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IF YOU CAN'T DRIVE IT, IT'S A FLOAT!

CREATOR OF TRINIDAD ARTOCAD TO SHARE ART CAR IDEAS IN RIDGWAY



"You don't have to destroy a car to do this," promises Trinidad Artocade Organizer Rodney Wood, who holds a workshop in Ridgway June 24. "There are temporary art cars, disposable art cars and then we have the full-commitment cars (above). Courtesy photo."

By Caitlin Switzer

RIDGWAY-So you've secretly harbored a desire to make your "ride" just a little more fun...but a bumper sticker or a set of fuzzy dice just won't do! Drive on up to Ridgway June 24, for the Ridgway Creative District's first-ever Art Car Happening! Whether you want to head to Burning Man or just turn heads around town, this is the place to get ideas and information about personalizing your own —Art Car."

The event takes place at the Ridgway Community Center from 5:30 to 8 p.m. According to the Ridgway Chamber, the workshop is being spearheaded by Rodney Wood of Trinidad's —Artocade."

Among the advice offered by Wood to potential —Art Car" creators is this—"If you can't drive it, it's a Float."

Wood has learned many truths about art cars over the years, chief among them that it isn't really about art, it isn't really about cars. It's about having fun.

"You don't have to destroy a car to do this," he promised. "There are temporary art cars, disposable art cars, and then we have the full-commitment cars. It doesn't even have to be a car—it just has to roll."

Even law enforcement can seem befuddled when stopping an art car, said Wood, who has driven a number of high-profile vehicles, such as the —An Eyes on You" car that is covered with eyeballs,

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WET, COLD SEASON TOUGH ON SWEET CORN CROP, FARMERS SAY!

By Liesl Greathouse

OLATHE-While all the rain here may seem like a blessing, for local farmers, including sweet corn farmers, the rain has just made a difficult job ten times harder.

Dan Blowers, production manager at Centest Inc the makers of Mirai corn, has felt the hardships of the rain with his farmers. "It is making it very difficult to get the corn planted," he said. "They will get the ground dug up and then the rains will come on again. Several have planted their crops, start to pull out of the field, and then here comes the rain."

John Harold, the man behind the Olathe Sweet brand of sweet corn, has been feeling the results of the rain as well. "The weather has not been a friend to corn or to farming to be truthful," he said. "It has been so erratic and everything has been difficult. We planted around April 13 and the corn didn't come up until mid

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A corn field near Menoken. Local growers say the cold, wet weather has been hard on the 2015 sweet corn crop.

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OPINION/EDITORIAL

CITY YOUTH COUNCIL BUYS NEW SCOREBOARD FOR CITY YOUTH BASEBALL WITH 14K IN MARIJUANA GRANT FUNDS



Mirror Staff Editorial

MONTROSE- When the City-created and sponsored Youth Council opted to use \$14,000 in grant funds for a shiny, new electronic scoreboard on the Montrose

Youth Baseball field on Sunset Mesa, the reason given was to promote a drug-free lifestyle among young people in Montrose. The funding, which was awarded through the Center for Mental Health from the state's marijuana funds, is intended to help kids remain drug-free. So at the bottom of the scoreboard, the words, "Drugs: You use, You Lose," appear.

While we applaud the intent, we do have concerns. One of City Manager Bill Bell's early actions after arriving in Montrose was to disband the local little league program and put in place a [City Youth Baseball program](#) under his control. Games for the City Baseball Program are played on the same field that just received the new scoreboard.

Also, kids whose parents have enrolled them in regular youth baseball are probably not those at greatest risk for use of street drugs. There are children living in the heart of town who have never even been to Sunset Mesa, and have never been enrolled in any type of youth sports program. These kids know all about marijuana, alcohol and other drugs, however; just ask them.

So why not share this life-saving message in a way that does not appear to benefit the City Manager and his pet program, but which reaches diverse groups of young people in the places they congregate? Why not a banner at the food bank, at one of the free summer meal sites offered by schools and other organizations, or at the rec district pool—to which Hilltop purchases passes for at-risk kids?

How about a banner over Main Street so that it can be seen during Main in Motion, which is free and draws families from all socioeconomic backgrounds? In a community where one in four kids live at or below poverty level, a free event is far more likely to reach the target audience, and would have been far more cost-effective.

Finally, how about materials and a program in which young people share with other young people options for a healthy lifestyle? Because the reasoning behind giving such a large grant to high school students probably has something to do with their credibility among peers.

Buying a scoreboard is not an option unique to youth reaching youth, after all. Were other ideas even considered?

WATCHDOG, MIRROR FILE MAIL THEFT COMPLAINTS AGAINST MONTROSE POST OFFICE!

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE-Two local, self-employed journalists have filed separate complaints with the U.S. Postal Service and Office of the Inspector General against the Montrose Post Office for ongoing theft of mail. Ron Bain of *Western Slope Watchdog* and Caitlin Switzer of the *Montrose Mirror* have experienced repeated instances of client payments "disappearing" after being mailed to them in Montrose, and both have initiated complaints to the Office of the U.S. Postal Inspector General.

According to Marcella Rivera who heads Colorado's postal inspection division, the matter appears to be more than coincidental and will be fully investigated.

"It's pretty scary," Rivera said. *The Montrose Mirror* has experienced three separate instances of vanishing payments over the past year—no other kind of mail

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VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA: ONE ACTION. ONE NATION. UNITED AGAINST ELDER ABUSE WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY IS JUNE 15

Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL-Volunteers of America is commemorating World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) this June 15. This year's theme is: One person. One action. One Nation. United against elder abuse. Every day 10,000 people turn 65 in the US alone. That trend is going to continue for nearly the next 20 years. Our demographics are shifting, and we will soon have more elder people in the US than ever before. At the same time that the population is growing, we know that a startling number of elders face abusive conditions. Every year an estimated five million, or one in 10, older Americans are victims of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation. And that's only part of the picture: Experts believe that for every case of elder abuse or

neglect reported; as many as 23.5 cases go unreported. "Volunteers of America Western Colorado works diligently to ensure elders in Western Colorado are safe and secure," Craig Ammermann, Regional Director of Operations said. "We commemorate this day and are grateful to all our staff who each day strive to provide the elders we serve with this assurance."

WEAAD serves as a call-to-action for individuals, organizations, and communities to raise awareness about abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elders. The International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations (UN) launched the first World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) on June 15, 2006 in an effort to unite communities

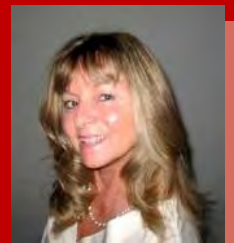
around the world in raising awareness about elder abuse. WEAAD is in support of the UN's International Plan of Action acknowledging the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue.

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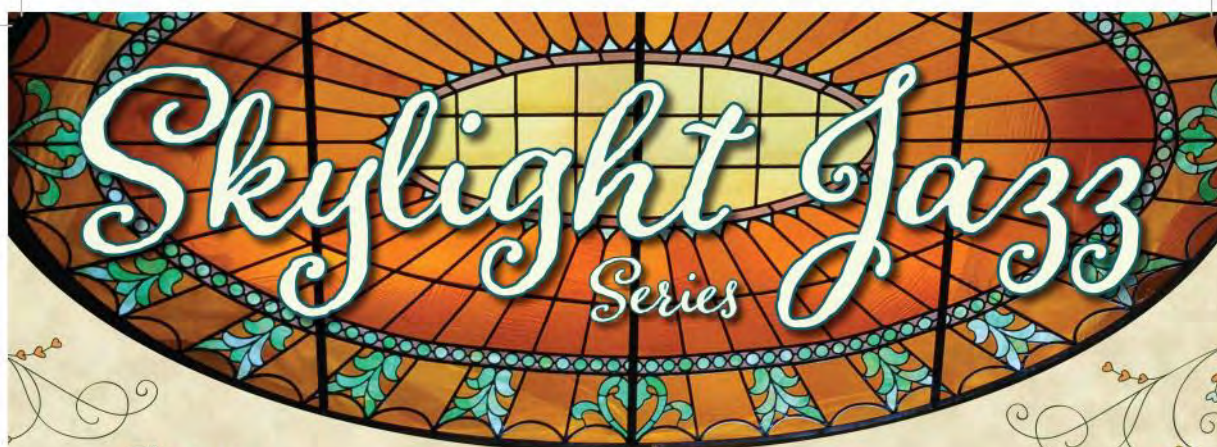
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WATCHDOG, MIRROR FILE MAIL THEFT COMPLAINTS

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After recurring complaints of mail theft, the Montrose Post Office is under investigation.

has gone missing. In the first case, the Mirror was alerted when a local bank intercepted a money order that had been addressed to the Mirror's post office box. An unknown individual was caught attempting to cash the money order at the former Bank of the West location on Main Street in Montrose. Two more instances of payments that have disappeared on their way to the Mirror Post Office box over the past two months—in one instance from three

blocks away—were enough to generate a complaint first to the local Post Office and next to the office of the United States Inspector General. The Montrose Post Office has also called for an investigation, according to staff.

Ron Bain of the *Western Slope Watchdog*, also an independent local journalist, has experienced a very similar pattern of client checks that have been mailed to his Montrose Post Office Box but which never arrive. In an article in the *Watchdog* dated May 31, 2015, Bain described losing more than a dozen pieces of mail over a six-year period—all containing checks—mail that was on the way to one of his three local addresses.

Personal mail, junk mail and bills were never lost, Bain noted.

—A first I thought it was just incompetence, but as the losses continued I became convinced that an employee at the dispatch center was 'candling' my mail, holding it up to the light to see if there are checks in it and then destroying them," Bain said. —I've never had a complaint from one of

my clients about the lost checks being cashed, so they are being destroyed. This inconveniences my clients because they have to write a second check to replace the lost one."

The Mirror has also been forced to ask for the re-issuing of all three lost payments, an inconvenience that appears to stem from a case of felony mail theft.

Banks have surveillance cameras to prevent their employees from stealing, Bain pointed out. —Why doesn't the post office monitor their employees with cameras? They handle money and valuables all of the time," Bain said.

—A female small business owner in a tough, male-dominated profession, I am accustomed to bullying of all kinds, simply for doing my job and telling the truth," Switzer said.

—But when our business revenues are stolen somewhere along the way to our post office box, it is not only financially devastating, but frightening.

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MONTROSE WELCOMES RIDE THE ROCKIES RIDERS TO PARTY JUNE 15

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—The City of Montrose Office of Business and Tourism (OBT) welcomes more than 500 Ride The Rockies (RTR) participants to a community celebration in Centennial Plaza later today. Riders are due to finish up their ride for the day in nearby Hotchkiss and have booked more than 300 hotel rooms in Montrose lodging facilities for the evening. “We’re delighted to welcome RTR to Montrose, especially on the Tour’s 30th anniversary,” said Assistant City Manager and OBT Director Rob Joseph. “We’re making information and details available to the riders through our Visit Montrose mobile app and our VisitMontrose.com website.”

“While camping and some limited lodging opportunities are available in Hotchkiss, many riders opted to be bussed to Montrose for an overnight stay—in no

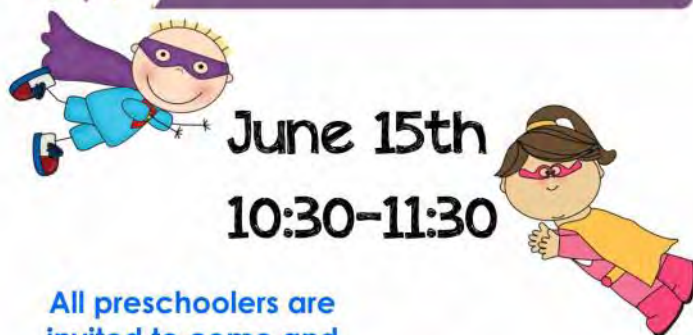
small part because of the OBT’s hospitality,” said Laura Benton, CEO of Alpine Cycle Connection, a support logistics company for the Tour. “RTR is so excited for all the City is doing to provide a community party to the riders that the tour has named Montrose its ‘Second Host City’ for Monday, June 15.”

The OBT is providing shuttle transportation for the riders from 3:30-8 p.m. for easy access to the celebration in Centennial Plaza in historic Downtown Montrose, as well as participating hotels, local restaurants, retailers and services. Centennial Plaza will serve as a central gathering place featuring local breweries in a beer garden (fundraiser for Colorado Mountain Bike Trail Association-COPMOBA), a favorite local DJ in Scotty Kenton, and a satellite visitor center. Each day of the ride brings, on average, \$250,000 in economic

impact to its host communities. Local businesses such as hotels, restaurants, bike shops and retailers benefit from the tour.

Ride The Rockies will take place over seven days, from June 14 through June 20. Cyclists will ride 465 miles and ascend 40,537 vertical feet through Mesa, Delta, Montrose, Gunnison, Chaffee, Fremont and Custer counties. From Colorado’s wine country and the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park to Blue Mesa Reservoir and the Arkansas River Valley, this year’s course takes cyclists through some of Colorado’s most scenic and breathtaking terrain. Beginning with a loop stage through the iconic Colorado National Monument, cyclists will then venture across the Grand Mesa, Curecanti National Recreation Area, and Royal Gorge Bridge & Park, along with climbing Cottonwood Pass and Hardscrabble Pass.

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MONTROSE—Margaret Lanam, above, will cut off her hair to benefit the St. Baldrick’s Foundation for childhood cancer research at the Montrose Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. on June 19. Photo by Marilynn Huseby.



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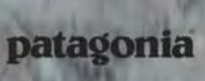
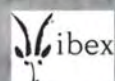



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SAN JUAN HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS



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MONTROSE-The San Juan Healthcare Foundation proudly announces that five

scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 have been awarded for 2015. This year's recipients are Sonya Alejandra Lopez,

Robert Ungerer, Kari Autumn Vitoria and Bryan Felberg. Ms. Lopez is getting her bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) degree at Colorado Mesa University. Mr. Ungerer is in the Family Medicine (Rural Track) program at the University of Colorado to receive his Doctor of Medicine (MD) Degree. Ms. Vitoria is starting her internship to complete her Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy at Texas Women's University, and Mr. Felberg—recipient of the Jean Balderston scholarship—is getting his BSN degree at Regis University in Denver. Concurrent with the San Juan Healthcare Foundation scholarships, the Montrose Medical Alliance awarded two \$500 scholarships. These scholarships were awarded to Holly K. Abel and Sonya Alejandra Lopez. Ms. Abel is completing her BSN degree at the University of Denver.

The San Juan Healthcare Foundation is a non-profit entity created in 1982 to furnish support for healthcare services in the Montrose area. It contributes aid to obtain and upgrade healthcare facilities, education and equipment.

According to the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment, the city of Montrose resides in a Medically Underserved Population (MUP) area—indicating the significant need for more medical professionals. The San Juan Healthcare Foundation encourages interested students to apply for a scholarship in 2016. The scholarship is open to any student who has been accepted into a health related program. Preference will be given to applicants from the Montrose area intending to return to this area to offer their healthcare talents to the residents of Montrose and the surrounding communities. Pictured left to right: Gayle Frazetta, MD and Phoebe Benziger of the Montrose Medical Alliance, Robert Ungerer, Bryan Felberg, Sonya Lopez, Kari Vitoria, Mary Snyder and Tom Barrett of the San Juan Healthcare Foundation. Not pictured: Holly K. Abel.

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DMEA ANNUAL MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

Special to the Mirror

The DMEA Annual Meeting will be held next week at the Cedaredge Assembly of God Church, 1596 SW 9th Street, Cedaredge, CO, on Wednesday, June 17. The doors open at 8 am. Members may visit a variety of booths in order to learn about DMEA's programs and services and become eligible to win an iPad or LED smart TV. Also, members who chose not to vote for their director representative by mail, may vote in person until the polls close at 9 am.

The theme of this year's Annual Meeting is Empowering Innovations. The meeting will highlight the tools and technology that help the co-op run efficiently and save money. It will also focus on how technology improves service to co-op members.

Many informational and activity booths will be there. Members can get their picture taken in a replica bucket truck and power line, see a real bucket truck up close, win solar powered toys, and meet Power, the robot. All registered members in attendance will be entered to win a door

prize. Members will also be given an additional prize ticket at registration. Between 8 am and 9 am, they must visit at least four of the booths in order to complete the ticket and become eligible to win an iPad or LED Smart TV.

A second LED Smart TV will be given to any member who has submitted a rebate application to DMEA since March. Other prizes will be won throughout the meeting. All attendees will receive a gift bag including LED night lights and information about energy efficiency and the cooperative business model. Free coffee, specialty drinks and pastries will be served.

Because DMEA is an electric cooperative, it governed by a democratically elected board or directors. Each year, there is an election to determine representatives from three of the nine board districts. These directors will represent the interests of the members on the DMEA Board.

This year, a total of six candidates appear on the 2015 election ballot. In Districts 1 and 5, incumbents, William Patterson and Marshall Collins are running unopposed.

In District 2, which includes Olathe and surrounding areas, the candidates are Mandy Norris-Snell, Richard Harding, Kyle Martinez and Tammy Theis. Candidate background statements were included with the ballots, but members can also learn more about the candidates by reading candidate interviews or watching a video of the candidate forum. Both are available at www.dmea.com under "Election Information."

Members who did not vote by mail can do so in person between 8 am and 9 am. The polls will close promptly at 9 am, and the business meeting will begin. Attendees will learn about the state of their cooperative, its achievements and goals for the future. The keynote speaker, Peter May-Ostendorp will present an exciting vision of the smart home of the future. Prizes will be awarded between presentations.

For more information about the annual meeting visit www.dmea.com or contact Becky Mashburn, (970) 240-1263, becky.mashburn@dmea.com.



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to exhibitions.

—I have had police stop me on several occasions, because no way are these things street legal,” Wood said. —The first question they ask usually is, “what the heck is this?”

—In the end they mostly give up,” he said. —What are they going to do after all, engage me in a low-speed chase?”

Wood is the force behind behind Trinidad's Artocade, an annual art car celebration created as a signature event for the community. Wood, a career artist and organizer who had turned down previous requests to run wine festivals, beer festivals, chili cook-offs and myriad other fundraisers on behalf of Trinidad, has transformed the Artocade from a small, —compact” idea to a behemoth onslaught of unbridled creativity.

—We had 80 entries in last year's parade,” Wood said. —We may be a little town, but we are second only to Houston when it comes to art car events. In our event, we have creations by kids, quilting ladies, and even prisoners—I defy you to come up with a wider spectrum!

—It's really cool,” he said. —The whole idea is to have fun!”

The 2015 Artocade, which takes place Sept. 11-13, even features a Saturday night —Catango,” an art car dance party circus event that highlights not only the creative

cars, but other art forms as well. This year's Artocade features Gypsy Cabaret Music with Firecracker Hat Dance and Moon Honey; the —World's only bagpiping Cowboy” Buck McIntosh; A hula hoop dance by Twisted Miss —the Hula Hoop Queen;” and aerialists Dragon DoJo. There will be a fashion show (Haute Carture) and even an Art Car Light Show. And of course, wildly creative cars will converge from across the nation, to show off their individual style.

While in Ridgway on June 24, Wood said that he plans to lead a discussion/workshop on what an art car is, what materials can be used, and —how to do it temporarily without killing your car,” he said.

—We'll give a quick overview on making one,” he said,” and issue an open invitation to come to Trinidad!”

Ridgway Creative District Director Diedre Silbert called the art car event in Trinidad, Ridgway's —sister” creative district, —Amazing.”

—It always pays to join forces,” she said. —What they have done is just stunning! I hope anyone with an interest will come on June 24 and learn—if you don't have a car, you can turn your bicycle, stroller, or even your skateboard into an —art car.”

Wood also encourages alternative, wheeled art forms.

—If you can't drive it, remember, it's a



Many mediums can be used to create an art car. Courtesy photo Trinidad Artocade.

float,” he said.

Ridgway business owner and arts advocate Caroline Lescroart, who has served on a number of regional arts-related boards over the years, said she is excited to learn more. Lescroart helped to host a wheeled-sculpture contest in Montrose's Centennial Plaza several years ago through the Public Art eXperience (PAX).

—They are not stuffy, and they don't have to be expensive,” she said. —Artcars are for everybody!”

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DRIVEN TO MAKE THE COMMUNITY BETTER: CURT ROBINSON



Curt Robinson. Courtesy photo.

Interview by Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Native Coloradoan Curt Robinson lived 15 years in Grand Junction before moving to Montrose in 1974 to open an office for Dalby Wendland & Co. His community service includes Rotary, Montrose Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) for 18 years, and serving as one of the founders for both the Montrose Academic Booster (ABC) Club and the Montrose Community Foundation. Curt said, “I think I accomplished more with the Community Foundation than anywhere else.” During his time as executive director, the foundation was the driving force behind the skate park, Cerro Summit

Recreation Area and the high school football field and track. “I like things [projects] that benefit the community and that last for years.”

Curt has never held an elected position, “I’m too blunt with my beliefs and actions. Politically I can’t say what I [want to] say and get votes. Oh, I would get things done, but there would be a trail of blood!”

Curt’s goal is to make Montrose a better place to live, “I want us to be superior in the state with better jobs, economic development and school systems. What drives me is to make the community better than I found it.”

A self-described realist, Curt puts his 35 years as an accountant to work when analyzing the big picture. “You look at what assets you have, what you *need* to accomplish and what you *want* to accomplish. It’s never about me as an individual, it’s about the project and how do we get it done.”

Offering an interesting perspective on community leadership Curt said, “You can’t hire someone to come into the community to make it better. They might do a good job and they can add that to their resume, but they are going to move on.”

From Curt’s perspective, community leadership began to deteriorate when local-

ly-owned banks were bought out by national financial institutions which were not invested in the community; and then the trend continued with big box stores. Curt said, “Locally owned businesses have their head and their heart in the community. We don’t have that any more, but we need community leadership from doctors, teachers, lawyers, and accountants — the people who make their living here and plan on staying.”

Generally speaking Curt is a person who speaks for groups or organizations. His skill set is to network and seek out people interested in the project and those with the ability to help.

Rather than trying to reinvent the wheel, Curt suggests you first do research to find out how others got things done in a certain arena and how they accomplished their goal. “Look for the obstacles you have to overcome.”

Although Curt knows he is respected in the community, he feels his age and retirement do reflect on his leadership influence. “I read a lot; I’m always trying to gain knowledge and people seek me out for my opinion. If I’m asked specific questions people listen to what I have to say, but if I offer [unsolicited] advice people aren’t as willing to listen.”



Leslie Gibson, Certified Nurse Midwife, and her son Zach volunteer to ring bells for the Salvation Army

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GOVERNMENT BEAT-CITY COUNCIL PREVIEW

CITY COUNCIL WELCOMES SEVEN NEW STAFFERS MONDAY



Montrose Mayor David Romero and Council members Judy Ann Files and Rox Swanson helped to build and dedicate the COPMOBA trail on Cerro Summit Saturday, June 13. Photo by Volunteer Jim Schwarz.

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE—Seven new employees will be introduced at the City of Montrose Work session Monday, June 15.

New staffers include Police Systems Specialist Juan Haro; Technical Support Specialist Benjamin Pettis; Police Officers Sarah Jilka and Jonathan Roberts; Animal Shelter Technicians Paul Kilgore, Tonya

McNeill and Danielle Spelts; and Montrose Pavilion Visitor Center Technician Albert Al-mendarez.

Work session general discussion will focus on a report by Colorado Flights Alliance and the City's proposed-but-recently-tabled Recreational Vehicle Parking Ordinance.

Though reports were included in the meeting packet for the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), City Youth Council and Region 10, those were not made accessible to the public or to the press via the City's web site until Sunday, June 14. [To access those reports click here.](#)

City Council meets Monday night instead of Tuesday, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Following a proclamation in favor of Bike to Work Day (June 24) will be Public Comment and Council consideration of a bid for replacement of CCTV Inspection Equipment for use in maintaining the sanitary sewer collection system, as discussed at the City's June 1 work session.

Council will be asked to approve the purchase with Neverest Equipment Company in the amount of \$74,138.38.

Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License Transfers for both Drive In Liquors (from Trieu LLC d.b.a. Drive In Liquors to KHP LLC d.b.a. Drive In Liquors) for consumption off premises and from LaJoy Enterprises d.b.a. Jetway Café to Horsefly Brewing Company d.b.a. Airfly for consumption on premises. A new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 2100 Airport Road for Horsefly Brewing Company d.b.a. Airfly for consumption on premises will be considered as well.

Council will consider Sunrise Creek No. 4 Filing Final Plat, an application to final plat 20 lots and dedicate a portion of Market Street to the City as well as an open space tract to connect to the Parking area at the Montrose Pavilion. The 3.74 acre property is zoned B4. Council approval would be conditional upon City staff ensuring that all conditions have been satisfied. Following will be a City Sales and Use Tax Report by Shani Wittenberg and a Public Information Officer Report from City Manager Bill Bell, who has returned from his extended vacation. Council will then adjourn.



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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

CPW SAYS, GRAB YOUR DAD AND GET OUTDOORS!

Special to the Mirror

DENVER- Colorado Parks and Wildlife reminds families to stay safe this weekend and enjoy a variety of opportunities to take Dad outdoors in Colorado on Father's Day weekend, June 20 to 21. CPW offers many ways to take Dad and get outdoors boating, fishing, hunting or visiting a park for the holiday weekend.

Creating a connection through shared outdoor experiences, provides a unique bond for friends and families to remember for years to come said CPW Director Broscheid.

What better way to do so than to get outdoors with Dad.

Boating

Colorado offers a variety of waters for any type of preferred boating. Canoe, kayak, motorboat, paddleboard or raft, spending time with Dad can be an adventure.

It's a popular choice on any weekend and there is the potential to have packed boats ramps during the holiday weekend. High water in some reservoirs around the state means recreationists must take extra precautions and know before you go. Read boating and safety regulations before you hit the water at: <http://cpw.state.co.us/Documents/Boating/BoatingRegulations.pdf>.

Watch out for other motorists and boaters when navigating boat ramps to keep your Fathers Day pleasant and enjoyable.

Brian Sandy, an investigator with CPW's Boat Safety Program offers some advice.

One of the most common mistakes boaters make this time of year is to detach the boat from the trailer before heading down steep boat ramps said Sandy. We recommended keeping the boat tied to the trailer until the boat hits the water, then unstrap the boat from the trailer, this is so that your boat will not off of the trailer.

Make safety the highest priority and wear a personal flotation device when boating. According to the [Accident Data Center](#), 84 percent of boaters who didn't wear personal flotation devices (PFDs) were involved in fatal boating accidents in 2013.

The best Father's Day is a safe one so prevent damage to the boat, keep the boat ramps clear to maintain a steady pace of traffic and wear a PFD.

Fishing

CPW encourages families to get out and take advantage of the opportunity to experience fishing Colorados more than 2,500 lakes and reservoirs, many within beautiful State Parks, and 10,000 miles of fishable streams and rivers including 300 miles of Gold Medal streams and approximately 3,200 acres of Gold Medal lakes.

Fishing is easy to learn and fun to enjoy, said CPW's Anger Education Coordinator, Howard Horton. It offers a way to enjoy time outside and develop a hobby.

CPW has multiple web resources such as the [fishing report](#), [fishing atlas](#), [stocking report](#) and call center (303) 297-1192, where outdoor recreation questions are answered from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Safe fishing means handling equipment with care and being aware of your surroundings, especially high water caused by recent rain and snowmelt.

Learn more at <http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Fishing.aspx>.

Hunting

Small game hunting is an outdoor experience that offers quiet time, fresh air and scenic views to share with Dad during the holiday weekend. A small game license with a hunters safety card is all you need. The small game season is in full swing and with a multitude of different game to target this can be a great opportunity to see wildlife of all kinds.

Find out how to get started small game hunting [here](#). Read the [2014 Small Game Brochure](#) or contact the CPW Communication Center at (303) 297-1192 for more information. Read the [2014 Colorado State Recreation Lands](#) for where to go.

If you are interested in the idea of going hunting with dad but you don't know where to start, said Todd Schmidt, CPW's hunter education coordinator. Sign up for one of the many hunter education courses throughout the state and prepare yourself

for any future hunting endeavors.

Find a Hunter's Education class close to at: <http://www.register-ed.com/programs/colorado>.

Don't forget, the application deadline for fall turkey is July 9, leftover big game license day is July 21. Learn more about various hunting seasons and get additional resources at <http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/hunt.aspx>.

Visiting a Park

Another opportunity for Fathers Day includes visiting a Colorado State Park. The 42 state parks offers unique activities as well as recreational trails to explore.

I can't think of a better way to spend time with Dad than at a State Park, said Dan Weber, CPW Golden Gate State Park Manager. We have something for every activity level from walking the trail, horseback riding, climbing, biking and picnicking.

Weber reminds visitors to be prepared bring sunscreen, water, first aid kit and rain gear so you can be ready for anything the day brings. Being prepared means you are less susceptible to the unpredictable Colorado elements so that you can enjoy your day out on the trail, adds Weber.

Park Finder can help find a park near you. View maps of nearby Colorado trails visit at the CPW website at <http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/Pages/Trails.aspx>.

CPW is an enterprise agency, relying primarily on license sales, state parks fees and registration fees to support its operations, including: 42 state parks and more than 350 wildlife areas covering approximately 900,000 acres, management of fishing and hunting, wildlife watching, camping, motorized and non-motorized trails, boating and outdoor education. CPW's work contributes approximately \$6 billion in total economic impact annually throughout Colorado. For more news about Colorado Parks and Wildlife go to: <http://cpw.state.co.us> For more information about Colorado Parks and Wildlife go to: <http://cpw.state.co.us>.

CLICK HERE FOR CSU EXTENSION'S MONTROSE COUNTY GARDENING CALENDAR FOR JUNE!

MIRROR IMAGES...MONTROSE GARDEN TOUR 2015!



The Montrose Botanic Society welcomed the community to the Botanic Garden at the Montrose Pavilion on Saturday, June 13 for the annual garden tour. Recent rains have left the gardens lush and beautiful.



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MIRROR IMAGES...WEEKEND FUN!



Above, Margaret Lanam and Wini Tappan at the Montrose Senior Center Yard Sale at the Senior Center (below) on June 13.



Evelyn Roper performed at Montrose's hottest new venue Saturday night, the Lark & Sparrow. Photo by Jim Schwarz.

An advertisement graphic with a dark background. At the top, two spotlights shine down on a small stack of four smooth, light-colored stones. Below the stones, a white banner contains the text "SOMETHING BIG IS COMING". A red stanchion rope runs horizontally across the middle of the graphic. Below the rope, the date "july 1, 2015" is written in a large, stylized font, followed by the website "solutionsandme.com". At the bottom, there are icons for Facebook, Twitter, Google+, Pinterest, Instagram, and YouTube.

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Tuesday, November 10th

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Steps to Follow

1. Preregister by calling 252-5043 or 252-5067.
2. Bring \$10 payment per person to the class, either check or cash.

Class Location and Time

In Friendship Hall kitchen - Montrose County Fairgrounds
2:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Those completing the class will receive a wallet size class participation certificate.



REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS!

REGION 10 COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICES WELCOMES KINSHIP CONNECTIONS FOR KIDS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—There is a large demographic of grandparents who are responsible for the care of their grandchildren. Kinship Connections for Kids – a support group formed a few years back to support this demographic – recently found a new home with Region 10's Community Living Services department.

—There are currently more than 24,000 grandparents in Colorado actively raising their grandchildren,” states Eva Veitch, Community Living Services Director at Region 10.

—These individuals tend to be in higher need of emotional and financial support at this stage of their lives.”

The reasons for the biological parent not being in the picture vary. Some parents recently enlisted in the military or are in

the midst of a drastic employment change that requires a significant amount of time away from home. Other stories involve more tragic circumstances – often involving substance abuse, neglect, incarceration, or death.

Though their stories are unique, these families all share the same need for support.

Kinship Connections for Kids provides these families with resources, educational materials, clothing, school supplies, and therapy services that they need to thrive. Based on the goals and scope of services provided by Region 10's Community Living Services, the partnership was a natural fit. Community Living Services will work to identify new partnerships and develop resources to expand upon the good work already being accomplished by Kinship

Connections. —We hope to shine a light on the unique challenges the adults and the children they care for are facing,” Veitch said.

The first meeting will take place on June 18th from 6-8 pm, where Specialized Sitters will present on the respite services they provide for families of children with special needs.

The meeting will take place at Region 10's office located at 300 N. Cascade, Suite 1 in Montrose. Following the kickoff meeting at the Region 10 office, the group will meet on the first and third Thursday of every month at the same time. Educational or resource topics will be covered during the first hour, followed by open discussion.

If you are interested in participating, supporting, or donating to this group, please call Eva Veitch at 970-360-6087.



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MIRROR IMAGES...MONTROSE FARMERS MARKET!



The Montrose Farmers Market got a break from the rain on Saturday, June 13. Pictured clockwise from top left, Market Manager Lois Harvie; Centennial Plaza; market vendors in Market Plaza and Centennial Plaza brought an array of everything from plants, produce, colorful crafts and wearables to homemade baked goods. The market has been featuring local musicians on the Centennial Plaza stage.

MIRROR IMAGES...OUT AND ABOUT!



At left and below right, the "gang" at Museum of the Mt. West Tribute to Western Movies Day June 13. Photos by Brad Switzer.



At left, Mustard Seed warmed up the early crowd at the Montrose Farmers Market Saturday, June 13.

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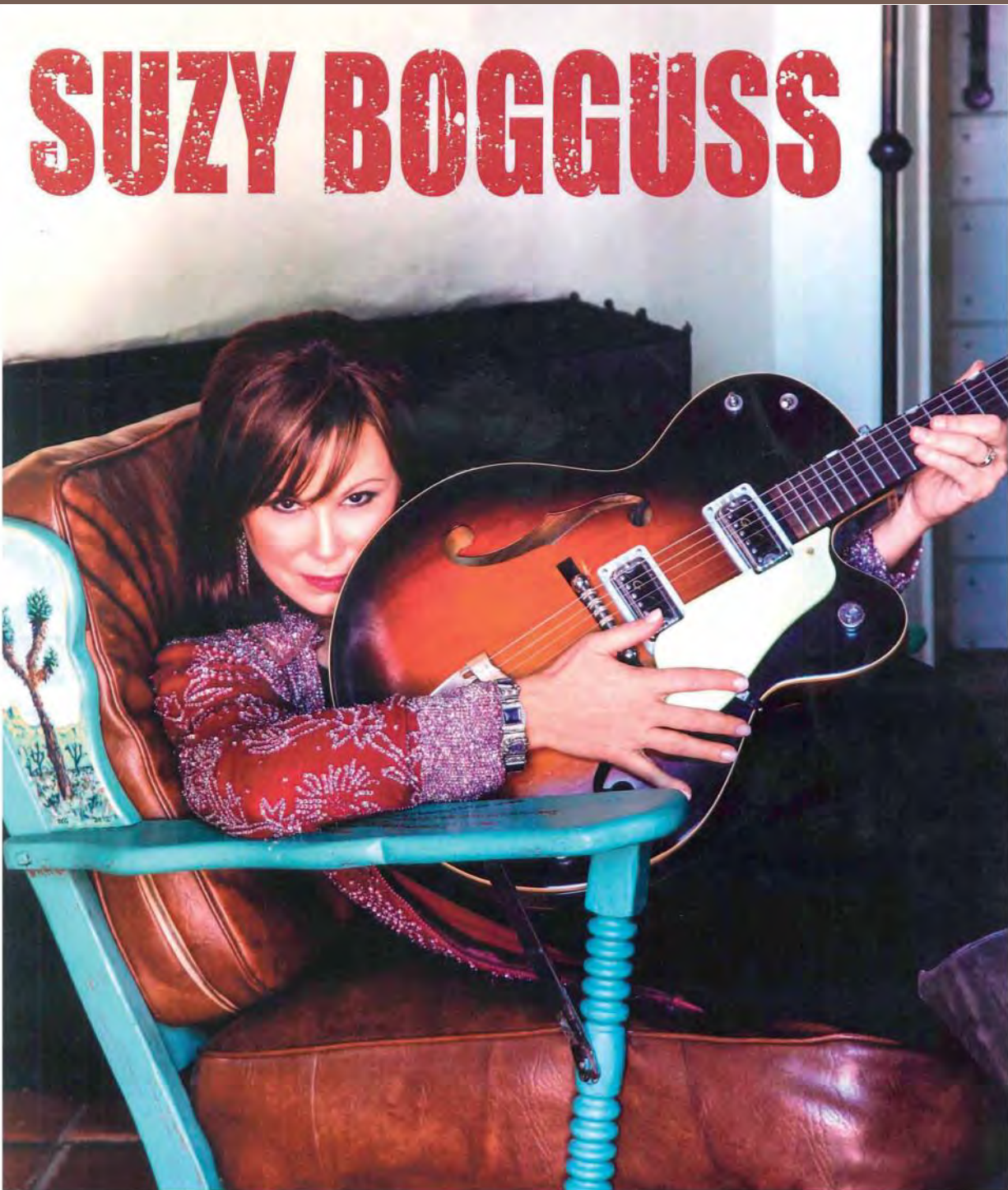
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MIRROR IMAGES...ELKS CLUB FLAG RETIREMENT



In a moving ceremony that drew community members of all generations and from all walks of life, the Montrose Elks Lodge held a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Sunday, June 14. In addition to Elks, local Scouts and Civil Air Patrol representatives came together to retire the red, white and blue. The Cadets from the Civil Air Patrol Montrose Composite Squadron were Cadet Airman Basic Varela, Cadet Senior Airman Kenimer and Cadet Chief Master Sergeant Culver accompanied by Captain Irving and 2nd Lieutenant Nuñez.

They would like to thank the local VFW for contacting Civil Air Patrol and allowing available Cadets to take part, Nunez said. "Also thank you to all who came out and participated in this wonderful event in honor of our flag and all it represents."



GOVERNMENT BEAT

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION 6/9/15

By Sandra Tyler

Government Beat Reporter

MONTROSE-ROAD WORKING GROUP
-Vacating Road E81-Public Works Director Ken Winckler was present to discuss the road along with maps. It was decided that the commissioners and staff would walk the road the end of last week and flag the road plus use the GPS on each flag to confirm location for the future identification. Mr. Ron Brown and Ms. Pam Brown, living in the subdivision involved in past discussions, were present and they requested to be included in future discussions.

Other items were a letter from Ms. Debra Elton requesting winter maintenance on 20 miles of road where she lives. Per the commissioners, this road has access that is maintained already.

COUNTY TREASURER-Security Company

A new security company in town, San Juan Security, has been contacted to provide daily security for moving funds from the County Treasurer office to the bank at \$350/month. The owner has worked for Golden Eagle Security. The three commissioners all agreed to move forward with the agreement process.

TOOL ALLOWANCE FOR FACILITIES/FLEET

Facilities Manager Dave Larsen provided the information requested during a previous work session. The City of Montrose owns the work tools for staff to use. Mesa County provides a \$500 annual tool allowance to mechanics and they use all their own tools except for the specialty type tools. La Plata County owns the work tools for staff to use. Gunnison County provides a \$250 quarterly tool allowance to mechanics and they use all their own tools except for the specialty type tools which are checked out from a keyed area. Commissioner Glen Davis stated that, "Mechanics will take better care of tools if they own them" but what's in it for the County. He is more prone to go for raising salaries vs tool allowances. Commissioner Ron Henderson wants to try the allowance with stipulations such as showing both the tool purchased and the receipt. Mr. Larsen to get with Commissioner David White for his decision as he was not present for the discussions due to an unavoidable conference call.

FEDERAL MINERAL LEASE

WEAC (West End Advisory Committee)

was appointed by the county in the '90's when clean up after Uravan. The Disaster Fund provided \$500-\$1000 to occupants left without shelter due to a disaster. Continuing the granting is preferred as opposed to creating a Federal Mineral Lease District. Ms. Dianna Reams, WEAC, is ready for the 2014 distribution to the West End of close to \$99,000 as they have identified projects to improve Main Street and trails on the West End. Bylaws and the Federal ID number will be sent to County Attorney Ms. Teresa Williams. Colorado constitution guidelines will be followed.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES UPDATE.HHS Director Kristin Pulatie brought in three more annual child welfare contracts for approval at the 6/15/15 Regular Meeting Session plus the agreement with Dr. Gayle Frazzetta as Medical Advisor to the Public Health Administrator.

The administrator of the Fatherhood Program was present to talk about the program that was started in 2007 and new funding occurred in 2012. Of the 500 referred in 2012, over 370 became enrolled in the program. Incentives (hat, shirt) are given when enrollees complete the various programs: Healthy Relationship Program which uses a journal that teaches dads how to parent and the On-The-Job Training via the Work Force Center of which 84 percent became employed when they finished the program. The County benefits as there is no money that has to come from the County, the Child Protective Services staff is seeing positive impacts on the families that are involved in the Fatherhood Programs, and they are seeing more payments and more full payments of court established amounts for child support cases within the system.

There will be more data collection and evaluations in the new programs starting in 2015 and evaluators have to be associated with a university. An evaluator interested in designing an evaluation program has already been identified. Pre-and post testing is showing the knowledge the enrollees are learning and using. There will be a gap in services from Sept. 30, 2015 to Jan. 1, 2016 and HHS is reaching out to community programs that can fill the gap which also occurred before. The goal of avoiding generational dysfunctional families and not condoning inappropriate behaviors is being provided through the programs that provide fathers with ways to discuss their is-

sues and concerns and what to do in situations.

Other updates: the Tobacco Educator, Joanna Cortez, is starting soon; there will be a Public Health educator intern; June is Bike/Walk to Work Month at HHS; Security cameras have installed in the West End facility and can be viewed here in Montrose; There were 26 donors at the recent Blood Drive; and a need to be concerned about disease carrying rabbits being eaten by outdoor cats.

COUNTY ATTORNEY UPDATE

The commissioners will need to decide about raising the base salaries of all elected county officials in Nov. and before Jan. 1, 2016. This will not affect those in office currently, only newly elected. The choices are do nothing which will automatically revert to 30% increases or select either 0 percent or 10 percent or 20 percent increases. COLA (cost of living adjustment) is automatic in 2018 and the amount is evaluated every 4 years. The current base salaries have not changed since 2006 and the decision could last as long as another 8 years. The differential program for adding case workers as new FTE's passed and positions must be filled by 1 Nov. 2015. \$1,000,000 has been approved to assist counties with technical support on public land issues such as planning from new cooperating agencies.

\$1,000,000 has been approved to pay those counties that have impacts due to the presence of marijuana that need to be addressed.

The Urban Renewal Authority bill passed which makes the rural areas happy but not the cities.

There will be an item on the ballot to keep marijuana money over TABOR allowed amounts as so much more marijuana money has come in over expected amounts.

The Montrose Memorial Hospital mediation date has been extended until September so that the new MMH attorney can get up to speed.

The local ambulance company requested to be exempted from paying license fees. Three commissioners said no.

The Beaver Hills issue is still in flux. The letter to go out was not sent per Attorney Teresa Williams as the HOA does not have the authority to open the road and she wants staff and the commissioners to walk the trail.

Experiencing the (local) Church

WRITER GAIL MARVEL VISITS NATIONS FELLOWSHIP



By Gail Marvel

My visit to Nations Fellowship, which meets in the Aquatic Center, took place on April 26, 2015. On this Sunday the services were restructured commencing with a potluck supper at 4 pm, followed by announcements, the message, worship in praise and a time of prayer.

Greeter Sheryl Strole welcomed me and introduced me to Pastor David Haines and his wife Susan, the worship leader.

Announcements were made that were pertinent to fellowship, as well as community-related, which included Welcome Home Montrose activities, the National Day of Prayer and the upcoming Supreme Court decision on gay marriage. The prayer offered for the Supreme Court justices, —Father, we pray that you will put the fear of God in the Supreme Court. Reveal to the Supremes that it is You who have supremacy,” was met with murmurs of agreement. Starting a new outreach called —Midweek Mobile,” this fellowship will at random be joining other local congregations in their midweek Bible studies.

The Nations Fellowship web site describes the group as, —An Apostolic and Prophetic company of believers that are seeking deeper intimacy with GOD, and Discipling World Changers and Transformers.”

The fellowship appears to have been operating under the supervision of a coalition of strong ministries, however a recent conference led them to reevaluate. Pastor Haines said, —People have asked are we a church, a para-church, or a group. Nations Fellowship is a church and we’ve been re-commissioned as an apostolic church. This is a season of re-establishment with more purpose and a clarifying vision.”

The group is not yet well enough established to become an apostolic center, but they are taking steps in their development as a people.

—We will hook up with multiple ministries, share resources and go to a different level [from where they are].” An apostolic leadership team is being put in place which will help them define what they want to accomplish. —We’re accountable to men of God who are gifted in apostolic.”

Pastor Haines’ sermon, based on Eph 4:7-13, further supported the new vision and direction of the church. In this passage of Scripture Paul talks about the body of Christ and the different positions of service within the church body —apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers. Pastor Haines said, —Ministries have been misunderstood, professionalized, and sanitized. They have been placed into the hands of —holy ones” and if holy ones are

the only ones who can minister, then Satan can whittle down the number of ministers [who are] working. Satan wants you to believe that ministry can only be done by holy ones.”

The pastor noted that credentials, degrees and ordinations exalt people in positions. —Others are put in a higher standing position than what you or I are in. You, as a believer, are a holy one, you are a saint. We’re all called together for a purpose, to wash feet — in our community, region and nation. We are not here to preserve ourselves, but to spend ourselves.”

Transitioning into worship Susan Haines played praise songs on a keyboard, which were enhanced by bongo drums. The rented space for this congregation has full-length mirrors covering one wall; think mirrors in a fitness center, or a dance studio.

The 30 some attendees were seated facing the mirrors, so when charismatic expression of worship began everyone could actually see the frontal view of worshipers reflected in the mirrors — raised hands, feet dancing, bodies swaying and faces filled with joy and reverence.

Contact info:

*Nations Fellowship
25 Colorado Ave. (Aquatic Center)
Montrose CO, 81401*

Speaking to the disciples of John the Baptist, Jesus said, “Go back and report to John what you hear and see ...” (Matt 11:4 NIV).

To our readers: Though Montrose writer Gail Marvel does belong to a local church, she is interested in the other houses of worship here in town as well. With this column, Gail will share her experiences as she visits local churches and congregations to learn more about them. Gail wrote a church newsletter for years, and has published her work in a number of Christian publications including The Lookout, Christian Standard, Discipleship Journal and The Christian Communicator.

OPINION/EDITORIAL-LETTERS

• *The price of apathy is to be ruled by evil men.*—Plato

• *Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*—Margaret Mead

Dear Editor:

Since we have been silent for a couple weeks I don't want Bell, Joseph, Harris and City Council to become comfortable and secure in their positions or to believe that we, a committed group, have initiated a momentary whirlwind and now, since we haven't recently voiced our concerns, the storm has passed and the current administration can continue with a program that has so far devastated some 60 Montrose families. We are still here and have just begun to work.

• We are watching, City Administration and City Council, your continued autocratic decisions to see who is next to have time or salary cut, who has received a negative evaluation and demotion, or have been

terminated.

• We are listening to all the employees who are terrified of being the next on the chopping block to lose their jobs. They have been told not to discuss, question, criticize or tape any administrative activities; in addition, they are not to quote, comment or talk to the Montrose Mirror. I believe that infringes on the Freedom of Speech, but the employees will abide by that mandate because their jobs are at stake.

• We are hearing that current employees and former employees have felt the belittling, humiliating sting of being intimidated, screamed at, cussed out, called stupid....what a positive method of creating positive morale and a friendly workplace!

• We are working quietly with all the folks[business owners, professionals, retirees, citizens]who are horrified by the administrative excesses and demands made on employees because the various workforces have been drastically cut thus placing burdens on the few remaining. All the

jobs cannot be completed in a normal timeframe.

• We are working on removing access of a vehicle that John Harris uses to commute from Delta daily, which is paid for by the City. All identifying logos and lights have been removed from the vehicle; the license plate is the only identifying evidence. That needs to stop, and perhaps Council should consider that Harris should live in Montrose since we are paying for his privilege!

• The weeds on parking and curbing are flourishing.

• This is Flag Day weekend.....as of Saturday [13th]afternoon no flags appeared on either Main or Townsend. Since the City doesn't work Fridays, don't know that flags will fly....maybe some workers will be ordered to put them up overnight?!

The next City Council election occurs in April, 2016. We're working on that. Shall keep all interested folks informed... Thanks for your time and interest!

Marge Morgenstern, Montrose

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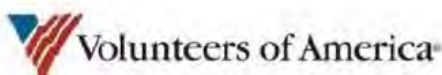
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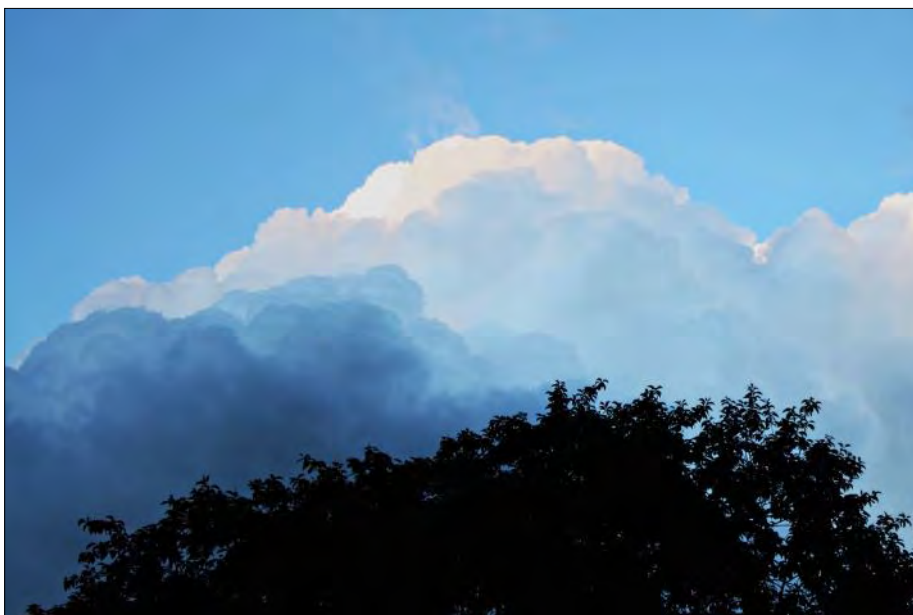
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RSVP to Erin at 970-275-1220 or eberge@voa.org



MIRROR IMAGES...LANDSCAPES!



Photos by Sarah Berndt: "Evening Cloud," above, and "Purple" at right.

HONORABLE MENTION

To Scout Leader Paul Gifford and his son, for placing flags on Main Street in honor of flag day. Paul's son is working to earn money for a scouting jamboree in West Virginia next year.

To Marge Morgenstern for fighting to take our City back from a Council that has stopped even pretending to listen to anyone but each other...

To Volunteers of America, Alpine Bank, Disabled American Veterans and the Montrose Elks club for hosting celebrations in honor of Flag Day...

To Carnecería Sonora, for the salsa roja, fresh chiles and great tortillas...

To Rick Hurt, for investing his OWN money to bring Suzy Bogguss to town July 6—Better show up! Ticket info on page 21...

To one of our favorite artists, Alice Billings of Ridgway...prayers for a speedy recovery...

To Lois Harvie and the Montrose Farmers Market, for putting on a super event and market every week, and bringing crowds to Downtown...

And to Pamela Palmer of Montrose, for that poster of the Statue of Liberty. On the front of her house. When I asked her about it, "God Bless America" was all she said.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

FALL TURKEY HUNTING OFFERS UNIQUE CHALLENGE

Special to the Mirror

DENVER - The application deadline for fall turkey hunting, September to October, is July 9. Colorado Parks and Wildlife encourages sportsmen of all interests to give this unique challenge a try.

“Fall turkey hunting offers lots of opportunity to try diverse hunting techniques,” said Ed Gorman, CPW small game coordinator. “Hunters can pursue them in ways that are more characteristic of big-game hunting, like using the spot-and-stalk method or a blind on well used travel corridors and feeding sites.

Another technique, more common in other parts of the country, is purposely flushing a flock of turkeys and calling them back by imitating a lost turkey. Unlike spring turkey hunting, the calling is different because the hunter is imitating a lost turkey that wants to rejoin the flock rather than attract a mate.

Hunters hope to find small bunches of hens with juvenile turkeys, known as poulters during this time. These small flocks are numerous when the season starts in September.

Adult male turkeys, known as gobblers, are successfully hunted too. Gobblers tend to segregate into smaller bachelor groups during the summer and fall. These are gen-

erally more difficult to locate.

Hunting methods vary between spring and fall, and so do methods of take. Rifles are not legal during spring seasons, whereas some fall turkey hunting units allow the use of rifles.

Hunters must carefully review regulations and determine if they meet the requirements to use a rifle in a specific unit. Read the [2015 Colorado Turkey](#) brochure.

Fall turkey offers great challenge and lots of opportunity because turkey populations are at their highest before the winter period begins.

“Many fall turkeys stay at higher elevations until those first few days that suggest winter is approaching,” adds Gorman.

“Fall turkeys can be dispersed across the landscape, but hunters should look for places that provide lots of forage, including leafy, green plants, grass seed heads, waste grain and the fruit or seed of woody trees and shrubs, known as mast.”

As an added bonus, successful fall hunters will enjoy a great meal. Adds Gorman, “While all wild turkeys are good table fare, harvesters of fall turkey claim that the fall birds, especially ‘young birds’ are more tender since they have not yet experienced winter stress.”

Learn more about turkey hunting this fall

at <http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Turkey.aspx>. Contact CPW at (303) 297-1192 with questions or to plan your hunt.

Apply online at <https://www.co.wildlifelicense.com/start.php> or by phone (800-244-5613). Born on or before Jan. 1, 1949? Verification during online applications requires input of the hunter education information located on the card. To sign up for a Hunter Education course go to <http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HE-Courses.aspx>. To request a HE Card go to <http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HE-CardReplacement.aspx>.

CPW is an enterprise agency, relying primarily on license sales, state parks fees and registration fees to support its operations, including: 42 state parks and more than 350 wildlife areas covering approximately 900,000 acres, management of fishing and hunting, wildlife watching, camping, motorized and non-motorized trails, boating and outdoor education. CPW's work contributes approximately \$6 billion in total economic impact annually throughout Colorado.

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FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS ARE ON A ROLL!



Kathi Bledsoe (at left) and friends at a recent Food Truck Friday. Courtesy photo.

By Caitlin Switzer

REGIONAL—This is not your grandpa's hot dog stand, and the moniker "Roach Coach" does not apply. Modern food trucks are bright, clean, creative—and they are everywhere.

As the food truck locator web site www.foodtrucksin.com notes, "Today's food trucks, trailers, carts, and stands are like restaurants on wheels. They are equipped with facilities to store and cook fresh food to order. They are mobile and often serve within a 50-75 miles radius of their home base."

Because of the increasing range, today's food trucks can rove—and gather. In the Grand Junction area, an enterprising Coffee truck owner has created a rolling event, Food Truck Fridays.

For vendors, this is more than a chance to make a few sales—it is about creativity, and the ability to take the cuisine they love to new, welcoming foodies.

The owner of Kati Q's BBQ is Kathi Bledsoe, who hails from the Central Coast of California, an area steeped in a rich tradition of barbecue and the culinary arts. Growing up surrounded by some of the



best Santa Maria style barbecue chefs and restaurants, Kathi's passion for flame-grilled cuisine was ignited at a young age. After many years of working in the restaurant business as a server, manager and chef, she made the decision to enroll in the culinary arts program at Colorado Mesa University (CMU), where she earned her culinary degree. Katy Q's BBQ is the realization of Kathi's long-time dream to bring true Santa Maria Style barbecue to Colorado.

"Barbecue in the Santa Maria tradition is cooked over live flame," she said.

—California red oak is used on the Central Coast; in Colorado, Palisade Peach wood makes an excellent substitute, lending its own unique Rocky Mountain flavor.

—The tri-tip steak cut originated in a local Santa Maria California Safeway store," she said, "and is famous in California and nationally."

—Once considered a cut of beef only to be used for hamburger or stew meat, the tri-tip is considered to be one of the most flavorful cuts. With a crusty sear from the open flame and the smoky deliciousness of the peach wood fire, little seasoning and no sauce are needed."

No Santa Maria style barbecue is complete without flame-toasted garlic french bread, salad, beans and linguicia, she added.

So far this season the weather has not been especially cooperative, but Food Truck Fridays continue to grow, event organizer and coffee truck owner Karen Mahoney said. Mahoney said her own business, Sip Mobile Coffee, grew out of a



Today's food trucks are mobile, and focused on innovative and delicious cuisine. Courtesy images.

desire for a hot cup of coffee at local outdoor events.

—"Being cold, I saw a need for that!" she said. And after a year in business, she has no regrets.

—I love being in a food truck," Mahoney said. "People are always glad to see me! They are so nice and friendly, and unlike being a server in a restaurant, there is something different every week."

Food Truck Fridays started last year, for two months, and are back for 2015 with a brand new slate of vendors and events. Eight to ten regular vendors take part, and the Friday events move between several locations, Mahoney said.

—We hold Food Truck Fridays on the first, third and fourth Fridays," she said. —We have three different locations; we go Downtown, in front of the US Bank location at Fourth and Grand; we go to Mulberry Street in Fruita; and we are at St. Kathryn Cellars once a month."

And while the vendors are consistent, the various locations offer a very different experience, she said.

—At St. Kathryn's we are on the winery grounds, so you can enjoy a glass of wine with dinner," she said.

—That definitely brings out a nice crowd. Downtown Grand Junction is very central, so we see a lot of folks on dates or out with their families. And on Fourth Fridays in Fruita, it's the true food truck experience with no tables or chairs. People eat on the sidewalks, and sit on the curbs. The businesses stay open for shopping, and there is music to make it festive too.

—The weather has not been too cooperative so far this year," she acknowledged. —But this is a fun, fun thing to do—we love it. Hopefully people will continue to come out!"

WET, COLD SEASON TOUGH ON SWEET CORN CROP FARMERS SAY From pg 1



Excessive rains at the start of the growing season have made a difficult job even more difficult, local corn growers say.

May, and the normal is for them to sprout in 7-8 days after planting. That was just because of the weather."

The unusual weather has kept things cold, making it hard for the crops to grow.

"The temperature drops, so then the seeds hibernate and it has to warm up so they can sprout," Dan explained. "But when they come up, they have a tendency to not grow well because the rain drowns the crops. It is not detrimental for us yet. Some of the crops have spoiled, but we have been really lucky that we can get the seed in at the right time.

Currently, the sweet corn at least seems to be making it, although it will be a bit later

than normal.

"Right now, we are at average," Dan explained. "We have to see what happens next with the weather. We're going to have to get working in order to have anything besides an average crop."

"We will have corn on August 1 for the Olathe Sweet Corn Festival, but the corn will be later than normal," John said. "We have had a difficult Spring, and corn or any crop, has not responded well to all the water. The ground is too wet and too cold. Onions are behind and beans are just in [the ground]."

Unfortunately, the uncontrollable weather means that farmers have to be on their toes



Despite uncooperative weather, Olathe farmer John Harold promises that there will be corn for the Olathe Sweet Corn Festival Aug. 1.

this season.

"We have to be pretty flexible, because everything we do depends on the weather," Dan said. "Some farmers are way behind, some corn and beans are not in, and around here there is a lot of property that is plowed but they have no seed in it."

"There is not a lot that we can do," John explained. "Things will continue to be based on the weather. If we have another May in June we will have a huge problem."

John and Dan both want people to understand that farming is not as easy as some may think.

"The weather has played havoc on farmers all year," John said. "In all my years of farming, I have never seen anything like this May. Others that I have talked with feel the same way."

"People take it for granted that farming is an easy thing to do, but it is truly difficult to grow this crop," Dan explained. "Any corn is difficult due to the raising parameters. Our farmers have been working their butts off. It's a daily struggle and they have been doing an exclamatory job."

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REC CENTER TO HOST WORLDS LARGEST SWIM LESSON JUNE 18

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-Team WLSL™ (World's Largest Swim Lesson) is set to break the World Record on June 18, 2015 for the Largest Swim Lesson. This effort sends the message that Swimming Lessons Save Lives™ to millions around the globe. The Montrose Aquatics Center will again serve as an Official Host Location. Tens of thousands of kids and adults at aquatic facilities around the world will unite for the sixth year in a row to set a new Guinness World Record™. The global record attempt for The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™ (WLSL), will take place at 10 a.m. on June 18th, 2015.

Team WLSL holds the current Guinness World Record™ for the largest simultane-

ous swimming lesson, which stands at 36,564 participants representing 22 different countries! The 2014 WLSL event generated more than 50 million + media impressions, spreading the event's important message to hundreds of thousands of families.

Tragically, drowning remains the leading cause of unintended, injury related death for children ages 1-5, and the second leading cause of accidental death for children under 14. Research shows participation in formal swimming lessons can reduce the risk of drowning by 88 percent among children aged 1 to 4, yet many kids do not receive formal swimming or water safety training.

Additionally, with the Water Sports Park

coming online recently in Riverbottom, the urgency of this message is even greater. Many young people are now drawn to the river, which encourages recreation and appreciation. Skills to stay safe, therefore, become even more important.

The Montrose Aquatics Center will be serving as an official Host Location Facility for the World's Largest Swim Lesson for the second consecutive year. Sign in will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the official Swim Lesson count at 10 a.m. Participants will receive a certificate noting that they have taken part in a World Record Event.

For more information, contact Liz Gracesun - Aquatics Coordinator at 970-249-7705 or by email liz@montroserec.com.

CRIME STOPPERS ALERT

Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL-Montrose Regional Crime Stoppers and the Montrose Police Department are seeking the help of citizens to locate and apprehend the perpetrator(s) involved in the following incident.

An attempted robbery occurred at 5:35 a.m. on the morning of June 12th at the Burger King restaurant located at 229 North Townsend Avenue in Montrose. The suspect approached the manager and demanded money. He was unsuccessful in the attempt.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 5' 7" tall, heavy set, and wearing a black hoodie, black shorts with silver stripes and a black ski mask. No weapon was displayed in the incident.

Anyone with information about the suspect(s) can call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 249-8500. Crime Stoppers and the Montrose Police want your Information, not your identity. If the tip results in an arrest, the caller may receive a cash award.

MIRROR IMAGES...OUT AND ABOUT!



Above, bee on Angelica-photo by Jim Schwarz.

At left, Pamela Palmer of Montrose on Flag Day, June 14.



MIRROR IMAGES...WARRIORS AT THE BRIDGES



Bridges of Montrose welcomed two events on behalf of Warriors on Saturday, June 13—the Welcome Home Montrose 5K Walk/Run and the Warrior Golf Tournament. Pictured clockwise from top left are U.S. veterans Duane Renfro and Bill Kaup; the Stars and Stripes; Bridges Manager Eric Feely; and 5K organizers and participants Valerie, Correna and Nancy.

ARTS AND CULTURE

TRIO SOLISTI TO PERFORM AT WRIGHT OPERA HOUSE



Special to the Mirror
OURAY—Once again the popular Trio Solisti is back in Ouray on Friday evening, June 26th at the Wright Opera House. This stellar group from New York has received many accolades since its founding in 2001. It has forged a reputation as “the most exciting piano trio in America” (*The New Yorker*) with a passionate performance style that combines

exceptional virtuosity and penetrating musical insight. Rave reviews follow the trio throughout its concert tours. Possessing a repertoire that encompasses well-known classics and works by contemporary composers, the program for Ouray will consist of a Beethoven trio, a Brahms trio, and a Brahms piano quartet. The group is led by Maria Bachman, violinist, with Alexis Pia Gerlach on cello and Ad-

am Neiman on piano. This year they will be joined by Hsin-Yun Huang, a Julliard faculty member, on viola for the piano quartet.

The upcoming concert is sponsored by the Ouray County Performing Arts Guild, Citizen's State Bank of Ouray, Middleton Accounting Services, the Wright Opera House, the Women's Club of Ouray County, and the Telluride Foundation. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for youths and may be purchased online at www.thewrightoperahouse.org. The Wright Opera House is located at 472 Main Street in Ouray. Advance purchase is highly recommended, as Trio Solisti has an enthusiastic following and a sold-out performance is expected. The Ouray County Performing Arts Guild is a not-for-profit organization bringing quality events in music, dance, theater and other genres to Ouray and Ridgway. Its purpose is to sponsor presentations and performers of the highest caliber in the performing arts for the enjoyment of Ouray County's residents and visitors. OCPAG also is a proud member of the Alpenglows Arts Alliance.



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4:00-5:00 tween/teen tap (ages 11 and up)

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2:30-3:15 Primary Ballet with Miss Leeann (5-8)
3:15-4:15 Primary Tap with Miss Jenny (ages 5-8)
4:15-5:15 Level 1 Tap with Miss Jenny (ages 8-10)
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ONGOING-

THE ALPINE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB meets every second Tuesday at St Mary's Catholic Church in the St Paul Room, 1855 St Mary's Drive, Montrose. The Public is welcome to attend. For more information, email alpinephotoclub@aol.com.

"SHERB NERDS" TRIVIA NIGHTS AT RIDGWAY'S SHERBINO THEATER are monthly on Tuesdays from 7-9pm, (doors at 7pm and trivia starting at 7:30pm) beginning June 9th. Admission is \$5 per person and \$3 for students, and the cash bar is open!!!! Half the proceeds from admissions go toward the cash grand prize to the winning team of the night, and all other proceeds will benefit the Sherbino Theater. "Sherb Nerds" Trivia Nights dates are: Tuesday, June 9, Tuesday July 21st, Tuesday Aug. 18th, and Sept. 8th!!

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PICKIN' IN THE PARK-Paonia's 8th Annual Free Summer Concert Series. Paonia Town Park, Paonia, CO, Thursday Evenings in August, 6pm 'til Dark August 6, 13, 20, 27 ~ 2015.

FREE FAMILY LAW CLINIC-LAST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH, Montrose County Courthouse (Leslie German self-help center) at 1200 North Grand, Noon to 1:30 p.m. Sponsored by Uncompahgre Volunteer Legal Aid and the 7th Judicial District Bar Association. Call 970-249-7202 for information.

FREE JAM SESSION AND SING ALONG, Mondays from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Montrose Pavilion Senior Center.

FREE LEGAL ADVICE NIGHT-SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Region 10 Enterprise Center, 300 North Cascade. Sponsored by Uncompahgre Volunteer Legal Aid and the 7th Judicial District Bar Association. Call 970-249-7202 for information.

MONTROSE FARMERS MARKET— Every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. -1pm, S. 1st and Uncompahgre.

FIRST FRIDAY STROLLS MONTROSE DOWNTOWN —Monthly from 5:30 p.m.-8p.m. Artist Demonstrations, Free Wine Tastings, and in-store promotional events!

MONTROSE HISTORICAL MUSEUM-"Montrose County Historical Society Presents" is held at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of each month in the Pioneer Room of Friendship Hall, 1001 N. 2nd St. The public is invited to free programs based on topics of regional history. For more information please call 249-2085.

MONTROSE STAMP (PHILATELIC) CLUB meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 420 Alta Lakes Dr. from 7-8pm. For Beginners to Pros! Please contact Brenda Moureaux at 970-765-6948 for more information.

AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE-Save on insurance, keep up on newer traffic laws, and learn defensive driving techniques. For details and schedule for Montrose and Delta, contact John 970-856-6924 or 970-424-1778.

TAIZE-STYLE SERVICES OF MUSIC, PRAYER AND MEDITATION on Scripture are offered on the first Thursday of the month, except June, July and August, at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are welcome. Montrose United Methodist Church.

MONTHLY-

June 15-19-Week One, Magic Circle Theatre —Theatre for Children Drama Camp.

June 17-DMEA Annual Meeting, Cedaredge Assembly of God Church (1596 SW 9th St. in Cedaredge. Polls open 8-9 a.m. Business meeting 9 a.m. Prizes, activities, coffee, snacks, giveaways!

June 18-Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior. Behavior is a powerful form of communication and is one of the primary ways for people with dementia to communicate their needs and feelings as the ability to use language is lost. However, some behaviors can present real challenges for caregivers to manage. Join us to learn to decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers, and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease. 4 - 5 pm Colorado Mesa University Classroom 106, 234 S. Cascade Ave. RSVP to Erin at 970-275-1220 or eberge@voa.org <<mailto:eberge@voa.org>>

June 18-World's largest swim lesson, Montrose Aquatic Center. Last year, the world record was set with 36,564 individuals participating in 22 countries worldwide. This year, swimming pools across the world hosting this lesson simultaneously on this date in an attempt to break the record, including a free lesson at the Aquatic Center. To participate, individuals must be at the Aquatic Center between 9am and 9:30, on the 18th. The official count will take place precisely at 10am. For more information, contact Liz Gracesun @ 249-7705.

June 18-The Montrose Regional Library is sponsoring two free superhero cartoon character drawing classes with cartoonist "Mr. Benjamin" from Cedaredge on Thursday, June 18, in the library's meeting room. The 10:00 AM class is for students entering K through entering 3rd grade, and the 11:00 AM class is for kids entering 4th through entering 6th grades. Registration is REQUIRED. Call soon because classes are filling up. 249-9656, Opt. 2 or stop by the Marguerite H. Gill Children's Room.

June 18-Main in Motion! Non-Profit Week! 5:30 to 8 p.m.

June 18-Delta Ace Hardware celebrates 100 years! Join them at 5:30 p.m. for a special Business After Hours with a trivia contest, gift bags and fun!

June 19-Sunrise Creek Assisted Living Bikes and BBQ's event, 5:30 at 1968 Sunrise Drive. Call 970.240-0600 to RSVP.

June 22-26-Week Two, Magic Circle Theatre —Theatre for Children Drama Camp.

June 23-The League of Women Voters will be the beneficiary of Tap Night at the Horsefly Brewing Company, 846 East Main Street, Montrose. 6 — 9 pm. \$1 dollar for every pint sold will support our educational and advocacy efforts.

June 24-Montrose Library-"Beat-Boxing" with Mr. Kneel, 1-2 p.m., CMU Quad (outside the library on Cascade Ave.) Learn how to create hip-hop music of your own! For teens in grades 7-12.

June 25-Annual Blue Tie Affair, Montrose Pavilion. 5 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m.

June 26-Blue Gators perform at Concerts on the Green, behind Volunteers of America Homestead. Free concert, 6 to 8 p.m. 2377 Robbins Way.

June 26— Trio Solisti to perform at Ouray's Wright Opera House, Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for youths and may be purchased online at www.thewrightoperahouse.org. The Wright Opera House is located at 472 Main Street in Ouray. Advance purchase is highly recommended, as Trio Solisti has an enthusiastic following and a sold-out performance is expected.

June 27-Gypsy Jazz Social Club to perform at the Lark & Sparrow (511 East Main St.) 8 to 10 p.m. Call 970-615-7277 for ticket info or visit www.larkandsparrow.com.

June 27-28-Ouray County Historical Society Open Ranch Days. The family-oriented event runs 11 a.m. — 4 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$20 for adults and free for everyone 19 and under. For more information, call the Ouray County Historical Society at (970) 325-4576.

June 29-Montrose Library-Create Your Own Story in 4-Panels, 1-3 p.m., Library Meeting Room. Learn the basics of cartooning! For ages 12-18. Registration is required--249-9656 ext 3.

July 3-Parker McCollum and Johnson County Coroners at Black Canyon Golf Course for Montrose Summer Music Series. Show starts around 6 p.m.

July 4-Independence Day. Happy Fourth!

July 6-Rick Hurt presents Susy Bogguss at the Montrose Pavilion. 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Call for info: 249-2794.

July 9-Application deadline for all turkey hunting, Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Learn more about turkey hunting this fall at <http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Turkey.aspx>. Contact CPW at (303) 297-1192 with questions or to plan your hunt. Apply online at <https://www.co.wildlifelicense.com/start.php> or by phone (800-244-5613).

July 10-12-Black Canyon Quilt Show, Montrose Pavilion. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

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DMEA ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 17*Special to the Mirror*

REGIONAL-The DMEA Annual Meeting will be held this week at the Cedaredge Assembly of God Church, 1596 SW 9th Street, Cedaredge, CO, on Wednesday, June 17. The doors open at 8 am. Members may visit a variety of booths in order to learn about DMEA's programs and services and become eligible to win an iPad or LED smart TV. Also, members who chose not to vote for their director representative by mail, may vote in person until the polls close at 9 am.

The theme of this year's Annual Meeting is Empowering Innovations. The meeting will highlight the tools and technology that help the co-op run efficiently and save money. It will also focus on how technology improves service to co-op members.

Many informational and activity booths will be there.

Members can get their picture taken in a replica bucket truck and power line, see a real bucket truck up close, win solar powered toys, and meet Power, the robot. All registered members in attendance will be

entered to win a door prize. Members will also be given an additional prize ticket at registration. Between 8 am and 9 am, they must visit at least four of the booths in order to complete the ticket and become eligible to win an iPad or LED Smart TV.

A second LED Smart TV will be given to any member who has submitted a rebate application to DMEA since March. Other prizes will be won throughout the meeting. All attendees will receive a gift bag including LED night lights and information about energy efficiency and the cooperative business model.

Free coffee, specialty drinks and pastries will be served.

Because DMEA is an electric cooperative, it governed by a democratically elected board or directors. Each year, there is an election to determine representatives from three of the nine board districts. These directors will represent the interests of the members on the DMEA Board.

This year, a total of six candidates appear on the 2015 election ballot. In Districts 1 and 5, incumbents, William Patterson and

Marshall Collins are running unopposed. In District 2, which includes Olathe and surrounding areas, the candidates are Mandy Norris-Snell, Richard Harding, Kyle Martinez and Tammy Theis.

Candidate background statements were included with the ballots, but members can also learn more about the candidates by reading candidate interviews or watching a video of the candidate forum. Both are available at www.dmea.com under "Election Information."

Members who did not vote by mail can do so in person between 8 am and 9 am. The polls will close promptly at 9 am and the business meeting will begin. Attendees will learn about the state of their cooperative, its achievements and goals for the future. The keynote speaker, Peter May-Ostendorp will present an exciting vision of the smart home of the future. Prizes will be awarded between presentations.

For more information about the annual meeting visit www.dmea.com or contact Becky Mashburn, (970) 240-1263, becky.mashburn@dmea.com.

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