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With accents, jokes, and serious observations, comedian Mike Myers talks about success, loss, and love.

### The Nations Biggest Free Clinic

Across America—with the help of volunteers—the uninsured are offered the chance to get no-cost medical exams and screenings and also to connect with the network of 1200 free clinics nationwide.

## THE FINE PRINT

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### FRIDAY

#### Al-Anon Family

Group meets @ 6 p.m. every Friday in the Presbyterian Church basement, 801 San Pedro. For info call: Sharone 719-846-9999. No fee charged to participate & all are welcome.

#### Louden-Henritze

Archaeology Museum hosting its 18th Annual Open House 6-9 p.m. Friday @ the Freudenthal Memorial Library on the TSJC Campus. Call Loretta Martin, Museum Director, @ 846-5508 for more information.

#### 'Meet & Greet'

Scott Tipton, Congressional Candidate, 6:30 p.m. Fri @ the Little Theater, Room 105 in the Berg Building on the TSJC Campus.

### SATURDAY

#### Gideon's

Fisher's Peak Gideon's Saturday Morning Prayer Group meets @ 7 a.m. every Sat. Call 719-680-0290 for location.

#### Relay for Life

American Cancer Society fundraiser 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sat @ Roundup Park (Fair Grounds). Call Crystal @ 719-859-3093 or Ramon @ 719-680-4555 for more information.

#### ABATE D-15

16th Annual Mother of All Poker Run to ride around Highway 12 (Scenic Highway of Legends). Registration 9-11 a.m. @ Bueno's C&H Restaurant. Cash prizes, drawings, food & food call Ryan @ 868-2040 for more information.

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## RIVER CALL

Purgatoire River Call as of 5/6/10  
South Side Priority #40 - 4/30/1866  
Trinidad Lake accounting:  
Release 231.40 acre feet  
Inflow 166.98 acre feet  
Evaporation 30.58 acre feet  
Content 31560 acre feet  
Elevation 6195.20 feet  
Precipitation 0 inches  
Downstream River Call  
Lamar - 11/4/1886  
(Provided by Division of Water Resources)



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Photos by David J. Santistevan Jr.

Jim Stuart member of "Pueblo Medal of Honor Foundation" presented heart-warming tales of Medal of Honor recipients who saved lives. Stuart is married to Paulette Stuart the Executive Director of "The Pueblo Medal of Honor Foundation." Both were presenters at Thursday's joint gathering between the Kiwanis and the Rotary Club of Trinidad.

## Pueblo Medal of Honor history, facts captivate Trinidad audience

By MIKE GARRETT  
The Chronicle-News

Let's not forget!

The city of Pueblo is known as America's Congressional Medal of Honor recipient capital for having the most Medal of Honor winners, four, among a total of 3,447 recipients since the American Civil War. The city's nationally-known Medal of Honor Museum at the Pueblo Convention Center largely resulted from the efforts of Paulette and Jim Stuart and their MofH committee members, who first took on the project back in 1995 at the urging of longtime Pueblo Chieftain publisher Bob Rawlings.

Paulette and Jim were in Trinidad Holiday Inn Thursday to present Pueblo's Medal of Honor story and history to a large group of combined and enthralled Trinidad Kiwanis and Rotary Club members.

Walsenburg native Paulette Stuart just retired from the Chieftain as its promotions manager after 23 years. In addition to her role in helping create the Medal of Honor Memorial in Pueblo in 2000 and as executive director of the Pueblo Medal of Honor Foundation, she

also played an integral part working with the Southeastern Colorado Tourism Council to get the first Colorado Visitors Center in the state located in Trinidad in the late 1970s and early '80s.

The center was later moved to its current Nevada Avenue site and now houses military memorial plaques for thousands of World War II, Korean, Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans.

Paulette Stuart outlined her patriotic upbringing by her dad and how she came to be so involved in Pueblo's Medal of Honor project. "I was always aware that there was something very important about our military and that those who served were doing so were very special," she said. "I've had many tasks, projects and programs during my work at the Pueblo Chieftain. But none were so life altering as when my boss Mr. Rawlings asked if I could involved in the Medal of Honor project."

The initial projects in 1995 focused on just bringing Pueblo's four Medal of Honor recipients back to town for various ceremonies. Stuart said Rawlings then got the idea for doing some-

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Photo courtesy of Gilbert Bowman and Carol DeVaul

Gilbert Bowman and Carol DeVaul, of Trinidad, are proud to announce their son, Sgt. Jerry DeVaul, is coming home on Sunday, May 9, after serving four tours in the Middle East. He served two tours in Iraq and two in Afghanistan. Gilbert and Carol would like to thank the residents of Trinidad, friends and family for the constant prayers for Jerry's safe return. They ask that people continue to pray for all U.S. soldiers still serving at home and abroad.

## Raton City Commission sees preliminary budget

By MARTY MAYFIELD  
The Chronicle-News

**RATON** – Raton City Commissioners met Wednesday evening for a budget workshop to tackle an expected \$300,000 budget shortfall.

Paul Cassidy with RBC Capital Marketing was on hand to go over some historical data for the commission to consider when they prepare the upcoming budget. The State of New Mexico requires the city to maintain at least a 1/12 reserve for emergency funding Cassidy noted. He also went over some of the historical data that is used for bond ratings and loan analysis for debt service and loan capacity as well as bonding capacity.

Commissioner Chuck Henry asked how they, RBC

arrived at some of their conclusions. Cassidy explained it wasn't the easiest thing to do since the city operates on a cash basis. The only way that many conclusions could be determined was to look at historical data. Cassidy also noted that the city is in good shape on its debt service with interest rates on its loans at less than 5 percent. Cassidy also suggested that unless the city is going after other loans that they do not need to look at refinancing.

Cassidy noted that the transfer station is going to be one of the big things the city will have to consider and Cassidy suggested commissioners really consider raising sanitation rates since that department is operating at a loss. The city will probably need to take a debt of close to \$3 million over a 20-year period

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## Temporary closure of University Avenue

Special to The Chronicle-News

University Avenue (State Highway 12) will be closed to all traffic for several days, between State Street and Nevada Avenue, for girder work on the Interstate 25 overpass. The closure begins on Monday, May 10, and continues through Tuesday, May 18.

College Avenue, one block north, is the detour route while University is closed.

Additional construction information is available by calling contractor, Lawrence Construction at 719-846-4961 or visiting the project Web Site at www.i25trinidad.com.

## Capulin restaurant faces high hurdles

By TIM KELLER  
The Chronicle-News

**CAPULIN** – The popular summer restaurant at Capulin Country Store will not open Sunday for its traditional Mother's Day buffet and is unlikely to open this year. Coverage by *The Chronicle-News* in Monday's and Tuesday's editions has brought a flurry of activity and a window of hope, but the hurdles remain high. The property lacks sufficient space to install a required septic system upgrade.

Carlos Romero, Environmental Health Division Director of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), provided clarifications and details in a phone interview from his Santa Fe office Wednesday.

"All of the regulations involved here are those of NMED," Romero clarified. "None of this has anything to do with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the federal government in any way."

The restaurant's current NMED Food Establishment Permit, issued June 30, 2009, was

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## WEATHER WATCH

**Today:** Cloudy through mid morning, then becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 60. East northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 32. East southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph becoming calm.

**Saturday:** Partly sunny, with a high near 65. Breezy, with a southwest wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 38. Breezy, with a southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

**Sunday:** A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 72. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Sunday Night:** A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 39. West southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

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