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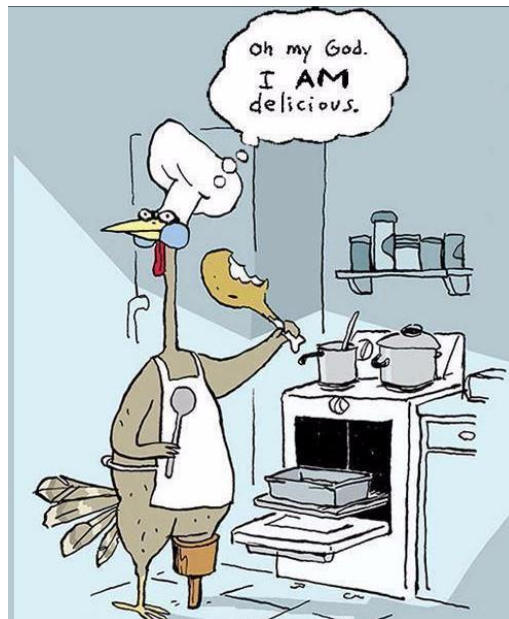


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MARINA BUZZ

November 2017

"Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings."



- William Arthur Ward

Greetings!

Happy Thanksgiving! Or as I like to say...Happy "Eat-until- your-pants-split-open" Day! From our family to yours, we hope you find yourselves surrounded by all the love of family and friends this season and have much to be thankful for! We are certainly thankful for all of you! Our summer season is now far behind us, with a long winter ahead, offering

us the time to reflect on the past and prepare for the future. Be sure to look out for the **December Buzz** and any additional emails from the marina, with news of upcoming projects and important rate information. If you get the Buzz but have not seen any other emails in your inbox, please [reach out](#) to make sure we have you up-to-date in our system.

Today's Views Out the Window



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Employee Spotlight



Most of you know Dave Cope as one of the marina's most seasoned sailing instructors. Or maybe you've seen him on the slopes in Keystone where he spends his winters teaching people how to ski. But there's a little more to Dave Cope than meets the eye.

We all know that Dave likes to talk. But did you know he has been singing since he was about five years old? He's been belting it out throughout his school years, all the way to the University of Nevada as a member of the concert choir.

But his new adventures have taken him into acting, with his first role in the play **"Billy Elliott."** He landed the role as a miner, Mr. Gibbs, singing in all four of the major songs as well as his first solo. His next big gig is in the upcoming **"A Rocky Mountain Christmas,"** put on by the Breckenridge Backstage Theater, which will run from December 14th-29th. A play description and tickets can be found @ BackStageTheater.org. Congrats Dave on living your dream!

Record-Breaking Catch

Many people have tried their hand at fishing Dillon Reservoir and all too often, they come back empty-handed. It really takes knowing the body of water and what you're fishing for. Those who know that best are the guides that run fishing trips out there year-round. Yep, both summer and winter, on the ice. Just earlier this month, a visitor from Virginia



landed a catch that not only beat the record for the boat that day, but beat the record for the largest Arctic Char ever caught in the state of Colorado. Lake Dillon is home to Brown and Rainbow Trout, Kokanee Salmon & the slow-growing Arctic Char. If you're thinking of a fishing trip in the high country this winter or next summer, get yourself a guide and maybe you'll have a great fishing tale to tell.

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From the Helm

Ahoy Mates,



Mother Nature and Denver Water were very kind to us this past fall with our end of season work orders and projects, allowing us to get the marina put away in a proper fashion. Also, the crew worked very hard to get all of the fall work orders completed before the snow fell.

We are planning some dock work for the 2018 season, which includes new floats at the beginning of a couple of the docks, transition plates and wheels for the gangways, and new anchor cables and anchors. **A Dock replacement** has been placed on the 2018 Capital Improvement fund! The final plan has not been developed as of yet for 2018 but I am looking at many options.

There are plenty of inside projects to keep Craig and I busy as well. The kayak racks will receive some reconditioning, which will help develop our welding skills, and we have a couple of small fiberglass repairs to work on as well.



The Fall 2017 Guest Surveys will be sent out to you in late November or early December. Please take a moment to participate. Your feedback let's us know how we are performing for you and gives us ideas of the areas we can improve.

Thanks to all of the marina staff for all of their safe and hard work. And best wishes to all of you for a safe and happy winter season.

I will be moonlighting at Keystone Resort this winter as I go into my 23rd season as a Keystone Ski Patroller so look for me on the Outback as well as a few of our other marina crew members.

Thanks again and have a great holiday season!

Please send an email or call us here at the marina if you have any questions or concerns: philhofer@dillonmarina.com or call (970) 468-5100 x103.

Upcoming Dillon Events

Annual Lighting of Dillon



Join us on **Thursday, December 7th** as our community comes together to light up the town and kick off the holiday season! The Town of Dillon is hosting the annual Lighting of Dillon from 5:30-7:30pm @ the Dillon Community Church. Bring the kids for an evening of caroling, cookies and crafts as well as a visit from the big man himself! It's an evening of fun for the entire family!

Ice Castles

Things are starting to take shape in Dillon's Town Park as the Ice Castles are starting to rise! Drive by the site anytime, day or night, and watch as they build this masterpiece of snow and ice.



"The crews grow roughly 10,000 icicles every day and place them throughout the Ice Castle to provide something for the water to freeze to. Over time the icicles just get absorbed into the ice structure."



The date that they will open is completely dependent on the weather, of course. As they draw closer to completing the structure, the team will provide updates and a chance to purchase tickets in advance on the Ice Castles website: icecastles.com/dillon/. The Ice Castles will remain open as long as Mother Nature cooperates. To learn more about the building of the castles as well as what to expect when you arrive, click on their [FAQ Page](#).

Winter Hours

If you need to find us @ the marina throughout the winter months, call or stop by **Monday-Friday, from 9am-5pm.**

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"He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has."

-Epictetus-



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