

# OVER THE PASS



"Fall. We like the cooler weather and changing colors of the leaves. That's why we come up here. We first came 30 years ago. Trinidad is a fascinating and artistic town, and we love the Mitchell Museum."

— Ed Benz, retired museum director & designer, Borger, TX (Trinidad)



## TRINIDAD-RATON CONNECTION

### "What's your favorite season?"

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"Fall. I love it. Just the colors. Seems like the end of a very fine summer. We've had such a beautiful year. I enjoy all the activity and watching all the animals prepare for winter."

— Jerry Schendel, retired road construction superintendent (Raton)



"Summer. You can do a lot more outside activity. I do a lot of yard work, I work on cars outside, and hopefully I'll start riding my 10-speed road bike."

— Dave Farnum, sales clerk, Topar Welding (Trinidad)



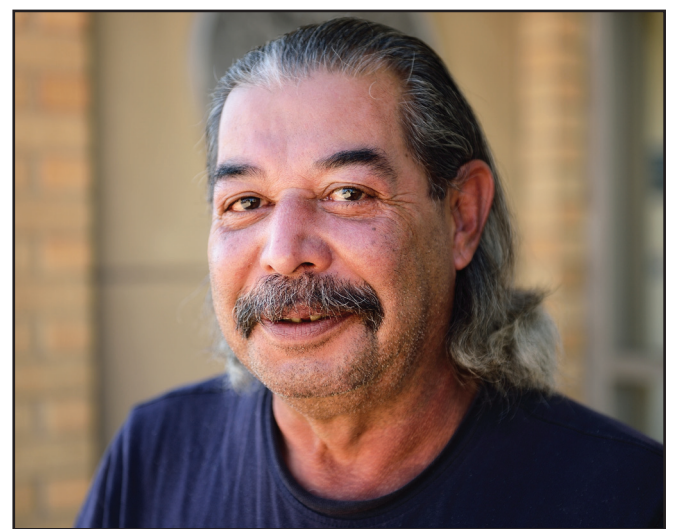
"I have to say spring because it's starting to get warmer and all the pretty flowers are starting to come out. It's nice, getting ready for the summer season when all the fun begins."

— Donna Davis, C.Y.F.D. caseworker (Raton)



"My favorite season is winter because you get to make snow-mans and you get to sled and have fun."

— Ryan Allison Smith, kindergartener, Eckhardt Elementary School (Trinidad)



"Fall into winter. I enjoy the leaves changing and the snow, taking my weekends in Cimarron Canyon to watch the changes. I can't stand too much heat. I enjoy the cold even though it hurts my back."

— George Sanchez, retired (Raton)

## Miners dominate St. Mary's

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and threw the ball well. We were alternating Thomas (Bowman) and Ethan (Duran) at quarterback, and they both threw for almost 100 yards. Bowman had three aerial touchdowns. And our players had some memories of what they did to us last year. They played with a little bit of a revenge factor on their minds."

The Miners, with 34 unanswered points in the first period, rushed for 235 yards on 27 carries and collected 196 through the air on eight of ten passing. Bowman and Duran passed for 91 and 90 yards respectively. Dylan Armijo was one for one for 15. Bowman led in rushing with 96 yards, Duran tallied 65, and Antonio Rivera 74. Izzy Manzanares led the receivers with three catches for 52 yards, Bowman one for 48, Duran one for 31 and a TD, Brandon Aragon one for 27 and a TD, JJ Miera one for 23 and a TD, and Patrick Sandoval one for 15 yards. Duran rushed for five touchdowns and hauled in a Bowman pass for six TD's on the night. Aragon and Miera also added touchdown receptions from Bowman.

"We played some games that we should have won, but our kids showed up no matter whom they played," added assistant coach Gary Vezzani. "Last Friday they really played well. They've been playing hard all season. The prior week against Lamar, I can live with even though we lost. They didn't give up. I appreciate the way they're approaching the game. The way the approached this one (St. Mary's) was great. There are a lot of things we have to get better at, but I don't deny their effort or their intent. Our defense really played well. I know now they know how and why we approach our games the way we do. We usually don't play well against a lesser opponent. In this game we did. It's not a guarantee, but if we do those things with a positive attitude, we will win some. So we do have a chance. Randy told the kids the playoffs started last Friday. And they went out and worked at it. This is the best team we've had in a long time. We have some athletes that can make it happen when opponents

make a mistake. We've had some struggles this year, but when our playmakers make it work, it goes well. We're always working at getting better. Our skill levels are real good. It was nice. We really needed that. Now our new business is Manitou, and this is good. They have a good team and are a quality opponent. That kind of competition helps us more than hurts us. I'm proud of our seniors. I'm proud of the team. Teaching kids to win again is the key to getting better, and we'll keep on trying to do that. I think we're making some great strides."

The defensive resume for the Miners was as impeccable as was that of the offense. Trinidad allowed just a single touchdown to the Pirates in the second period, against the second team defense. Quentin Bathje recorded two interceptions, Isaiah Vigil one, Rivera recovered two fumbles, and Darian Lujan and Aragon each recovered a fumble. And all without the services of stalwart player Vance Ferraro who was out for a second week with an injury.

"We played really well on defense," Begano concluded. "We had three turnovers resulting in 20 points in the first five minutes. Overall, everyone played well. Our first goal now is to win Friday. Manitou is playing very well. They like to spread you out and throw and run which they do well. They have a big 190 pound running back, but other than that, they're kind of like us. They have some skilled position players. But we can't look ahead. We're in the playoffs right now, like we were last week. Have to win every game and hope Lamar can beat Florence. The good thing is that we'll be fully healthy for first time in four or five weeks."

Manitou will be in Miner town on Friday. Kickoff is slated for 7 p.m.

Trinidad	34	7	6	0-47
St. Mary's	0	6	0	0-6

## Broncos dodge major injuries to Ray, Sanders

By ARNIE STAPLETON  
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ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — Coach Gary Kubiak says the Broncos dodged major inju-

ries to first-round draft pick Shane Ray and star wide receiver Emmanuel Sanders in their 26-23 overtime win at Cleveland.

Ray has a sprained right MCL and is expected to miss a few weeks. Sanders has a bruised left shoulder but should be back for the showdown against Green Bay on Nov. 1 following both club's bye week, Kubiak said Monday.

Ray was injured when teammate Derek Wolfe shoved Browns right tackle Mitchell Schwartz into the back of his legs. Sanders was injured trying to make a diving catch at the end of regulation.

Also, inside linebacker Corey Nelson (ankle, knee) is day to day, Kubiak said.

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