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MILE-HI SKYDIVING

Owner sets meetings with council

Bagley: Skydiving company looking for ways to be 'better neighbors'

By KAREN ANTONACCI
 STAFF WRITER

Amid an ongoing lawsuit between the company and a citizen group, the owner of Mile-Hi

Skydiving has been setting up meetings with Longmont City Council members via his public relations firm, the Times-Call learned Monday.

Seven members of the group Citizens for Quiet Skies are suing Mile-Hi in Boulder County District court because of what they say are loud and frequent flights

over unincorporated Boulder County homes. The trial in the suit took place from April 13 to April 17, drawing large numbers of supporters for both sides.

Judge Judith LaBuda has announced she will make a site visit and hear closing arguments on May 1.

While supporters of Citizens for Quiet Skies have expressed their opinion during public
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AURORA THEATER SHOOTING TRIAL

Holmes' notes read to jurors

By JOHN INGOLD, NOELLE PHILLIPS AND JORDAN STEFFEN
 THE DENVER POST

CENTENNIAL — In a courtroom filled with people he tried to kill and parents who lost children at his hands, two very different stories of James Holmes emerged Monday during opening statements for the long-awaited Aurora movie theater shooting trial.

Over four hours, prosecutors and defense attorneys took turns revealing their versions of what led Holmes to commit the attack that killed 12, wounded 70 and left a community wondering why.

To prosecutors, the shooting was the culmination of a series of personal failures and manicured plans for Holmes: a bustled neuroscience education, a broken relationship and a murderous plot to make up for both.

Two court-appointed psychia-
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David Zalubowski / Associated Press
 Marcus Weaver, one of the victims of the 2012 shooting at a theatre in Aurora, talks to reporters Monday at the conclusion of the opening day of the trial for suspect James Holmes.

ST. VRAIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Lewis Geyer / Staff Photographer

Mead Elementary third-grader Averi Williams, 9, waits in line while touring Old Mill Park, 237 Pratt St., Monday. To view a slideshow and video, visit TimesCall.com

pioneers FOR A DAY

Mead students experience the daily lives of early American settlers

By KAREN ANTONACCI
 STAFF WRITER

Bundled up against the chilly Monday morning drizzle, a group of roughly 75 Mead Elementary third-graders learned about life in the 1860s at Longmont's Old Mill Park.

The St. Vrain Historical Society hosted the students for the 17th annual Pioneer Days, in which society volunteers guide local third-graders through stations at the historical park and

demonstrate aspects of pioneer living.

Society volunteers dressed in period garb (albeit with special provisions for Monday's weather, retired teacher Gwen Sieckmann said, pointing out the sweatpants she wore under her long dress) and stayed in character as they explained how the early settlers lived on the land.

Rich Schenker, playing the part of area settler Frederick
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FETAL HOMICIDE LEGISLATION

Senate approves bill, but prospects dim

Democrat opposition will likely doom proposal in House

By KRISTEN WYATT
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — Colorado's Republican Senate approved a bill Monday creating a new crime of

fetal homicide, a measure proposed in response to an attack on a pregnant woman last month in Longmont.

The bill passed after an impassioned debate about

when life begins and whether causing the death of a fetus should be considered murder.

In the Longmont attack, in which the mother survived but the baby did

not, prosecutors have been unable to bring murder charges. Republicans say the case highlighted the need to upgrade the current crime of unlawful terminating a pregnan-

cy to murder. "This is about justice," said Senate President Bill Cadman, R-Colorado Springs.

Cadman also cited accused Aurora theater shooter James Holmes, whose trial began
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