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Colorado reaping rewards of legalized pot

Economy, tourism, unemployment see boost, advocates claim

By JACK FICHTER
Cape May Star and Wave

On most issues, there are at least two opinions. Such is the case with the likely legalization of marijuana in New Jersey.

In a story last week, NJ RAMP (Responsible Approach to Marijuana Policy) warned of THC-infused candy getting into the hands of children, stoned driving and an atmosphere of lawlessness in Colorado, where recreational use of marijuana is legal and the drug is being sold in shops.

Erik Altieri, executive director of NORML (National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws), disagreed with a number of statements made by NJ RAMP. He said marijuana retailers are not delegated to poor neighborhoods in Colorado. Altieri said retailers operate in upscale areas such as the downtown 16th Street Mall in Denver and any number of neighborhoods in the city and suburbs.

A big part of the marijuana market is edibles, which also was in the crosshairs of NJ RAMP. "Edibles are actually rather

tightly regulated in Colorado and they've added new regulations even after the approval of Amendment 64 in 2012 dictating the dosage of edibles to keep them on the lower side of what a dosage could be," Altieri said. "They've also mandated they need to be in child-proof packaging and they can't be formed in shapes that appeal to children like Gummi Bears."

Altieri said often the edible itself is branded with a warning logo stating it contains THC. Colorado, through the regulatory process, has taken a number of

steps to make sure edibles are not being explicitly targeted toward children and are doing their best to keep it out of the hands of children, he said.

"What we've seen in all regulated states is when you take marijuana off the street, whether it's the flower or an edible product, and put it behind the counter of state-regulated businesses, it is harder for minors to get their hands on it," Altieri said.

NJ RAMP's Grace Hanlon talked of products being sold that had a THC level of 95 percent

that had a very strong effect on the user. Altieri said the gauge is not necessarily the percent of cannabinoids in a product, it is about the dosage in milligrams. He said Colorado limits all edibles to be a single serving of 10 milligrams of THC per product, which he called a low to moderate dose.

Since legalization in Colorado, teen use has not spiked but gone down in many analyses and is still lower than the national average, Altieri said. Data released

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Cape-to-Cape Paddle benefits DeSatnick Foundation

The annual Cape-to-Cape Paddle was held July 1 to benefit the DeSatnick Foundation. Participants paddled 16 miles from Cape Henlopen Park, Del., to Queen Street beach in Cape May. The event benefited local victims of spinal cord injury.

Mullock suggests moving St. Mary by-the-Sea retreat

By JACK FICHTER
Sure Guide

CAPE MAY POINT — It was constructed as a hotel in 1889 and has been operating as a religious retreat since 1909. Now it may be demolished in 2021 as per the wishes of its owners.

But Robert Mullock, a Cape May Point commissioner, suggested moving the building for use as an educational/environmental center.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph of Chestnut Hill, which operates Saint Mary by-the-Sea, a congregationally owned and operated retreat house, released a statement in 2016 indicating they wanted the site to return to nature. Representatives of the Sisters of Saint Joseph appeared before the county Open Space Board on June 26.

Attorney Megan Knowlton Baine, representing the Sisters of Saint Joseph, said the retreat at 101 Lehigh Ave.

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Preserve at least part of St. Mary retreat.
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consists of about 1.4 acres, with the east side of the property abutting the beach. She said the site offers premium ocean views and has a grass courtyard in its center.

"The sisters now seek to wind down their retreat and divest the property over the next few years," Baine said.

She said the sisters seek to operate the retreat house through at least 2021 and divest the property in a manner that preserves the land and returns it to nature.

"Importantly, part of the See Mullock, Page A3

Millennials drawn to quiet, easy-going lifestyle

By RACHEL SHUBIN
Special to the Star and Wave

CAPE MAY — Millennials are becoming a significant part of the modern workforce. Recently there has been an influx of millennial business owners following their passions in Cape May.

This cohort makes up a big portion of the modern-day workforce, by applying their thoughts, passion and creativity to fuel the economy.

Cape May's well-established millennial population is hard at work across the city. Millennials often seek city life in New York or Los Angeles, leaving Cape May as an exceptional or unusual destination for this age group.

Corinne Rietheimer, 27, dispels the rumors that millennials do not fare well in the workforce. Rietheimer owns Shore Soaps at 658 Washington St.

"There are misconceptions about millennials' work ethic," Rietheimer said. "People think millennials are lazy, entitled

'I grew up nearby New York City, so I wanted to take a break from the crowds of impatient people. It is very relaxed down here and I love the people. I grew up coming to Cape May for vacation. It blew my mind that people grew up near the ocean and live this vacation lifestyle.

It infatuates me.'
Morgan Sacken, 23,
photographer, web assistant
with Cape May Magazine

brats who expect everything to be handed to them."

For the uninitiated, millennials are those born loosely from

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MORGAN SACKEN

Stolen banner plane pilot surrenders to authorities

CAPE MAY — James P. Dahlen Jr., the 51-year-old pilot who commandeered a banner plane from Paramount Air Service, landed it on the beach at Coast Guard Training Center Cape May and disappeared for days after fleeing the scene, turned himself in to the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office.

An employee of Paramount Air Service, an advertising banner company, he took an airplane without permission of the owner June 24 and landed on a restricted beach. According to the Prosecutor's Office, Dahlen fled the scene and was unable to be located. Cape May police issued a warrant for his arrest.

On June 27, Dahlen contacted the county Prosecutor's Office and made arrangements to turn himself in. He was arrested without

incident at the Prosecutor's Office and was transported to the Cape May Police Department, where he was charged with criminal trespass, a crime of the fourth degree, and lodged in Cape May County Jail pending court proceedings.

According to county Prosecutor Jeffrey Sutherland, additional charges may be pending against Dahlen. Sutherland said an individual convicted of a fourth-degree crime can be sentenced to as long as 18 months in state prison.

According to Sutherland, the incident is an ongoing investigation and is being led by the Coast Guard Investigative Service along with the FBI, Department of Transportation Office of the Inspector General and the Federal Aviation Administration.

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