been the lead person who developed the flaminggorgecountry.com website, brought the Flaming Gorge Magazine to print, has volunteered many years on Chamber and County boards. He is one of the last remaining Lion's Club members and is integral in keeping the Cow Country Rodeo going. Mark deserves this award not only for his selfless volunteerism but for being a role model to the youth of our area. He employs many locals and through his guidance and support he helps them gain confidence and a strong work ethic. He has been a mentor for many of his employees and is not only a strong boss but a compassionate friend. Mark Wilson embodies what the Spirit of Flaming Gorge award means.

Pat Asbill: Pat Asbill is very involved in the Myvocom business that provides internet to many of the local businesses. Pat is also involved in the community as a school board member, has served on the Manila Planning & Zoning Board and the County Board of Adjustments and is currently serving on the Rural Broadband committee for the Uintah Basin Association of Governments. He helps keep the free over the air TV going and puts up and takes down the Christmas lights in Manila each year.



Community Foundation of Utah Directors Needed

Daggett County has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Community Foundation of Utah to set up the Flaming Gorge Community Affiliate Fund to be administered by the Flaming Gorge Country Community Foundation under the direction of the Community Foundation of Utah. The purpose of the fund is to help in our fundraising efforts for community and economic development efforts. We are involved in several community building activities like the shooting range, mountain bike trail development, winter recreation development and others that require more funding than is currently available within the area.

The initial directors of the Flaming Gorge Country Community Foundation are recommended by the Daggett County Commission and approved by the Community Foundation of Utah. Applications by interested parties will be accepted by the Daggett County Commission until 5 pm Friday, January 3, 2014. Please send a cover letter explaining any experience you have that may be helpful and a current resume to Flaming Gorge Country Community Foundation c/o Daggett County; PO Box 219, Manila, UT 84046
http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/info/news_room/2013/



Get Involved!!

Daggett County has openings for the following Boards, Committees and Volunteer Positions:

- Board of Adjustments (5 positions)
- Dutch John Cemetery Board (2 positions)
- Economic Development Board (2 positions)
- Mosquito Abatement District Board (2 positions)
- Museum Board & Volunteers (Multiple positions)
- Recycling Volunteers (Multiple positions)
- Tourism Tax Advisory Board (2 position)
- County Website (1 position) **

****Contact Brian Raymond at 784-3218 ext. 134 or
braymond@daggettcountry.org.**

**For more information or for an application go to
www.daggettcountry.org/boards
or contact the County Courthouse at (435) 784-3154,
PO Box 219 Manila, UT 84046
Applications will be accepted until filled!**



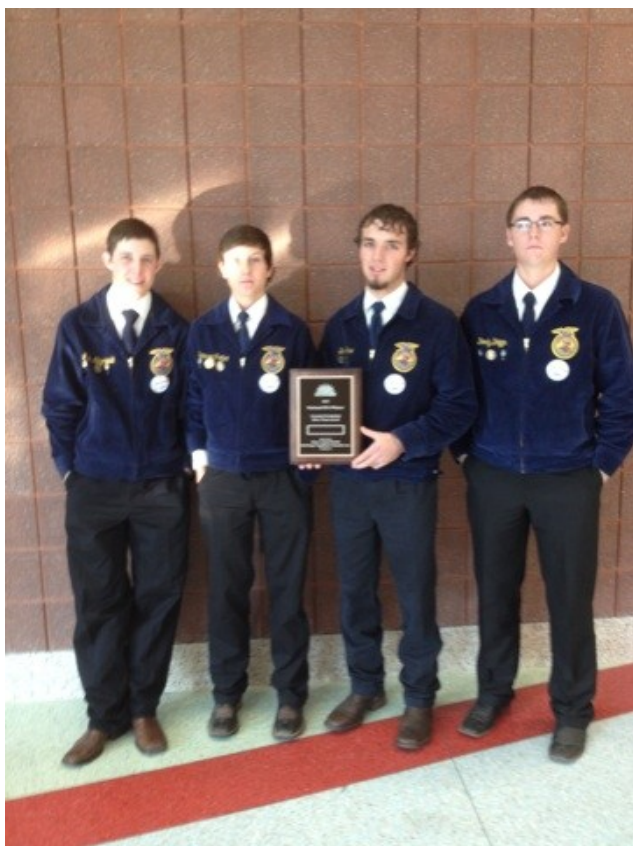
Buliah Slaugh telling Santa (county employee, Jesse Slaugh) what she wanted for Christmas at the McKinnon Christmas Party

Manila FFA Holds Speaking Contests

Members of the Manila FFA Chapter competed in speaking contests during the week of December 16-19.

In the Creed Speaking contests, Karina Magana was named the winner of the chapter contest, and Jonah Gonder placed second. These two individuals will represent the chapter at the Area Contest on January 28, in Vernal. Makade Reed was also recognized as the third place contestant.

Cori Terry was the winner of the Prepared Public Speaking. She will also represent the chapter at the Area Contest. Ashlee Hullinger will compete in the Extemporaneous Public Speaking. Placing second in the public speaking was Camaree Burnside.



Manila FFA Members Compete at National FFA Convention

Members of the Manila FFA Chapter attended the National FFA Convention October 29 - November 2 in Louisville, Kentucky.

Tyler Asay was one of four National Proficiency Award Finalists in Beef Production Placement. He received \$500 for his efforts.

The Manila Livestock Judging Team competed at the convention after being named the Utah state champions in April. The team composed of Brady Briggs, Cameron Potter, Ben Rose and JD Slagowski received a silver rating in the contest. Individually, Rose received a Gold Emblem, Potter and Slagowski received Silver Emblems and Briggs was awarded Bronze recognition.

Tyler Asay, Jessica Gosar, Darellyn Hughes and Kaylee Hughes were also awarded their American FFA Degrees.

Also attending the convention was Manila FFA Advisor William Schell.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management is seeking public comment

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo. (AP) - The U.S. Bureau of Land Management is seeking public comment on a proposal from an energy company to drill an exploratory well south of Rock Springs.

The Azalea Oil Company is proposing to drill an oil and gas well on a single well pad in the North Dutch John Unit. The site is about 17 miles north of Dutch John, Utah, in Sweetwater County.

The company proposes to drill a well nearly 16,000 feet deep. If the well proves economically feasible, operations could continue there for up to 30 years.

Public comment will be accepted until Jan. 3, 2014.



MANILA HIGH SENIOR WINS FINANCIAL GAMING CONTEST

Free online video games teach students how to make sound financial decisions

Manila, Utah: December 9, 2013 Manila High School Senior, Ashlee Hullinger and her classmates honed their financial know-how by playing video games on the Zions Bank website.

Hullinger's savvy netted her a \$250 Utah Education Savings Plan (UESP) account as the October winner of the bank's financial entertainment online game tournament.

Zions Bank Area President, Kevin Van Tassell, surprised Hullinger in school with her winnings on Dec. 9. Hullinger's teacher, Kendra Chidester, received an \$100 gift card for Office Max.

Three award-winning video games from the non-profit Doorways to Dreams Fund are featured on the Zions Bank Financialize by 18 website www.zionsbank.com/financialize. Players can serve as personal assistants to spendthrift movie stars in "Celebrity Calamity." Dance and budget their way to winning a reality show in "Groove Nation." and manage farm resources to build savings and survive emergencies in "Farm Blitz."

"My students spend so much time playing games," said Chidester. "If they think they're playing a game and they learn something that way, they're probably more apt to remember it." Parents and teachers can find a host of resources tailored to children and teens from birth to age 18 on the Financialize website. The site shows parents how to turn everyday moments like grocery shopping into lessons for financial success and provides worksheets and coloring pages.

"Zions Bank knows how important it is to teach students how to make good financial decisions before they are faced with them in the real world," said Van Tassell. "These online games especially teach lessons to kids in a form they want to go back to again and again."

Zions Bank is Utah's oldest financial institution and is the only local bank with a statewide distribution of financial centers operating 101 full-service centers. Zions Bank also operates 26 full-service financial centers in Idaho. In addition to offering a wide range of traditional banking services, Zions Bank is also a leader in small business lending and has ranked as the No. 1 lender of U.S. Small Business Administration 7(a) loans in Utah for the past 19 consecutive years. Founded in 1873, Zions Bank has been serving the communities of Utah for 140 years. Additional information is available at www.zionsbank.com



Recycling making a difference!!!!

Thanks everyone. In 2013, volunteers have recycled 12 tons of recycled material. This is 4 semi loads. It doesn't take much imagination to understand how this has extended the life of the landfill in Manila.

The committee still needs volunteers to help sort the recyable materials each Saturday for a few hours or someone to help empty the bins each week. More bins are needed to be built. So even if you just have a few hours or so each month, volunteer to help,



We even had to help get the semi unstuck this month!!



Live Nativity at Rocky Ridge Outpost

The Live Nativity hosted at Rocky Ridge Outpost was a great success this year and we would like to thank all those who came and supported it. We added some new things to the Nativity, such as the Bethlehem Inn, a couple more actors, and a projected image of a camel. Admission to the Nativity is a canned good item we donate to the Manila Food Pantry. Last year we collected and donated 89 lbs, and this year we more than doubled with 238 lbs!

We would like to give a special thanks to Rocky Ridge Outpost (Hosting), Greg Gosar (Lighting), Casey Potter (Horses), Green River LDS Stake (Cookies and Hot Cocoa), Kalob Hullinger, Kris Hullinger, Ross Catron, Meagan Northcott, Ben Northcott, Jeff Gosar, Jenessa Gosar, Lexi Taylor, MaKade Reed, and Ronnie Lucio (Actors), Gretchen Northcott and Warren Parish (pictures) and all the many people who baked and donated their time and cookies!



Food Storage For Emergencies

Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water. Pack a manual can opener and eating utensils. Avoid salty foods, as they will make you thirsty. Choose foods your family will eat. Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables, Protein or fruit bars, Dry cereal or granola, Peanut butter, Dried fruit, Nuts and crackers, Canned juices and Non-perishable pasteurized milk, High energy foods, Vitamins, Food for infants, and Comfort/stress foods.

Manila Christmas Light Winners



#1. Ronald and Jeannie Flannery 1429 East Dickison Lane



#2. This category was tied:
Trenton and Brook Potter at 40 East Glade Way
David C. and Heather Potter at 35 East Glade Way



#3. Evelyn Jones
1647 East Airport
Road



Everyone who braved the freezing cold to put up Christmas lights this year needs to be commended. The pictures don't show the lights in the best way but everyone should drive around like we did at Christmas just to see the beauty that they project. Winners from previous years were not selected this year. After 3 years they will be reconsidered.



Charlotte Marie Bostick Henderson Obituary

1946 ~ 2013

Charlotte Marie Bostick Henderson was born in Bell, California on 16 February, 1946 to Steve and Mary Bostick. She passed away in her home on 29 December, 2013. After graduating High School she earned an associate degree while still living in California. Charlotte was married to Steve Henderson for forty years. She was a devoted and active member of her LDS Roy Ward and loved her friends there. She also served in the Vernal L.D.S. Temple. Charlotte loved life and with her positive attitude she celebrated each day she was granted with her fullest ability.

Charlotte is survived by her husband, Steve Henderson; her mother, Mary Gibson; children, Lauri Nuesmeyer (John, deceased), Anthony Sterling (Michelle), James D. Boswell and Lori Henderson; 9 grandchildren; sister, Barbara Thompson, brother, Fred Bostick (Myrna), and sister, Anita Hansen (Gordon). She was preceded in death by her father, Buran Stovall Bostick and daughter, Annett Henderson.

Graveside Services will be held Friday, January 3, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at Redwood Memorial Park Cemetery, 6500 S. Redwood Rd., West Jordan, with a viewing prior from 11:30 am -12:30 p.m. at Jenkins-Soffe Mortuary, 4760

Dutch John Christmas Light Winners



#1. Marvin and Carol Holmes



#2. Pazell's

#3. Gary and Laura Orrell





CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS

Every year, millions of cell phone owners recycle an old phone or simply dispose of the device in the trash. Others may sell it through a traditional buyback service. But unfortunately many phones are discarded yearly instead of owners considering donating their old cell phones to charities supporting our servicemen and women. The truth is that donating old cell phones, even broken ones, requires little time and effort, and can make a difference in the lives of our troops abroad. Here are five great reasons to donate your cell phones to Cell Phones for Soldiers.

1. Help Give Free Communication

By donating old cell phones, you can help our troops abroad stay connected with loved ones here at home. By relying on monetary donations and the proceeds from donated phones, Cell Phones for Soldiers purchases international calling cards to send to our troops overseas. Since its inception in 2004, Cell Phones for Soldiers has provided military personnel with more than 192 million minutes of free talk time—all thanks to those who donate an old cell phone to this benevolent cause.

2. Make Families Happy

For every donated cell phone valued at five dollars, an estimated 2.5 hours of free talk time is provided to our active-duty servicemen and women. Donating to Cell Phones for Soldiers allows our troops and their families a chance to stay connected--a chance to say "I love you" or simply "I'm doing ok." Hearing the voices of loved ones can truly be a source of happiness and gratification, one that most of us take for granted every day.

3. Make Money by Selling Your iPhone

You may also earn money by selling an old iPhone to Cell Phones for Soldiers. Depending on the condition and the model, you may expect to receive between \$33 and \$320 for the buyback of an old iPhone. Plus, each one sold to Cell Phones for Soldiers is tax deductible. So selling your iPhone to the Cell Phones for Soldiers buyback program, you get paid, qualify for a tax deduction and support our troops!

4. Help Preserve the Earth

A vast majority of unwanted cell phones are thrown into landfills every year. By recycling almost 11 million cell phones since 2004, Cell Phones for Soldiers has helped eliminate more than five million pounds of [eWaste](#) from landfills.

5. It Feels Good

It is often said that the key to happiness is helping others. When people donate their cell phones to support our troops, they know that they have done "the right thing" by making a difference in the lives of our active-duty military and their families. "Doing good" feels good!

For your convenience, there is a donation box located at the Daggett County Courthouse.

Are you prepared?

Make a New Years Resolution to have a 72 Hour Kit!

If you conduct a Google search for 72 Hour Kits you will find a great variety of these kits listed for individuals, families, and others. You may find that there is not always agreement on what should be included in these kits, so in the end it is your decision and one that should be given some thought. It is best to assume that you might be in an emergency situation for longer than 72 hours, and that what you leave behind may not be there when you return. For this reason you should have copies of all your vital documents, medical records, your favorite photos, important telephone numbers/addresses, maps, and so on (copy to a DVD to save space). Adjust your list of kit items and extra clothing to meet personal needs, local circumstances, and weather conditions. If you can, add some silver coins in the event your cash becomes worthless, and include a few barter items like salt or spices. Decide what items will give you the best service as regards basic and emergency communications, medical needs, light, fire starter, water, emergency rations, direction finding, emergency (space) blankets, tube-tents, personal safety, and so on. Consider the weight, volume, and container for your 72 Hour Kit as related to feasible transport via emergency (alternative) means. Have your kit ready to go on a moment's notice, and decide what you will do about pets, livestock, and security for your home/office (when disaster strikes it is usually too late to prepare). Know in advance, what safe area you should be moving to, and how you will locate missing family members or others. In brief, planning for evacuation during a major disaster requires advance planning and adequate preparations in order to reduce losses of all types.

BASIC CERT TRAINING AVAILABLE

Registration fee is \$30.00. This fee covers your backpack and supplies, manual and your County CERT Badge (upon completion of course).



This course is geared towards families, search and rescue personnel, especially families of first responders. The class enables families to take care of themselves first and then their neighbors. With the lack of ambulance and fire personnel in the county, this training will be invaluable. Please contact Tammy Twitchell 435-784-3218 ext 201 or email at ttwitchell@daggettcountry.org to sign up. The training will be in February and can be adjusted per those signed up.

Module #1 Disaster Preparedness

Module #2 Fire Safety

Module #3 Disaster Medical One Module #4 Disaster Medical Two

Module #5 Lt. Search & Rescue

Module #6 Team Organization Module #7 Disaster Psychology

Module #8 Terrorism & Shelter In Place

Final Mock Disaster



Whiterocks Hatchery Asst. Manager, Mike McCarty holding a large late run Kokanee. Photo by Ryan Mosely

Sheep Creek Kokanee Salmon It Was a Good Year!

There was a strong age class of Kokanee salmon on Flaming Gorge Reservoir this year, resulting in "banner" fishing opportunities and a record spawning run in Sheep Creek.

Two dominate strains of Kokanee salmon exist in the reservoir, most easily noted by the timing of their spawn. The first is the early run strain, which typically runs in September, and is more prone to spawning in tributaries like Sheep Creek. They are bright red-orange in color and draw lots of visitors hoping to view this unique land-locked variety. The second is the late run strain, which is typically much darker in color. This strain spawns in late October, mostly along the

shoreline of the reservoir. Some late run Kokanee do spawn in tributaries, like Sheep Creek, especially on years when they are more abundant.

During the peak of the early run in September, UDWR biologists walk Sheep Creek to count spawning Kokanee. The counts provide an instantaneous measurement of the intensity of the run, allowing biologists to track trends between years and potential recruitment to the reservoir fishery. Similar to the up and down Kokanee trend observed in the reservoir, the spawning run was at record lows in 2009 when only 469 spawning Kokanee were counted. The annual run has been steadily increasing and an 8-year high was observed in 2013 when 3,127 spawners were counted. This increase can be attributed to higher recruitment (measured in the summer of 2009) and increased Kokanee stocking efforts by management agencies.

In 2013, Kokanee from both Sheep Creek runs were collected for eggs. Early run Kokanee were collected in an one-day, multi-agency effort using backpack shocking equipment. Approximately 1,000 Kokanee were captured by staff from UDWR, WGFD, and the USFS, along with some generous members of the public. Collected Kokanee were spawned stream-side for an estimated 313K fertilized eggs. In addition, an in-stream trap was installed in lower Sheep Creek for about 2-weeks during late October to collect late run Kokanee. Those fish were spawned for an additional 203K eggs. These eggs and subsequent fry will be raised to 3-inch fingerlings at Whiterocks State Hatchery and Jones Hole National Fish Hatchery, and stocked back into Sheep Creek or Flaming Gorge in April-May of 2014.

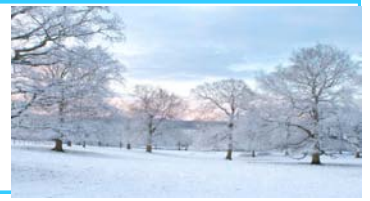
Kokanee salmon are a huge draw for anglers on Flaming Gorge Reservoir during the summer months, and even watchable wildlife enthusiasts seeking them out in Sheep Creek during the fall. These spawning/stocking activities will hopefully continue to show success in the fishery, providing visitors with a unique and desirable experience well into the future.



Whiterocks Hatchery Manager, Dana Dewey, spawning an early run Kokanee. Photo by Lucy Diggins of WGFD



JANUARY 2014



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			 1 Senior Lunch/ Navaho Tacos New Year's Day	2	3 District Court Daggett County Search & Rescue Ice Rescue Training Senior Dinner/Beef Roast 5 pm	4 Daggett County Search & Rescue Ice Rescue Training
5 Daggett County Search & Rescue Ice Rescue Training	6	7 Commission Meeting/Public Hearing	8 Justice Court Senior Lunch/ Chicken Enchiladas	9	10	11
12	13 Senior Social at Hub at 5 pm	14 Commission Meeting	15 Senior Lunch/ Pork chops	16 Daggett County Local Emergency Planning Committee	17 Senior Dinner/ Pork Roast 5 pm	18
19	 20 Martin Luther King Day County and Town Offices will be closed	21 Commission Meeting	22 Senior Lunch/ Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice	23	24 Burbot Bash Final Weekend	25 Burbot Bash Final Weekend
26 Burbot Bash Final Weekend Closing Ceremony	27	28 Commission Meeting	29 Senior Lunch/ Stuffed Bell Peppers	30	31 Senior Dinner/ Ham	

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