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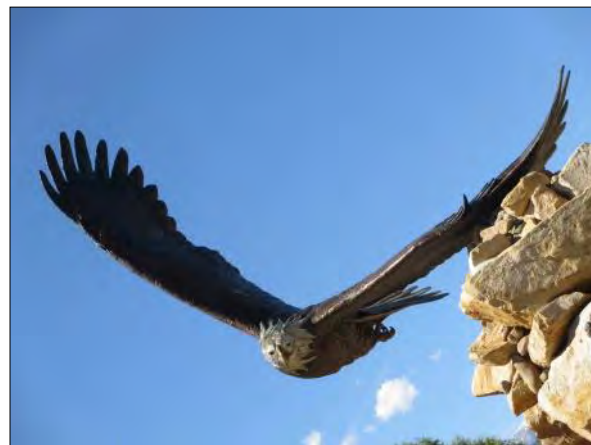
By Caitlin Switzer

RIDGWAY-He had his boots on the ground, but his heart soared with eagles. To keep his memory alive, American Icon Dennis Weaver's family has created a place where all who admired him can come and find peace as well a sense of the vision that drove this great environmental activist and worldwide superstar. And for those who choose, this could be a place to call home.

Ridgway's RiverSage Development, a private subdivision surrounded by 130 acres of open space and a wildlife preserve, and the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park are two facets of the 175-acre project spearheaded by Weaver's sons Rick and Rusty.

"My idea was to have a park named after my dad," said Rick Weaver, whose father passed away in February of 2006. "I came here to help figure it out; I wanted to develop a low-impact subdivision; something that would be good for me and good for the community."

However, because the family's acreage was located in Ouray County rather than the Town of Ridgway, the County's land use code initially restricted the development to just one lot per 35-acre parcel.



The bronze eagle that flies at the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park was created by Wyoming Sculptor Vic Payne and donated by William Widger of Ridgway.

"That would have meant I could only do five lots, which would not be cost effective," said Weaver, who began working on the project in 2003. Initial efforts to be annexed into the Town of Ridgway were unsuccessful, as were negotiations with Ouray County over

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KINIKIN OPENS MEAT STORE IN TOWN!



Kinikin Processing has opened their new, full service location at 1032 6450 Road, near Park Avenue and the San Juan Bypass.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-For more than a decade they have built a reputation for excellence throughout the region--despite dirt roads, a remote rural location, and a steep hill. Now, they are easily accessible to customers right here in town.

Owners Zach and Jennifer Prock have had their business, Kinikin Processing, for the past 12 years. A week ago, Kinikin Processing opened its long-awaited retail shop at 1032 6450 Road, now open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

From cured and smoked meats, jerkies, deli meats and cheeses to wildlife processing, this is a full-service destination for carnivores. In addition to custom processing, Kinikin sells meat in premium, individual cuts.

Sweet corn and other vegetables from DeVries Produce are available, as well as a full line of seasonings.

"We have a deli, and we are also doing sandwiches—we have paninis, made to order! Come in and see

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MIRROR IMAGES...F.U.N.C. FEST 2015!



Crowds were strong throughout the day at the first Annual Fun on the Uncompahgre (F.U.N.C.) Festival at the Montrose Water Sports Park Aug. 1.



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SMOKEY BEAR CELEBRATES HIS 71ST BIRTHDAY



Smokey remains very approachable, officials say, despite his fame. Courtesy image.

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE-For many, turning 71 is a time to slow down and indulge in quiet, retirement activities.

Not for Smokey Bear! The venerable wildfire prevention spokesperson celebrates his 71st on Friday, Aug. 7, with a festive stop here at the Montrose Public Lands Center from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Smokey is on a whirlwind tour to promote the message of wildfire prevention, and while he is in town, has insisted on a party complete with a puppet show, cupcakes, and plenty of information on how you can prevent forest fires. —It will be fun for all ages, with games for younger kids, and booths, activities dealing with wildfire prevention, a puppet show, and arts and crafts,” said Jane Maas of the Montrose Public Lands Center, who is helping to organize the party for Smokey.

Despite his status as a national icon, Smokey remains very approachable, said Maas, who has met him in person a number of times.

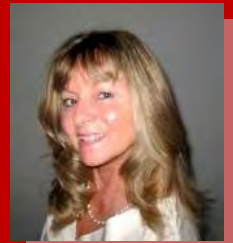
—We have been celebrating his birthday here for the past four years,” she said. —We are inviting the whole community to come out and celebrate with us this year!”

On Aug. 8, Smokey will appear at the Grand Mesa Visitor Center on Grand Mesa, where he will celebrate his birthday once again from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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COUNCIL TO VOTE ON 60K ASBESTOS CONTRACT

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE-Three new City staffers will be introduced to the Montrose City Council when it convenes for a work session Aug. 3 in Council Chambers. Joining the City's Public Works Department as a parks worker is Nathan King. Joining the City Police Department will be Animal Control Officer Heidi Keane. Cortney Place will be joining the staff at the Montrose Animal Shelter as a shelter technician.

[Items up for discussion](#) include a recommendation for asbestos abatement at 439 South Second Street. A memo from City Facilities Manager Mark Armstrong notes that Excel Environmental Incorporated has submitted a bid for \$59,372 based on a scope of work developed by Grande River Environmental. Council will discuss a request for alcohol permit by Sharing Ministries Food Bank, which will hold its annual street dance benefit in Centennial Plaza Sept. 26. Council will also discuss televis-

ing its work sessions; a Fall City Council retreat; and big picture budget priorities for City Council.

Future Work Session Discussion topics include the following: Community Dental Clinic DOLA Grant, Aug. 17; Municipal Code Update for Municipal Elections, Aug. 17; KOA RV Park Site Development Plan, Aug. 18; Community Dental Clinic DOLA Grant Approval, Aug. 18; Ø Planning Commission Applicant Appointments, Aug. 18; Montrose County Historical Society Lease Agreement, Aug. 18; Second Quarter Budget Review, Aug. 18; Liquor License Transfer for RNR Sportsbar, Sept. 1; Youth Council Presentation to City Council, Sept. 15; Youth Council Applicant Interviews, Oct. 6; Youth Council Appointments, Oct. 20.

Montrose City Council will hold its regular meeting at 6 p.m. Aug. 4 in City Council chambers. At that time Council will be asked to approve a professional services



A City building at 439 South Second Street needs asbestos remediation. Council will vote to award the contract Tuesday.

contract to Excel Environmental Incorporated for the sum of \$59,372.00 based on the scope of work developed by Grande River Environmental for the 439 S. Second Street Asbestos Abatement Project. Following a Public Information Officer report by Bill Bell, Council will adjourn.

Internationally acclaimed vocalist and actress Cyrille Aimée performs at the Lark & Sparrow Nightclub at 8 p.m. this Thursday, Aug. 6.

For tickets visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cyrille-aimée-tickets-17547411781>.

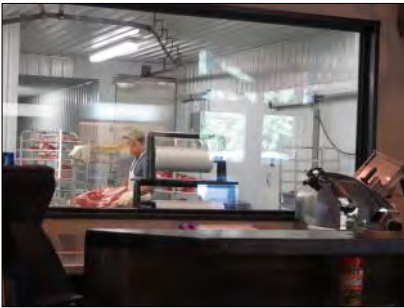
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KINIKIN OPENS MEAT STORE IN TOWN! From pg 1



So far, Kinikin Processing employs 15 staffers, but the number will increase when hunting season begins. The new store includes a window into the back cutting area.

us," says owner Jennifer Prock.

The new shop, which is spacious, spotless, and stocked with tempting arrays of meat, also offers a window into the back cutting area. So far, Kinikin Processing employs 15 staffers, Prock said, though that number will jump during hunting season. —Montrose wanted a retail shop," she said. —This was the next step. So we

moved to town. We pride ourselves on valley-grown beef, pork and lamb, on the cleanliness of our environment, and on our employees, of course."

Construction of the new location began in January, and the shop has been busy from the moment the doors opened last Monday.

The Procks, who also own pawn shops in

Montrose and Delta and an outfitting business, are pretty busy these days. When she finds time for a good meal, however, Jennifer knows what's for dinner. —Like a good beef tenderloin," she said.

The phone number for Kinikin Processing is 970-240-4329.



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OPINION/EDITORIAL

LET THE VOTERS HAVE A SAY ON SECOND DISPATCH CENTER

Mirror Staff Editorial

MONTROSE--In 2007 a community grassroots effort in cooperation with Montrose County elected officials resulted in voters approving a Public Safety Sales Tax (PSST).

At the time, the City of Montrose declined participation in the initiative. Consequently the ballot language gives the authority and control of the safety sales tax to Montrose County and the Montrose County Sheriff.

For the current Montrose City Council and city manager, the PSST has taken on the appearance of a cash-cow and low-hanging fruit — pardon all the clichés, but they now want a piece of the pie.

The city manager and city council, along with a handful of county emergency-response entities, are trying to overthrow and override the will of the electorate.

The council reasons that the writers of the ballot measure didn't intend to write what they wrote, and that the voter didn't really

understand what they were voting for. In other words, the city council and the city manager are wiser than the electorate and want to save voters from themselves.

In a unique strategy to force the county and sheriff to relinquish some authority and PSST funding, the city council last week passed a resolution to start a second dispatch center that would be run by an autonomous board.

The following quotes from a city council meeting on July 21, 2015 were published in the July 22, 2015 issue of the *Montrose Daily Press*.

City Manager Bill Bell said, "We really hope the county comes to its senses."

Councilman Bob Nicholson said, "In the best interest, this should be controlled by the users, but the county doesn't see it that way, so here we are."

Councilperson Kathy Ellis said, "I believe the (Public Safety Sales Tax) should be shared equitably. ... The sheriff and the commissioners must realize they represent

all of the county."

Mayor pro-tem Rex Swanson said, "We have no choice. The county has put us in this spot. We are looking out for the citizens of Montrose. Simply, this is taxation without representation."

The city council contends that elected Montrose County officials are not managing tax funds efficiently and that they, the city, could do a better job.

However, constituents know that the government landscape changes with each election. Elected county commissioners and city council members come and go; as well as do county and city managers.

Voters should not be undermined, discounted or brushed aside.

Voters have the power of the ballot box to repeal, replace and approve ballot measures; as well as recall, replace and elect officials.

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TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT MAIN AND CASCADE RECONFIGURED

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-As part of the DDA's ongoing downtown diagonal parking pilot project, the traffic signal at the Main Street and Cascade Avenue intersection has been reconfigured to a flashing yellow signal for traffic on Main Street and flashing red for traffic on Cascade Avenue. The temporary change allows personnel to evaluate alternative signal configurations in conjunction with diagonal parking.

Motorists are reminded that a flashing

yellow signal indicates that they should proceed with caution through the intersection, while a flashing red requires motorists to come to a complete stop and observe right-of-way rules just as they would with a stop sign. Particular attention should be given to yielding to pedestrians in the crosswalk. The public is invited to provide feedback to the DDA by calling [970-497-8699](tel:970-497-8699) or emailing lmichaels@montrosedowntown.com. Following the initial evaluation period, the

City will assist the DDA in assessing the success of the pilot project and deciding whether to make the changes permanent.

The pilot project is part of a long-term vision to further develop a pedestrian, shopping, and activities-friendly atmosphere in Downtown Montrose. In addition to enhancing the aesthetic appeal of Main Street, the change will help create additional space for outdoor dining and other uses while minimizing the loss of public parking.

CONNECT FOR HEALTH COLORADO ASSISTANCE SITE MOVES TO NEW OFFICES

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-July 28, 2015 – Montrose, Colo. - Volunteers of America's Assistance Site for Connect for Health Colorado in Montrose has moved. The new offices are located in the Park Avenue Professional Building, 121 North Park Avenue, on the corner of North 1st and Park Avenue.

The phone number remains the same - 970-252-0660 – and health coverage

guides are available to answer questions and provide assistance to those who are looking for help enrolling with a plan.

Open enrollments and renewals will be from November 15th, 2015 to January 31st, 2016. If you have a qualified life change event and need to make a change to your 2015 coverage, please call for assistance. Certain changes can be made right away.

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DENNIS WEAVER MEMORIAL PARK From pg 1



Above, Rick Weaver at the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park; the picnic area created and maintained by Rusty Weaver; rock cairns left near the eagle sculpture by travelers and visitors.



the allowed density.

“I was going around and around, and I was so frustrated,” Weaver said. “But then my dad died, and everything changed.”

Weaver made it clear that with his father gone and his mother more than 80 years old, the family’s real estate holdings could be sold. “We would have had to hold a fire sale,” he said. “We could have sold our property next to the (Uncompahgre) River, though my dad had really wanted to preserve the river corridor. And the town started to get concerned.”

However, it was a sudden epiphany that resulted in the final design of RiverSage and the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park.

“I decided to offer the town 60 acres along the river,” Weaver said. “I thought, what if we build a park and gift it to the town? In return they could annex our property and give us the density we need to make our development financially feasible.”

After speaking to his family, Rick took the offer to the Ridgway Town Council.

“One thing led to another,” he said, “and over several months we worked out a deal.”

The Weaver Family set aside 60 acres, and Rick and Rusty set about designing and creating a park.

“We started improving roads and getting more involved with the subdivision,” Rick said, “and we built a park.”

Longtime family friend Bill Widger happened to also be an associate of famed Wyoming Sculptor Vic Payne, whose monumental bronzes have been placed throughout Montrose as well. With Widger donating a breathtaking bronze eagle by Payne, the Weavers paid to have the massive work of art engineered and properly installed at the Memorial Park. The sculpture, which now draws viewers from around the world, was dedicated in a moving ceremony in

August of 2007. “My original thought was to have an eagle gallery,” Weaver said.

A second eagle, a chainsaw carving by artist Bongo Love, also adds to the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park experience.

Rusty Weaver and his then wife Madison designed the rock formation and wheel that serve as the sculpture’s base, he said, and Madison learned about rock cairns and placed information about them at the site. Today, “There are hundreds of rock cairns,” Weaver said. “It astounds me, and to me it is the most gratifying thing to see peoples’ contributions.”

Colorado Youth Corps crews helped to build the initial trail that runs along the banks of the river, and COPMOBA helped with the final leg. Helping to maintain the trail are groups such as COPMOBA and RAT (Ridgway Area Trails). Rusty Weaver cares for and maintains the Memorial itself, and is responsible for the beautiful riverside picnic area.

A project is still in the works for the summit of the park, where Rick has begun a “Boot Hill.”

The idea is to create a whimsical tribute to the Old West, in honor of Dennis Weaver’s famed role as Chester in the classic television western, *Gunsmoke*.

“I took some trail signs out there, and a friend and I buried four pairs of boots, but we need more,” he said. “Jon Billings has created the tombstones. People who have boots to donate should get ahold of me—we really need a female pair.”

The community and visitors have embraced the park, which consistently ranks [among top local attractions](#) on the TripAdvisor web site. Ridgway Mayor John Clark called it a “win-win.”

“This was a classic case of a property outside of the boundaries of the town that needed to go through the County for development,” Clark said, noting that an inter-

governmental agreement between Ouray County and the Town of Ridgway made it possible for the developers to return to the town after the proposed density was refused by the County land use department.

“So we looked at the pros and cons,” Clark said. “There were definitely some cons for a development of this nature, but the fact that it included the park and the dedication of the river frontage to the Town made it a really positive thing for us. We have gained a good percentage of the river frontage that passes through our town, and they have bent over backwards to keep it low density and preserve the views.

“I would call it a great success.”

And though there are still lots for sale in RiverSage, Rick Weaver is content as well. The family can now build up to 20 lots on scenic two-acre parcels.

“This helps with growth, but it is low impact and the wildlife corridor will be maintained,” he said. “People can go fly fishing in the river, and the riverway is preserved. My dad was a philanthropist and an environmentalist; people come to his Memorial from all over the world. I go out there once in a while and strike up conversations with visitors. One day I looked up to see four bald eagles in the cottonwoods.

“It was really cool to see them there,” he said. “My dad was all about Eagles.”

To learn more about RiverSage, contact Judi Snelling at Sneffels Realty, LLC. 970.318.8437. To donate a pair of boots for the Boot Hill project, call Rick at 970-275-8866.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

EXPLORE GRAND JUNCTION'S AGRITOURISM OFFERINGS FROM THE GROUND UP!

Special to the Mirror

GRAND JUNCTION- Located in [Colorado's Wine Country](#), just a few hours west of Denver, Grand Junction is the perfect base camp for an agritourism adventure. The area's distinctive history, outstanding culinary experiences, and unique ranch and farm activities draw travelers from across the globe looking for an authentic Colorado vacation.

Set in the state's fertile Grand Valley, the summer and fall months include a bounty of fresh local produce to sample, harvest events, U-pick experiences, animal encounters, art and history attractions, and more. Here are seven ideas for travelers looking to have an agritourism adventure on Colorado's western slope.

Palisade Peach Festival, August 13-15, 2015. Each August, as Palisade's peaches ripen and thousands of visitors flock to the small town just east of Grand Junction for the [Palisade Peach Festival](#) for a weekend of activities that celebrate the delicious, fuzzy fruit. The festival offers a variety of activities from cooking demos to peach-eating contests, parades, carnival rides and more.

Lavender Growing 101. Dig in and get your hands dirty at [Sage Creations Organic Farm](#). This small, certified-organic family farm between Grand Junction and Palisade not only offers a "U-Pick" experience, but they also educate visitors on the ins and outs of growing their own lavender.

During the spring months, they offer classes for both casual gardeners and professional farmers on planting and growing lavender, and in the summer and fall, they provide classes on crafting with lavender and how to use lavender in various cooking and beauty products.

Rockin' Rodeo: From June 2nd - August 25, 2015 the [Rim Rock Rodeo](#) in Fruita provides visitor's a glimpse into Grand Junction's ranching and western past. The evening kicks-off with Slack at 4:30 then Mutton Bustin' at 7 PM and the Grand March starts at 7:30 PM. Admission to this not-to-be-missed summer tradition is \$10 per person.

From Farm to Bar: Make your way to Peach Street Distillery in Palisade to enjoy Gin and Tonics, Gin Rickys, and their signature Bloody Mary.

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available, and used at the peak of ripeness and freshness. Uniquely, they grow a pear inside of a bottle for their distinctive pear brandy. Peach Street is known for their Colorado Bourbon, D'Agave, Gin, and Goat Vodkas which are made with sweet corn from the nearby town of Olathe.

Fun with Fiber. [SunCrest Orchard Alpacos](#) near Palisade offers interactive and educational tours year round.

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Colorado Mountain Wine Fest, September 17-20, 2015. A not-to-be-missed opportunity is to travel by train and enjoy the scenery while getting to Colorado's Wine Country. Buy a ticket on [Amtrak's sought](#)

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WEST CENTRAL WOMEN OF INFLUENCE

VALUING ALL PEOPLE IS IMPORTANT, BE GENUINE: WILLYN WEBB



Wilyln Webb.
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Interview

by Gail Marvel

MONTROSE- Willyn Webb is in her 10th year as leader of the Delta Opportunity School based at the Delta-Montrose Technical College facility. An Adjunct Professor for Colorado Christian University, Willyn has

authored six books ranging in topics from professional counseling to children's books and this summer she began work on her first novel.

During her elementary school days Willyn had an inkling of her leadership abilities, "I was always at the front of the line and the one picked to help teachers do stuff, like being put in charge of reading. I felt like a teacher's aide."

Throughout high school Willyn continued in leadership positions; however, in college her heavy work load required she focus more on studies. While living with her parents in Delta, Willyn commuted to college at Mesa State. She said, "On semester I took 24 credit hours — I figured that more than 12 credit hours was like a two-for-one special." Her weighty class load

was rewarded and she graduated from college in three years.

Since she wanted to live in Delta and raise a family there, Willyn chose to do her student teaching at a Delta middle school. At the same time she was finishing her student teaching, the home economics teacher took a leave of absence. She said, "The principal called me in and asked, 'Can you sew?'" When I said no, he said, "Wrong answer." Willyn remembered she once made a pair of pillow cases, so when the principal again ask if she knew how to sew, she said yes and she was hired on the spot as the home economics teacher. Willyn laughed and said, "That year everyone was wearing baggy pants. You could sew them up and never make a mistake." Willyn felt teaching middle school is where she could make a greater impression on kids and she soon secured a position as an English teacher.

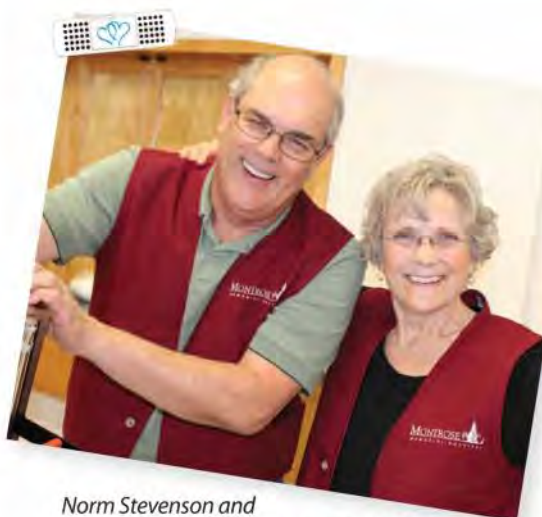
Wilyln went back to college for a master's in counseling and then transitioned into private practice where she counseled adolescents, which gave her the flexibility to work and be a stay-at-home mom. She said, "I was proud that as a woman in Delta I could maximize how much I could make and still be with my babies. I contributed to my family's income and could still volunteer at church, coach my kid's soccer team and be a good mom."

Contemplating her next career move Willyn thought about going to seminary to become a pastor. However, a colleague in the school district made a tempting offer for her to become the counselor for the Delta Opportunity School. "We're an alternative public school that serves the expelled and at risk population of middle school and high school. We're not looking to grow, but we're meeting needs." Willyn now supervises a staff of eight people and has about 100 students on three additional campuses which are located in Cederedge, Hotchkiss and Paonia.

Five years ago Willyn implemented the program, "Food For Thought." Each Friday her opportunity students pack five or six food items to send home with children who may otherwise go hungry on the weekend.

She said, "Often my students [opportunity students] are in victim mode mentality and Food for Thought is a kids feeding kids program. It changes their negative connotation about helping others." The program delivers food items to eight schools and serves 275 students. Willyn said, "Success in learning to serve often has a ripple effect in academics."

Wilyln's leadership advice: "Be clear on why, and what you are doing. Have your priorities straight. Valuing all people is important; be genuine."



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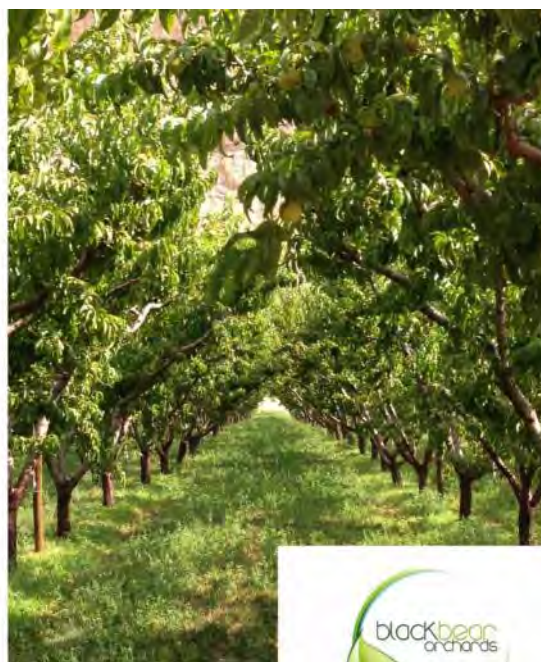
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CAROL SWINGLE NAMED STORKS LANDING COORDINATOR AT DCMH



Carol Swingle, RN, BSN was recently named the new Stork's Landing Coordinator at Delta County Memorial Hospital. Courtesy photo.

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-Carol Swingle, RN, BSN was recently named the new Stork's Landing Coordinator at Delta County Memorial Hospital. She brings a professional background of over 30 years in the healthcare industry. As an Registered Nurse Swingle has 18 years in Obstetrics including a certification in Maternal Child Nurse. She was also a certified Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN) electronic fetal monitoring instructor.

"DCMH is very excited to have Carol lead our Obstetrics team at DCMH. We are confident that with her expertise she will help the department excel. Carol is committed to offering OB services to ensure healthy babies, healthy mothers, and healthy families," stated Jody Roeber, Chief Clinical Officer for the Delta community hospital.

For the past 10 years Swingle was a senior clinical consultant assisting health care facilities across the United States and the United Kingdom with Meditech technology. Prior to that she was the Director of the Family Center (Obstetrics, Nursery and Gynecology) at Montrose Memorial Hospital for eight years. From 1991-1996 Swingle was a obstetrics nurse at the Montrose hospital. She also worked part time at Delta County Memorial Hospital for three years in obstetrics and the nursery in the Stork's Landing department.

"My goal for Stork's Landing is to increase the number of births, while continuing to offer high quality, safe patient care," Swingle said. Her other goals include achieving the Baby Friendly designation for DCMH. Swingle is also looking forward to working with a new physician in Obstetrics/Gynecology and a new nurse midwife in the near future from Premier Women's Healthcare of Delta.

"Storks landing is dedicated to assuring that each birth is a wondrous event, with every woman receiving individualized care from our team of skilled professionals," commented Chief Clinical Officer Jody Roeber. She lives in Montrose and received her Registered Nurse degree from Mesa College in Grand Junction, CO. She is married with two daughters and one grandchild. Both of her daughters also work in health care as a Physical Therapist and X-Ray technician.

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OBT DIRECTOR ROB JOSEPH EARNS CDME DESIGNATION FROM DESTINATION MARKETING ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL



OBT Director Rob Joseph. Courtesy photo.

Special to the Mirror
WASHINGTON, DC --Rob Joseph, Assistant City Manager for Montrose, Colorado and Director of the Office of Business and Tourism (OBT) has earned the Certified Destination

Management Executive (CDME) designation, the only integrated professional

development executive program specifically designed for the destination marketing industry. The focus of the program, provided by Destination Marketing Association International (DMAI), is on vision, leadership, productivity, and the implementation of best practice business strategies. There are an estimated 320 active CDMEs.

—The education I've received from DMAI has been invaluable and integral to our

approach on how we view tourism. In fact, the idea to position the OBT as the first community marketing organization in Colorado instead of the traditional destination marketing organization originated from the CDME program and is already paying dividends," Joseph said. —We're glad to play our part in introducing Montrose to the many, but the real magic is occurring because our excellent community partners are greeting visitors with warm western hospitality once they are here and doing what they can to ensure our guests leave with memorable experiences."

The CDME program is designed to better prepare senior marketing organization executives and managers for increasing change and competition and to become more effective organizational and community leaders. According to Joseph, the OBT is preparing to submit its application to become only the fourth organization in Colorado to become accredited by DMAI. The accreditation, expected by December, will send a strong signal to group operators

and sports and event planners that Montrose has a top tier and professional marketing organization, thus increasing coordinators' confidence for a successful event and positive attendee experience.

—We appreciate Rob's continuing efforts to elevate Montrose's tourism marketing program," said City Manager Bill Bell.

—This certification and the extensive training that preceded it lend additional credibility to our tourism program and help equip our community to achieve great things in the future." —Our mission at DMAI is to advocate for the professionalism, effectiveness, and significance of destination marketing organizations worldwide," said Michael Gehrisch, President & CEO of DMAI.

—We realize the importance of destination marketing and are committed to improving the effectiveness of these organizations. These individuals who have achieved the CDME designation have set an example of excellence for the entire destination marketing profession."

COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETS IN DURANGO, AUG 6

DENVER - The Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission meets Aug. 6 at Holiday Inn and Suites Durango Central, 21636 Highway 160 West, Durango, Colo. The meeting begins Thursday at 8:30 a.m., and is scheduled to adjourn at 5 p.m.

Informational updates include discussion on big-game license allocations, moose research, strategic planning, finances and Conservation Leaders for Tomorrow workshop participation, along with presentations from Mancos and Navajo State Parks.

The CPW Ranger of the Year Award presentation is also slated. The only action item is an update to chapter five of the wildlife regulations for 2015 waterfowl and migratory bird hunting seasons and related provisions.

A complete agenda can be found at: <http://cpw.state.co.us/Documents/Commission/2015/Aug/AGENDA.pdf>

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NON-PROFIT BOARD TRAINING IS COMING TO MONTROSE

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DENVER – Montrose County is home to 247 registered nonprofit organizations, according to the National Center for Charitable Statistics. In order to help these nonprofits do their work better, Community Resource Center (CRC), Colorado Non-profit Association (CNA), and Colorado Participation Project (CPP) are collaborating to provide local nonprofits with the

tools and resources to effectively advocate for your organization's mission!

This training will focus on the basic mechanics of advocacy for nonprofits and provide an overview of the board's roles and responsibilities around adopting an advocacy plan. Participants will also have the opportunity to brainstorm and workshop on an advocacy plan for your own organization. We are offering a 20% dis-

count on an organization's second registration to encourage staff and board to attend this valuable training.

Registration is OPEN: Register at <https://www.regonline.com/CYC-Montrose0812>

Date: Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015 | 10 am – 2 pm. Cost: \$50 Single Registration | \$90 Double Registration

Location: Montrose Library District | 320 South 2nd Street | Montrose, CO 81401.

REP. CORAM'S WATER CONSERVATION BILL GOES INTO EFFECT AUG 5

Special to the Mirror

Denver – On Wednesday, Aug. 5th, Representative Don Coram's (R-Montrose) House Bill 1006, which will mitigate water-consuming phreatophytes in Colorado, goes into effect.

Phreatophytes, are non-native, invasive plants such as the Russian Olive or Tamarisk tree, which grow in dense congrega-

tions along the banks of rivers and streams. Just one of these plants can consume up to 200 gallons of water per day during the warmer months.

The new law establishes a \$2 million dollar grant to study methods to manage these plants.

—A Western Slope state legislator, water has been a primary concern of mine

throughout my five years here at the capitol and managing these plants is a critical step toward conservation," Coram said.

"When you consider just one phreatophyte plant can consume more water in one day than the average human, controlling the growing population of these plants must be part of any plan to conserve Colorado's water supply."

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VOLUNTEER FOR THE 31ST ANNUAL RIDGWAY RENDEZVOUS!

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RIDGWAY-The 31st annual Ridgway Rendezvous is looking for volunteers! Volunteers are crucial to the success and the continuation of this amazing arts festival in Ridgway's historic town park, and the event wouldn't be what it is today without the wonderful dedication of time and effort of volunteers. Some of the areas that the Ridgway Rendezvous needs help with include; vendor check-in, vendor unloading, vendor hospitality, vendor services/relief, kids' arts and crafts table, and clean up/break-down after the event has finished. Volunteers are needed from Friday, Aug. 7th to Sunday Aug. 9th and the specific time/day varies depending on the volunteer position. For a complete list of volunteer opportunities (including the time slots, dates, and meeting location) and further information please visit www.weehawkenarts.org or call 970.318.0150. Weehawken Creative Arts and The Ridgway Rendezvous thank you for your time and support.

CELEBRATE 55 YEARS OF FINE ARTS IN OURAY!

Special to the Mirror

OURAY-In 1960, local Ouray civic leader Joyce Jorgensen acted on an idea; she wanted an opportunity for local artists, amateur or professional, student or adult, to show their art. Her idea was a "festival", with several community organizations participating, which would include a juried art show, music, gallery tours, a sketching contest on Main Street, a masquerade ball at the Elks' Club and teen age girls dressed as Swiss Misses serving as hostesses. Fifty-five years later, the week-long Artists' Alpine Holiday art show and sale still exists, although the masquerade ball and Swiss Misses are a thing of the past. The show provides well over one-hundred regional artists the opportunity to show off their skills, which are juried by a nationally known judge. This year, the judge is Carl Purcell, an internationally known watercolor painter from Manti, Utah. The photography judge is a local resident, Natalie Heller, whose interest in and skills as a photographer herself are well known within the area. \$7,500 in prize money will be awarded to students and adults in several different categories of prizes.

This year's 55th show is dedicated to Ouray's Ago Gallery owner and artist Ro-

magean Personne, who served on the Board of the Ouray County Arts Association for over 30 years. The Artists' Alpine Holiday will open on Friday, July 31 and run through Saturday, August 8th at the Ouray Community Center, 320 6th Avenue. The show opens daily at 10

AM and closings vary by day of the week. Hours are posted on OCAA's website, www.ourayarts.org. Funds from the sale of art during the show help provide scholarship assistance to Ouray County students wishing to pursue degrees in Fine Arts.

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REVITALIZING A NON-PROFIT ...COMMUNITY HEART & HANDS

By Susan Bony
Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL—About three months ago I was asked to attend a non-profit board meeting. I wasn't sure what my role was other than I was told the Board was having issues with their Executive Director and they wanted me to listen and act as an intermediary as needed. The meeting was interesting and it was clear to me that there were serious communication problems. I was shocked when the call came the following week that their Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director had both quit—giving no notice. I was asked if I would step in and produce the final reports for three grants they were finishing up and help them shut down their organization. I explained the challenges to the board and we agreed on a plan. I thought how sad it was that an organization that provided some excellent services for seniors and our community since 2000 was going to close its doors.

Flash forward 60 days – after downsizing, moving, cutting expenses, sorting through dozens of boxes of hanging files, holding discussions with grantors, and many group meetings later change has come. Most of the Board has resigned for various reasons (several for health) and three new members have joined with a few more people needed. Guided by Geoff Schram, Board President and Susan Bony, Executive Director, they have re-purposed their organization generating a new direction and mission statement. These changes required a new organization name. Thus, **Community Heart & Hands** was organized. Its mission is to “*empower stewardship through programs designed to support personal independence, improve quality of life, and enhancing community engagement*”. The CHH Board has focused initially on providing 3 needed programs for the Montrose area: First, working with Joe Simo, principal, at Centennial Middle School to provide an after school program for middle school students in the Montrose area; Second, a Handyman Program providing services for low-income seniors and disabled individuals in the Montrose, Olathe and Delta areas; and third, guiding the Montrose in Motion organization and helping it create a successful community-wide summer event series promoting Montrose to surrounding areas. More programs to come but these are the start of **Community Heart & Hands (CHH)**.

Why these three programs? When the news articles came out that the RE-1J middle school after school program was being

canceled due to a lack of funding our board member Eileen Johnson, a retired school teacher, raised the idea to the Board that CHH raise funds to support this program. The vote was unanimous. “The middle school years are critical in laying down the foundation for a successful life. This is the age when most teenagers get into trouble without proper parental guidance. Sadly, with the high number of single-parent families in our area this is a tough age.” Susan Bony then pitched the idea to the recent After School Middle School Program coordinator, Diane Brueske, who was “very excited to see a group step-in to fill a vital community need.” A committee was formed including Joe Simo, Centennial School Principal, to create a budget and outline the program. Now CCH is seeking community financial and volunteer support to make it happen while they seek long-term funding. The Montrose Middle School After School Program will be held at Centennial Middle School but is open to all area middle school students including Columbine, Christian and home-schooled students. The program will include 4 classes each day, Monday through Thursday including homework help, art enrichment, foods/nutrition/cooking, and an athletic class. Fridays will offer homework help and one other enrichment class. The focus will be on providing educational support and enrichment classes to broaden the students' knowledge and awareness of our world outside of what is taught in the classroom.

The Handyman Program was offered previously by RSVP and given the demand for senior and disabled-support services this program was unanimously voted to be continued and expanded. The Handyman Program is headed by long-time volunteers, Tim Garvey and Tom Baird. They wanted to expand the list of services provided as well as who could volunteer. Previously, all Handyman volunteers had to be age 55 or older. The minimum age requirement has been removed. However, the requirement for all Handyman volunteers to have a background check was not removed. The Handyman Program provides minor home repair services that improve the safety and well-being of low-income seniors and disabled individuals in our community. The program does not intend on competing with professional handymen. It seeks to help those who fall through the cracks due to their low income. The most popular services include the installation of bathroom grab bars and front entry ramps to replace steps. The Handy-



Montrose in Motion, above, is among the valued community programs that have been helped by the new Community Heart & Hands.

man services are free but homeowners are asked to pay for a minor shop fee and the construction materials unless other funding is located.

The last program currently housed under CHH is the Montrose in Motion (MIM) organization. Formerly Main in Motion they decided to change the event name to reflect their “whole- community” focus. MIM runs the summer events being held downtown on Main Street approximately every other Thursday. Initially, the MIM organizers went to the Region 10 Business Resource Center for assistance in getting organized and creating a budget. It was clear during their counseling sessions that MIM needed an organization to provide ongoing coaching and oversee their business activities.

The co-Directors of MIM sought help from various local entities and decided that they felt most comfortable with CHH. The CHH board listened to their pitch and agreed to help them until they are ready to become their own stand-alone organization in a year or so.

CHH isn't stopping with these programs. Being true to its mission statement, they are having discussions with other non-profits about collaborating to improve and expand services. To launch their fundraising efforts, CHH is working with Black Bear Orchards in Palisade, a small family-run peach farm, offering premium Palisade Peaches for a minimum donation of \$27 per box (18 lb box of Grade A free-stone peaches). Peaches must be ordered with a donation by Aug. 14 for pick-up at CHH offices at 121 N. Park Ave. in Montrose on August 18 or 19. Funds from the sale of peaches will be directed towards the Middle School After School Program.

To order peaches stop by their offices. Call 249-9639 for more information on Community Heart & Hands.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

DMEA TO HOST ENERGY EFFICIENCY WORKSHOP AUG. 7

Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL-Delta-Montrose Electric Association (DMEA), in collaboration with the Colorado Energy Office, the Colorado Department of Agriculture, and Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, is hosting an energy efficiency workshop for local irrigators and dairy producers next week. The workshop will be held Friday, August 7, at Noon at DMEA's Montrose Headquarters Office. A light lunch will be provided. Attendees must RSVP to darleen.carron@dmea.com by Tuesday, Aug. 4.

The workshop will focus on how to reduce energy consumption in dairy and irrigation applications. DMEA members with electric loads related to these industries are encouraged to attend. Topics will include:

The new Colorado Dairy and Irrigation Efficiency Program

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—Electricity is a necessity for the way we live today, but for our agricultural members, it can also be a considerable business expense. DMEA is committed to making sure our members know what resources are available to help them save energy and reduce their operational costs," said Phil Zimmer, DMEA Energy Services Supervisor.

The workshop will feature presenters

from the Colorado Energy Office, Colorado Department of Agriculture, Tri-State, and DMEA.

The workshop will begin promptly at noon. For more information contact DMEA Energy Services Supervisor, Phil Zimmer at (970) 240-1217 or phil.zimmer@dmea.com.

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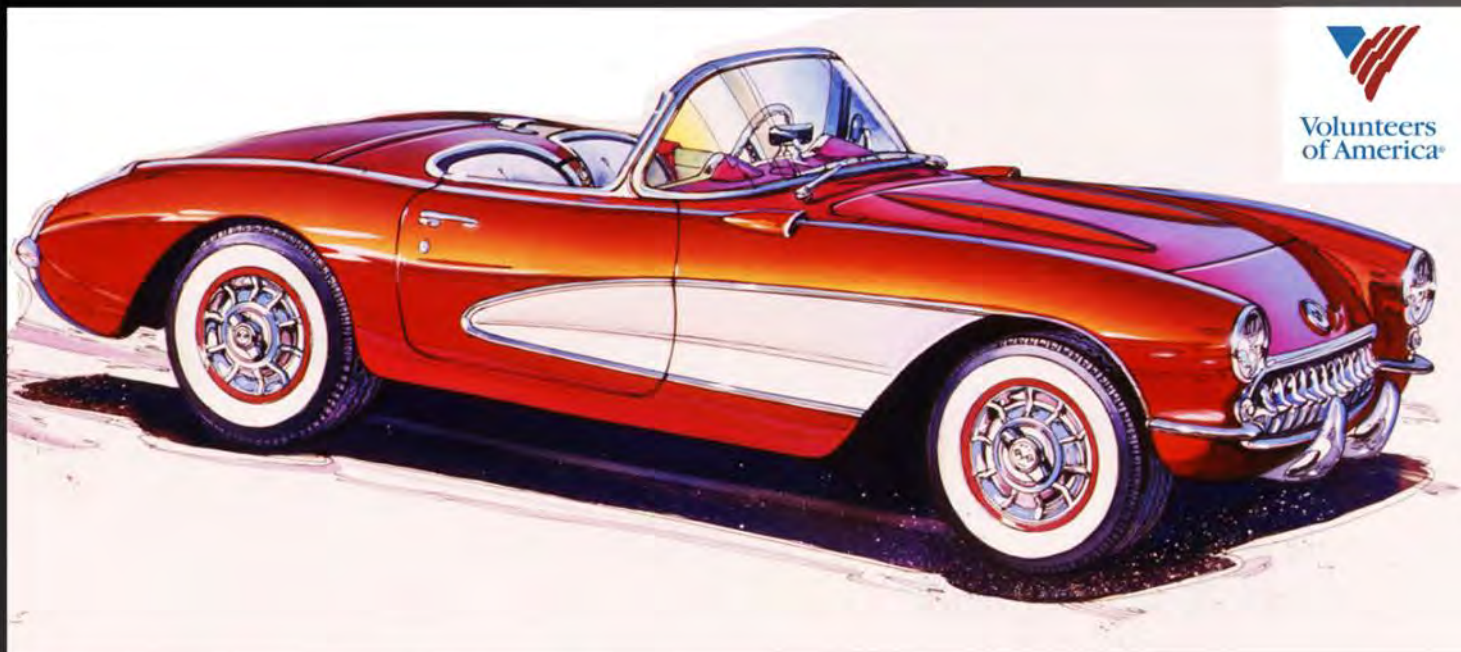
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WRITER GAIL MARVEL VISITS HOPE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE—On August 31, 2014 I visited Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church: A Confessional, Sacramental and Liturgical Congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. As I entered the foyer the greeter, as well as Rev. Darryl Hannenberg and a large visitor's guestbook, welcomed me to fellowship. The Reverend quickly ascertained my faith background and noted the church practice of closed communion. As defined in the bulletin, closed communion is, "...distributed only to those who have publically accepted the Apostolic teachings of the N.T., as explained in the *Lutheran Confessions* and summarized in *Luther's Small Catechism*."

Similar to accent pillows on a living room couch, a variety of lumbar cushions were scattered about on the wooden pews for those who needed a little back support. The cozy sanctuary was void of video screens and sound equipment and songs, sung from the hymnal, were accompanied with a piano and organ. Although there was no worship leader per se, the reverend's strong voice could be heard above that of the congregation. The children, who made up about a third of the 50 in attendance, remained in the sanctuary during the service.

Between the large bi-fold bulletin, the baptismal program, the hymnal, and my

Bible I did a bit of a juggling act as I tried to follow along with the worship structure. A greeter, noticing I couldn't find one responsive reading, came to my rescue and helped me locate the text in the hymnal. In a similar manner, a woman left her seat to sit with another visitor, a young man who also appeared unfamiliar with the order of service.

The order of service began with, —Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution," which is the formal act of the reverend forgiving sins. A special event this day was the —Sacrament of Holy Baptism." This denomination practices infant baptism and the congregation participates in the ceremony by confessing together, and speaking on behalf of the baby. The congregation not only declares their belief in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, but they also publicly denounce the devil, his works, and his ways.

Much of the worship service was scripted and read verbatim, however Reverend Hannenberg also supplemented liturgy with explanations and expository preaching. The sermon text, taken from (Ge 4:1-15; Eph 2:1-10; and Luke 18:9-14) highlighted the stories of Cain and Able, salvation by grace, and the Pharisee and the tax collector. The reverend spoke about true religion saying, —Religion of the law [Old Testament] is by your own effort — you

work your way up to God. Religion of the Gospel [New Testament] — God comes down to you." Under the law you justify yourself, but under the Gospel, it is God who justifies you. Addressing the issue of sin the reverend said, —Don't hide your sins. Own your sins — because they are yours. Don't justify yourself before the cross of Christ." The audience was reminded that God forgives sinners, not saints.

Transitioning seamlessly from one element to the next, Reverend Hannenberg presided over, and performed, all duties in the worship service.

Worshippers participating in the Lord's Supper are dismissed pew by pew to go forward and kneel at the altar for sacrament. Individuals were given a wafer, representing the body of Christ.

A single chalice containing the fruit of the vine was served and after each person sipped from the shared cup, the reverend wiped the rim. Those unable to kneel at the altar remained in the pew and the emblems were brought to them. At the conclusion of the service refreshments were available and the children were first in line for ice cream.

Contact Information:

Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod
600 North 2nd
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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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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

CPW REMINDS HUNTERS OF LEFTOVER SALES SPLIT

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DENVER -Colorado Parks and Wildlife reminds hunters interested in leftover limited licenses and over-the-counter turkey licenses in person and by phone sales begin at 9 a.m. MDT, Tuesday, Aug. 4. Online sales begin at midnight MDT, Aug. 5.

Leftover limited licenses are licenses that have gone through the draw process and still have quota remaining. The list of leftover licenses available for purchase is now available at cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/BigGame.aspx.

Choose to purchase in person at more than 700 licensing agents, including CPW locations, or by phone (800-244-5613) beginning Aug. 4 at 9 a.m. Purchase online beginning Aug. 5 at midnight at <http://cpw.state.co.us/BuyApply/pages/hunting.aspx>. In addition to a current and valid photo ID, proof of residency and

social security number, anyone buying a license must have a Hunter Education card, unless the hunter was born before Jan. 1, 1949. Online verification requires input of the hunter education information located on the card and the state in which it was issued. Bring this card with you for in-person sales.

To sign up for a Hunter Education course go to cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterEducation.aspx. To request a replacement Colorado hunter education card, go to cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HE-CardReplacement.aspx.

Resources are available at cpw.state.co.us/BuyApply/pages/hunting.aspx. If you have questions about hunting, contact CPW at 303-297-1192.

Thousands of over the counter with cap licenses for bear also remain available. Interested license buyers should refer to the 2015 Big Game Brochure for season

participation requirement.

Refer to cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/BigGame.aspx for resources to assist in purchasing online, by phone at 1-800-244-5613 or at CPW locations and license agents. 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>

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HONORABLE MENTION

To Sydney of Lark & Sparrow, for knowing how to make a young person feel special with a beautiful, fruity fountain drink...a true food and beverage professional...

And to the Bistro restaurant, for taking the art of making great cocktails seriously...see the watermelon martini in progress, below, and a perfect Bloody Mary.



...And to the new owner of the RnR Sports Bar at 35 North Uncompahgre, Tom Wyjack! Congratulations!

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MONTROSE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS DONATE 164 POUNDS OF FOOD TO SHARING MINISTRIES



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MONTROSE-The Montrose Young Professionals held a month long food drive ending this week. This was the first annual food drive for the Young Professionals, and it partners with their annual coat drive held in December. The group was able to donate 164 pounds of food to Sharing Ministries this week.

“We know food drives are popular during the holiday season, but people often forget food banks in the summer,” says Thomas Keller, YP co-chair, “This is our way of trying to give back in a time of great need.”

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

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COBBLE CREEK WOMEN'S GOLF GIVES MORE THAN \$20K TO MONTROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



check for \$4,000 to the Montrose Community Foundation.

On July 11th, the CCWGA (CCWGA) hosted the 12th annual Ladybug Invitational. One hundred and four entrants played in the tournament this year.

The event was generously sponsored by Timberline Bank and Tiff and Joanne Hayden of The Enclave. Each year the CCWGA donates the proceeds of the Ladybug Invitational to a local nonprofit and this year they chose the Montrose Community Foundation.

Pictured: Nancy Young, Co-chairman of the Lady Bug Invitational; Beverly Howell, Co-chairman of the Lady Bug Invitational; Lynne Thomas, CCWGA Treasurer; Deb Brown, CCWGA President and Sara Plumbhoff, Executive Director Montrose Community Foundation.

For questions, please contact Sara Plumbhoff, Montrose Community Foundation 249-3900 or

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MONTROSE-Since 2011, Cobble Creek Women's Golf Association gives more than \$20,000 to the Montrose Community Foundation thru Ladybug Invitational proceeds

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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MOUNTAIN VILLAGE CELEBRATES SAFE COMMUNITIES AUG. 4

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MOUNTAIN VILLAGE – Bringing together community members and emergency responders, the Mountain Village Police Department is hosting the fourth annual National Night Out Tuesday, Aug. 4. From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., the community is invited to join their neighbors, police and fire department teams at the Meadows Parking Lot (Adams Ranch Road) for a free ice cream social and tours of police cars, fire trucks and ambulance. Free gun safety

locks will be available and the Telluride Fire District will offer free blood pressure readings. In addition to this year's festivities, all children 17 and under may enter a drawing to win great prizes.

National Night Out, a part of the National Association of Town Watch, involves over 38 million people in 16,000-plus communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. This well-known and celebrated annual event was designed to heighten com-

munity awareness of safety and fire prevention issues, as well as to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnership.

–This is National Night Out's 32 year, and we look forward to promoting future generations of police-community partnership through an evening of fun," said Lieutenant Rachelle Redmond.

For more event information, contact the Mountain Village Police Department at 970.728.9281.



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Hold the Date! Upcoming Business and Cultural Events

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). 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 July 21st, Tuesday Aug. 18th, and Sept. 8th!!

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, Centennial Plaza.

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-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 31-Aug.8-55th Annual Artists' Alpine Holiday art show at Ouray Community Center, 340 6th Avenue in Ouray.

Aug. 4-School Supply Distribution at Sharing Ministries from 2 to 4 p.m.

Aug. 4-Annual Sheep Day Outing, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free to the public, no pets please. Directions from Lake City, Colorado: continue south on Gunnison Avenue into the mid-town area. Turn right onto W. 3rd Street and follow for 2 blocks. Turn left onto N. Bluff Street and follow it as it turns into County Road 20. Follow County Road 20 for 16 miles where you will arrive at the Sheep Day location.

Aug. 4-2015 Safety Fair and National Night Out, Fellin Park, Ouray. 2 to 6 p.m. Safety Fair, 6 p.m. on National Night Out.

Aug. 5-Heidi's Brooklyn Deli Forum, 8 to 9 a.m. 1521 Oxbow Dr. Speaker will be Colorado Division of Water Resources Asst. Division Engineer Jason Ullman. Coffee is \$1.

Aug. 5- Ouray County Historical Society will host its third educational, all-day tour of the Northwestern San Juan Mountains August 5, 2015. Led by local geologists, the tour is a fundraiser for the Ouray County Historical Museum's new Research Center in Ouray. Participants are encouraged to register with payment early to assure a place on the tour. Call (970) 325-4576 to register. Cost is \$135 and includes transportation, a complete Geologic Field Guide Book and lunch.

Aug. 5 - Montrose County Historical Society Presents: Karla Gilbert "Sanborn Park School's Final Day". It will be in the Pioneer room at the Montrose County Fairgrounds, starting at 7 pm, free admission.

Aug. 5-Clouds of Sils Maria to screen at the Wright Opera House, 472 Main St. in Ouray. 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7.

Aug. 6-Alpine Bank hosts Free Community Shred Day in Telluride, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 120 South Pine St. Food Drive for Angel Baskets; bring a canned food item with each box to be shredded.

Aug. 6-PUC to hold public hearing on effective competition among telephone services, Delta City Council Chambers, 360 Main Street, 4 p.m.

Aug. 6 — Paonia's Pickin' in the Park TODO MUNDO World Music with a Latin Groove. www.todomundomusic.com. Opening Set and Late Show by Handmade Moments World Traveling Folk Duo www.handmademoments.net.

Aug. 6-Cyrill Aimee at Lark & Sparrow, 511 East Main St. \$30. Doors open at 7 p.m., show begins at 8:05. Purchase tickets in advance at Eventbrite/TheLark&Sparrowllc.

Aug. 6-Dr. Robert Beatles Tribute Band at the Radio Room in Grand Junction. Tickets are \$18 in advance and \$20 at the door and may be purchased by calling (970) 241-8801, Ext 201 or online at www.kafmradio.org. The Radio Room is located at 1310 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Aug. 7-Historical Alley walk Act I- south side of Main starts at 7 pm, meet at the Montrose Historical Museum. Fee is \$5.00/person; spaces are limited and please call 249-2085 for RSVP.

Aug. 7-Car Enthusiast Show-from 5-7pm. Cars galore, food, vendors and prize drawings! Hamburgers and hot dog meals for sale with proceeds going to Pavilion Meals. Enter drawings for prizes throughout the evening. On the lawn behind The Homestead, 1819 Pavilion Drive, Montrose. Vendor booths are free, contact Courtney for more info 970-596-2439.

Aug. 8-9-31st Annual Ridgway Arts and Crafts Rendezvous, Ridgway's Hartwell Park.

Aug. 8-9-Friends of the Ridgway Library (300 Charles Street) Used Book Sale, Ridgway Library Meeting Room from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Aug. 8-Partners Benefit Pistol Shoot, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at San Juan Shooting Range. To register call the Partners Office at 970-249-1116.

Aug. 8-Comedy show at Canyon Creek Bed & Breakfast. Featuring comics Dave Elstun and Jill Maragos. The show starts at 8 p.m. and it is a 21+ show. You can buy tickets at [Laff Inn Comedy at Canyon Creek B&B](http://LaffInnComedyatCanyonCreekB&B) or call us at 970-249-2886.

Aug. 8-Big Medicine Gang to perform at the Sherbino Theater (604 Clinton St.) in Ridgway. Doors and cash bar for *Big Medicine Gang* at The Sherbino is at 7:00pm with a \$10 cover at the door.

Aug. 11-Non-profit board training coming to Montrose, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Montrose Regional Library. \$50 for single registration, \$90 for double. Registration is OPEN: Register at <https://www.regonline.com/CYC-Montrose0812>.

Aug. 11-Montrose County Food Safety Class, Friendship Hall Kitchen 2 to 4:30 p.m. Montrose County Fairgrounds. RSVP to 970.252.5067 or 970.252.5043.

Aug. 11-Historical Alley walk, Historical Legends and True Tales starts at 7 pm, meet at the Montrose Historical Museum. Fee is \$5.00/person; spaces are limited and please call 249-2085 for RSVP.

Aug. 11-- Townie Tuesday Picture Show-Ridgway Town Park. Movie starts at dusk.

Aug. 13-Downtown Delta Fest, 5:30 to Dusk, Main Street in Delta.



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