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WESTERN SKYWAYS TURBO NORMALIZATION SYSTEM TAKES OFF

By Liesl Greathouse

MONTROSE-Western Skyways, the largest airplane engine repair shop in the country, continues to provide high-quality airplane support to pilots and their planes worldwide. Now, Western Skyways has also revolutionized the industry with a whole new system of engine turbo normalization.

So what exactly is turbo normalization? It allows an existing airplane engine to produce full-rated power from sea level to 20,000 feet, with sustained climb performance and virtually no high-density-takeoff worries. With more than 20 years of proven field performance, the system helps reduce air resistance at altitude, and effectively maximizes cruise speeds. While it may seem like a complicated issue to non-aviation fans, the concept will help to improve airplanes in different ways.

—One of the hardest things about it is streamlining the message, boiling it down; I don't know if that will ever change," Western Skyways General Manager Eric Barker explained. —Turbo normalization is a supplement/addition to an airplane engine. Like when a vehicle climbs in elevation while driving, it starts to get sluggish the higher you go,

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Western Skyways General Manager Eric Barker. Photo by Liesl Greathouse.

MUSIC TO SET PEOPLE FREE...VOA PACE PROGRAM HOSTS CONCERTS ON THE GREEN!



Locals take in a concert on the green last month. The next performance will be Thin Air Band July 31.

Rachel Boschen

MONTROSE-Music is a powerful force of good in the world, and as we have seen lately, Montrose is embracing the community building power of music through offering free concerts. In 2014, Jamie Hughes, the enrollment specialist for the PACE program in Montrose, saw an opportunity to give people in Montrose a concert series while raising money for the Living Legacy Program--and it was a success. So, to continue the fundraiser, the last Friday of the month through Aug. 28 2015, we have been offered free music from local artists including The Blue Gators, Donny Morales (Aug. 28), Thin Air (July 31) and Beth Williams. Expanded from last year, the concerts include many sponsors: Alpine Bank, VOA Home health, VOA Horizons Healthcare, The Beacon, Montrose Daily Press and KIXX.

The Living Legacy program is a way for family members to connect with one another and share memories. It is currently serving only those who are enrolled

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Clockwise from top left, patriotic riders; Montrose Kayak & Surf soaks the crowd, below, MHS Marching band floats by.



Images from the Montrose Fourth of July Parade on July 4, 2015.



Above, Color Guard prepares to lead the parade. At left, riders wait to join in.


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OPINION/EDITORIAL-LETTERS

TO BOCC: PLEASE DENY UNCOMPAGHGRE PIT APPLICATION

Dear Montrose BOCC:

Please deny the Uncompahgre Pit application and show that zoning does mean something in Montrose County. There is nothing about this industrial operation that belongs where I live. My rights, and those of my many neighbors who oppose this pit, deserve your consideration.

In 2013, the Uncompahgre Pit application was denied. This new (essentially the same) application is not an improved version that now, somehow magically, conforms to an agricultural zone. It was denied previously due to incompatibility issues and the same issues are still present in the new application. It's a no-brainer!

Besides problems with the haul road, traffic concerns and the impact on neighbors, the proposed site covers 200+ acres designated as critical habitat for deer, elk and the Gunnison Sage Grouse. It is naïve to think that planting grass seed will transform that area to the abundant sage brush habitat it is now and these animals will magically return. This land will be permanently scarred and wildlife habitat will be destroyed. How can Montrose County approve this application and then say the county is doing a good job of managing grouse and wildlife issues? Here is what I know for sure: There is no use by right for industry in agricultural zones.

The county is not required to grant a special use permit to anyone.

Filling out an application does not entitle an applicant to anything.

There are some things that simply cannot be mitigated to make them harmonious in another zone.

Industry does not fit in the farming and residential area where I live.

As a property owner near the proposed site, I request that the integrity, character and quality of life I chose be protected.

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*Respectfully,
Glenda Fletcher
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LOCAL SHOP BRINGS HERBS & SPICE TO MAIN STREET

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE—The old saying, ‘when one door closes, another opens,’ could not ring more true for Esther Dixon. Dixon worked at Highland Health Foods for 16 years until the business closed its doors last year.

“That forced me to what I wanted to do,” said Dixon, who now owns the Herbs & Spice and Everything Nice boutique at 508 East Main Street in Montrose. “This is such a wonderful atmosphere here!”

Esther and Smokie Dixon took over a retail space formerly occupied by Vic’s Music, and the clean, comfortable, cool location has been perfect for the Saturday seminars that have made this business a regional draw since it opened last October.

“We have local honey, things produced by local makers, bulk herbs and spices, essential oils, bulk teas, a supplement line, and plenty of cosmetic things to make your own creams and lotions,” Dixon said. “We have a real variety of products, and our seminars are free to the public.”

Dixon brings in herbalists and others with specific knowledge to share, on a range of subjects from thyroid madness to essential oils, which has proven to be a very popular topic.

“People want to learn, and they want to



know how to essential oils,” Dixon said. “Our speakers have been so good, and the seminars themselves have been so well received.”

Among the products in high demand are lavender oil, tea tree oil, as well as rose



Esther Dixon, left, owns Herbs & Spice and Everything Nice at 508 East Main Street.

and oregano.

“There are lots and lots of things available,” Dixon said. “We’re really enjoying the business, and it has been so much fun meeting so many new people. The space is also fabulous—all we had to do was put up shelves.”

Herbs & Spice and Everything Nice is open Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The phone number is 1-970-249-8566. To be added to the list for seminar topics and schedules, email Esther Dixon at herbalinfinity@gmail.com.

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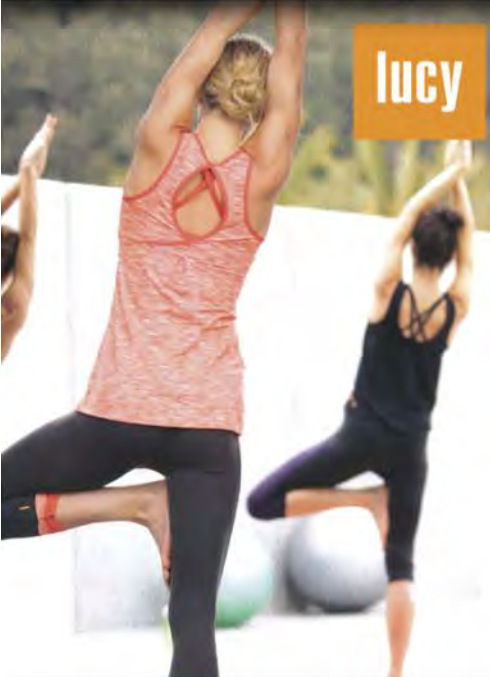
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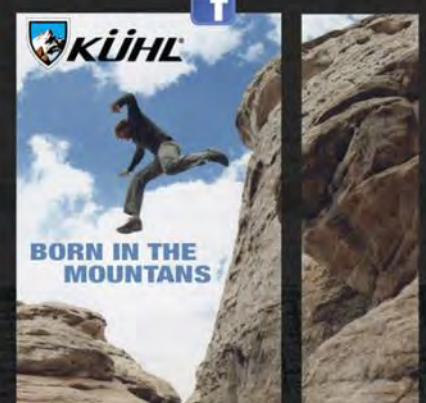

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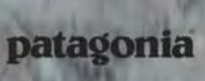
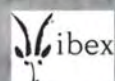



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OBT SUPPORTS FOUR CATEGORIES OF EVENTS IN 2015



The 2015 Montrose Fourth of July Parade Received \$250 in support from OBT.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE—As the Montrose Office of Business & Tourism prepares to host its first watersports park festival, F.U.N.C. or Fun on the Unc(ompahgre) on Aug. 1, City Office of Business & Tourism (OBT) Director Rob Joseph took some time to explain how the City's event support dollars were allocated this year. Joseph noted that when the OBT initially was charged with administering special events funding in 2013, establishing the return on investment for community events was a challenge.

—We struggled with the special events aspect,” Joseph said. —It can be difficult to measure return on investment.”

This year, funding is allocated within four categories: Community Impact, Communi-

ty Support, Sports, and Grants for Special Events. —We included \$10,000 to help develop competitive sports programs, because we know those weekend tournaments bring in a lot of money,” Joseph said. —We're starting to see them really pick up.”

efforts will include print advertising, but will center around Social Media; —We're really pushing the [App](#) this year,” Joseph said.

All events are posted across multiple platforms for maximum impact, he said, and blasted to a growing email list. Electronic monitors promoting special events have been placed in strategic locations like the Black Canyon Visitor Center and Pavilion to reach more eyes.

—We are continually expanding,” Joseph said, —and we want to establish ‘satellite’ visitor centers. We will have a strong presence in the new Ute Indian Museum building (*editor's note: History Colorado's Ute Indian Museum is scheduled for closure while it is remodeled, from Aug. 2, 2015 through Fall of 2016, during which time it will have a presence at the Downtown Visitor Center*), and we are talking to the Museum of the Mountain West as well.”

Joseph said that OBT has funded a brochure listing all three local museums for placement in myriad locations, and helped to underwrite printing of a promotional brochure for Chris Miller of Interpretive Association of Western Colorado (IAWC), a non-profit that is revitalizing Delta's Fort

Uncompahgre as a regional visitor center showcasing the Old Spanish Trail, in exchange for cross-promotion of Montrose.

—Our priorities in 2016 include really promoting the Centennial of the Black Canyon, and teaming up with other local communities to create a Scenic Byway Tour,” Joseph said.

And though OBT has placed the Western Colorado Hospitality Summit, which experienced a budgetary shortfall in 2014, on hold, Joseph said that Summit participants expressed appreciation for the event and its mission of creating a ‘climate of hospitality.’


—We have been speaking with Colorado Mesa University (CMU) about underwriting a more formal course,” he said. —We are confident about where we are going, and that we are moving forward on our plan. 2016 is the year we go international; with so many direct flights here, it's time to promote the Black Canyon and our Western heritage.”

Joseph, who has traveled extensively, said that he has not personally experienced any place more appealing than Montrose.

—I am very excited to share Montrose with the world,” he said, —Not just as a tourism destination but as a great place to relocate and run a business.”


The following 2015 events have received OBT event support in one of the four categories:

Valley Food Partnership: \$3,750 (Special Events) for the Food and Farm Forum Jan. 9-10; **Montrose Community Foundation:** \$500 (Community Impact) for the Silver Anniversary Gala Jan. 31; **DDA Promotions Committee:** \$6,000 (Special Events) in Montrose Bucks for Second Saturday promotions; **Montrose Altrusa:** \$170 (Community Impact) for the Spring Luncheon; **Montrose Youth Boys Basketball Association:** \$1,500 (Sports) for the Mo-Town Madness Tournament March 20; **Habitat for Humanity of the San Juans:** \$1,675 (Special Events) for the San Juan Independent Film Festival; **CASA of the Seventh Judicial District:** \$500 (Community Impact) for the Ray of Hope Benefit on April 10; **City of Montrose:** \$3,000 (Community Support) for Earth Week Connect the Drops April 20-25; **Ever Run Racing:** \$2,500 (Sports) for the Cimarron 50K Endurance Race May 3; **Montrose Lions Club:** \$300 (Community Impact) for the Lions Regional Convention May 8-9; **Montrose Wine and Food Festival Board:** \$750 (Special Events) for the Montrose Wine & Food Festival May 9-10; **City of Montrose OBT:** \$1,000



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(Community Support) for Watersports Park Dedication May 16; **San Juan Mt. Runners**: \$500 (Community Impact) for Black Canyon Race Series/Black Canyon Ascent May 17; **COPMOBA**: \$500 (Community Impact) for IMBA Trail Care Crew Visit May 21-24; **Montrose Farmers Market**: \$2,500 (Special Events) for weekly Montrose Farmers Market; **Colorful Colorado car Truck & Rod Show** \$500 (Community Impact) for event June 5-6; **Museum of the Mt. West Tribute to Western Movies Day**: \$2,000 (Special Events) for June 13 Tribute to Western Movies Day; **Bike-In Movie Night**: \$500 (Community Impact) July 2; **Fourth of July Parade and Fireworks**: \$250 (Community Support) for Independence Day Celebrations; **Montrose Marlins Summer and Fall Opens**: \$3,000 (Sports) July 10-12 and Nov. 7-8; **Black Canyon Quilt Show**: \$180 (Community Impact) Annual quilt show July 10-12; **Bridges of Montrose Summer Benefit Concert**: \$6,500 (Special Events) for Sawyer Brown Concert July 24; **Montrose County Fair Board**: \$500 (Community Impact) for Fiddle Contest; **City of Montrose**: \$10,000 (Community Support) for Water Sports Park Festival Aug. 1; **Habitat for Humanity of the San Juans**: \$1,000

(Special Events) for tables and tickets Moonshiners Ball Aug. 14-15; **Gold Wing Road Riders Association**: \$1,000 (Special Events) for Colorado District Convention Aug. 13-14; **Montrose Police Department**: \$500 (Community Support) for Blue Tie Affair Aug. 29; **Valley Food Partnership and Montrose Community Foundation**: \$500 (Community Impact) for Savor the San Juans Sept. 13; **Montrose County Historical Society & Museum**: \$350 (Community Impact) for Annual Disk Golf Tournament; **All Points Transit**: \$5,000 (Special Events) for Annual Oktoberfest Oct. 3; **Montrose Firefighters Association**: \$1,000 (Sports) for Black Canyon Sprint Triathlon Oct. 3; **Bosom Buddies of Southwestern Colorado**: \$500 (Community Impact) for One Step Closer to Help and Hope 5K Walk/Run and 10K Run Oct. 10; **City of Montrose Office of Business & Tourism**: \$3,500 (Community Support) for *Montrose Daily Press* advertising of Santa's Cabin, Tree Lighting and Parade of Lights; **Montrose Botanical Society**: \$700 (Community Support) for Garden of Lights Dec. 12-21; **Montrose Daily Press**: \$2,600 (\$2,000 Montrose Bucks, \$600 for Pavilion) for Nov. Gift Expo; **City of Montrose**: \$2,500 (Community Support) for Summer at



Bridges staffers Bobby Walker and Roberta Helgeland at Savor the San Juans 2014. Mirror file photo.

Riverbottom April 22-Oct. 31. Also listed on the Event Support spreadsheet at the following marketing support expenditures: **Pavilion Events Center**: \$1,000 for ½ page in 2015 *Montrose Daily Press* Official Montrose Visitor Guide; **Black Canyon Golf Course**: \$1,000 (Sports) for ½ page in 2015 *Montrose Daily Press* Official Montrose Visitor Guide; **Ute Indian Museum**: \$1,000 for ½ page in 2015 *Montrose Daily Press* Official Montrose Visitor Guide; **Watch Newspapers**: \$6,000 (paid in 2014) in weekly 1/3 FC ads to run through 10/22/15.



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THIRD ANNUAL MONTROSE CMU SCHOLARSHIP FROM ALPINE BANK

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—Alpine Bank is pleased to offer the Alpine Bank Scholarship for students attending the Montrose CMU campus for the second year. The scholarship is open to part time and full time students with a 2.5 GPA or above. —We strongly believe in giving back to others through the opportunity of education. Our customers who utilize their Education Loyalty VISA Debit Card do too. Each time an Education Loyalty VISA Debit Card is

swiped, we donate 10 cents to education related projects in the Montrose community,” states Allison Nadel, Alpine Bank Community Relations Director. The scholarship is worth \$1,000 and is non-renewable. Alpine Bank plans to make the scholarship a yearly offering.

—Community support and engagement is invaluable to students pursuing their education. Alpine Bank is helping create access for students who want to pursue their goals of attaining a degree; we are very

grateful for their support of CMU Montrose students,” says Joey Montoya Boese, Montrose CMU Director. Scholarship applications can be picked up at either Alpine Bank location in Montrose or at the Montrose CMU Campus.

Applications are also available at www.alpinebank.com/Scholarship-Opportunities.htm. Application deadline is Monday, Aug. 31, 2014. All applications must be returned to the office at the Montrose CMU Campus.

BEFORE YOU HATE THINK OF CAIT: SEMINARS TEACH KIDS TO THINK AND ACT ETHICALLY

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—Montrose’s newly formed Before You Hate, Think of Cait Board of Advisors and the Montrose County School District RE/1J have partnered together to bring you world renown bullying expert, Barbara Coloroso. She will be presenting a morning (9 AM) and afternoon (1 PM) seminar open to the public on Saturday, August 15th at the Montrose High School Lloyd McMillan Gym.

Parents of all age kids and the community are highly encouraged to attend this free presentation. We also encourage parents to let their kids go enjoy the Montrose Recreation District’s Youth Appreciation Day, while they attend one of these seminars. For more information on Youth Appreciation Day, please visit

www.montroserec.com

A two and a half hour workshop packed with solid practical advice on how to use the stuff of everyday life to teach children to act with integrity, civility, and compassion. Beginning with the idea that it is in us to care, that we are born with an innate capacity for compassion, Barbara Coloro-

so shows parents and caregivers how to nurture and guide children’s ethical lives from toddlerhood through the teen years using everyday situations at home, in social settings, at school and in the world at large. Barbara will also address how this topic is related to the district’s new anti-bullying policies, procedures and practices.

Topics include:

- How to develop an ethic rooted in deep caring with principles, virtues, and values that are in the service to and at the service of that caring
- The why and how to teach our children to think and act ethically
- Nurturing in children the three antidotes (care deeply, share generously, help willingly) to the virulent agents that are ripping apart the fabric of our human relationships (hating, hoarding, and harming ourselves and others)
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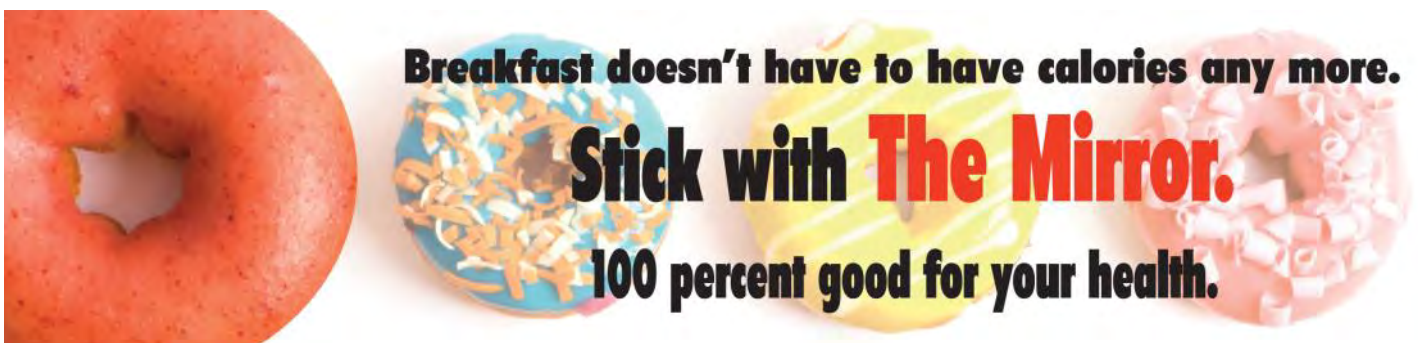
dren use these tools and not be used or consumed by them.

- The difference between punishment and discipline—why one works and the other only appears to work.

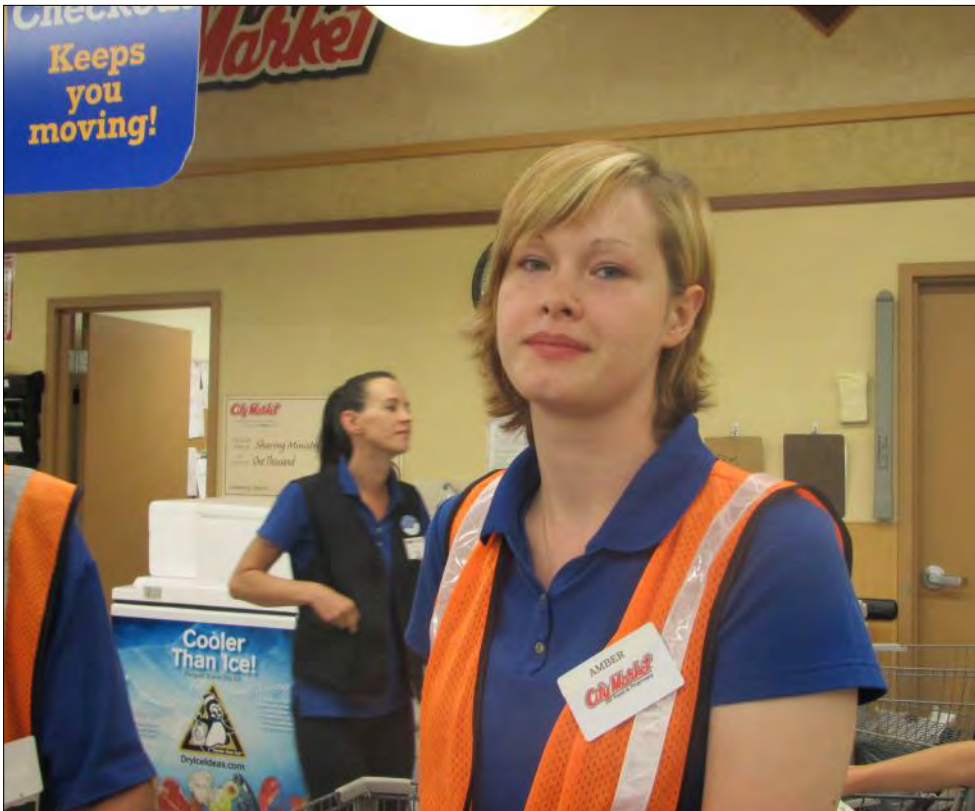
The story about our human nature in today’s social and cultural climate is part and parcel of our human nature *and* our social and cultural climate. Our story is also guided by our compassion and loving kindness, which recognizes that there is no I without Thou, no We without Community and no way to survive without honoring both our unique individuality and our common humanity.

The mission of Before You Hate, Think of Cait is to create a model community where intolerance, bigotry, bullying and cruelty is not tolerated by building systems and supports so that our kids and communities are safe.

For more information on our board, the seminars or to join in our efforts to create a community of change, please contact Ashley Pietak at 970-970-417-0041 or email beforeyouhate-thinkofcait@outlook.com.



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CITY COUNCIL PREVIEW JUNE 6-7



The DDA and the City held informational sessions to share information regarding a pilot program to introduce 30-degree diagonal parking along a portion of Main Street from Cascade Avenue to Park Avenue. Along with the transition to diagonal parking, travel lanes through the pilot area will be reduced to one travel lane in each direction, with transition areas stretching one block east and west of the project area. The change is tentatively targeted for July 13.

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE-Discussion items at the City's July 6 [work session](#), which takes place at 11 a.m. in Council Chambers, will include Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board Applicant interviews; a Victim Assistance Law Enforcement (VALE) grant resolution noting that the Montrose Police Department received approximately 24,877 calls for service in

2014 and authorizing the Department to apply for a grant from the 7th Judicial District in the amount of \$28,000 to cover a portion of the Victim Advocate's salary; a lease renewal for the Montrose County Historical Society at its depot location; and the proposed Hill Street Park.

Applicants for the DDA Board include Richard Frantz, owner of Colorado West Tool, Sport & Pawn at 517 East Main Street; Masonic Building (511 East Main St.) and Lark & Sparrow Nightclub owner Yvonne Meek (who was previously approved as a DDA board member but who stepped down from that seat to tend to the opening of her business); and Nick Rinne of the Bistro (228 East Main St.).

Also up for discussion is the 4H Live-stock Auction.

At the [City Council meeting](#) on July 7, Council will hear from Montrose Public Art eXperience (PAX).

Following Public Comment, Council will consider the transfer of a Retail Liquor Store Liquor License at 1518 E. Main Street from TNT Liquors, Inc., d.b.a. Montrose House of Spirits, to LaJoy Enterprises, Inc., d.b.a. House of Spirits Montrose, for consumption off premises.

Council will consider and hold a Hearing on Amended Ordinance 2356 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, pertaining to the parking of rec-

reational vehicles and trailers in the public right of way.

Council will also hold a hearing on the annexation of the H & S Addition and consider adopting Resolution 2015-14, Findings of Fact for the annexation of the H & S Addition, and will hold a Hearing and consider passing Ordinance 2359 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, providing for the zoning of the H & S Addition as an "MHR", Mobile Home Residential District.

Council will consider, accept public comment on, and possibly approving on first reading Eagle Landing Filing No. 7 Final Plat, a request to create 23 single-family residential lots, six outlets, and road dedications as approved by the City on the Eagle Landing PD Plan.

The platted lots are 7.67 acres in size and zoned R-3. The new building lots are located south of Stone Bridge Drive and Majestic Circle. Council will consider making a motion to approve Eagle Landing Filing No. 7 Final Plat conditional upon City staff ensuring that all policies, regulations, ordinances and municipal code provisions are met and that the Applicant adequately addresses all of staff's concerns prior to the execution of the Final Plat.

Following a Public Information Officer Report by City Manager Bill Bell, the meeting will adjourn.

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LUCIE FRAHM-HAZZARD: "FIND SOMETHING THAT INTERESTS YOU"



Interview by Gail Marvel

MONTROSE- Lucie Frahm-Hazzard, Executive Director for San Juan Living Center, is in her 40th year in nursing (LPN) and her 26th year in administration. A skilled nursing

facility, the San Juan Living Center is one of almost 200 facilities owned by Sava Senior Care, which is one of the largest providers of short-term and long-term health care services in the United States. "I've been with the company for almost 19 years and at San Juan for 10 years."

Lucie first became aware of her leadership skills in her grandmother's cake shop, "I grew up meeting and greeting customers and the public. I followed in my grandmother's footsteps in the cake business, but I always knew I wanted to be a nurse." Lucie began as a CNA, received her LPN and then in 1987 went back to school for a business degree. Lucie said, "With my career as a nurse my hands were tied because all I could do was work my shift on

the floor. I wanted to give my patients more and I felt I could do more if I were closer to the top of the career ladder."

During Lucie's six-month internship for business administration, a supervisor became her mentor, "She was always telling me to apply for this or that opening and her mentoring led me to my first admin position in Wyoming." As Lucie worked her way up in the company and transferred to other facilities, she maintained the same title, but saw increases in salary and in opportunities.

Lucie's style of leadership puts her in front of the pack and she often pulls others along with her. She laughed and said, "You know, I don't know if I'm a leader. I'm not sure I've discovered that yet. I like to think I'm an encourager and I want to help others be successful." Overseeing 15 different departments, Lucie uses the team approach. She and her staff identify issues of concern and then they work on those specific areas until the solution is perfected. "I direct them, but they have great leadership skills to take problems and run with them. We have a team of people in place who are successful."

At one time the ranking of the San Juan facility, when compared to other Sava facilities, came up short. Lucie said, "There

was a lot of room for improvement. Since about 2006 we have consistently ranked 1st and 2nd out of 200. It takes a team and that's how we got there." Lucie's administrative success is recognized and she now has additional responsibilities as Senior Administrator over other facilities helping them to also improve. Sava facilities have a performance based Blue Ribbon Program and two years ago San Juan took the first place award of \$110,000. Lucie said, "The money was divided among the employees and they each received around \$1,500."

Early in her administrative career Lucie encountered a male CEO who resisted hiring women. She said, "I didn't do battle, I just worked to fill the facility to the point that it was profitable. That year during a leadership conference three of us were nominated for administrator of the year — I came in second." Lucie feels respected in her field, but after a brief pause she laughed and said, "Well, at least when I look through my Lucie colored-glasses I'm respected!"

Lucie's leadership advice: "Find something that interests you, find a niche you are good at, go for it and share your talents. Employers want more than an educational component, they want experience — figure out a way to get the experience."



Dr. Mike Benzinger, MMH Pathologist works with Montrose High School Student Chase Darling

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MUSIC TO SET PEOPLE FREE...CONCERTS ON THE GREEN From pg 1



Blue Gators perform a Concert on the Green in June. Courtesy photo.

in the End of Life program; Jamie, along with Tai Blair, the Marketing and Enrollment Manager for the PACE program, want to give all of the patients in their program the ability to choose to participate in the Living Legacy program at their leisure, allowing them to take their time and have more fun with the program, while capturing the richness of their lives for their subsequent generations. In order to make this dream a reality, Jamie and Tai are relying on the money from The Concerts on The Green to purchase computers and software.

The Living Legacy program takes place at the PACE center, an active hub for seniors and their families in Montrose, and it can often “get quite loud” says Tai with a laugh. “That is what I love,” he says. The PACE center is a place where patients can receive physical, speech, occupational and recreational therapy in a friendly and social environment that includes an urgent care facility. These services are attached to the care that they receive from home such as: medical transportation, meals, house-keeping, and nurses on call 24/7. PACE stands for, Program of All Inclusive Care

for the Elderly and is “designed for people who have long term healthcare needs that might be at risk for nursing home placement,” says Jamie. It provides the “coordinated care” that will keep them out of a nursing home.

The Living Legacy program is just one of the many activities that seniors and their families can engage in together at the PACE center, but this project will give both parties a piece of each other to look upon in times of loneliness. Families are often separated by many miles in our modern society and with better software, the Living Legacy program can use live video feed to connect them.

The concerts are free to the public, and include your basic food items like hot dogs, nachos, candy, and ice cream. The lawns are expansive and kid friendly. This is a great opportunity to get out with the kids, or take your partner on a date that’s out of the ordinary —let’s go eat” routine. It will also allow for couples to go out later and catch some more live music around town, if the mood strikes, as the show will be over around eight.



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE BY SENATOR ELLEN ROBERTS

RESPONSIBLE LAND MANAGEMENT WELCOMES ALL VIEWPOINTS

It's been an interesting start to my summer. Responding to a reporter's question of whether I'd be thinking about running for the U.S. Senate during the interim, I answered honestly that I'd consider that possibility. What followed was the unleashing of the partisan hellhounds, who disappeared only with my decision not to pursue that direction.

If my experience is any indication of how election season 2016 is headed, God help us. Little is worth rehashing, but my stance on public lands deserves clarification as much of my district includes federal lands.

I've personally dedicated years to responsible public land management. My undergraduate and law school degrees reflect that interest and my work in three national parks, including Rocky Mountain National Park, also attest to that fact. My kids were raised with, and, I'm proud to say, exemplify a respect and reverence for the beauty of our surroundings in the American West. Much of my work at the state legislature, spanning almost a decade, has been aimed at responsible natural resources policies.

Coincident with my thinking of a federal campaign, though, my support and appreciation for public lands repeatedly came

into question based on a vote I made last session. Based on district input, I supported a proposed study, to be voluntarily undertaken by interested county commissioners, addressing the challenges faced today in living next to federal lands.

While thanked in parts of my district for this vote, others publicly excoriated me for the same. Differences in opinion are common in a diverse district like mine, but the distortion of the bill and the significance of my vote from the opponents of the bill aren't justified.

Many in my district love our public lands, but also view these lands to have become inaccessible and so poorly managed that lives are seriously threatened by more catastrophic wildfires in Colorado's many dead national forests. Federal employees, locally tasked with responsibly managing these lands, are denied adequate resources and, in my view, are challenged with policy directives based more on politics than science-based natural resources management principles.

Is this a state issue? Yes. Colorado wildfires, many originating on federal lands, have cost our state budget over \$98 million since 2011. In 2012 alone, these fires took six Coloradan lives, 696 structures, over

268,558 burned acres and insured property losses exceeded \$538 million. Water quality and quantity for all uses have been adversely impacted by wildfire ravaging the land. Is it any wonder that some county commissioners want to study alternatives and report back to the state legislature? Obviously, they can't sell or transfer federal lands.

My own bill this session, HB 1225, established a grant program to help local governments better engage in the federal land management decision-making process.

This bill had bipartisan sponsors and was signed by the governor. It was promoted by Colorado's environmental groups. If there isn't a serious problem today with federal land management, then why would this bill receive such widespread support?

That there is more than one way to tackle a thorny public policy debate should not cause people to resort to distorted rhetoric and falsehoods when opposing a bill. American creativity is viewed on the decline at a time when we need it most on the perplexing challenges we face. Inviting more viewpoints to the discussion, even if it's uncomfortable and not homogenous, is an approach I will continue to welcome.

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MONTROSE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL HIRES RE-1J STEPHEN SCHIELL AS SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-School Board President, Leann Tobin states —The School Board was privileged to have three qualified finalists to consider for the position. We feel that Stephen will bring a unique set of qualities and characteristics to our district. We look forward to continued growth and improvement under his leadership.”

The search began with focus groups to gain input on what the board, district search committee and community would like to see in a new superintendent.

Three final candidates were chosen from a pool of 12 applicants.

Stephen is the current Superintendent of schools for the Amery School District in Amery, Wisconsin. He has been in education for 38 years, serving as a teacher, Assistant Principal, Principal and Superintendent.

The nationwide search was conducted by the Colorado Association of School Board Superintendent Search team. Stephen Schiell will take over the position on August 1, 2015.

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MONTROSE COUNTY FAIR & RODEO TO FEATURE CRAFT BREWERS IN BEER GARDEN UNDER GRANDSTANDS

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MONTROSE—Montrose County Fair & Rodeo is partnering with locally-owned and manufactured craft beer brewers of Montrose County to bring beer to the fair! Local-favorites Two Rascals Brewing Company, Colorado Boy and Horsefly Brewing Company beer will be served for the first-ever beer garden at select events during this year's fair and rodeo. "We will have an exciting selection of local craft beers," said Two Rascals owner, Daniel K. Leonardi. "This is going to be great addi-

tion to the fair and rodeo and we feel privileged to have the opportunity to be a part of it."

The beer garden will be located under the grandstands for the CPRA Rodeo and Moto Mayhem event. "The fair board is excited about the addition of beer to two of our biggest selling events," said Fair Board President Megan Wilson. "A portion of the proceeds from every locally-brewed beer sold will also benefit the fair board, so this is a win-win for the fair board, fair attendees and local breweries."

Attendees can purchase beer in the beer garden underneath the grandstands. Beer from the beer garden may also be consumed in the grandstands while watching the CPRA Rodeo or Moto Mayhem events. The beer garden opens at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 24th and Saturday, July 25th for the CPRA Rodeo, and at 5 p.m. on Friday, July 31st and Saturday, Aug. 1st for Moto Mayhem. For more information or to view a complete schedule of events, please visit www.montrosecountyfairandrodeo.com.

WEEHAWKEN CREATIVE ARTS TO OFFER VARIOUS CLASSES FOR ADULTS AND TEENS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Weehawken Creative Arts has various options for adult/teen classes for the month of July. With two poetry classes being offered, as well as a painting using alcohol inks as the medium, these class options for adults/teens are sure to inspire creativity and further educate participants. The class offerings and descriptions can be found below. Pre-registration is highly encouraged and recommended and can be done online at www.weehawkenarts.org or by calling 970.318.0150.

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CPW CELEBRATES PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Special to the Mirror

DENVER-Colorado residents know their parks and recreation facilities provide places to get active, explore nature or connect with fellow community members. But what they may not know is that their parks and recreation also contribute to improved health outcomes, higher property values and environmental sustainability.

Parks and recreation have the power to strengthen communities, transform lives and protect the future. That's why this year, Colorado Parks and Wildlife joins communities across the country in celebrating the power of parks and recreation for the 30th anniversary of Park and Recreation Month, an annual event created by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) and celebrated in July since 1985.

Our state parks provide local communities with a glimpse of what it takes to implement large-scale conservation, amidst dynamic and limited natural resources said Steve Yamashita, CPW's Northeast region manager. The more Coloradans who appreciate this challenge, the more CPW partners who are equipped to assist and serve

as active stewards of sustainable habitat and wildlife in our state.

CPW celebrates Park and Recreation Month through a variety of programming at state parks and recreation opportunities throughout the state including bird watching, hiking, fishing, camping, rock climbing, boating and off-highway vehicle riding. Find a scheduled event in your area at <http://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Calendar.aspx>.

To showcase the impact parks and recreation has in every community, NRPA released a short animated video titled, Power of Parks. The video can be viewed at www.nrpa.org/July. NRPA encourages all people that support parks and recreation to watch and share this video with the hashtag #JulyPRM30.

To learn more about Park and Recreation Month, visit and www.nrpa.org/July, learn more about CPW Parks at <http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Pages/default.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.

The National Recreation and Park Association is a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to advancing park, recreation and conservation efforts that enhance quality of life for all people. Through its network of 50,000 recreation and park professionals and citizens, NRPA encourages the promotion of healthy and active lifestyles, conservation initiatives and equitable access to parks and public space. For more information, visit NRPA.org. For digital access to NRPAs flagship publication, Parks & Recreation, visit ParksAndRecreation.org.

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WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL OF WESTERN COLORADO VPS TO EXAMINE U.S. FOREIGN AID

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The United States is projected to spend more than \$35 billion in 2015 for foreign aid. Proponents of foreign aid say it helps developing countries, promotes peace, offers humanitarian assistance and maintains global security. Opponents question whether the U.S. can afford to be so generous. Bennett Boeschstein and Duane Butcher, vice presidents of World Affairs Council of Western Colorado, will

examine U.S. foreign aid in a panel discussion at **6 p.m.** Thursday, July 23 at the Mesa County Public Library, main branch. **(Please note the earlier start time.)**

Boeschstein is a member of the Grand Junction City Council. He is a retired professional urban planner who has worked for local governments over the past 30 years. His international experience includes three years as a volunteer in the U.S. Peace Corps in Tanzania and Kenya,

where he taught primary school and did agricultural extension work, as well as traveling extensively in Europe and Africa.

Butcher retired from the Senior Foreign Service after spending 30 years at various overseas posts. His last assignment was as Coordinator of the Kuwait Task Force in the State Department in the run-up to the first Gulf War. The event is free and open to the public. Please see wacwc.org for updates.

COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETS JULY 9-10 IN FRISCO

Special to the Mirror

DENVER - The Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission meets July 9 to 10 at Holiday Inn and Suites, 1129 North Summit Boulevard, Frisco, Colo. The meeting begins at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, July 9 and is scheduled to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. Friday.

Commissioners will receive briefings on a variety of issues including updates from the Departments of both Natural Resources and Agriculture, Great Outdoors Colorado, Wildlife Management Institute, moose research and the State Wildlife Action Plan. Updates about Colorado Parks and Wildlife regions, strategic planning, finances, marketing and law enforcement are slated along with presentations from Stagecoach State Park, and Yampa River/Elk Head Reservoir State Park.

The Shakir Safari Wildlife Officer of the Year Award presentation is also slated.

Action items include updates to chapters three and five of the wildlife regulations, to extend the chukar hunting closure in GMUs 9, 19, and 191, remove porcupine from the small game chapter, modify bird hunting provisions, including season dates; update chapter seven of the parks regulations to permit free entrance for veterans and active duty military personnel in the month of August; and approve snowmobile capital grants.

A complete agenda can be found at: The Commission meets regularly and travels to communities around the state to facilitate public participation in its processes.

The next commission meeting is scheduled for August in Durango. Other 2015 commission meetings will be held in: September (Craig); November (Wray); and December (Pueblo).

Anyone can listen to commission meet-

ings through the Colorado Parks and Wildlife [website](http://cpw.state.co.us). This opportunity keeps constituents informed about the development of regulations and how the commission works with Parks and Wildlife staff to manage the parks, wildlife and outdoor recreation programs administered by the agency. Find out more at [http://](http://cpw.state.co.us)

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MONTROSE COUNTY SURPLUS SALE AT FAIRGROUNDS JULY 9-10

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MONTROSE-Are you in the market for desks, chairs, bookshelves, filing cabinets, desktop accessories, organizers, or office supplies? Montrose County is holding a surplus sale at the Montrose County Fairgrounds Thursday, July 9th and Friday, July 10th.

The Montrose County surplus sale includes various pieces of office furniture and accessories that are no longer being used. This is a great way to stock-up on

office equipment and accessories on a budget. The sale starts on Thursday, July 9th at 8:00 a.m. Following a one-hour lunch break from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., all remaining items will be discounted 25 percent from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The sale will continue on Friday, July 10th from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., with all items marked down 50 percent. All purchases must be picked up by July 13th at 4:00 p.m. —This is a great way to not only save tax payer dollars but to provide office fur-

niture and supplies to the community at a low cost,” said Facilities Director Dave Laursen. The surplus sale will take place at the Montrose County Fairgrounds 1001 North 2nd Street. Cash or checks made out to “Montrose County” will be accepted. Each item is sold as is, and there will be no returns. Please call Dave Laursen with additional questions at 970-964-2442. Thursday, July 9, 8 a.m. - Noon. Thursday, July 9, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, July 10, 8 a.m. - Noon.

HEAD-TO-HEAD TRAFFIC CONFIGURATION STARTS THIS WEEK ON I-70 GLENWOOD CANYON PROJECT

Special to the Mirror

EAGLE/GARFIELD COUNTIES-Beginning Wednesday, July 8 motorists will be routed into a head-to-head traffic configuration in the eastbound lanes of I-

70 in Glenwood Canyon. Traffic will be traveling in this configuration to support the safety of the crew and mitigate the impact to traffic flow during this phase of construction.

PROJECT BACKGROUND: In April 2015, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) started Phase 6 of construction on I-70 in the Glenwood Canyon. The construction zone extends from mile marker (MM) 117.5 to 126.5 for a total of nine miles. The goal of this project is to repair and improve more than 20 bridges along I-70. The repairs include bridge joints, removing existing asphalt surfaces and replacing with polyester concrete surfaces on bridge decks that will increase the lifespan of the highway surface, reducing the frequency of repairs. The new surface also functions as a waterproof barrier, preventing corrosion between the concrete and the bridge deck.

This complex project also includes the construction of a rock fall fence to mitigate the risk of sliding or falling rocks. Additionally, more than 3,000 linear feet of bridge rail will be replaced to enhance safety. Travelers can expect traffic impacts. The project is scheduled for completion at the end of October. Motorists travelling through the canyon can expect: Heavy delays of 30 minutes or longer during daylight work hours; 24-hour single lane closures; Reduced and monitored speed limits, from 40 mph to 35 mph; A 12-foot width restriction through the project limits. A detour to the Bair Ranch rest area exit for travelers who need direct access to I-70 westbound. Some of the old bridge rail on the eastbound lanes is currently being replaced. Individuals using the bike paths may meet trail flaggers who are there to keep them safe in the work areas. More info at www.coloradodot.info/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html.

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MONTROSE-Multiple GRAMMY® Nominee and Platinum Record Winner R. Carlos Nakai brings his global fusion ensemble, the R. Carlos Nakai Quartet, to the Montrose Pavilion on Sunday, Aug. 23rd at 3 pm in a free concert sponsored by the Libraries of Montrose County Foundation.

Of Navajo-Ute heritage, R. Carlos Nakai is the world's premier performer of the Native American flute, and has sold more than 4 million albums. With the R. Carlos Nakai Quartet, he creates a confluence of traditional Native American sounds, Latin

rhythm, and ethnic jazz. Quartet members include GRAMMY® Nominees Will Clipman on drums and percussion and Amo Chip Dabney on keyboards and saxophones, and Johnny "Basshawk" Walker on electric five-string bass.

Tickets are free, and may be obtained at the Montrose Regional Library, beginning on July 1st, with a limit of six tickets per person. The concert is general admission, and doors will open at 2 pm. The Libraries of Montrose County Foundation is sponsoring the concert to bring awareness to Permanent Book Funds, which provide

revenue to purchase books and other materials for Montrose County's public libraries.

With a gift of \$2,500 or more, a donor can create a Permanent Book Fund to be invested in perpetuity, with its income used to purchase items annually.

The concert is underwritten by Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc., Maxfield Peterson Accountants & Advisors, Four Seasons Investment Advisors, and Farmers Insurance Howard Davidson Agency.

For more information, please call Amy McBride at 970-964-2547.

WEEHAWKEN CREATIVE ARTS HOSTS CHILDREN'S GARDEN AND LADYBUG RELEASE PARTY!

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OURAY-Join Weehawken for a day of fun in the Weehawken Children's Garden in Ouray, Colorado on Saturday, July 11th from 1-2pm. During the party children will search for hidden treasures, have yummy snacks, enjoy a puppet show, and end the day with the releasing of lady bugs into the garden! This event is free and everyone is welcome to join in on the fun. Bring lots of extra water, sunscreen, and a hat because it will be hot.

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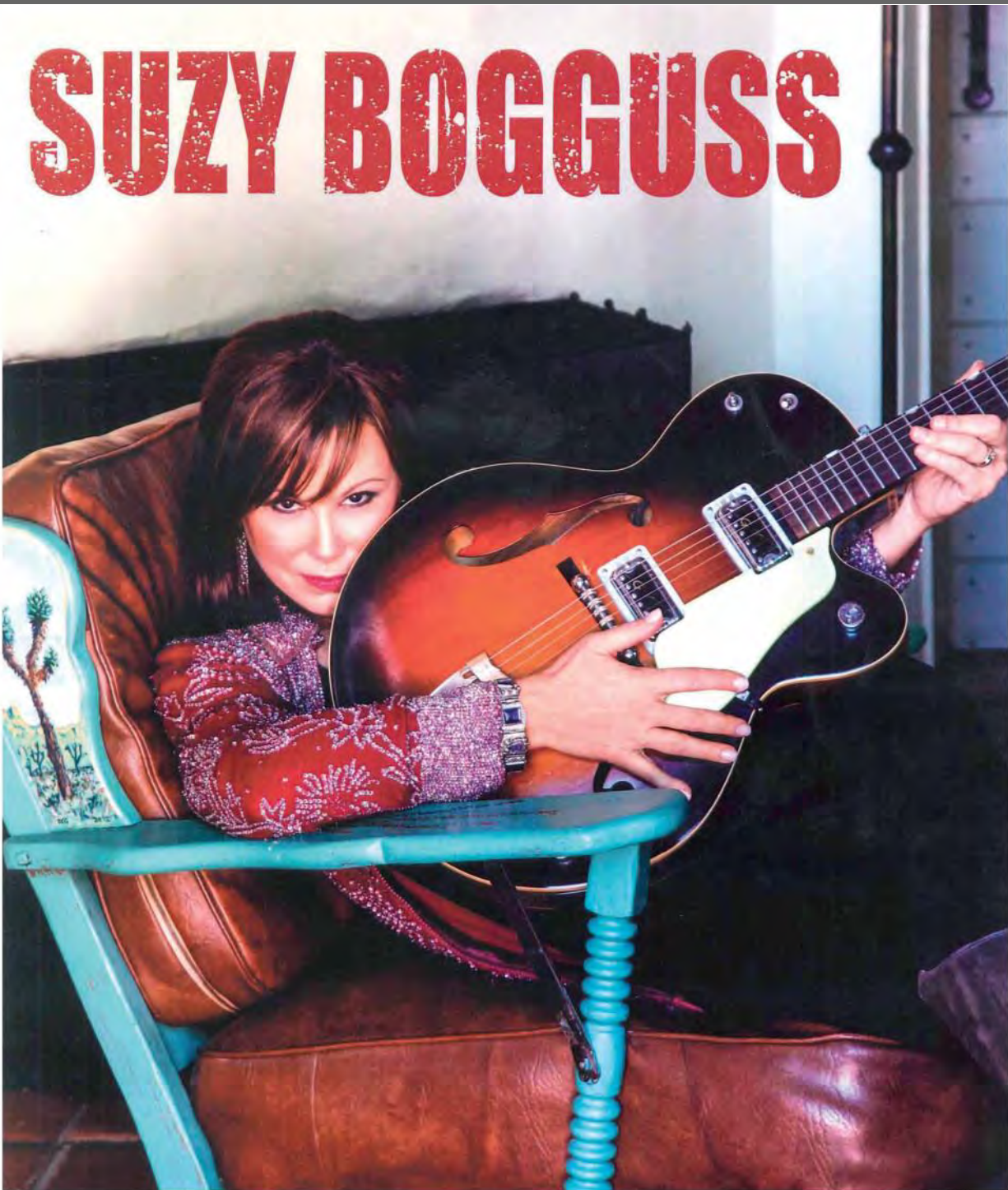
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GAIL MARVEL VISITS WAVES OF MERCY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD



By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE—My visit to Waves of Mercy Pentecostal Church of God took place on May 17, 2015.

The regular pastor, Rev. Richard Sirokman, was attending a conference in Florida and on this Sunday the pulpit was filled by Mark Kennedy. The audience of about 30 began with a time of meet & greet and introducing visitors.

There are some liberties that come with being a fill-in pastor and Brother Mark was flexible to the Spirit's leading. He said, "God wants to reschedule our worship in a different way. As I was preparing the Lord said to me, 'Reverse the order of service.'" Do the message and then the praise."

Mark also availed himself of the opportunity to be forceful in the offertory meditation, "Less than a third of the people in the church tithe. No wonder we can't afford to pay a fulltime pastor. Richard works 40 hours a week and then he preaches. He wouldn't need to have another job if we could afford to pay him." In the Old Testament a tithe was one-tenth of a person's financial increase. Mark continued, "One tenth of what you make is holy money and it belongs not to you, but to God. Anyone who withholds his tithe is stealing

from God. Ten percent of minimum wage is \$140 a month — that's \$35 a week; that's the tithe and it goes toward the building maintenance and utilities. The offering [is different and it] goes towards missions and missionaries." The praise song, "Give Thanks" followed Mark's heartfelt thoughts.

As Mark began to preach I had to smile at the silver duct tape strapped across the spine of his well-worn leather Bible. The theme of the sermon was worship and Mark suggested that Satan not only wants to steal the seeds of God's Word from believers, but to also steal from believers the worship of God. Mark said, "H[owever] Satan steals the seed of worship. How many of you know that you were not created for yourselves? Before I came to the Lord I thought I was created for me; it was all about me!" Mark noted that many people wonder about their purpose in life, "Your purpose is to worship, but the seed of worship gets stolen by the weekly worries we go through."

Expounding on the idea that we allow the Sunday message to get lost as it is immersed in the world during the week Mark said, "If you really believe what this Bible says you should be telling everyone you know. God is not looking for a bunch of

people to fill the church, he's looking for people to fill the kingdom."

Transitioning into worship in song, Mark donned his guitar and became lead singer for the nine member praise team. Other accompaniment included a baby grand piano, electronic keyboard, drums and additional guitars.

This is a charismatic congregation and worshippers were encouraged to come up before the altar during the worship in music and song. Mark said, "Let the spirit in you connect you to the Father. Come to the altar, jump out of the pew, fall on your face, wave a flag ... whatever the Spirit tells you to do." Some ladies, as well as a few children, waved large flags (metallic red or white) as they danced in front of the altar and around the room. Others stood by their seats and swayed with outstretched arms, or clapped to the beat of the music.

As the service went beyond two hours I took my cue from a single woman and a husband and wife who quietly took their leave.

Contact Info:

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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*.

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PUBLIC LANDS PARTNERSHIP HOSTS BEETLE KILL MEETING JULY 14

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Hotchkiss – More than 400,000 acres of spruce-fir and aspen groves throughout the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests have died in the last decade, and everyone on the Western Slope likely has questions about the beetle epidemic and diseases that are to blame.

Learn what's going on, how it fits into broader regional trends, and how the US Forest Service proposes to manage the forests at an upcoming community information meeting at the Hotchkiss Memorial Hall on Tuesday, July 14 from 6:30-8 p.m.

The meeting will provide information on a developing multi-agency strategy for dealing with the Spruce Beetle infestation that is killing off forests around Delta

County, as well as the U.S. Forest Service's proposed 10-year active management plan to increase the pace and scale of treatments in Western Slope forests hard hit by the spruce beetle epidemic and sudden aspen decline.

There will be a short video presentation about the devastating spruce beetle epidemic on the neighboring Rio Grande National Forest (a precursor to what could happen on the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests), followed by a panel discussion featuring specialists in the field who will provide varying perspectives on the local and regional beetle epidemics. Information about resources for local residents who have dead and dying trees on their property will also be provided.

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Each panelist will speak for 10-20 minutes, after which there will be plenty of time for questions and answers. The portion of the Q&A focused on SBEADMR will be recorded, summarize and submitted to the U.S. Forest Service as part of the comments for the project's draft environmental impact statement, which was released on June 1 and for which comments are being accepted through July 31.

The upcoming meeting is hosted by the Public Lands Partnership (PLP), Delta County and the Western Slope Conservation Center. It is part of a series of public outreach meetings about forest health and beetle kill response currently taking place in communities across the region.

MONTROSE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS KICK OFF 2015 FOOD DRIVE

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The Montrose Young Professionals is kicking off its first annual food drive to benefit sharing ministries. The group will be accepting food donations at the locations listed below starting July 1st and ending July 31st.

Item Most Needed:

Canned Food

Non Perishable Food

Toiletries/Household:

Detergent

Soap

Toothbrush/ Toothpaste

Drop of Locations:

Chamber Of Commerce

Scott's Printing

NuVista Federal Credit Union

Alpine Floral

A+Y Design Gallery

For more information, contact Chelsea

Rosty, crosty@nuvista.org or 970-497-5360.

The Montrose Young Professionals is a

community for young professionals to build and foster relationships through professional development, philanthropic involvement, and economic development in order to cultivate a higher quality of life in our community. The Young Professionals offers younger business people the opportunity to connect professionally and socially in the community.

The Montrose Young Professionals is a committee of the Montrose Chamber of Commerce.

HONORABLE MENTION

To Montrose musician Jeff Fields...because we love those impromptu shows in front of the Post Office...

To the Montrose Visual Arts Guild and the volunteers working to establish a Montrose Center for the Arts...the next meeting is Wednesday at Hillcrest UCC at 7 p.m...

To new Montrose County School District RE-1J Superintendent Stephen Schiell...

To Montrose Young Professionals for organizing a food drive during a season in which cupboards can go empty,,,

And to Sharing Ministries, for feeding hungry people all year long and for hosting the Third Annual Sharing Ministries Street Dance in Centennial Plaza from 3 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 26! Featuring the Stupid Band, Lugnuts and Ghost River Band!

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

VOLUNTEERS RAISE FUNDS FOR CRITICAL BLOOD GAS ANALYZER



Dale Dvorak and Bryan Evensen of Montrose Memorial with MMH's blood gas analyzer. Courtesy photo.

pay for a blood gas analyzer—a critical piece of equipment for hospital services.

—Blood gas analyzer is essential for the care and treatment for critically ill patients,” said Bryan Evensen, Laboratory Department Manager.

The volunteers raised the amount with various fundraisers, including the hospital’s Golden

Leaf Gift Shop, Easter bake sale, an annual book fair, Love Light Wreath, and 10-cent used book sales held near the hospital’s Admissions area.

Blood gas analyzers play a crucial role in the hospital’s care.

Any time a patient is intubated, or when a patient comes to the hospital with certain conditions such as COPD or pneumonia, blood samples can be taken from patients’ arteries for evaluation. The equipment analyzes the samples for the amount of oxygen and carbon dioxide present in the blood.

The results are communicated to the hospital’s respiratory therapists—healthcare professionals who specialize in breathing and cardiopulmonary problems—to help signal how patients’ medical gasses should be adjusted.

The equipment is also used for patients with major heart issues. For instance, when patients get a coronary balloon angioplasty—known more commonly as a —~~bart~~ balloon—the equipment is used to provide up-to-date information on the patient. MMH will be replacing their old blood gas analyzer with the new one to ensure equipment longevity and to ensure equipment fiscal enhancement.

For more information, contact Leann Tobin at (970) 240-7344.

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE--Montrose Memorial Hospital (MMH) volunteers contributed \$10,575 to enable the Laboratory Department to

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WESTERN SKYWAYS TURBO NORMALIZATION SYSTEM TAKES OFF

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airplanes are the same way. With our system, airplanes don't get sluggish like that. They can do all heights, including over every mountain in the USA. It also increases fuel efficiency by 20 percent."

The idea came about when gas prices hit \$7 a gallon for airplanes and folks decided not to fly as much.

With the revolution in fuel efficient cars, including hybrids, the team at Western Skyways thought — why not do it with airplanes?"

—The system helps to increase aircraft value, and it will take time for the market to catch up," Barker explained.

The system is also so revolutionary and contrary to popularly held beliefs regarding airplanes that the team at Western Skyways has had to go to greater lengths to convince people of the validity of their systems.

—I have had to video tape it, and we have been told 'it must be doctored, that's not real,'" Barker said.

So far, sales have been going well. —The response from the market has been incredible," Barker said. —Before everything was approved, we had already sold 13 jobs, and in the six weeks since its release, we have sold three to four more. We have had to tell people that we are getting through the backlog before we take more orders. We have one year's worth of work for a system that didn't exist two months ago."

Even though it directly affects the maybe 30,000 pilots who use the model of aircraft that the system is currently made for, the new system will also boost the local economy. —We want to hire more skilled aircraft engineers and a crew to support them," said Barker. —We will be bringing in high-paying jobs, and our clients are

from out of the area, so we in a way 'force' tourism. The people who come here stay in hotels, eat dinner, and go hiking, skiing and camping. Our clientele spends more than the average person, and so that is all measurable if tracked. Plus, the system costs \$60,000-\$80,000 per job, so that alone will impact the local economy through taxes. We also use other local businesses to support us, so there is a trickle-down effect with it all." With the current success of the engine, Barker and the team are excited to watch Western Skyways ascend to new heights. —We are entrepreneurs in a number of ways," he said. —We are inventing and we are challenging concepts. My favorite part is that it is all done. We spent seven years around the table and we are finally here."

For more information, call 249-0232 or visit westernskyways.com.

OPINION/EDITORIAL-LETTERS

Dear Editor:

The theme for the City of Montrose 2015 Independence Day Parade was, —Forth of July Parade/patriotic." It is astonishing then that the Montrose Democratic Party would, on this of all days, mock the American flag by combining it with the rainbow colors of the gay agenda.

Parade watchers — Veterans, Wounded Warriors, war widows and widowers, and bewildered children were all subjected to the star and stripes being hijacked right before their eyes.

Certainly the Democratic Party is free to embrace the gay platform. However, the American flag represents all Americans and to devalue the flag by subjugating it to anyone, or any organization, is an affront.

It is a sad day when some people are more concerned about advancing their personal agenda than they are about respecting and honoring our country's Independence.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Marvel

US Navy Veteran



The Montrose Democratic Party carries a rainbow flag in the 2015 Fourth of July Parade.

CANYON CREEK BED & BREAKFAST TO HOST HYPNOTIST JULY 11

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-Canyon Creek Bed & Breakfast is pleased to welcome back Hypnotist, James Zingleman on Saturday July 11th. The show starts at 8 p.m. but the doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and it is a 21+ show. Buy tickets at canyoncreek.eventbrite.com or call 970-249-2886.

WEEHAWKEN CREATIVE ARTS TO OFFER "SUMMER SPEECH CAMPS": JULY SESSION TO KICK OFF ON JULY 6TH!!

Special to the Mirror

RIDGWAY-Join Ridgway's favorite speech teachers, Ms. Sharie Escalera and Lilia Doyle, for a great summer training experience. These speech camps will teach performance skills for competitive speech. Humor, drama, duet and solo acting, poetry, reader's theater are some of the categories explored. At completion of the class students will present a performance for parents and friends.

The July session of —Summer Speech Camps" will be held at The Sherbino Theater from 10am-Noon starting July 6th and ending July 17th. Classes will run Monday through Friday and are for children ages 11-15 years. The cost of this speech camp is \$120.00. For more information please visit: www.weehawkenarts.org or call 970. 318. 0150.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

LOCAL ARTISTS EXPLORE POSSIBLE MONTROSE ARTS CENTER

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE—So far, it is just an idea. But a number of locals believe it is an idea whose time has come—a Montrose Center for the Arts. The group has held just one meeting, and welcomes newcomers to the next one—to be held Wednesday, July 8 at Hillcrest UCC, 611 South Hill-

crest. —We are really starting from the ground up,” organizer and Montrose Visual Arts Guild President Jodine Broscovak said.

—There are several first steps that we need to take; we have no funds and this is a brand new organization.”

Though the organization is still without a name, it is not without a goal, howev-

er.

—We are a group of artists, and we are calling anyone who might be interested in being a member, or in supporting an artists’ coop and arts center in Montrose,” Broscovak said.

Hillcrest UCC is located next to the Montrose Elks Club. To learn more, call 970-275-5186.

Help plan a new Arts Center/Fine Arts Co-op/ Art Gallery in Montrose



Attend a meeting to begin organizing:

WED.
JULY 8
7 PM

UCC Church
611
S.Hillcrest

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE AWARD RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE —The City of Montrose and the Office of Business and Tourism thank everyone who attended and participated in the 2015 Independence Day Parade, led by the Montrose High School NJROTC, which was followed by a joint entry from the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Approximately 30 entries took part in the parade. Area clubs, bands, churches,

organizations, schools, dance/drill teams, and businesses were encouraged to participate, and three entries received prizes as the best of the best. Judging was based on the theme (Fourth of July/patriotic), overall appearance, originality/creativity, and crowd appeal.

The winners were:

1st Place: Montrose High School Band

2nd Place: Montrose Kayak and Surf - —Float”

3rd Place: Elk’s Lodge #1053 - —BPOE - Best People on Earth”

Honorable mentions, for excellent displays of spirit include the U-Valley Vixens Roller Derby League, Western Slope 4 Wheelers, Uncompahgre Valley Trail Riders, and Black Canyon Classics Car Club.

The OBT is proud to present the annual Fourth of July Parade with the guidance and assistance of the Montrose Police Department and the Lions Club.



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10:45-11:30 primary ballet and jazz (ages 5-8)
11:30-12:30 Level 1 ballet and jazz (ages 8-10)
12:30-1:30 hip-hop/jazz funk (ages 8-11)
1:30-2:30 Level 2 ballet and jazz (ages 10-11)
2:30-4:00 ballet 3/4 ballet and jazz (ages 12 & up)
4:00-5:00 tween/teen tap (ages 11 and up)

TUESDAYS

1:45-2:30 pre-ballet with Miss Leeann (3-5)
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)
5:15-6:15 ballet 2 with Miss Autumn
6:15-7:30 ballet 3 with Miss Autumn
7:30-8 Pointe with Miss Autumn

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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!!

8TH ANNUAL FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES-Ridgway Town Park, Ridgway, CO, Thursdays in July, 6pm 'til Dark-**July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 ~ 2015** Free Music, National Acts, Family Friendly, Children's Activities Local Beer, Food & Wine Vendors, Late Night After-Party at the Sherbino Theater

Live Broadcast on KVNF. www.ridgwayconcertseries.com.

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-

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

July 6-Montrose County BOCC Public Hearing on Uncompahgre Pit application, 6 p.m. Friendship Hall, Montrose County Fairgrounds.

July 7-Historical Alley walk, Historical Legends and True Tales starts at 7 pm, meet at the Montrose Historical Museum. Fee is \$5.00/person; space is limited so please call 249-2085 for RSVP.

July 8-Organization meeting for Montrose Arts Coop/Art Gallery, Hillcrest UCC at 611 South Hillcrest, 7 p.m.

July 9-10-Montrose County Surplus Sale, Montrose County Fairgrounds. Hours are 8 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday and from 8 a.m. to Noon on Friday.

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 10-12-20th Annual 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.

July 10-12-Fifth Annual Lavender Festival, hosted by Lavender Association of Western Colorado. Friday, bus tours; Saturday-Palisade Memorial Park, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, free, self-guided farm tours. For more information, locations and to get tickets for the Bus Tours, visit coloradolavender.org.

July 11-19-Ridgway State Park Fishing tournament. For tournament rules and for some instruction on how to catch smallmouth bass, go to this CPW web site: <http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Ridgway/Documents/SmallBassTournament2015.pdf>. For more information about the fishing tournament or camping, call Ridgway State Park at 970-626-5822. <http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Ridgway>.

July 11-Author Diane Winger to sign her latest book, Memories & Secrets, at Coffee Trader from 9 a.m. to Noon.

July 11-Montrose Elks Lodge 1053 Scholarship Golf Tournament all proceeds go to the Elks Lodge Scholarship fund. For more information contact Ric Simon 970-209-4088 or Jodie Simon 970-249-0102.

July 11-Bernie Nelson 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.

July 11-The Ridgway Photo Group announces a Photography Show - 13 Artists' works, Regional & International locations featured, Ridgway Public Library, Opening Reception is Saturday, July 11 from 4-7 pm / Refreshments.

July 11-Comedy Night at Canyon Creek Bed and Breakfast, featuring Hyponotist James Zingleman, The show starts at 8 p.m. but the doors open at 7 p.m.. Tickets are \$15 and it is a 21+ show. You can buy tickets at canyoncreek.eventbrite.com or call 970-249-2886.

July 14--Townie Tuesday Picture Show-Ridgway Town Park. Movie starts at dusk.

July 14-Public Lands Partnership (PLP), Delta County and the Western Slope Conservation Center host public outreach meeting on Beetle Kill Epidemic. Learn what's going on, how it fits into broader regional trends, and how the US Forest Service proposes to manage the forests at an upcoming community information meeting at the Hotchkiss Memorial Hall on Tuesday, July 14 from 6:30-8 p.m.

July 15-Local Canine Superhero Oxx will appear at the Montrose Library as part of the teen Summer Reading Program!! 2 to 3 p.m.

July 15—"Kids Of All Ages in the Gardens"—9 AM - Noon. Free. Hands on activities incorporating Native American uses of plants. Presented by Carol Patterson and Glade Hadden, Archeologist. Learn how native peoples made sandals, mats, soap, etc. out of yucca leaves and how they ground grains. Bring a lawn chair to Montrose Botanic Gardens tent, 1800 Pavilion Drive, Montrose. Additional information at www.montrosegardens.org or 249-1115. Donations welcome. "See you in the Gardens."

July 17-Historical Alley walk Act II-North side of Main starts at 7 pm, meet at the Montrose Historical Museum. Fee is \$5.00/person; spaces are limited so please call 249-2085 for RSVP.

July 24-Aug. 2-2015 Montrose County Fair & Rodeo! Montrose County Fairgrounds!

July 24-Catch Sawyer Brown at Bridges of Montrose! Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Rusty Mt. Society to open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$30, www.brownpapertickets.com.

July 28--Townie Tuesday Picture Show-Ridgway Town Park. Movie starts at dusk.

July 31-Thin Air to perform at Concerts on the Green, behind Volunteers of America Homestead. Free concert, 6 to 8 p.m. 2377 Robbins Way.

Aug. 1-Garrett Estate Cellars Winery Open House, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.. [53582 Falcon Rd., Olathe, CO 81425](http://53582FalconRd.Olathe.CO.81425). Wine tasting and specials. For more information Call Mitch 970-901-5919.

Aug. 1-Olathe Sweet Corn Festival—Olathe Sweet Corn Park-9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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Summer scenes from Montrose in Motion on July 2 and July 4...



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