COLORADO CRIMINAL DEFENSE BAR 2013 DUI CONFERENCE at BRECKENRIDGE



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THE COLORADO CRIMINAL DEFENSE BAR PRESENTS 2013 DUI CONFERENCE BRECKENRIDGE EXPERT PANEL OF SPEAKERS

PAUL ARMENTANO is the Deputy Director of NORML and the NORML Foundation. He is a nationally recognized expert in the field of marijuana policy, health, and public policy. He has spoken at numerous national conferences and legal seminars, testified before state legislatures and federal bodies, and assisted dozens of criminal defense attorneys in cases pertaining to the use of medicinal cannabis, drug testing, and drugged driving. Mr. Armentano has attended various international conferences on the subject of cannabis and toxicology, including those sponsored by the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT), the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS), and The International Council on Alcohol, Drugs & Traffic Safety (ICADTS). He was an independent consultant on the Canadian Public Health Association's "Pot and Driving" campaign, a project to increase awareness among young Canadians age 14 to 18 about the risks of cannabis-impaired driving. He has authored peerreviewed papers on the subject of cannabis, driving, and public policy. Mr. Armentano is a 2008 recipient of the 'Project Censored Real News Award for Outstanding Investigative Journalism.' In 2009, he co-authored the book Marijuana is Safer: So Why Are We Driving People to Drink? (2009, Chelsea Green), which has appeared on Amazon.com 'bestsellers' list and has been most recently licensed and translated internationally.

JAMIE BALAGIA: Jamie "the Dude" Balagia has been in the criminal justice system for over 35 years and has a true passion for defending our legal rights. Next to his love for God and his family - he loves his job as a criminal defense attorney. Jamie was a patrol and undercover police officer with the Austin Police Department from 1978 until 1990 when he left to attend the School of Law at the University of Texas. As a former Austin police officer, Jamie is able to assist other attorneys due to his analysis of a police officer's performance. He has testified as an expert witness in Travis and Bexar County courtrooms

and has presented at the top DWI seminars in Texas and nationwide. He is a Sustaining Member of the National College for DUI Defense and also works closely with experts in his field to ensure his clients receive the best representation. Jamie practices in State and Federal courts throughout Central and South Texas.

NATE BECKER has been the firm controller for The Orr Law Firm, L.L.C. since 2008 and has a strong background in business and finance. Mr. Becker did his undergraduate work at the University of Minnesota-Morris and obtained his Master's degree from the University of Northern Colorado. While Mr. Becker runs all business aspects of The Orr Law Firm, he is widely recognized in the Colorado legal community as an invaluable resource when it comes to all things DMV. He handles all the DMV and penalty analysis for clients of The Orr Law Firm and in just 5 years he has established himself as one of Colorado's DMV gurus. Mr. Becker is a source of knowledge on the CCDB listserv and dedicates a significant amount of time responding to emails and phone calls from attorneys across the state regarding DUI and criminal traffic penalty assessments, collateral consequences of criminal convictions and driver's license reinstatement questions.

LLOYD BOYER: First admitted in 1981, for the last 20-plus years Lloyd Boyer has been a Solo Practitioner in Englewood, Colorado specializing in Criminal Defense and especially DUI defense. His practice has taken him to the four corners of the state. He is a recognized expert in the law and science involved in the Defense of DUI charges and how to integrate the two areas to develop a more complete, comprehensive, and compelling defense. Repeatedly selected by his peers as a Super Lawyer, Mr. Boyer is continuously contacted by lawyers from around the nation to share his creative and innovative ideas. Mr. Boyer has been a guest lecturer at the University of Denver, Sturm School of Law, in

trial tactics and procedure. Additionally while an Army Reserve now retired Lieutenant Colonel Boyer was a regular instructor in Military Justice and Procedure. Mr. Boyer is a frequently requested speaker at local and state Continuing Legal Education seminars and meetings. Most attorneys will recognize Mr. Boyer as a frequent contributor on numerous list serves specializing in criminal defense and DUI defense where his advice and opinions are eagerly sought and generously shared. Mr. Boyer is best known for challenging the established norm and seeking to improve the standard of DUI defense practice in Colorado and throughout the nation.

TIMOTHY BUSSEY is AV Preeminent-Rated® by Martindale-Hubbell and has been rated by the American National Trial Lawyers as a Top 100 Trial Attorney in Colorado since 2007. Bullcoming v. New Mexico cited an investigation of unreliable forensic practices in Colorado Springs that Mr. Bussey was at the forefront of. Mr. Bussey spoke at the American Chemistry Society National Meeting in 2011 on the topic 'Colorado State Crime Laboratory: What Went Wrong?' as a case study in what laboratories shouldn't be doing. Mr. Bussey is a requested speaker at local and state Continuing Legal Education seminars and meetings. He is the lawyer other lawyers request when they need to learn innovative trial tactics and techniques. On a national level, Mr. Bussey spoke at the American Chemistry Society National Meeting in 2011. In addition to be being a frequent lecturer, Mr. Bussey is also a co-author of Defending DUI Vehicular Homicide Cases (2009) "Quick Thinking: Keeping Time on Your Side While Selecting the Best Defense""

MARCOS GARZA is a criminal defense attorney and founder of The Garza Law Firm, PLLC, of Knoxville, Tennessee. Known for his energetic and thorough representation, he defends clients accused of driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol and other crimes. As a lifelong learner, Mr. Garza regularly attends seminars and CLEs on DUI defense and trial tactics. He completed a master's degree in social work and is a graduate of the National Criminal Defense College Trial Practice Institute. He is also certified by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to administer standardized field sobriety tests. While still in law school, Mr. Garza was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps, serving in the Judge Advocate's Corps

(JAG). He assisted soldiers in a variety of legal areas, including criminal law, operational law, family law, administrative law and income taxation. He finished active duty with the rank of captain and completed his law degree in 2001. Mr. Garza is a board member of the Tennessee Association for Justice and a life member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. He is also a Sustaining Member of the National College of DUI Defense, the American Association for Justice and the Tennessee, Knoxville and Sevier County Bar Associations.

ABE HUTT is an AV Preeminent-Rated® lawyer by Martindale-Hubbell and is consistently voted Best DUI Lawyer by Law Week Colorado's People's Court. He has handled DUI cases in all of Colorado's trial and appellate courts including all 22 judicial districts, the Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court. His clients include attorneys, teachers, physicians, nurses, stock brokers, real estate brokers, truck drivers, veterinarians, pilots and dentists, all of whose professional disciplinary proceedings he has also handled. A sought after lecturer, he is Adjunct Faculty at the University of Denver School of Law, a member of the faculty of the National Criminal Defense College in Macon, Georgia and has lectured across the country on trial tactics, especially in the areas cross examination and DUI defense. Mr. Hutt is a member of the Colorado Supreme Court Committee on the Rules of Criminal Procedure, and the Colorado State Legislature's Interagency Task Force on Drunk Driving. He is a Co-author, along with his associate Suzanne Iantorno, of the Colorado County Court Judge's DUI Benchbook, "Driver's License Considerations and Collateral Consequences".

R. SUZANNE IANTORNO is an associate at The Law Firm of Abraham Hutt, P.C. She received her J.D. from the University Of Colorado School of Law in 2000 and a B.A. from Colorado State University in Fort Collins. Ms. Iantorno was admitted to practice in Colorado in 2000. She is a member of the Colorado Bar Association, Denver Bar Association, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, and the National College for DUI Defense. She is a

co-author for a chapter on driver's license and collateral consequences for the Colorado County Court Judge's DUI Benchbook and a co-author for the motor vehicle law section of the Annual Survey of Colorado, both published by the CBA. She has lectured extensively in the areas of driver's license consequences, scientific evidence and motions practice in DUI cases, and trial tactics.

DR. ROBERT K. LANTZ, PH.D. received his B.Sc. from the University of Michigan, his M.T. (ASCP) from Charity Hospital at New Orleans, and his Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry from Michigan State University. His scientific publications encompass a great range of subjects, including drug metabolism, analytical technique optimization, pharmacokinetic modeling, and HPLC/MS/ MS of drugs. He has used LC/MS/MS in his laboratory for 18 years, and has over forty years' experience in hospital, clinical research, pharmaceutical industry, and academic environments. He has testified in courts throughout the country and before the United States Sentencing Commission. He is a member of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists, the American Association for Clinical Chemistry, the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists and the American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics. Dr. Lantz is the founder and director of Rocky Mountain Instrumental Laboratories (RMIL) in Fort Collins, Colorado. Rocky Mountain Instrumental Laboratories has long held all the certifications offered by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment / Laboratory Services Division (CDPHE / LSD) with respect to DUI and DUID testing.

JAMES NESCI is AV Preeminent-Rated® by Martindale-Hubbell and was named one of The Best Lawyers in America by Woodward/White. He's one of less than fifty attorneys in the United States that is Board Certified by the National College for DUI Defense (as of January 2011). In 2006, he was appointed Regent of the National College for DUI Defense, Inc. He was formerly the chair of the Curriculum Committee for the NCDD. Currently, he is the State Delegate Coordinator, a member of the Long-Range Planning Committee and often serves as an oral argument judge for the Board Certification Committee. A highly sought after speaker and talented educator, Mr. Nesci is also the author or co-author of numerous books,

including upcoming Colorado DUI Defense: The Law and Practice, a legal practice guide written for Colorado DUI defense attorneys.

RHIDIAN ORR is the owner of The Orr Law Firm, L.L.C. He received his J.D. from the University of Denver College of Law in 2000, His MBA in 2002 and his B.A. from the University of Denver in 1994. He is a graduate of Gerry Spence's Trial Lawyers College and Terry MacCarthy's Cross Examination training. He has been recognized as a "Super Lawyers Rising Star" in 2011 and 2012. Mr. Orr has dedicated his entire practice to DUI and Criminal Traffic Defense and thus is qualified as a practitioner and an instructor in standardized field sobriety tests (SFSTs) in accordance with standards set forth by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). He is also trained in the operation of the Intoxilyzer 5000EN, has trained extensively in Gas Chromatography and is also Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Overview certified. He is a lifetime member of the Colorado Criminal Defense Bar and is also the current Colorado state delegate and a Sustaining Member for the National College for DUI Defense. Mr. Orr recently coauthored and published the Colorado DUI Survival Guide (2013) and authored a chapter in the Inside the Minds: Navigating DUI Drug Cases (2012). Along with his recent professional publications, Mr. Orr has been regularly invited to be a guest lecturer at the University of Denver, Sturm College of Law and the University Of Colorado College Of Law on DUI defense strategies and techniques.

LEONARD STAMM is AV Preeminent-Rated® by Martindale-Hubbell and is listed in "Super Lawyers" and "Best Lawyers." He is presently a Regent of the National College for DUI Defense, serving on its Executive Committee as Treasurer, and is also Chairman of its Amicus Committee. The author of Maryland DUI Law, Mr. Stamm also coauthored the amicus brief filed in the Supreme Court by the National College for DUI Defense and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers in Bullcoming v. New Mexico. He is qualified as a practitioner and an instructor in standardized field sobriety tests in accordance with standards set forth

by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). He is also a former president of the Maryland Criminal Defense Attorneys' Association and serves on the Maryland Criminal Pattern Jury Instruction Committee.

PATRICIA L. SULIK, PH.D., is the Associate Director of Rocky Mountain Instrumental Laboratories (RMIL) in Fort Collins, Colorado. Rocky Mountain Instrumental Laboratories has long held all the certifications offered by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment / Laboratory Services Division (CDPHE / LSD) with respect to DUI and DUID testing. Dr. Sulik earned her B.S. in chemistry with honors from Michigan State University and her Ph.D. degree in analytical Chemistry from Colorado State University, and additionally has training in pharmacology and toxicology. She is responsible for developing, validating and approving assays for drugs and alcohol for forensic and pharmaceutical applications. Dr. Sulik is accepted as an expert in analytical chemistry, specifically the analysis of drugs and alcohol, alcohol and drug metabolism and forensic toxicology in state, county and military courts. Dr. Sulik has given presentations at such scientific meetings as the Rocky Mountain Conference on Analytical Chemistry and the SOFT meeting. Dr. Sulik has attended the stakeholders meetings, and BOH meeting

held by the CDPHE / LSD with respect to the recent revision of the rules and regulations pertaining to the testing of alcohol and other drugs for purposes of DUI and DUID enforcement. Dr. Sulik has had articles published with the American Journal of Forensic Medicine and Pathology and the Canadian Journal of Anesthesia. Dr. Sulik is a member of the Society for Applied Spectroscopy, the American Chemical Society, and the Society of Forensic Toxicologists.

JAY TIFTICKJIAN (Master of Ceremonies) is Law Week Colorado's Barrister's Best—Best DUI Lawyer for 2012. He is also listed in Law Week's Compleat Lawyer list for the same year. Mr. Tiftickjian is AV Preeminent-Rated® by Martindale-Hubbell and has been listed in "Super Lawyers" as a Rising Star for the past four years. He is a coauthor of many Thomson-Reuters/West publications, including Trends in DUI Discovery (2012), Navigating DUI Drug Cases (2012), Defense Strategies for Drug Crimes (2013), and Defending DUI Vehicular Homicide Cases (2013). Mr. Tiftickjian is a Sustaining Member of the National College for DUI Defense and is on the current Board of LEAD Symposium, LLC.

Cocktail Reception

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Thursday, April 4, 2013 Location: Napper Tandy's

110 Lincoln Ave | 970 453-4949

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm



Have a Little Extra Fun with

"Beat the RoadSide" Conducted by Troy Nuss

2 DAY DUI CONFERENCE AGENDA

DAY 1: THURS., APRIL 4TH

8:30 - 9:00 am

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Registration and Continental Breakfast

Pick-up nametags, agenda and CLE affidavit

9:00 am - 9:10 am

Opening Remark: JB Katz

9:10am - 10:00

Taking he Shine off the Badge: Cross-Examination of

the Arresting Officer

Instructor: Abe Hutt, Esq., Denver CO

10:00 – 10:50 Measuring Nothing

Instructor: Mike Nichols, E. Lansing MI

10:50 - 11:00 Break

11:00 - 12:00 pm

The Science is on your Side: Studies You Need to Know

to Successfully Defend Against Instructor: Paul Armentano, Esq.,

12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch (provided)

1:00 – 1:50 pm Pretrial Discovery

Instructor: Tim Bussey, Esq., Colorado Springs CO

1:50 - 2:40 pm

How to get the RAW DATA and not just a RAW Deal

Instructor: Rhidian Orr, Esq., Denver CO

2:40 – 2:50 pm Break

2:50 – 3:40 pm Pretrial Motions

Instructor: Lloyd Boyer, Esq., Denver CO

3:40 - 4:30 pm

Drug Recognition Defense

Instructor: Marcos Garza, Esq., Knoxville TN

6:00 - 8:00 PM Thurs., April 4, 2013 Napper Tandy's

Don't forget - Cocktail Reception Tonight Sponsored by Tiftickjian Law Firm, PC DAY 2: FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH

8:30 - 9:00 am

Registration and Continental Breakfast

Pick-up nametags, agenda and CLE affidavit

9:00 - 9:10 am

Remarks / Announcements

CCDB Rep.

9:10 - 10:00 am

The Gas is Quicker than the Eye

Instructor: Jim Nesci, Esq., Tucson AZ

10:00 - 10:50 am

Taking Care of Yourself and Then Taking Cae of Your Client

(Ehtics)

Instructor: Jay Tiftickjian, Esq., Denver CO

10:50 - 11:30 am

Prescription Drugs and Synthetic Cannabinoids -

Laboratory Tesing and Toxicology

Instructor: Dr. Robert Lantz & Dr. Patricia Sulik

11:30 - 12:10 pm

Dealing with the Department of Revocation (DMV): What

They Don't Teach You in Law School (DMV Revocations &

Reinstatement)

Instructor: Nate Becker, Denver CO

12:10 - 1:00 pm Lunch (provided)

1:00 - 1:50 pm

The Top 10 Breath Test Defenses

Instructor: Lenny Stamm, Greenbelt MD

1:50 - 2:40 pm

DMV Appeals: Answering the Questions of "How To" and

"Why Bother"

Instructor: Suzanne Iantorno, Esq., Denver CO

2:40 - 2:50 pm Break

2:50 - 3:30 pm

Driving While Blind: Opening the Juror's Eyes to

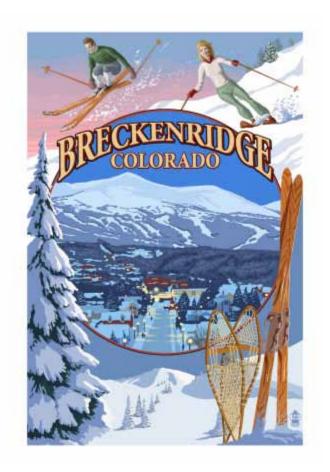
Reasonable Doubt!

Instructor: Jamie Balagia, Esq., San Antonio TX

3:30 - 4:20 pm

"The Imaginarium of Dr. Pirosko, Part 2"

Instructor: Gary Pirosko, Esq., Denver CO



BRECKENRIDGE, founded in 1859, and its neighbors throughout Summit County comprise a major outdoor recreation center, with skiing in winter and fishing, hiking, and mountain biking in summer. But the area actually offers much more, with a number of historical attractions, good shopping opportunities, fine restaurants, and some interesting places to stay. The town of Breckenridge (elevation 9,603 ft.) is a good place to base your-self, as the entire Victorian core of this 19th-century mining town has been carefully preserved, with colorfully painted shops and restaurants occupying the old buildings, most dating from the 1880s and 1890s.

Most of the mountain towns that surround the area's excellent ski resorts -- Arapahoe Basin, Breckenridge, Copper, Keystone, and Loveland -- were barely on the map in the 1880s, when the rest of the state was laying claim to its stake of history. Breckenridge, however, was a

prosperous mining town in 1887 when the largest gold nugget ever found in Colorado, "Tom's Baby," was unearthed there. It weighed 13 pounds, 7 ounces, and is now in the Colorado History Museum in Denver. Today these communities are strictly in the tourism business and fill to capacity during peak seasons. Breckenridge, for example, has a year-round population of only 2,800 people, but swells to almost 34,000 during its top tourism times.

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Hotel Details

Located in the authentic mountain town of Breckenridge, Colorado, The DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Breckenridge is in the perfect location for your mountain getaway. Located within easy walking distance of Breckenridge Ski Area's Peak 9, a guest at the DoubleTree by Hilton Breckenridge can easily enjoy all that Breckenridge's mountains have to offer. Each stylish guest room comes complete with all the comforts of home such as cable TV with premium channels, refrigerator, and high-speed internet access. Guests can also enjoy an array of on-site services such as a fully equipped fitness center, an inviting indoor pool, a seasonal outdoor pool, and a range of large hot tubs to relax in after a long day skiing.

Enjoy breakfast, lunch or dinner at 9600 Grill restaurant, serving modern American cuisine in a comfortable and casual setting.

Plan your event at the DoubleTree by Hilton Breckenridge offering 9,000 sq. ft. of flexible meeting and banquet facilities, including a magnificent ballroom. Support services include modern A/V and connectivity solutions with free Wi-Fi in public areas, a well-equipped Business Center and inspired catering menus. From board meeting to social gala, we'll organize it with style and a sprinkle of fun. Whether you visit Breckenridge in summer or winter, the caring and professional hotel staff looks forward to welcoming you to Breckenridge with the signature warm DoubleTree chocolate chip cookie.

Planning your Trip

By Car -- I-70 runs through the middle of Summit County. For Keystone, exit on U.S. 6 at Dillon; the resort is 6 miles east of the interchange. For Breckenridge, exit on Colo. 9 at Frisco and head south 9 miles to the resort. Copper Mountain is right on I-70 at the Colo. 91 interchange.

From Denver International Airport (DIA)

1.) Travel toward I70 on Pena Blvd 11.9 miles 2.) Merge onto I-70 West 80.8 miles 3.) Take exit 203 for CO-9 S toward Frisco/Breckenridge 9.9 miles 4.) Slight right onto CO-9 5.) Turn right onto Village Rd and the Double-Tree by Hilton Hotel Breckenridge will be on your right.

Distance from Hotel: 105 mi.

Drive Time: 2 hr.

By Airport Shuttle -- Most visitors fly into Denver International or Colorado Springs and continue to Breckenridge, Frisco, Keystone, and/or Copper Mountain via shuttle. Colorado Mountain Express (tel. 800/525-6363 or 970/926-9800; www.cmex.com) offers shuttles; the cost from Denver starts at about \$65-\$85 per person, one-way.







Vistor Information

For additional information on Breckenridge and other parts of Summit County, contact the Breckenridge Resort Chamber at its welcome center at 203 S. Main St. (daily 9am-9pm summer and winter, with shorter hours in spring and fall), and administrative offices at 311 S. Ridge St., Breckenridge, CO 80424 (tel.800/221-1091 or 970/453-2913; www.gobreck.com).

A source of visitor information for the entire region is the Summit Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 5450, Frisco, CO 80443 (tel. 800/530-3099 or 970/668-2051; www.summitchamber.org). The chamber has an information center in Silverthorne at 246 Rainbow Dr. Both are open daily from 9am to 5pm.

Parents traveling with kids can find all sorts of pointers in The Parents Handbook to Summit County (tel. 970/390-3533; www.theparentshandbook.com), available free all over Summit County.



GETTING AROUND

Dillon Reservoir is at the heart of Summit County, and I-70 lies along its northwestern shore, with Frisco at its west end, and Dillon and Silverthorne toward the east. From Dillon, take U.S. 6 about 5 miles east to Keystone and another 15 miles to Arapahoe. Breckenridge is about 10 miles south of Frisco on Colo. 9, and Copper Mountain is just south of I-70 exit 195 (Colo. 91). Loveland is just across the county line at exit 216 on the east side of the Eisenhower Tunnel.

Summit Stage (tel. 970/668-0999; www.summitstage.com) provides free year-round service between Frisco, Dillon, Silverthorne, Keystone, Breckenridge, and Copper Mountain, daily from 6am to after midnight from late November to mid-April and shorter hours the rest of the year.

You can get around Breckenridge on the free bus system (tel. 970/547-3140), and there's also free shuttle service at the Keystone Resort (tel. 970/496-4200).

Night Life in Breckenridge

Though every community has its watering holes, Breckenridge has the best nightlife in the area. In the Arts District of Breckenridge, the Backstage

Theatre, 121 S. Ridge St., Breckenridge (tel. 970/453-0199; www.backstagetheatre.org), has been presenting a variety of live theater since 1974. Recent productions have included Shakespeare's Twelfth Night, The Vagina Monologues, The Hobbit, Cannibal! The Musical, and Reefer Madness. Ticket prices vary, but most are \$18 for adults and \$10



for children under 12; reservations are strongly recommended.

Popular bars in Breckenridge include the Breckenridge Brewery and Pub, 600 S. Main St. (tel. 970/453-1550), where the microbrews include Avalanche Ale, a full-bodied amber ale, and my favorite, Trademark Pale, an American-style pale ale loaded with hops.

Napper Tandys 110 Lincoln Ave 970 453-4949 The Salt Creek Restaurant and Saloon, 1101 E. Lincoln Ave. (tel. 970/453-4949), is a popular live-music dance club where you'll hear practical-

ly everything but country. For everything from live blues to reggae, try three20south (formerly Sherpa & Yeti's), 320 S. Main St. (tel. 970/547-5320; www.three20south. com); and the young, hip Downstairs at Eric's, a lively bar and restaurant at 111 S. Main St. (tel. 970/453-1401; www.downstairsaterics.com) that is popular with locals and the après-ski crowd alike

and boasts 120 types of beer, including 22 on tap. The Cellar, 200 S. Ridge St. (tel. 970/453-4777), is a slick wine and tapas bar with contemporary art and an attractive red granite bar. Established in the 1870s and said to be the longest continually operating bar west of the Mississippi (local lawmen were afraid to shut it down during Prohibition), the Gold Pan, 103 N. Main St. (tel. 970/453-5499), is a rough-and-tumble, ornery place that's hard not to like.

FAST FACTS

Medical facilities here include the Breckenridge Medical Center, located in the Village at Breckenridge, 555 S. Park Ave.(tel. 970/453-1010). Post offices are at 305 S. Ridge St., Breckenridge, and 35 W. Main St., Frisco. For hours and other information, contact the U.S. Postal Service (tel. 800/275-8777; www.usps.com). For weather and road conditions, call tel. 970/668-1090.