UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 11 – QCIA Pot Luck jointly with PHCA, 6:30 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.
Saturday, September 12 – Celebration of Life for Bob Lickert, 11:30 a.m., with viewing of the urn at 10:30 am. Pitkin Community Church.

September 10, 2015

I received an email from Bob Lickert’s son Jeff today and he asked that I add this to the Pitkin Miner:
“The family would like to let the good people of the Gunnison and Pitkin community know that the memorial being held on Saturday September 12th for Robert O. Lickert will not be attended by the Lickert Family. The Lickert family would like friends of Robert to celebrate his life in a way that will bring love and peace to their hearts and minds whether that comes from the memorial or otherwise. Thank you for your support and understanding.

We would like to insure that due to recent events that the above statement is communicated.

Jeff Lickert”

September 1, 2015

Bob Lickert Memorial Service in Pitkin, September 12

I received today an announcement of a Celebration of Life Memorial to be held on September 12, 2015, here in Pitkin, celebrating the life of Bob Lickert. This was sent to me by his friend Kevin. The address for the Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department is PVFD, P.O. Box 235, Pitkin, CO 81241, in case anyone wants to send a memorial in Bob’s name.

Robert O. Lickert will have a Celebration of Life Memorial on Saturday, September 12, 2015. Family and friends of Bob’s are invited to the Pitkin Community Church in remembrance of our beloved friend...viewing of Bob’s Urn will start at 10:30 am with services commencing at 11:30 am.

A bacon burger luncheon will follow at the Pitkin (Newcomb) Community Center upon completion of our remembrances. For those who wish to share, the community is invited to bring a pot luck side dish or dessert. Bacon burgers are on our friend Bob.

The family has requested in lieu of flowers to please consider making a donation to the Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department in Bob’s name.

We are so blessed, thank you Family and Friends of Bob.

QCIA/PHCA Joint Pot Luck and Meeting Date Change

The QCIA Potluck will be held SEPTEMBER 11th instead of the 4th as originally scheduled. Hope to see you all on the 11th of September at the
Newcomb Center to share with the PHCA members in Pitkin. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share with all our friends. Thanks for being flexible.

Kathryn Walker, Ohio City

August 28, 2015

SUNNY, HAPPY FRIDAY

Today is a beautiful sunny day after three afternoons that brought us quite a bit of rain. We have wonderful cool temperatures and in fact the past two days, I had a fire in my wood-burning stove in the living room, which was very welcome!

Also early this morning I received this sweet email from Becky in Southeastern, Kansas, which was very welcome! Thank you so much, Becky, you have been so thoughtful through the years!

"Good Morning from Southeast Kansas!

As summer is winding down and all the kids are back in school - I just want to take a minute and let you know how much I appreciate all your work and beautiful pictures in "The Pitkin Miner". I feel like I can keep in touch with our beloved Pitkin - even though we're some 750 miles away.

Can't wait to see the fall pics as the beautiful Aspens change color and the landscape is once again re-created.

Congrats too on the recent wedding of your daughter - you have three wonderful girls!

Have a great week!"

GETTING CAUGHT UP

I left Pitkin on August 12 and returned on the 24th, this past Monday, so I've been playing catch-up all week. This morning I worked at the Pitkin Post Office and got a call from a very pleasant woman in Centennial, Colorado, who wanted to order 2 rolls of stamps from the Pitkin Post Office. She said that she was so glad when Suzy (that's me!) posted information not too long ago that explained how she could place that order. She said she used to order from Darwin when he was our Postmaster. So I was really glad to hear from her and let her know how much money to send. She said she still had an envelope addressed to the Pitkin Post Office and a little form that Darwin had sent to her with her last order. So now I hope I am working when her order comes in, because I could see what kind of envelope and order form he got together for
her and then I can develop the same thing so that we can hopefully get more stamp orders to fill!

Oh, on my trip, I drove with my two dogs in my small camper through Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota, a bit of North Dakota, then quite a bit of Minnesota, with the destination being my friend Becky's cabin on a lake not far from Brainerd, Minnesota. I stayed there for 5 days and then the dogs and I headed back for Pitkin, going back to Minnesota and covering new territory, visiting Jamestown's Buffalo Museum and camping near Bismarck overnight, then down to South Dakota and through Sturgis, where longtime Pitkin resident Bob Lickert passed away earlier this month (so I couldn't help but think of him quite a bit that day), and to Rapid City, where we camped overnight. Next we returned through Wyoming and to Ft. Collins for the night, and then home on Monday. It's great to be home but it really was a fun trip!

**August 3, 2015**

**Sad News**

Bob Lickert uses the wifi at the Silver Plume General Store, July 21, 2015

News was received in Pitkin beginning last night that Bob Lickert had been involved in a serious ATV accident in Sturgis, South Dakota. Bob's family made the decision yesterday evening to have Bob removed from life support and he passed away at 12:30 a.m. today, August 3.
More information will be included here when available.

Bob was a longtime full-time resident of Pitkin, a former Town Trustee, and worked as a bail bondsman. He lived in Pitkin full-time until the summer of 2013, after his house near 9th Street and State Street burned on May 13, 2013.

Townspeople will miss Bob Lickert, who was very well-known.

**July 30, 2015**

**Special Summer 2015 Events Editions (two of them) will be published soon, with Fireman's Day, Pitkin Art Walk, Street Dance (pending), House Moving Parade, Pitkin Days and Melodrama events and photos.**

**July 29, 2015**

**Alun Jackson, age 7, in Children’s Hospital**

Just over a week ago, Stephanie (Millison) and Dave Jackson’s son was kicked in the head by a horse and flown to Children’s Hospital in Denver. I didn’t hear about this until my daughters told me this past Saturday morning. There is a fund that has been started to help make it possible for both Stephanie and Alun to remain in Denver with Alun while his brain injury continues to be treated. Please keep Alun and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Alun is the grandson of Deb Rudibaugh of the 711 Ranch and Stephanie is the young woman who leads horseback rides out of the ranch, which is right by the Indian Head Rock.

http://www.gofundme.com/c45w83sa8

**Gold Rush Fun Run/Walk on August 8 in Ohio City**

Get registered at goldrush5k10k.com. New this year is a 1K kid fun run. All proceeds go to renovate the Ohio City Town Hall. Please share this with your friends and family. Runners’ bags for all participants. T-shirts/concessions available for sale, too. Come out and support our historical places. See you at the start line - 9:00 am, Saturday August 8, at the Ohio City Fire Station just a little ways up Gold Creek Road from County Rd. 76.
**Nancy’s Needle in its Last Days**

Nancy Mitchell’s Nancy’s Needle gift shop and alteration/sewing service is going out of business. Nancy is in her final days of business and all inventory is 50% off. Her last day of business will be Tuesday, August 11. Nancy’s Needle is right next to the Pitkin Post Office on Main Street in Pitkin.

**Pitkin Days Photos To Come**

I was out of town over Pitkin Days weekend and Bobby Slack generously offered to take photos for me. I will post these photos as soon as I have received them from Bobby. Thanks for your patience.
Lin and Bob Pope of Mississippi are the new owners of the Pitkin Hotel, having purchased it on December 18, 2014, from longtime owner JoAn Bannister, who now lives in Saguache, Colorado.

The Popes' first visited Pitkin six years ago when they rented 4-wheelers in St. Elmo and came to Pitkin to get gas. They, like many others, fell in love with Pitkin and also realized that people could get to Pitkin in the winter from Gunnison, and that stuck in their minds. (St. Elmo is not accessible in the winter these days) Last summer Lin and Bob came to Pitkin on vacation and wanted to see what size toy hauler (5th wheel with space for a 4-wheeler) they
could get into the Pitkin Campground. They realized they couldn't get a very large one because something large would be too difficult to maneuver in the Pitkin Campground. They stayed at the Quartz Creek Lodge and while here, took a peek at the Pitkin Hotel. JoAn was unloading groceries and they chatted with her. The pair got serious about buying the Pitkin Hotel in June 2014 but it took until December to complete the purchase. Lin explains, "It was more like an adoption than a contract!" JoAn wanted to be sure that she was selling the hotel to the right kind of people and was satisfied that the Popes were just perfect for it.

Lin Pope has been here in Pitkin since May 11, working at the hotel, getting things just the way she wants them. A Geology Professor at the University of Southern Mississippi, Lin plans to retire in May of 2016. Her husband Bob is a geologist with the Navy Oceanographic Office at Stennis Space Center and will be retiring in July of 2016. So beginning in the 2016 season, the couple will have the hotel open until the end of October. Lin will be returning to her job at USM in mid-August, but they plan to keep the hotel open through the second week of September this fall. Bob and Lin both have their mothers back in Mississippi so they will not be year-round residents of Pitkin. Their home is 50 miles north of New Orleans.

Eventually Lin hopes to do a geology field camp here at the Pitkin Hotel, in this especially interesting geological area. She is hopeful that she might be able to get this organized for 2016 but if not, then another year.

The Pitkin Hotel has a brand new front deck and signage on the windows, new furniture and decor items in the lobby, and Lin is still working on other improvements as well. Be sure to stop by the Pitkin Hotel to see how cozy it is and to say hello to Lin! Bob is down in Mississippi working as he doesn't have the luxury of summers off. Bob and the couple’s son Ryan were in Pitkin for a couple of weeks earlier this summer, working hard on the deck and helping to make the Pitkin Hotel shine. Details on booking the Pitkin Hotel and their accommodations can be found at http://www.pitkinhotel.com.
The Pitkin Hotel, July 22, 2015

Check-in Counter at the Pitkin Hotel
Patty & Kenny Jordan Sold Their House on Quartz Lane, July 17, 2015

Longtime Pitkin residents Patty and Kenny Jordan came to town on July 16 so that they could attend the closing on the sale of their home on Quartz Lane. The couple moved to the Denver area about 3 years ago due to both having finally developed some issues with living at this altitude. Patty and Kenny have been married for 67 years and Kenny says, "And 65 of them have been good!" Always ready with some little comment that will make people laugh, it was so good to see both Kenny and Patty again. And I am so pleased with the photo that I took of them! (below)

Patty & Kenny Jordan, July 16, 2015, in front of what was their home. They sure do make a beautiful couple!

Pitkin Melodrama Begins tomorrow - Thursday, July 23

The name of this year's Pitkin Days Melodrama is "Alaska, or The Secret of Yonder Mountain" by Robert Fulton Kennedy, directed by Nancy Mitchell. It's a melodrama in three acts. Tickets are $10 for adults or $5 for children 12 and under. Tickets are for sale at the Silver Plume General Store and Nancy's Needle in Pitkin. The actor playing the hero is Cody Nicholson, and the actress playing the heroine is Michaela Swan. Many
returning Pitkin Town Players will be memorable to any spectator who has attended the Pitkin Melodrama in previous years, such as Juliet Serrato, Charley & Diane McDaniel, Laurene Farley, Rob Colliau, Ron Heberling, Kandy Nasso, D.C. Higgins, and Stephanie Nasso. Performances will be held at the Pitkin Town Hall on Thursday, July 23, Friday, July 24, and Saturday, July 25 at 7:00 p.m., and a matinee will be performed on Sunday, July 26, at 4:00 p.m. Pitkin Days and the Pitkin Melodrama are fundraisers for the Pitkin Historical & Community Association.

The Pitkin Town Players, all on stage for the 2015 Melodrama, "Alaska!"
D.C. Higgins and Rob Colliau are getting into their parts.

A summary of the story is "Persephone Proudhheart is in search of her lover, Cyril Twigbucket, who she fears has passed away in the mountains. Cyril, however, has struck gold and has not perished. Upon returning to his sweetheart, he falls into the clutches of Rhinestone
Fred and Goldust Gertie, who endeavor to make him tell the location of the mine. We now find what the love of a good woman and the quick wits of our hero can do. Cyril is reconciled with Persephone and the Widow Proudheart (Persephone's mother) captures the heart of the bartender, Alaska Al."

**Pitkin Day is July 25!**

Pitkin Day kicks off on Saturday morning, July 25 at 8:00 a.m. with a Fun Run/Walk (2 or 5 mile) that starts at the Silver Plume General Store. At 9:00 a.m. Kids' Fishing Contests begin, followed by the Basketball Free Throw Contest at 10:30 a.m., then Horseshoe Games, Watermelon Seed Spitting and the Plunger Toss Contests at 11:00 a.m. At 12:00 noon, the noon meal is served by donation at the Newcomb Community Center. Following the meal, drawings are done for many nice gifts and more games follow in the afternoon.
Bob Zook, who came all the way from Singapore to spend 10 days with his Mom and Dad in Pitkin, and especially, to be the MC at the Pitkin Melodrama and the organizer and announcer for Pitkin Day Games.

Games are coordinated by Bob Zook, who flies in every Pitkin Day week from far, far away (depending on where he is working, places like Baghdad, Iraq, or somewhere else in the Middle East or Asia) and he just will not miss this special even that only happens once a year in Pitkin. His parents have a cabin in Pitkin and have summered in Pitkin for many, many years and Bob owns some property here, too. Mr. Zook also serves as the master of ceremonies for the Melodrama for all of the performances and does a great job in warming up the willing audience. **Special thanks to Bob Zook** for coming every year and making it memorable for everyone!
Old House Gets a New Home Tomorrow Morning

This house, currently located at 615 Main Street, will be moved Thursday morning, July 23, at around 8:00 a.m. to 222 Main Street. The home, belonging to Hermans of Pueblo, Colorado, is already loaded up on a trailer and awaiting the electric company which needs to remove a power line, and a short trip, just four blocks southwest, to its new location. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ralph Bush of Franklin, Texas, are taking possession of the home which they will restore to the point that they can spend summers in it. A parade has been organized for tomorrow morning to commemorate the event.

Tickets for the PHCA Drawing on Sale at the Pitkin Museum

The PHCA has all donated gifts on display at the Pitkin Museum, in the old Pitkin School House at 8th and Main Streets, and tickets are for sale there. Here are a few shots I took July 22 of the items that are included in the drawings.
July 15, 2015

Donations for drawings are being accepted for the PHCA’s Pitkin Days Fundraiser on Pitkin Day, July 25, 2015, at the Pitkin Museum. All donations are tax deductible and items are on display at the Pitkin Museum in the Pitkin Schoolhouse between 8th Street and 9th Street on Main.

Coming up this weekend are the Pitkin Art Walk from noon until 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 18, at the Pitkin Town Hall, and the Barry Ward Concert on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. at the Newcomb Community Center.

Also, on Friday night July 17, there will be a PHCA Pot Luck Dinner and their annual general meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Newcomb Community Center.

The following week the Pitkin Melodrama will begin performances on Thursday, July 23 at the Pitkin Town Hall. Performances will be held on July 23, 24 and 25 in the evening and on July 26 there will be a final performance, an afternoon matinee. More information will be posted soon.

On Friday July 24, Gumbie, a sled dog who is an Iditarod and Yukon Quest Veteran, will be appearing at the Silver Plume Grill from 12 noon until 1:00 p.m. Participants can learn about sled dog racing!
The Pitkin Post Office (at 970-641-9236) is open 10:00 a.m. until Noon, Monday through Friday, and 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. on Saturdays. Four local ladies work there, alternating days – Laurene Farley, Suzy Metzler, Jo Buchanan and Nancy Duetsch – and are happy to accept stamp orders by mail. Please call the Post Office to let us know what you need! We can tell you how much to send in a check for what you want to order, and when we get your check, we’ll mail you the stamps with free postage.

Big Old Pine Removed Today from Near Pitkin Fire Station

The electricity was turned out from 5th Street and above, and we had no internet, for about 2-1/2 or 3 hours this morning while a tree removal company removed a large pine tree that was very close to the Pitkin Fire Station. They first disconnected all nearby power lines, then a worker in a “cherry picker” lopped off the branches until he couldn’t really get any more of them. Next they sawed off the uppermost section and let it fall. As they took the branches off, they fed the branches into a wood chipper that blew the mulch into the back of the orange truck.
Workers put branches into the wood chipper which blows the mulch into the back of the orange truck.
Taking off the top of the tree.
Ramon Reed, Mike Chappell, Bob Plutt and Michael Miller gather to watch the tree demolition project, July 15, 2015.

Stores All Open!

Pitkin Café and Museum, July 9, 2015
The Pitkin Café & Museum on 5th Street has been open since June 15, Sunday through Friday every week, with burgers, chili, hand-scooped ice cream, malts, even pie and brownies à la mode!

All of Pitkin’s stores are open for the season! The Silver Plume General Store and Lodge as well as the Silver Plume Grill and Silver Plume Rentals have been open since mid- to late-May. The Quartz Creek Lodge and the High Mountain Gallery were both open by Memorial Day weekend, and the Pitkin Café & Museum opened on June 15.

Silver Plume General Store, July 9, 2015

The Silver Plume General Store, all stocked up and ready to go for the season! The Silver Plume Grill is open and busy serving up good breakfasts, burgers and other sandwiches!
The Pitkin Hotel, with a brand new front walkway/deck and all cleaned up, ready for the season. Watch the Pitkin Miner as in the next few days I plan to do an article on the Pitkin Hotel changes and owner and operator Lin Pope.

The Pitkin Hotel is open with new owners Lin and Bob Pope who have spiffed things up quite a bit! Be sure to stop in and visit!
Pitkin’s High Mountain Gallery at 212 Main Street, with lots of nice artwork and fun gatherings inside by the woodburning stove on chilly mornings or outside in the sun on nice days!
Lisa Jabas Stonequist’s cozy Pitkin’s High Mountain Gallery is open, too, featuring a local artists’ co-op and a new fiber arts section called Knit Pitkin.

July 12, 2015

Article from 5 years ago about John and Caryl Jobe

Tomorrow evening, July 13, Monday, John Jobe will perform at a special event at the Newcomb Community Center, "Pie and Poetry," at 7:00 p.m. On July 21, 2010, I wrote the following article about John and his wife Caryl and I thought it would be fun to republish the article so that people who might not know their story could read the article. This is their 56th Consecutive (I believe) Summer in Pitkin! Wow! I can't attend tomorrow night because of a zoning board meeting that I need to attend, but I hope that everyone enjoys the event! If I'm finished at the meeting before the Pie and Poetry event is over, I'll join in at the end. (That didn't happen as the zoning board meeting lasted until 9:35pm. I am bummed.)

Here's the article from July 21, 2010:

John & Caryl Jobe's 51st Consecutive Summer in Pitkin!

John and Caryl Jobe first came to Pitkin, camping in a tent, in 1960, and have spent at least some time in Pitkin every summer since then, making this their 51st summer!

This morning (on July 21, 2010) I went up to their cabin at 10,200 ft. in elevation and interviewed them. Their cabin is lovely and they are both doing well, at age 77.
John Jobe welcomed me at their front door.
Caryl was cooking something up in their cozy kitchen.

John wrote this article for me, making it very easy for me! I didn't have to take any notes while visiting them, and I did want to make sure I got all of the facts right!

John and Caryl Jobe with some of their children and a dog first drove along the Quartz Creek on their way to Pitkin, Colorado, in the summer of 1960. At that time the road from Highway 50 to Pitkin was not paved. They camped that year in the Pitkin Campground, in a tent.

They have spent part of every summer since in the Pitkin area, totaling fifty-one summers.

In their early days in those Pitkin summers, their first friends were the Jack McLain family, Art and Bonnie Pearson, and Ray and Nell Moritz. All of these people were great friends and helpmates to the Jobe family.
Art Pearson had been Mayor of Pitkin for about 35 years. He owned many mining claims, many town lots, and at one time owned all the rails from the railroad connecting the Alpine Tunnel and Pitkin.

By 1962, the Jobe family included John and Caryl and five children.

Ray and Nell Moritz built the Silver Plume which was a fine little grocery store that also sold gasoline. The Moritzs allowed the Jobes to charge groceries and gasoline during their stays in the Quartz Valley. The Jobes would pay their bill each year as they left the area. This was a great help to this young family.

The Jobes had a desire to someday have a cabin close to Pitkin. This desire began to be fulfilled in 1970 when they purchased from Art and Bonnie Pearson the American Sister mining claim, located six miles upstream from Pitkin.

They bought rough-cut lumber from the McLain Ranch. John, Caryl and their children closed in a small cabin in 1971 in 21 days.

The Jobes have enjoyed and improved their cabin each of these last 39 summers. They refer to their cabin as "Primitive, but Precious."

They love the Quartz Valley and have many friends all along the Quartz Creek.

Pitkin has been very special to them and they plan to enjoy the town and people each summer in the future. Not only have John and Caryl and their family enjoyed the people of the valley, but over the years, they also have enjoyed hiking and fishing in the mountains within 100 miles of Pitkin.

When not in Pitkin, their home is in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

In 1995 John started writing stories in rhyme, at first inspired by the Pitkin area. He was also the M.C. for the annual melodrama for 20 years.

The following rhyme is the first rhyme he wrote:

The Pitkin Spirit

I went to Pitkin once
And sensed it right away
When someone helped me
And then asked me to stay.
It is a great spirit
That extends up and down the Quartz
And I wanted to catch it
For those who had it were of all sorts.

I went to Pitkin again and again
And it was always still there.
They seemed to love and help each other
But I was slow to take the dare.

Finally, I did help someone
I did the same another day
Each time it became easier
It is a great way.

Now, you went to Pitkin once
In fact we’re here together
And now that we’ve both caught it
We will live with it forever.

By John Jobe

_I want to thank John and Caryl for their hospitality this morning. It was really a treat to spend time with both of you._ Suzy

**July 12, 2015**

**Pie and Poetry, Monday night at 7:00 p.m. featuring John Jobe**

I have been out of circulation but last night I went to pick up my mail and saw on the Post Office bulletin board that there will be a special performance (which I’ll miss as I’ll be at the Zoning Board meeting, unfortunately) of John Jobe at the Newcomb Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

John is a wonderful performer and longtime summer resident of the cabin that he and his family built in the 60’s. This is something that nobody should miss!

**PLEASE EMAIL ME with EVENTS**

Events large and small – I may not be out and about (I’ve been sick, am way behind and have lots to do), but I would love to share what is going on with
whoever’s reading the Miner. Not everyone’s here and not everyone’s on Facebook! Thanks!

July 11, 2015

MINER UPDATE DELAYS – Apologies

Delay in updates due to illness. I have been sick since the afternoon of July 4 with what I thought was a cold, but learned is walking pneumonia. Feeling really poorly, I have not been able to update the Miner until tonight, July 11. My apologies. This will be a start but I hope to get more done later this week. – Editor, Suzy Metzler

July 1, 2015

Jean and Dennis Olmsted, organizers of the PHCA’s Fireman’s Day Parade, would like to remind the people of the Quartz Creek Valley that on the 4th of July at 3:30 pm we will have our annual parade with line up starting at 3:15. Participants should line up on State Street at 9th Street, with the Grand Marshall right at the intersection and all other participants behind that vehicle, which is usually an amazing antique car driven by longtime summer resident Herb Zook!

This is an excellent way for the folks of our community to show their support for the generous volunteers that race to the fire station every time the siren blows.

After the parade everyone will meet at the school house for a delicious meal and drawings for prizes. Dinner served at 5:00 pm.

Last year was a great turn out with horses and cannon blasts and lots of people lining the route. Let’ do it again...

See you there.

PVFD Fundraiser Info

Tickets for the drawings to be held on Saturday evening at the Fireman’s Day Fundraiser will be sold beginning midday on Saturday at the Pitkin School House Pavilion. Items are on display at the High Mountain Gallery at 212 Main Street. If you have donations, please call Gwen Mataisz at 641-0159 or take them to the High Mountain Gallery.
Sad News

Former Pitkin year-round resident and Karen Grinnell was killed in a motorcycle accident in Kentucky recently. Karen, her husband Brad, and son Patrick lived in Pitkin for several years. Her daughter, Jillian, visited many times. Karen taught in the Gunnison RE1J School District and at Western State College in Gunnison.

An obituary found online states:

WHITLEY CITY, KY - Karen Grinnell, 60, of Whitley City, Kentucky, passed away Monday, June 22, 2015 at the Pioneer Community Hospital in Oneida, TN.

She was born in Muncie, Indiana on June 8, 1955 to Robert Moore and Nancy (Cox) Schauer.

She is preceded in death by her mother.

Surviving family includes her father, Robert Moore of Anderson, IN; her husband,
Brad Grinnell of Whitley City, KY; a son, Patrick Lykens of Whitley City, KY; a daughter, Jillian Lykens of Lexington, KY; and a step-daughter, Priscilla Grinnell of Philadelphia, PA; a brother, Mark Moore (wife, Karyn) of Jeffersonville, IN and a nephew, Ian Moore of Jeffersonville, IN.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

- See more at:
  http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/thestarpress/obituary.aspx?pid=175149239#sthash.rypRfHGA.dpuf

Karen served as Pitkin’s Town Hall Commissioner and was also active with the Pitkin Historical and Community Association while she lived in Pitkin. As the news got around here in Pitkin that Karen had passed away, many were remembering her fondly as an energetic person who was very well-liked.

Brad Grinnell's address is P.O. Box 1013, Whitley City, KY 42653.

June 21, 2015

Update on Scott Linenbroker

Scott Linenbroker’s mother, Glenna, emailed yesterday with an update on Scott’s progress in recovering from injuries last November when a tree fell on him. She wrote:

Thought I would update you on Scott Linenbroker, he had the tree fall on him November 10, 2014. His right leg was crushed as well as his left shoulder, along with other stuff we didn’t know about until later. His doctor released him the 1st of May, said everything was going good. I don’t how many trips we made back and forth to the Doctor. Scott was having terrible pain at his knee, got shots in his back and knee. The fine doctor said there wasn’t anything that could be done. The pin had bent 1st in the rod above his knee, then the pin broke completely at the knee, they finally took it out in April (the pin). Still had pain and the doctor told him to get a second opinion or learn to deal with it. Told him to come back in six months.

We called his family doctor and ask for a reference to University Hospital at Columbia, MO. (When he had the bad car accident in 1995 he was there 3 months, they did wonders.) Saw Dr. Delco, he took MRI’s, etc. and decided to take the old rod out and put in a new one. He did this, this past Wed. The pain was because the 1st rod was too long and the bone had not healed around the rod because the rod was to loose. The Doctor but a large rod size 12 instead of 8 and shorter rod. The operation was late in the day of Wednesday, so he spent the night and we brought him home on Thursday. He walked out of the hospital
by himself. The almost 2 hour ride was kind of rough, but the pain is gone when he stands up. He is one happy camper.

He is hoping to get to Pitkin this fall. – Glenna Linenbroker

It sure was good to hear some good news!

**PVFD Cookbook Fundraiser. Published Summer 2014.**

The PVFD’s Pitkin cookbook, entitled *Pitkin to Parlin Revisited*, a fundraiser for the Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department is still available! The cookbooks are on sale at the Silver Plume General Store, the High Mountain Gallery, Nancy’s Needle and the Pitkin Café. Suzy Metzler will be handling the mailing of cookbooks to those who are not able to come to Pitkin to pick one up in person. All of the $14 per cookbook goes directly to the Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department.

*If you would like to buy a single cookbook and have it mailed to you,* please send a check made out to the PVFD (Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department) for $20.00 to Suzy Metzler, PO Box 100, Pitkin, CO 81241, and I will mail the cookbook out to you. The price breakdown of the $20 is $14 for the cookbook and $6 for priority mail postage which includes $50 in insurance.

*If you want me to send you more than one cookbook,* please email me at PitkinCookbook@aol.com so that I can check on the best way to mail or ship the cookbooks to you and I can also set aside the number of cookbooks you want to order. Then you can mail me a check made out to the PVFD at this address: Suzy Metzler, PO Box 100, Pitkin, CO 81241. I will ship these out just as quickly as I can.

REMEMBER – checks are not made out to me, but to the Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department, or “PVFD” and then mail them to me, please, at my address which is above. The cookbooks were donated to the PVFD and all $14 per cookbook goes to the Pitkin Volunteer Fire Department.

**IMPORTANT: REGISTER YOUR CELL PHONE FOR REVERSE 911 CALLS - UPDATED**

For those who are in the Pitkin area at summer homes and who have disconnected your local Gunnison area phone numbers, please note the following:

REGIONAL EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS: To register your Voice over IP (VoIP) or Wireless Telephones, please use the link provided just below to go to the Intrado Target Notification System (TNS) and fill out the registration form. Each number provided will be added to the regional emergency database to receive voice notifications when your address is impacted by a disaster or emergency. **Each number can only be associated with one address in the system. Copy**
and paste this link into your internet browser.
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If you are registered, you will receive a Reverse 911 call in case of emergency.

Pitkin Calendar of Events 2015

Monday, June 22 - Pitkin Short-Term Rental Special Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Monday, June 22 – PHCA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Wednesday, June 24 – Bunco, Newcomb Community Center, 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, June 27 – Ohio City Fire Department Annual Fundraiser, Noon, Ohio City Fire Station

Sunday, June 28 – PHCA Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. til noon, Newcomb Community Center

Wednesday, July 1 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center

Saturday, July 4 – Fireman’s Day Fundraiser, Newcomb Community Center, Pitkin, beginning with the parade at 3:30 p.m; 5:00 p.m. meal, drawings, then the Fireman’s Ball at 8:00 p.m.

Monday, July 6 – PHCA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Wednesday, July 8 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Thursday, July 9 – Movies in the Mountains, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Friday, July 10 – Bluegrass Concert, 6:30 p.m., at the Pitkin Town Hall, featuring Free The Honey. Tickets $10 for ages 13 and up; $5 for children, lap children free. Advance tickets sold at the Silver Plume or Nancy’s Needle or buy at the door that night! Benefits the Pitkin Town Hall.

Saturday, July 11 – QCIA Pot Luck Dinner, Ohio City School House, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, July 13 – Pitkin Board of Zoning Adjustment Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall Downstairs Meeting Room.

Monday, July 13 – Pie and Poetry featuring John Jobe, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.
Tuesday, July 14 – Pitkin Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Wednesday, July 15 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Wednesday, July 15 – Kiddie Movie Matinee, 2:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Friday, July 17 – PHCA Potluck and Annual General Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Saturday, July 18 – Pitkin Art Walk, noon til 6:00 p.m. at the Pitkin Town Hall. Free admission for all! Any donations will go to funding next year’s Art Walk.

Sunday, July 19 – Barry Ward Concert, 6:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Monday, July 20 – PHCA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Wednesday, July 22 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 23, 24 and 25 – Pitkin Melodrama at 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Friday, July 24 – Meet Gumbie, Sled Dog, noon til 1:00 p.m. at the Silver Plume Grill.

Saturday, July 25 - Pitkin Day, activities all day, more information to follow.

Sunday, July 26 – Pitkin Melodrama Matinee, 4:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Wednesday, July 29 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Wednesday, July 29 - (rescheduled) PVFD Training, Truck Ops/Portable Pond, 6:30 p.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Saturday, August 1 – PVFD Skills Day, 9:00 a.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Monday, August 3 – PHCA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Wednesday, August 5 – PVFD Training, Ladders/Radio Ops/Size-ups, 6:30 p.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Wednesday, August 5 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.
Thursday, August 6 – Movies in the Mountains, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Saturday, August 8 – Gold Rush 5K/10K Walk/Run, Ohio City, 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 8 – QCIA Pot Luck Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Ohio City School House

Tuesday, August 11 – PHCA Family Bunco Night, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Tuesday, August 11 – Pitkin Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Wednesday, August 12 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center

Wednesday, August 12 – Kiddie Movie Matinee, 2:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Saturday, August 15 – PHCA Spaghetti Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Monday, August 17 – PHCA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Wednesday, August 19 – PVFD Training, Nozzles/Offensive and Defensive Positioning, 6:30 p.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Wednesday, August 19 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Thursday, August 20 – Movies in the Mountains, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Friday, August 21 – PHCA Potluck and General Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Wednesday, August 26 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Tuesday, September 1 – PHCA Game Night, 6:30 p.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Wednesday, September 2 – PVFD Training, QRT Training, 6:30 p.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Wednesday, September 2 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Thursday, September 3 – Movies in the Mountains, 7:00 p.m., Newcomb
Community Center

Friday, September 4 – PHCA/QCIA Joint Potluck Dinner at 6:30 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Sunday, September 6 – PHCA Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. til noon, Newcomb Community Center

Monday, September 7 – PHCA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Newcomb Community Center

Tuesday, September 8 – Pitkin Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Wednesday, September 9 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Wednesday, September 16 – PVFD Training, Water Supply/Winter Operations, 6:30 p.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Wednesday, September 16 – Bunco, 10:00 a.m., Newcomb Community Center.

Tuesday, September 22 – Game Night, Newcomb Community Center, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30 – PVFD Training, Chimney Fires/Portable Extinguishers, 6:30 p.m., Pitkin Fire Station.

Saturday, October 10 – QCIA Pot Luck Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Ohio City School House.

Tuesday, October 13 – Pitkin Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Sunday, November 1 – Daylight Savings Time ends. Fall Back!

Tuesday, November 10 – Pitkin Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Saturday, November 14 – QCIA Pot Luck Dinner, meat provided, 6:30 p.m., location to be announced.

Thursday, November 26 – Thanksgiving

Tuesday, December 8 – Pitkin Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Pitkin Town Hall.

Saturday, December 12 – QCIA Pot Luck Dinner, meat provided, 6:30 p.m., location to be announced.

Thursday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Church service at the Pitkin Community Church, time to be advised.
Thursday, December 31 – New Year’s Eve