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ROSE CLIENT 'BANNED' FROM VALLEY LAWN CEMETERY



A family member with loved ones at Montrose's Valley Lawn Cemetery, above, said she has been banned by the current operator, Rose Memorial Parlour.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE- On Nov. 7 of 2016, the Montrose County Board of Commissioners (BOCC) voted unanimously to cancel past liens for back taxes owed against the Valley Lawn Cemetery in the amount of \$90,367.33 to give the operation a fresh start. The taxes were deemed uncollectible, Montrose County Treasurer and Public Trustee Rosemary Murphy said at the time.

Now, a client of the Rose Funeral Home said that she has been banned from the cemetery by the current operator, Matthew "Mattie" Boyle, in retaliation for asking for her money back. Glenda Allies-Fox has family members spanning three generations buried in Valley Lawn. "I was Mathew's first client when he opened," she said, adding that she has paid for services that do not appear to have been performed properly, if at all.

However, after giving

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STROUP SWORN IN AS RIDGWAY CHIEF MARSHAL

By Gail Marvel

RIDGWAY-Tammy Stroup, a 1990 Montrose High School graduate, took the oath of office as the Town of Ridgway Chief Marshal on Monday, June 5.

Stroup's law enforcement career began in 2001 at Pueblo, where she worked as a lead victim's advocate. Her resume includes Montrose County Dispatcher, Chief Investigator for the 7th Judicial District Attorney's Office (10 years), a graduate of the Police Academy and a Forensic Interviewer for Dolphin House. Since the first of the year Stroup has worked as a contract law enforcement officer for the Town of Ridgway.

Stroup replaces 16-year veteran Chief Marshal D.J. "Scotty" Scott who, because of an accident injury in September 2016, took a medical retirement earlier this



Montrose Police Sergeant William "Billy" Stroup pins the badge on his wife, Ridgway Chief Marshal Tammy Stroup. Courtesy photo.

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP: VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH



By Gail Marvel

Jesus said, "For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them" (Matt 18:20 NIV).

MONTROSE-The parking lot at Victory Baptist Church was packed on April 2, 2107, but the auditorium was surprisingly empty. However, once Sunday school for children and adults was dismissed the auditorium quickly filled to more than 200.

Don Stott, a man in his 80's, mistook me for someone else, but then introduced me to a passer-by, "I started flirting with her and she's thinking, "My gosh this is a friendly church!" Don proudly explained that the church recently finished an \$85,000 auditorium remodel, has plans for an additional new facility and is debt free.

With piano accompaniment Ron Courtney directed the 24-member choir and hymn selections included, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name," "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" and "How Wonderful Thou Art." Two specials were performed, with the choir singing "Crown Christ the Risen King" and Hannah Stephens singing, "He Will Be Exalted."

The church has been studying Revelation

for more than a year and Pastor Jim Welch began by "setting the table" with the commercial situation of Babylon, the collapse of the city and the future in that time period. With storytelling flair and dramatic style Welch read Revelation 18.

Following the intro for the sermon the pastor switched gears and turned to announcements, prayer requests, the song of the month ("The Power of the Cross"), the collection of tithes and offerings, recognizing guests and a time of greeting one another.

Going back to the sermon Welch said, "More of you questioned me about the sermon title today telling me there was a typo in the bulletin. I titled it, "Dance With the One You Brung," and you thought it should be brought." The pastor laughed and continued, "Brung is a cowboy word... the idea is loyalty to your wife. We are the bride and he [Christ] is the bridegroom. Our part is that of a heavenly bride. I guarantee he is loyal to us and we should be loyal to him!"

Babylon is the image of an unfaithful woman, a system of worship that entices people away from worshipping the one

true God. "It's a one world seduction away from God. He's waiting to see how you and I respond."

Recalling the previous sermon Welch said, "Last week we talked about the war against the Lamb [Jesus]. The Lamb is not a mascot of any sports team. Some churches try to live in the world as though they are with him in theory."

Interspersed with the Revelation text Welch inserted commentary and scripture passages from John, Matthew, Titus, Roman, 1 Peter, Ephesians, 1 Corinthians and Psalms. This congregation prefers the *King James Version* and members actively participate in the message by following along in their *Bibles*.

Welch told the congregation to reject the idea that you needed to come to Victory Baptist Church, any other church, or any other denomination. "Jesus is the Lamb without spot, there is no fault in Him. Listen to the voice of the teacher, not the denomination. People were being persecuted in Revelation, but God calls them his chosen."

The pastor noted that believers are not in the tribulation part of the *Bible*, even though we are in troubling times.

"We're not called to be really smart, we're not called to be really good-looking. This is not a beauty contest. We're called to be faithful... Dance with the one who brung you."

Somewhat surprised the pastor realized he had run out of time, "I had a couple more points I still wanted to make!" As laughter rippled through the audience he joked, "We'll get to it someday."

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*Pastor Jim Welch
Worship service 10:30 a.m.*



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MIRROR LEGALS: DMEA ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Official Notice of the Annual Meeting of the Members of Delta-Montrose Electric Association

Notice is hereby given of the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Members of Delta-Montrose Electric Association, to be held on **Thursday, June 15,**

2017 at the Hotchkiss High School, 438 Bulldog Street, Hotchkiss, Colorado, for the purpose of electing members to the Board of Directors, passing upon reports covering the calendar year 2016, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting. Registration will be held between 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., and the Business Meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. The following Board of Director candidates ran unopposed and, pursuant to Association bylaws regarding entirely uncontested elections, will be deemed to have been elected at the Annual Meeting: Mark Eckhart (Region 7), John Gavan (North Region), and Damon Lockhart (Region 6).



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SMPA ELECTION RESULTS

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RIDGWAY-The San Miguel Power Association (SMPA) Annual Meeting of members was held yesterday at the SMPA Ridgway office. At the conclusion of the meeting, the results of the board election were delivered.

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Boyle 30 days notice to complete the work, Allies-Fox received profuse emails but no money, and was forbidden to enter the cemetery grounds.

"I am very angry," she said. "All I was doing was asking him to finish the job as we agreed, or give me my money back. I have family members in the Valley Lawn Cemetery dating back to the 1960s."

Allies-Fox said she has spoken to members of the BOCC about the situation.

The funeral home attached to the cemetery, which dates back to 1931, has a troubled history of financial malfeasance that long predates the current ownership. According to a Colorado Funeral Service history compiled in 1997, there was a merger of two local funeral services--Chapel of Roses and McIntire & Sumner--into Montrose Funeral Home at 505 S. 2nd St in 1980. Montrose Valley Funeral Home was purchased by Frank Tucker and his wife Deborah seven years later. In April of 2002, Montrose Daily Press Reporter Scott Schwebke reported that Montrose Valley Funeral Home had reached a settlement with the state of Colorado regarding a complaint that the Tuckers sold pre-need contracts without a license.

Three years ago, the phone number to Clark's Valley Lawn Funeral Home and Cemetery, 505 South Second Street's most recent tenant, was reported as disconnected, and the business suddenly put up for sale. It was around that time that funds paid by clients for pre-need burial services also went missing.

Montrose Daily Press Reporter Allen Lewis Gerstenecker wrote in April 2015 that Grand Junction Attorney Joseph Coleman had secured a public trustee deed for the property. Though there was some interest by locals in forming a cemetery board around that time, the cemetery and funeral home were instead leased to Boyle, who opened Rose Memorial Parlour at 505 S. 2nd Street in 2016.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

ALPINE BANK MOVIE NIGHT AT DELTA'S TRU-VU DRIVE-IN!

Special to the Mirror

DELTA-In recognition of the 10th Anniversary of Alpine Bank in Delta, the bank and staff are planning various monthly activities throughout the year. There will be a big BBQ celebration on Friday, July 21 from 11am-2pm, the actual month the

bank opened in 2007. Stay tuned for announcements of additional events and activities. Drive In movie theaters are a long standing, fun experience for the whole family. For the month of June, Alpine Bank invites you to a Movie Night at the Tru-Vu Drive In on Wednesday, June

21 at dusk. Admission is free to the public all we ask is you make a donation to support the local car club, the Delta Street Rodders. Join us on the first day of Summer for an evening under the stars at the Tru-Vu Drive In! Thank you for supporting the Delta Street Rodders.



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MONTROSE REGIONAL CRIME STOPPERS

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spring. Since Scott's accident the Ridgway's Marshal's Office has lacked manpower and local law enforcements agencies from the region have stepped forward to fill the void.

Stroup said, "Regionally the other agencies have done an amazing job to keep everything afloat. There is a cohesiveness, and it is the glue that makes sure everything is OK and provides safety for the community."

Among those who stepped up to help out were Montrose Police Department, Ouray County Sheriff's Department and an officer from Delta Police Department.

Law enforcement is predominately a male-dominated field, but it is not unusual to have a woman as the Chief Marshal. Stroup said, "I feel I have earned their respect. There is always a learning curve, but I embrace that opportunity."

Stroup sought to be well-rounded in her chosen profession, but she lacked one element, "I've never had the opportunity to work the road and be a first responder. Being on the road as a working marshal will give me that perspective."

The new marshal is not a Ridgway resident, but will live close enough to the town to have a 15-18-minute response

time. Stroup said, "My husband [Billy Stroup] is a sergeant with Montrose PD so we both need fast response times...but in opposite directions."

Stroup's first line of business is to sit down with her team and see what is best for the community and for the office. "It's a team effort and we're all working for the same cause. I want to do what is right for the people and I believe in treating people with respect."

Stroup's main duties will be town ordinance enforcement, "Dog issues and speeding...we have a lot of tourists coming through town!"

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FOREST SERVICE AND COOPERATORS RELEASE SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR TWO WEST ELK COAL MINE LEASE MODIFICATIONS

Special to the Mirror

LAKEWOOD-The U.S. Forest Service, along with cooperating agencies, Bureau of Land Management, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, and Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety announce the availability of the [Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement](#) for two federal coal lease modifications and an on-lease exploration plan for West Elk Coal Mine, located near Somerset, [Colo.](#), on the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre [and](#) Gunnison Na-

tional Forests. Arkland Company, LLC and Mountain Coal Company requested the modifications to expand their existing federal coal leases by a total 1,720 acres to ensure coal reserves are not bypassed. The 45-day public comment period begins June 9 and ends July 24.

The analysis considers three alternatives in detail, including a no-action alternative, an alternative that would consent to only one lease modification and an alternative that would consent to both lease modifications, the agencies' preferred alterna-

tive. The purpose of the federal agencies' actions is to facilitate recovery of federal coal resources in an environmentally sound manner. If the Forest Service does consent to lease, the Forest Service will prescribe conditions, as stipulations, for the protection of [non](#)-mineral resources; and then the Bureau of Land Management will decide whether or not to grant lease modifications and will further decide, if leased, whether or not to authorize on-lease exploration consistent with lease terms. With regard to on-lease exploration, the Bureau of Land Management will determine whether or not to approve the exploration plan consistent with the lease rights (if granted), or approve the exploration plan with additional conditions to minimize impacts. Subsequent permitting through the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety and possibly the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement would also be required before mining could occur. The cooperating agencies will be using the same analysis to inform their decision-making processes and regulatory requirements. Most of the area being analyzed is part of the [Sunset Colorado](#) Roadless Area under the Colorado Roadless Rule; however, it is situated within the North Fork Coal Mining Exception Area, which provides for construction of temporary roads and other short-term disturbances related to underground coal mining. Comments must be received by July 24 to be considered. Comments can be submitted by mail, faxed or electronically: Mail: Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests Attn: Forest Supervisor, 2250 HWY 50, Delta, CO 81416 Fax: 970-871-6698 Electronically: <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?Project=32459> The SDEIS, as well as other related project documents, are available for public viewing online at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=32459>.

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HENDERSON RAISES CONCERNS OVER HOSPITAL LITIGATION IN BRIEF MEETING



By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Three members of the community stepped up to address the Montrose Board of County Commissioners dur-

ing the time for public comment at the regular meeting on June 5. Wayne Quade suggested that the County increase its participation in local Earth Week festivities. "The City set aside an entire week," Quade said, and asked commissioners to pass a resolution in support of Earth Week as well.

Former County Commissioner Ron Henderson spoke about the ongoing litigation with Montrose Memorial Hospital, and asked how the debt taken on by the county on behalf of the hospital will impact the solvency of the County and future efforts to obtain bond financing. "The hospital is

paying interest only on the debt, and not doing anything about retiring it...if the hospital has no program in place to take care of the bonds they have taken on, all they would have to do is hand the keys over to the County and we have it all, lock, stock and barrel.

"It would be worthwhile to get a clear understanding and move forward in a logical manner," Henderson said, "rather than getting ourselves into a haphazard mess."

Nancy Medlock also addressed the BOCC. "I want to thank everybody who showed up for the law enforcement memorial service," said Medlock, a retired law enforcement professional from Maricopa County, Arizona. "It was very cold and very windy; I appreciate all of you showing up."

In other business, Commissioners voted to approve [Consent Agenda](#) items; approved annual renewal of the 3.2 percent beer off-premise license for Newberry's Store in Cimarron; and awarded the Invitation to Bid for the Montrose County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update to Dynamic Planning and Science in the amount of \$52,000.

Dedication of a road right-of-way plat for a portion of Highway 90 adjacent to property owned by Gaunt Ranch near the intersection with Poplar Road was continued in a brief public hearing until the meeting of Wednesday, June 21.

"I would really like to see this dedication taken care of quicker," BOCC Chair Caddy said.

"If we can conclude the business sooner, let's convene a special session and get it done sooner than later."

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DERRICK FERGUSON RESIGNS FROM LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Dr. Robert Munday, the latest applicant for a position on the Montrose Regional Library Board of Trustees, will be interviewed by county commissioners for appointment to the board. Photo by Gail Marvel.

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE—The revolving door on the Montrose Regional Library District (MRLD) Board of Trustees continues as Derrick Ferguson, who was appointed in April, turned in his resignation because of a job transfer.

Prospective board candidates Lee Ann Riddoch and Dr. Robert Munday are scheduled for interviews with the Mont-

rose County Commissioners in the coming week.

Friends of the Library – No report.

Librarian’s Report – Executive Director Paul Paladino.

Revenues are being received according to projections. The new internet cabling project has had minimal disruption to staff and patrons with only a one-day closure.

A patron using the Wi-Fi network downloaded (pirated) two movies and a representative of Paramount Pictures has threatened to sue. Paladino said, “We have received such messages before and we believe that we are covered under the “safe harbor” rule.”

The board retreat was postponed and will be rescheduled. The Libraries of Montrose County Foundation annual event, scheduled for August 27th, is a concert of Celtic music featuring the Beaton Sisters from Nova Scotia.

PR & Outreach Committee Report – Dave Segal, Emily Schneider and Caroline Evans.

The committee will spend June and July getting feedback from the community on a possible mill levy increase.

The committee sees the key priorities and needs as: 1) open more hours, 2) increase material budget, 3) increase children’s library, 4) more programs for adults and teens, 5) maintenance and appropriate staffing, and 6) increases in Bookmobile services.

Schneider said, “We haven’t decided yet if we will ask voters for a mill levy increase. We don’t want to just restore what we lost in 2012, but we want to improve and move to do different things.”

By law the library staff cannot work on a mill levy increase campaign. However, the board of trustees, if they chose to go to the voters in November, will be the driving force behind the campaign.

Old Business: Schneider and Paladino will meet with city representatives to discuss shared services (IT and Bookmobile maintenance).

OUTSTANDING 8TH GRADER EXCITED ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES @ MHS



Zachary Vincent. Courtesy photo.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE—A trained actor almost from birth, Zachary Vincent of Montrose is definitely comfortable in the spotlight. Still, when Vincent was awarded the Eighth Grade Overall Academic Achievement Awards from Centennial Middle

School for the 2016-2017 school year (along with Brady Cassidy), it came as an unexpected honor.

“It was certainly a surprise,” Vincent said. “I was very pleased; it’s not like I needed an ego boost, because I am a naturally positive person.

“But it always helps.”

As he embarks on his high school years, Zach expects to study social studies and creative writing, and he will take part in marching band.

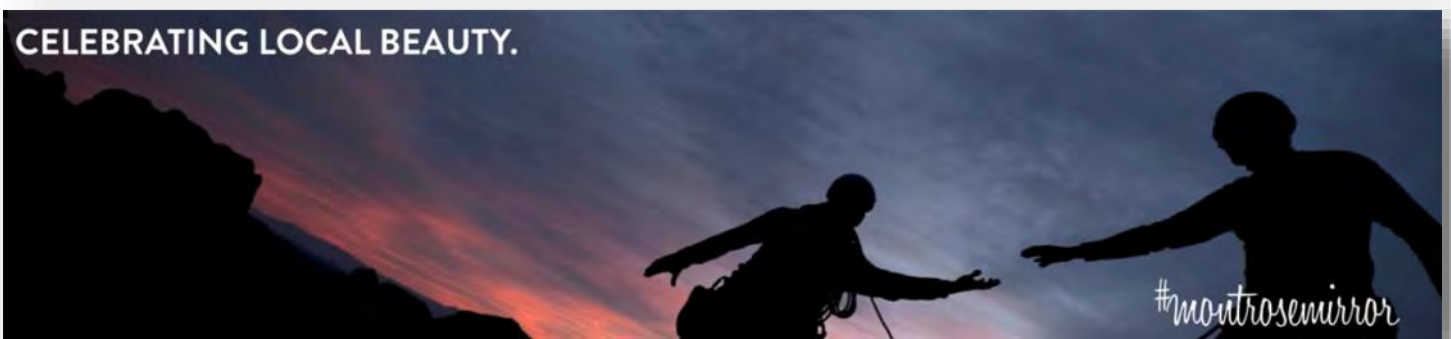
“I am a big fan of history too,” he said. “I

hope to get into that for my career.”

In years past Vincent, son of Jill Vincent, has taken part in the Magic Circle Theater’s summer drama camps.

“I would do it again this year but I am too old.” Instead, he plans to camp with friends. “We will sit down, write a play and perform it.”

And when the school year begins again, “There are lots of opportunities,” Vincent said. “I feel good about the award; I am proud of myself. And I am very excited about Montrose High School.”



CITY MOVES FORWARD WITH CERISE AMPHITHEATER

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Montrose City Council Work Session Discussion Items for June 5, 2017: **Cerise Park Amphitheater** – Councilman Dave Bowman, Rotary President-Elect Mark Plantz and Senior Planner Garry Baker.

The committee, a group numbering 12-15 people, has met twice. The committee is comprised of city staff, Rotary members and people associated with music production. In a site inspection the committee determined the north end of Cerise Park is the best location for an amphitheater.

Bowman said, "Parking will be an issue, but we can park up on Sunset Mesa. We hope fencing will be limited, but [it] will be needed when we start selling tickets."

Baker asked about the scope of the project, "Ridgway has a smaller stage that cost about \$125,000 and the one at Grand Junction is nearly a \$4 M dollar project." In a rough estimate City Manager Bill Bell suggested \$500,000, "But we'll need a design to help come up with the figure."

The committee has talked with Rotary about cost sharing and making the amphitheater a Rotary Legacy Project. Plantz, who made no Rotary commitment until cost estimates are done said, "This is perfect for the type of project Rotary is looking for."

The city will prepare a Request for Proposal (RFP); however, it could be 2018-2019 before completed. Bell said, "If it's a

million-dollar project it will take more time."

Sunset Mesa West Division of Property – Senior Planner Garry Baker.

The Sunset Mesa property will be swapped with property owned by the Adamson Family Trust. Baker said, "The division of the property is the next step for the project. Two chunks of land allow it to be developed in phases and [it] is more advantageous for prospective buyers."

Fireworks Display Permit Approval – City Clerk Lisa DelPiccolo.

The permit is for the same company used in 2016 and the item will appear on the council's agenda.

General Council Discussion:

Council asked for the status of the Jacal Wall historical site in Cerise Park. Due to deterioration and collapse of the one remaining wall the site now has little historical value.

Director of Innovation and Citizen Engagement Virgil Turner discussed a one million-dollar grant from Colorado Health Foundation's Healthy Places. Turner said, "This year they will select four communities. It is about a one-year commitment and there is no grant match required." The application deadline is June 15; however, the city has yet to define the project they will submit.

Bowman gave a shout-out to everyone who helped with the first installment of the Summer Music Concert Series, "It was



Rotary President-Elect Mark Plantz was present at the city council work session to discuss the prospects of the Cerise Park Amphitheater becoming a Rotary Legacy Project. Photo by Gail Marvel.

a group effort and came out just wonderful."

Mayor Judy Ann Files reported on efforts for the Black Canyon National Park to become a sister park to Tara National Park in Serbia.

Councilmen David Romero and Roy Anderson offered no discussion items and Councilman Rex Swanson said he would hold his comments until the public council meeting on Tuesday evening.

Assistant City Manager and Office of Business and Tourism (OBT) Director Rob Joseph reported that next week OBT will take possession of a raft that will be used on the Uncompahgre River to market Montrose. The vehicle wrap for the OBT Subaru is in the final design and expected to be completed within the next two weeks. Joseph said, "The vehicle will be high profile; it is an advertisement."



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NO ARRESTS YET MADE IN SHOOTING OF MONTROSE CHILD

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-The May 29 shooting of a 13-year-old boy in his own bed in the Ikie's Trailer Park at 1308 East Main Street was determined to be intentional by Montrose Police, and a person of interest was targeted. However, as of today, June 12, no arrests have yet been made.

"We would love to get him in jail," Montrose Police Commander Gene Lillard said today. "We are still digging

deeply; we just want to get things in line so we can get a warrant for his arrest. We have been working on it."

The Ikie's Trailer Park works with the City's Crime Free Housing unit, however, the shots were apparently fired from a neighboring trailer park, the San Juan Trailer Park formerly managed and still owned by Great Homes Company of Grand Junction, according to police.

The San Juan Trailer Park has been a con-



Normally quiet, peace was shattered at the Ikie's Trailer Park (above right) May 29 when a young boy was shot in his own bed, apparently from an adjoining trailer park, San Juan Trailer Park. (above left) Mirror file photos.

stant hub of criminal activity over the years, but particularly so since the Great Homes Company removed its maintenance team several years ago. San Juan Trailer Park continues to be a haven for drug addicts and criminals, with more empty, rusted, abandoned trailers than occupied units

City Manager Bill Bell did not return calls on the matter, however, Police Chief Tom Chinn noted last week, "This is an ongoing

investigation and it is a top priority."

When asked what the City is doing to clean up the trailer park and ensure the safety of residents and neighbors, Chinn said, "The City Attorney is working on that aspect."

Calls to City Attorney Stephen Alcorn's office have not yet been returned.

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URA BOARD APPROVES PROMISSORY NOTE WITH CITY

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-The 10-member Urban Renewal Authority Board (URA) of Commissioners consists of URA Chair Tad Rowan, Executive Director and City Manager Bill Bell, county representative Brad Hughes, Re-1J school Representative Melanie Hall, special district representative Barbara Bynum and the five city council members - Roy Anderson, Dave Bowman, Mayor Judy Ann Files, David Romero and Rex Swanson. Members absent from the June meeting were: Bynum, Hall and Romero.

Bid Approval – City Engineer Scott Murphy explained the bid process and said, “We want to make sure we get the right team for a reasonable price.”

Murphy recommended the bid be awarded to Del-Mont Consultants, “They have a great reputation, a lot of experience and a great understanding of the project.”

The design contract was awarded to Del-Mont Consultants in the amount of \$462,370 for completion of site design studies and detailed civil design for Phase of the URA public infrastructure. Utility work will begin this winter and paving will start in early summer 2018. This is funded by a loan from the City of Montrose and paid back through a Promissory Note.

Consideration of Expenditures - City Engineer Scott Murphy.

The board considered authorization of \$90,200 in expenditures for design items incidental to Phase I.

Murphy said, “This is the legs of the project. We didn’t have the architectural leg and this will add to the overall layout work with Del-Mont.”

Hughes said, “When does the developer [Colorado Outdoors] take over the expenses and the URA is no longer responsible?”



Mayfly Outdoors President David Dragoo explains the boundary adjustment to the URA board. Photo by Gail Marvel.

Bell said, “If it is something on an individual’s lot, that’s for the owner. We’re not paying an architect to design an individual’s lot. The city does what is in the public’s interest — utilities, sewer, water. We draw the line on private development sites. Private development pays its own way.” The board voted unanimously to authorize expenditures.

Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Montrose - City Engineer Scott Murphy.

The board considered a Promissory Note between the URA and the City of Montrose in the amount of \$552,570 for site design studies, detailed civil design work, and incidental expenditures related to Phase I.

The agreement was amended to say that the amount would not exceed actual costs, with a maximum amount of \$552,570. Approved unanimously.

Review of MURA Boundary Adjustment – David Dragoo, Colorado Outdoors.

River Restoration RFP Update - City Engineer Scott Murphy.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) will go out by the end of the week. Murphy said, “It will be a three-year implementation. The goal is great fishing for the public. Some areas of the river have good habitat; other places are void of habitat. Some of the river is no longer in the flood plain because the river has moved a lot over the years. We’ll get it mapped correctly.”

The plan will use boulders for enhancement and stabilization. There will be no artificial structures such as cement walls.

Phase I is described as the central core of the site which takes in the proposed Mayfly facility and goes from North 9th on the south end, to the north end of Grand Ave. The next meeting is scheduled for July 24, 2017, 4:30 p.m., in council chambers.

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“I WANTED TO FEEL THE WIND ON MY FACE THAT THEY FELT”



Before being removed from the area, the Ute people had a life that was deeply involved with the local environment. Mirror staff photo.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE—The old words roll easily from his tongue, like spring water over rocks. The old stories sound brand new to those who have not heard them before, and to those who believe history began here with the arrival of the train in the 1880's.

“My people were removed from here in September of 1881,” Roland McCook told those who came to hear him speak about the legacy of the Ute peoples at the Montrose Pavilion on June 8. “The cavalry was located by Colona...they formed a line up to Ridgway and they pushed the Utes out in front of them.”

Local names that remain to commemorate the Utes—not what they called themselves—are all wrong, said McCook, who is descended from the late Chief Ouray and his wife Chipeta. Uncompahgre Utes in their own words were the red water nuche, nuche being the word for human beings. “Pa Co Chu Puk?” laughed McCook. “That’s all wrong.” A direct translation equates to “water cow,” he said.

The name Spud Hill has come down to the present day because of the man who once owned the land,” he added. “There was a Native American who had a potato farm there,” he said. “He was successful, selling to the cavalry, but that didn’t matter when they came and told him he had to go.

“They swept the whole valley to Grand Junction, and on to the river and to Utah.



Roland McCook spoke to an interested crowd at the Pavilion on June 7.

It took three and a half days to make that walk.”

Though the people thought they were being moved to the Grand Valley, officials including Otto Mears decided that there would not be enough vegetation there to sustain the tribes agriculturally.

“They had to move on, so on they went,” McCook said. “They just walked forward; women who had had a happy life here were driven with their families to Utah.”

With the move, many generations of knowledge were lost. “They had a life here that involved the environment,” McCook explained. “Plants and berries here were used daily; when they were put in a high desert environment, forced to that place, they never regained the use of medicinal plants.”

Born in 1941, McCook was himself raised in Utah’s Desolation Canyon, a place of rocky hills, deep canyons, with a roaring river going by. To get him to come in from playing, his mother would tell him, “Come in or the white man’s going to get you.” Upon asking his father about the white man, McCook learned that “they got a hairy face; they got a white face.”

“One day I was playing and I saw some riders,” McCook recalled. “They had a white face, and a hairy beard. “It took half a day to get me down off that mountain.”

McCook spent one year of his childhood in a boarding school established by the U.S. government. “It was 140 miles away from my parents; for a whole year I didn’t

see my parents,” he said. “This was one of the most traumatizing experiences for us; they cut our hair off. They woke us up one Sunday, dressed us, and walked us over to a big white building. We saw a guy standing there by a basin dunking heads in water.

“Shazam, I was a Christian; now I could be dealt with, now I could go to Heaven.”

As an adult, McCook had a distinguished career, and has traveled and spoken widely. He served as vice-chair of the Smithsonian Institution’s Native American Repatriation Review Committee, and has been featured in a 2016 PBS documentary. McCook returned here late in life, where he has worked to share information about the Ute peoples, which are many and diverse. He has worked on a forgiveness project with former San Miguel County Commissioner Art Goodtimes, who has formally apologized to the Utes. McCook speaks regularly to committee groups, and will speak at a river blessing ceremony on June 24 in Ridgway.

It is easy to see that time and the loss of old ways have left their mark. Native Americans were not granted citizenship until 1924, and not all were able to vote legally in the United States until 1957. Roughly 40 percent of the 3,200 Ute people still speak their native language, though it is now being taught in preschool.

“Education took over, and things got lost,” said McCook, who also expressed some disdain for modern science.

“We take issue at them guessing and interpreting our lives,” he said, “without knowing Indian logic. A scientist can see a wiggly line and see three different interpretations. I will see a wiggly line--let’s be practical about this.”

Still, it is good to be back in the land from which his people were forced more than a century ago. “This is where my people were,” he said. “I wanted to be where they were, to breathe where they breathed, and to hike these mountains. “I wanted to feel the wind on my face that they felt, and feel the spirits they felt.”



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FORMER NUCLEAR AND URANIUM WORKERS TO BE HONORED AT GRAND JUNCTION ROCKIES GAME

Special to the Mirror

GRAND JUNCTION – Former nuclear and uranium workers will be honored at the Grand Junction Rockies Atomic Heroes Appreciation Night on Wednesday, June 21, at 6:40 p.m. at Soplizio Field, 1315 North Ave. for serving their country during the Cold War era.

All former Department of Energy workers or contractors are invited to attend Atomic Heroes Appreciation Night free of charge, where they will be honored and recognized for their service to the nation during the challenging days of the Cold War. The guests of honor will be honored throughout the game and enjoy special giveaways.

Since 1945, hundreds of thousands of men and women have served in more

than 360 nuclear weapons facilities throughout the United States. Collectively they built more than 70,000 nuclear weapons to deter, and if necessary fight, a nuclear war. Many of these workers paid a high price for their service, including developing debilitating and sometimes fatal illnesses due to the exposure to radiation and toxic chemicals they endured. Nuclear Care Partners, an in-home care provider for former department of energy workers, believes these individuals should be supported and recognized for their contributions to build the country’s defense and keep Americans safe.

“This appreciation night is just one way to show these men and women how much we appreciate them for enhancing our nation’s security,” said John Kelley, Com-

munity Relations Manager at Nuclear Care Partners. “They sacrificed more than they knew and we are committed to ensuring their contributions are not forgotten.”

For more information about the event or to RSVP for tickets, please call Nuclear Care Partners at 970-244-0900.

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FREE APP LAUNCHED TO HELP HOMEOWNERS DETERMINE IF TREES ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO EMERALD ASH BORER

Special to the Mirror

FORT COLLINS – To help Colorado homeowners determine whether trees on their property are susceptible to being killed by emerald ash borer (EAB), the Colorado State Forest Service and Colorado State University Extension have released a free app that will allow anyone to use their mobile device to quickly ascertain whether a tree may be a potential target for the pest. EAB is a highly destructive, non-native insect from Asia, first detected in Colorado in 2013, which is fatal to all infested ash trees unless the trees have been chemically treated.

“The most important thing Colorado communities can do now is prepare for emerald ash borer’s arrival by increasing their EAB awareness, sharing information about how to identify ash trees and learning the symptoms of this pest,” said Keith Wood, CSFS community forestry program manager.

The [EAB/Ash Tree ID](#) app can be downloaded on almost any modern Apple or

Android-based device, and easily located in app stores by simply searching for “ash tree.” It offers a step-by-step process to determine if a given tree appears to be a true ash or not, and offers links and other information about EAB for users who suspect they might have an ash tree. The app is intended not just for homeowners, but also for business owners, school groups or anyone concerned about the potential impacts of this pest.

The app also is intended to prompt homeowners and other landowners to consider early management options for EAB. These may include replacing unhealthy trees before they die, treating high-value trees with the proper insecticides and planting new trees near ash that might ultimately succumb to the pest.

EAB, which is responsible for the death of tens of millions of ash trees in 30 states and two Canadian provinces, has only been detected in Boulder County within Colorado. Yet the pest has become a concern for communities all over the state

because each year it can fly up to a half mile to infest new trees, and spread much faster through the human transport of firewood and other raw wood. An estimated 15 percent or more of all urban and community trees in the state are ash, which are susceptible to EAB.

Boulder and Longmont have been dealing with the pest’s impacts since having confirmed detections, while many other Colorado communities are preparing for EAB’s arrival. The City of Denver began its “Be a Smart Ash” campaign last year to raise awareness of the EAB threat in the metro area, where one in six trees are ash, and since then has been implementing a 15-year plan to identify, treat and replace ash trees on city property.

For more information about ash tree identification, the symptoms of EAB and treatment options, go to www.csfs.colostate.edu/emerald-ash-borer. For current information about EAB in Colorado and EAB quarantine information, visit www.eabcolorado.com.

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CORRY WAEGE FOUND NOT GUILTY IN SEX ASSAULT CASE

7th Judicial District news Release

MONTROSE-Mr. Waege was charged with Sexual Assault on a Child by One in a Position of Trust, C.R.S. 18-3-405.3(1) on Feb. 24, 2015. This is a class four felony. A trial to a jury of twelve citizens commenced on May 30, 2017, before The Honorable Keri Yoder in Montrose District Court. This trial lasted for six days and the verdict of not guilty was returned by the jury on June 7, 2017. The Office of the District Attorney greatly respects the judicial system and the processes surrounding affording due process to defendants in criminal cases.

It is a privilege and a duty to be selected

and to serve as a juror. The jurors are presented with evidence during a trial that is sometimes difficult and uncomfortable to be exposed to and this was such a case. The Office of the District Attorney greatly appreciates the participation of all the potential jurors summoned to appear and the time and hard work of the jurors selected. Every trial requires significant disruption of the lives of witnesses and jurors. Without their participation, the criminal justice system cannot seek resolution of these important matters.

The members of the team prosecuting this case included Deputy District Attorney

Seth Ryan and Denetta Dunlap, who is the Sex Offense Victim Services Assistant. Also included in this team were investigators from the Montrose Police Department, Sargent Abby Boston and Officer Brian Rumbaugh.

The time, energy, and vigilance expended by this team from law enforcement were extensive and this Office recognizes those efforts and extends its gratitude to these investigators.

Any criminal charge against a defendant is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until or unless proven guilty.

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN ON WEST SIDE ARTERIAL PHASE II

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE- Contractors working for the City of Montrose are scheduled to begin construction of Phase II of the West Side Arterial Project on Monday, June 19.

Phase I of this project improved Grand Ave from North Ninth Street to South First Street utilizing a grant from the Federal Highway Administration. Following completion of Phase I in 2012, approximately \$1 million of the original grant funding remained available for use. Phase II of the project will use these remaining grant funds to extend Grand Ave from South

First Street to South Third Street and extend the roadway project as far south as possible within available city right of way. Future phases of the project to extend Rio Grande Avenue farther south will require the purchase of abandoned Union Pacific right of way through the area.

Roadway improvements will include sidewalks, curb and gutter, street lights, and new asphalt paving. Below-ground improvements will include utility relocations, a waterline replacement, and new storm drain infrastructure. The low bidder for the project was Rundle Construc-

tion from Hotchkiss, Colorado, the same contractor that constructed Phase I of the West Side Arterial project and the recently completed East Oak Grove and Sunnyside/Hillcrest improvement projects.

The entire project area will be closed off to the public throughout the duration of construction, which is expected to last until November. A detour route will be established around the project area and motorists and pedestrians are asked to please respect all coned off areas and obey all posted speed limits along project detour routes.

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RESIDENT SHARES CONCERNS WITH CITY COUNCIL OVER LOW FLYING AIRCRAFT, DRONES AND PARAGLIDERS



Citizens turned out for the June 6 city council meeting to express concerns about the impact and the need for a 500-unit development. Photo by Gail Marvel.

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-The regular city council meeting on June 6 began with the City of Montrose receiving an award from Julie George, representative of HEAL Cities and Towns. "Montrose was the sixth city to join the program and within two years earned the Elite Award." The award was determined by points which were based on eating healthy and healthy living.

Call for Public Comment:

Mr. Goldberg shared his concern with low-flying aircraft, drones and paragliders flying over private property. The last three summers Goldberg has experienced incidents with aircraft flying over and looking down on his patio and deck, "I'd like you to consider how you are going to regulate it before you have to ask people to stop."

Ordinance 2420 (second reading) – Senior Planner Garry Baker.

The owner of the property, formally known as Best Appliance, sought a zoning change to "B-3" General Commercial District which would allow for an auto service business on the property. Approved unanimously.

The following four ordinances are related to the Dragoon Additions 1 and 2 for zoning and annexation. This is the Colorado Outdoors/Urban Renewal Authority Project and subject property was split into two parcels in order to meet State contiguous requirements.

Ordinance 2420 (second reading) - Senior Planner Garry Baker. Approved unanimously.

Ordinance 2421 (second reading) - Senior Planner Garry Baker. Approved unanimously.

Ordinance 2422 (second reading) - Senior Planner Garry Baker. Approved unanimously.

Ordinance 2423 (second reading) - Senior Planner Garry Baker. Approved unanimously.

Ordinance 2424 (first reading) - Senior Planner Garry Baker.

This is a re-zone of city property on Sunset Mesa from "P" Public District to "R-2", Low Density. This city owned property that has been made available for trade with property on Anderson Road owned by the Adamson Family Trust. The "P" zone is for government property and not appropriate for private development. Approved unanimously.

Miami Road Farm Addition Annexation - Senior Planner Garry Baker.

Resolution 2017-8 – Finding of Fact for the annexation.

Ordinance 2425 (first reading) for the annexation.

Applicant Israel Waitman requested the city annex 165 acres, located between Miami on the north and Sunnyside on the south, known as Miami Road Farm Addition.

County residents Janet Eckerdt, Lori Webb and Colleen Burke expressed concerns about the impact and the need for a 500-unit development on the property.

Neighboring property owner Burke said, "I am deeply concerned about the density in this area. We bought our parcel a year ago and deliberately moved to an area that was not in the city." Alcorn responded, "There is more and more pressure on the city to annex. Property development is what's driving the train." Eckerdt thought it unusual to annex without the zoning. She said, "There is public opposition." Webb said, "Why the rush to annex? How much has the city annexed that is not developed?" Development of the property can take place whether it is in the county or the city. However, if annexed into the city the development will have city sewer, water and streets. Baker said, "The city has a much more robust way to handle development than the county."

The second reading for the annexation will take place on June 19 and the Planning Commission Zoning Hearing will take place on June 28.

The city staff recommended approval. Both the Resolution and the Ordinance were approved unanimously.

Release of Covenants – City Attorney Stephen Alcorn.

The new rec center property was formerly intended for development and appropriate covenants were put in place. Alcorn said, "In 2012 the Recreation District purchased the land and the covenants are no longer needed on the property." Approved unanimously.

Bid Approval – Public Works Director John Harris.

Harris recommended the Northside Sidewalk Improvement Construction contract in the amount of \$146,040.40 be awarded to Western Gravel Constructors. The project is located with Uncompahgre Avenue to the west, between North 6th and North 9th. Harris said, "August 24th it will be completed and we're not anticipating any street closures." Approved unanimously.

Bid Approval - Public Works Director John Harris.

Harris recommended awarding the construction contract for the Westside Arterial Phase II in the amount of \$1,094,738.46 to Rundle Construction. This project is funded from the remainder of the original 2012 grant funding for Phase I. The project will extend Grand Avenue from South 1st Street to South 3rd Street. Approved unanimously.

Staff Reports:

Assistant City Manager Rob Joseph reported that there are two open positions on the DDA Board. Joseph gave a report on the efforts of the Office of Business and Tourism and the upcoming summer activities.

City Council Comments:

Councilman Dave Bowman promoted the Summer Music Concert Series and the success of the most recent event, "For all of those who enjoyed Main in Motion... This is the new Main in Motion!" Councilman Rex Swanson spoke about the successful Swift Water Rescue Training that recently took place on the river.

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SAN JUAN HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The San Juan Healthcare Foundation and the Montrose Medical Alliance are accepting applications for scholarship awards for training in the health sciences field.

Applicants of any age wishing to pursue training in a health-related field are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to applicants from the Montrose area who

intend to return to this area to utilize their talents. This scholarship is open to any graduate, nurse, medical student, therapist, or anyone who has been accepted into a health sciences program/college.

Applications may be obtained by contacting Lark Jacobsen by phone at 970-209-4555 or by email at ljacobsen@sanjuanhf.org.

Completed applications can be mailed to

the San Juan Healthcare Foundation at P. O. Box 2108, Montrose, CO 81042 or emailed to ljacobsen@sanjuanhf.org. If you have any questions, please contact Lark Jacobsen at 970-209-4555.

Applications will be taken through Aug. 7th, and the recipient(s) will be announced after Sept. 7th. The selection of the winner(s) will be made by the San Juan Healthcare Foundation Board.

CITY SEEKS CANDIDATES TO FILL DDA BOARD VACANCIES

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-Montrose residents interested in helping to shape the future of downtown Montrose are invited to submit their applications for vacant positions on the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board of Directors.

Applicants must reside, be a business lessee, or own real property within the

DDA boundaries to be eligible to serve on the board. DDA Board meetings are normally held at 4:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month in the Centennial Room of the City Hall Annex.

The mission of the DDA is to establish downtown Montrose as a strong business, social, and cultural center for the success of downtown business and property own-

ers through a combination of business development, physical improvements, promotion, and creating a unified voice for downtown. Applications are available at CityofMontrose.org/DDA, City Hall (433 S. First Street), or by calling (970) 240-1422.

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LOCAL WORK GROUP MEETING TO DETERMINE 2018 FARM BILL PROGRAMS

Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL-Shavano Conservation District (SCD) and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) want feedback from local landowners on local conservation and natural resource concerns. The feedback on the identified concerns will be used by the NRCS when developing the Farm Bill Conservation Programs in fiscal year 2017-2018. Your Local Work Group (LWG) meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, 6-8 pm, in Montrose to determine the top two highest priorities within our district, as well as the "what" and "why" of each concern and "how" each concern might be addressed in order to achieve a successful outcome. The top

2 concerns and priorities will then be sent on to the NRCS State Technical Committee (STC) in order to establish statewide priorities for 2018.

The meeting will be held at the Montrose Lions Clubhouse located at 602 N Nevada Ave., Montrose, CO. Beginning with a light dinner at 6 pm (please RSVP to Mendy Stewart at 970-249-8407 x113 or at mendy.stewart@co.nacdnet.net), the meeting agenda will include a report on concerns identified during last year's Local Work Group Meeting, how that information was used, and will feature guest speaker David Harold on Cover Crops and Soil Health. Following the meeting SCD will conduct their monthly Board of Direc-

tors meeting. The public is invited to stay and attend the Directors meeting.

Local Work Groups are subcommittees of the NRCS State Technical Committee and they meet annually to provide recommendations on local natural resource priorities to assist USDA NRCS in providing Farm Bill Conservation Programs in Colorado.

Participants in an LWG can be agricultural producers, owners of private agricultural lands, including nonindustrial private forest land, representatives of agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, and governmental agencies carrying out environmental, agricultural, or natural resource conservation programs and activities.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MONTROSE TO HAVE INDOOR TURF FIELD WHEN FIELD HOUSE OPENS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-As a part of the Community Recreation Center project, an 80,000 square foot facility that opened in January 2017 at 16350 Woodgate Road behind Wal-Mart, the MRD is currently renovating the previous facility, the Aquatic Center. The building is being converted into the indoor turf Montrose Field House, which is located at 25 Colorado Ave. behind the High School. The Field House construction is progressing but it is slower than anticipated.

Several snags have been hit as the Construction Manager, Haydon Building Corp, working with the numerous subcontractors, have dug deeper into the renovation. There are several issues not anticipated during design caused by the humid environment of the Aquatic Center over the past 30 years. This includes needing new electrical wiring and conduit, new skylights, structural fixes to remedy the rust beyond that which was expected, and a new fire alarm system. This work must be completed to ensure the building well serves Montrose for several more decades. Unfortunately, it is pushing the

completion of the Montrose Field House into the late summer or early fall. Therefore, with constructing happening this summer and no access to the required showers and toilets, the outdoor pool will not be open this summer as MRD had planned due to construction delays.

The central feature of the Field House is the 115' long indoor turf field that will be home to indoor soccer, lacrosse and baseball programs. Pretty much any sport played on a field will be played at the Field House. The Montrose Field House project will be very unique on the western slope.

It will be the only public indoor turf field on the western slope except the Western Eagle County Metropolitan Recreation District's Field House in Eagle Colorado. The project also includes a third multipurpose room, the Summit Room. In addition to Apex and Omni, this room will host MRD programs and be available for rentals as well. Finally, the outdoor pool will remain since it is much newer than the previous indoor pool at the Aquatic Center. There is space at the CRC to build an outdoor pool in the future once funding is secured. The Field House is 24,200 square

feet.

The Montrose CRC outdoor spaces are just coming online as CRC site work and landscaping is progressing. The outdoor patios off of the leisure pool are available when the large garage doors open in the afternoon, as are the patios off of Child Watch and the Party Rooms. Patrons can swim in any of the CRC pools and then enjoy the sunshine on the patios. The six dedicated pickleball courts opened last week and are available for drop-in use at any time. The perimeter trail is complete around the CRC and four acres of field space is being seeded this week. We ask that patrons stay off this new grass for the next 2-3 months until the grass has fully grown in.

The aforementioned facilities were made possible thanks to a grant from Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), from funds from the Colorado Lottery.

Grand opening information for the Field House will be announced soon. Full information including rentals for the Montrose Field House is available in the current activity guide, which is available at www.montroserec.com.



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NEIGHBORS TO NOMINATE CAUSES FOR A CHANCE TO HELP THEIR COMMUNITIES FORTY CAUSES WILL EACH WIN A \$25,000 GRANT TO ASSIST THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD

Special to the Mirror

GRAND JUNCTION – Neighbors across the country will soon have an exciting opportunity to help change their communities for the better through State Farm Neighborhood Assist®. State Farm® recently began an effort – Neighborhood of Good™ – to inspire and empower people to get involved in their communities to create a positive, sustainable, and measurable social impact. As part of this platform, State Farm Neighborhood Assist® is back for its sixth year.

Forty causes will be awarded \$25,000 each to assist neighborhoods. Anyone in the United States can submit a cause at www.neighborhoodassist.com from June 7-June 21 or when 2,000 submissions are reached, whichever comes

first. Ultimately, voters will decide which community improvement projects win big.

State Farm Neighborhood Assist asks individuals to identify causes that would help make their communities safer, stronger, and smarter. The State Farm Review Committee will then narrow down the field, using a scoring rubric to identify the top 200 submissions. The public will have a chance to vote 10 times a day, every day for 10 days from August 16-August 25 for their favorite causes from the list of finalists. Voting will take place at www.neighborhoodassist.com.

The 40 causes that receive the most votes will each win a \$25,000 grant.

Winners will be announced on Good Neighbor Day, Sept. 28.

Since the program began, State Farm has awarded \$5 million to communities across North America, supporting a wide variety of causes, including fighting childhood hunger, helping homeless veterans, revitalizing parks, improving literacy, and offering athletic programs for children with disabilities.

“State Farm has a rich history of giving back to the communities where we live and work, helping make life go right,” said Kellie Clapper, State Farm Assistant Vice President. “From identifying an important cause to rallying your community to vote for it, this program is all about neighbors helping neighbors.”

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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

NEW HORIZON MINE REACHES AGREEMENT WITH MINERS' UNION, WILL CEASE MINING OPERATIONS AND BEGIN RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES

- Tri-State and mine employees reach agreement on workforce transitions
- Mine in Western Colorado to begin full land reclamation
- Decision supports community grant applications

Special to the Mirror

NUCLA-New Horizon Mine, located in Nucla, Colorado, and owned and operated by Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, will cease coal mining and begin reclamation activities. To help employees with the transition, Tri-State negotiated a memorandum of understanding with representatives and members of the United Mine Workers of America that will be in place during the reclamation process and the retirement of the mine.

"For many years, our employees have done outstanding work to safely mine and steward the land," said Tri-State CEO Mike McInnes.

"We've addressed key issues and reached a fair agreement that provides continuity for employees wishing to work during the reclamation process, while be-

ing flexible to accommodate the needs of those seeking other opportunities."

The mine currently employs 23 people. Staffing levels are subject to fluctuation depending on reclamation activities and retirements of employees.

The decision to end mining operations was driven by several factors, including the amount of coal currently available at Nucla Station and the cost of producing additional coal at New Horizon Mine compared to other lower-cost options for coal supply in the region.

Tri-State could bring in coal from other sources to maintain the fuel supply, as needed. Nucla Station will remain in operation in a "ready to run" status.

Tri-State has also informed the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety of its intentions to end mining operations and initiate reclamation activities. A reclamation plan will guide initial reclamation activities over the next few years; however complete reclamation and release of bonds could take 10-15 years.

With the announcement that coal produc-

tion at the mine will end, local communities may have the opportunity to qualify for grant funding to assist with the transition.

Tri-State will continue to work with affected communities to support their needs. In September 2016, Tri-State announced the mine and the 100-megawatt Nucla Station, which received coal from the mine, would be retired as part of an agreement with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, WildEarth Guardians and the National Parks Conservation Association to propose revisions to the Colorado Visibility and Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP). Nucla Station will be retired by Dec. 31, 2022.

Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc., is the wholesale power supplier, operating on a not-for-profit basis, to 43 electric cooperatives and public power districts that serve more than one million consumers throughout nearly 200,000 square-miles of Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico and Wyoming.

LIVWELL ORGANIZATION AWARDS CITY OF MONTROSE ELITE STATUS FOR HEALTHY LIVING

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COLORADO-LiveWell Colorado is proud to award the Elite Status City recognition to the City of Montrose. The city achieves this milestone recognition from LiveWell's HEAL Cities & Towns Campaign for adopting five healthy eating and active living policies that help make it a healthy place to live, work, and play.

- In May 2015, the City of Montrose opened the Niagara Community Garden. Forty-six garden plots are available in a

variety of sizes for growing fruits, vegetables, herbs, or flowers.

- In Sept. 2015, the Visit Montrose staff developed the Garden Loop Bicycle Trail and published a guide which encourages active transportation options. Bicycles are also available to visitors to use for free at the Visitor Center. The 2016 Capital Improvement Budget (Resolution 201522, adopted Nov. 17, 2015) included:

- Middle Trail LED lighting installation from S. 9th to S. 12th Street

- Woodgate Road Improvement (improved access to Montrose Community Recreation Center) \$1.2M, included sidewalks, bike paths.

- Pomona/Columbine Safe Routes to Schools Project - \$250K provided safer pedestrian access to two schools.

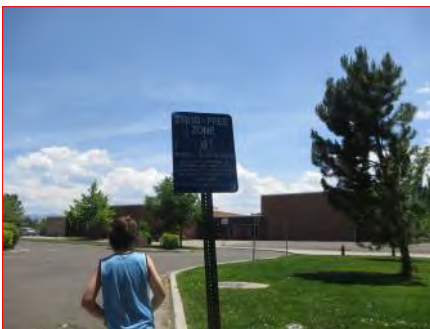
- Hillcrest/Sunnyside Intersection Improvement Project - \$500k (\$800k actual cost) provided great safety improvements for bicycle and pedestrians at a very busy intersection.

MIRROR IMAGES...OUT & ABOUT



At right, Joy Portenier, president of the Golden Circle volunteers at the Montrose Senior Center, gives a gift of gratitude to Amy Rowan of Region 10. Region 10 recently gave the Senior Center much needed card tables and a drop-down movie screen. Courtesy photo.

Top right and above right, the Ute Indian Museum welcomed community members to the grand opening of the renovated museum facility on June 10. Courtesy photos Brad Switzer.



Below right, Montrose RE-1J Drone Club practiced at Centennial Middle School June 9; Caleb and Calvin enjoying summer in Montrose; Centennial Middle School is a Drug-Free Zone and a place to play. Photos by Harry Switzer.





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CITY BEAT UPDATE: ONGOING ISSUES INCLUDE LAND SWAP, SEWER FUND

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Land Swap (Issue #223)

Background: The City of Montrose has approved 17.6 acres of city owned property on Sunset Mesa available for transfer (land swap) for a 16-acre parcel of property near Anderson Road owned by Adamson Family Trust.

There are different components to the land swap which are listed on council work session and regular meeting agendas as Sunset Mesa Land Transfer, Ordinance 2424 (amending zoning) and Sunset Mesa Division of Property.

On three occasions Councilman Rex Swanson touted this project as being in the works for a long time. However, the public record does not support that position unless Swanson is referring to a time in approximately 2010 when Adamson wanted to sell the property to the city. The previous city administration and council did not find the offer acceptable.

It must be noted that the city staff and the rest of city council are aware of Councilman Rex Swanson's close personal friendship with the Adamson family. However, the councilman has not abstained, recused or made any public statement declaring he has no conflict of interest in the issue and continues to vote in favor of all items relating to the land swap.

Recently this project, in its various de-

scriptions, has come forward publicly April 3 (work session); April 18 (council meeting); May 2 (council meeting); June 5 (work session); and June 6 (council meeting).

During the June 5th work session Senior Planner Garry Baker said, "The division of the property is the next step for the project. Two chunks of land allow it to be developed in phases and [it] is more advantageous for prospective buyers." Council did not ask, nor did Baker mention the cost to the city for dividing the property — subdividing, survey, and the loss of land use fees normally paid by the property owner.

While the size of the subject properties are comparable, at no time during the public discussion (April 3 – June 6) has council asked, nor has Baker mentioned, an appraisal of either of the properties. There are no appraisal documents, or suggested value of either of the parcels in the council's work session and meeting packets.

City Sewer Fee

Background: In May 2015 the city council approve putting a 25 cent per month sewer back-up fee on all utility billing statements. The stated purpose of the imposed fee was to help residents with clean-ups if they experienced a sewer back-up. The maximum claim amount a



resident can make, based on receipts and invoices, is \$2,500.

Total funds collected since 2015 are \$46,374.17 As of April 30, 2017 eight claims have been paid out for a total of \$3,966.31.

The city has not used these fund for anything other than sewer back-up claims; however, the fund continues to grow and neither the city council nor the staff have revisited or re-evaluated the need to continue charging citizens the fee. The fund balance now stands at \$42,407.86.

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A TASTE OF JAPAN IN THE HEART OF MONTROSE

By Liesl Greathouse

MONTROSE-Montrose offers a wide selection of restaurants to pick from, but nothing for Japanese food enthusiasts to check out. Now, the new Hiro Japanese Steakhouse looks to remedy that and provide a variety of Japanese dishes in Downtown Montrose to enjoy!

"When people think of Japanese food, sushi and sashimi are on at the top of their mind," said Howard Kusnady who, along with his wife Dewi Suryaatmaja, owns Hiro. "But we will also have Japanese steak called hibachi and fancy dishes like poke bowl, bento box, ramen, yakisoba and mango sticky rice. Our Japanese soda is different from the regular kinds and a lot of kids like it. Our sake bomb will be something new in town, providing a lot of fun and laughter that I believe many adults will want to try. Our desserts will be tempting like mochi ice cream, tempura cheese cake and tempura banana."

The couple has worked in Chinese and Japanese restaurants for more than a decade, but now they are excited to open their own. "I realize that Chinese restaurants are all across America whereas a

small city with a Japanese restaurant is rare," Kusnady explained. "My dream is to open a Japanese restaurant in a city that hasn't got one yet. Now my dream is coming true. Montrose is the right place to invest because the market needs it and we are just trying to fill in the gap. Adding another variety of food is beneficial for this town."

While Montrose has continued to grow, people still have to travel out of town to find Japanese cuisine. That is something that Kusnady hopes to fix. "People have to go to other towns such as Gunnison, Telluride and Grand Junction to enjoy Japanese food, that's why it is our 'task' to present one," he said. "We are trying our best to satisfy the community here to enjoy Japanese food right in Downtown East Main Street...and we are also trying to help the City Council revitalize East Main Street."

The menu and décor are things that Kusnady has put a lot of thought and time into creating. "We will serve a menu that many people have never thought or heard of before," he said. "We tried to make the dining interior as authentic Japanese as possible with traditional Japanese orna-



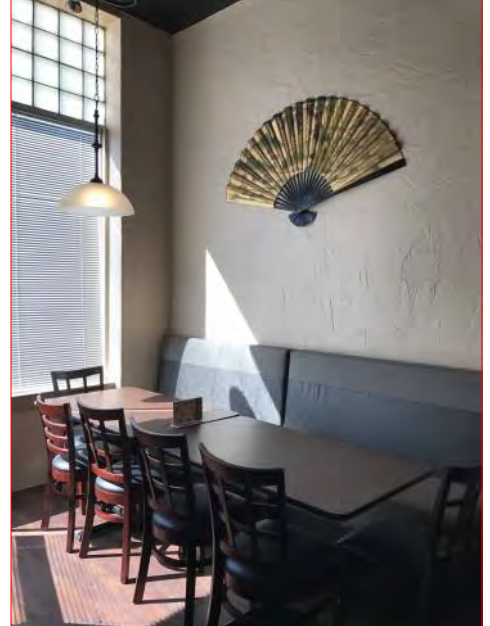
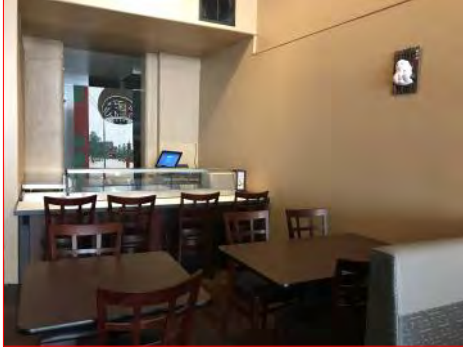
ments and decorations. Our liquor and sushi bar will be the showcase. We have provided the finest booths, with the cushion being twice as thick as the regular one so that the customers will feel comfortable sitting there and want to stay longer. We try to make our customers happy and proud of our presence."

Initially, they hoped to open the restaurant on June 1. But there are still some

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A TASTE OF JAPAN IN THE HEART OF MONTROSE

From previous page



Photos above and at right courtesy Hiro Japanese Steakhouse.

finishing touches to be made, resulting in the restaurant planning to be open some-time later in June. They will keep their website updated with the official opening date once it's decided. "It's better to be a little bit late for a better future," Kusnady explained. "My ultimate goal for my restaurant is to make our customers enjoy eating in our restaurant while sensing the Japanese atmosphere. Something they never experienced before in town."

People's excitement for this new kind of

restaurant shows when talking with Kusnady.

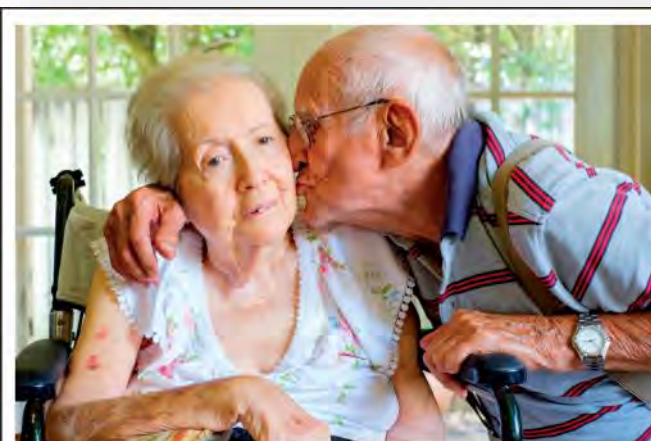
"They say, 'That's exactly what we want, we love sushi and sake,' or 'We have been waiting for such a long time for a representative Japanese restaurant to open in town and we can't wait,'" He said.

"We want to say thank you to all the people here who have given us support. Without their support we are nothing. Thank you everyone. We will see you in the restaurant soon."

Hiro Japanese Steakhouse is located at 228 E Main St. in Montrose.

They will be open Tuesday-Sunday, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

For more information, call 615-7508 or visit hirojapanesesteakhouseonline.com.



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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS ARTS & POETRY

PETER ANDERSON OF CRESTONE READS FROM *HEADING HOME IN NORWOOD*

Special to Art & Sol

NORWOOD – The Telluride Institute’s Talking Gourds Poetry Project announces the second feature of its summer Guest Gourd series with a performance in Norwood: Peter Anderson of Crestone will be reading from his new work *Heading Home: Field Notes*, a collection of flash prose and prose poems exploring rural life and the modern day eccentricities of the American West (Conundrum Press, 2017).

A Bennett Fellow Writer-in-Residence at Phillips Exeter Academy for the 2015-16 school year, Anderson teaches writing at Adams State University in Alamosa. His other books include *Going Down Grand: Poems from the Canyon* (Lithic Press, 2015), an anthology of Grand Canyon poems edited with Rick Kempa, which was nominated for a Colorado Book Award; and *First Church of the Higher Elevations* (Conundrum Press, 2015), a collection of essays on wildness, mountain places, and the life of the spirit,

The reading occurs this coming Sunday, June 11th in Norwood Gardens at 7:30 p.m. It’s a Potluck Dessert Party, so bring a dish or a \$10 donation. Call 970-729-0220 to RSVP (text or talk, no voice mail please)

The monthly Talking Gourds Poetry Club in Telluride will resume in Sept., along with the Traveling Gourds Tour. However, the tour will only occur four times a year in Telluride, Colona, Paonia and Fruita – Sept. & Oct., Mar & April. The featured poet in Sept. will be Jodie Hollander of Avon, Colorado, who studied poetry in England where she published *The Humane Society* (Tall-Lighthouse, London, 2012) and more recently *My Dark Horses* (Liverpool Univ. Press, 2017).

ADDITIONAL INFO

Talking Gourds programming survives without government grant or subsidy through the generous support of private donors and Club members. There is a one-time fee of \$25 to join the Talking Gourds Poetry Club.

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Talking Gourds Poetry Club, the Traveling Gourds Tour and Gourd Guests are collaborative projects of the Telluride Institute -- in partnership with the Wilkinson Public Library, Between the Covers Bookstore, Ah Haa School for the Arts, Lithic Bookstore & Gallery, La Zona Colona Coffee, Wischart Springs Inn, KVNF, the Telluride Literary Arts Festival, Telluride Arts and the Telluride Mushroom Festival.

Talking Gourds is indebted to generous contributions from Audrey Marnoy, Peter Waldor, the late Elaine Fischer and her many friends, Daiva Chesonis, Elissa Dickson, Laura Colbert, Jess Newens, Judy Kohin, Art Goodtimes, Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, Danny Rosen, Kyle Harvey, Craig Jackman, Kate Jones, Paige Blankenbuehler, Art & Erin Wischart, Brian Calvert, Eduardo Brummel, Lee Taylor, Michael Olschewsky and Ruth Duffy.

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GREAT COMMUNITY GIVEAWAY EXPANDS

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MONTROSE-The Great Community Summer Giveaway is expanding and changing locations to better provide free clothing and household items to those in need. This Giveaway will be held in the back area of Second Impressions, 323 N. 4th Street, the recycle store owned and operated by Community Options, Inc., which is co-sponsoring this event with the Spiritual Awareness Center. The hours will be from 9:00 am to Noon. The store will receive donations designated for the Giveaway during regular business hours before June 24th and requests that items not be left by the outside doors. No large furniture items, TV's, or electronics will be accepted.

"This is the 10th year the Spiritual Awareness Center has sponsored the twice a year Giveaway. "Everything is free to help people who are in need," said Debbie Ferris, President of the Spiritual Awareness Center Council. "In previous years, we have been able to help single mothers with clothes for themselves and their children, toys, household items for needy college students and clothing and other items for seniors." Ferris has volunteered at the Giveaway events since the beginning and often collects and stores items for the Giveaways in her garage.

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Per the Resolution, BOCC Meetings will now be held on the

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This change goes into effect for the second meeting of June, which is **June 21st, 2017**. A full schedule can be found on the Montrose County website www.montrosecounty.net

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & CULTURE

MODERNIZING THE LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP OFFERED IN RIDGWAY JULY 14-16: REGISTER BY JUNE 23



Courtesy image by Claudia Hartley.

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RIDGWAY-Weehawken Creative Arts offers the chance to modernize the landscape by using brighter colors and simplifying shapes,

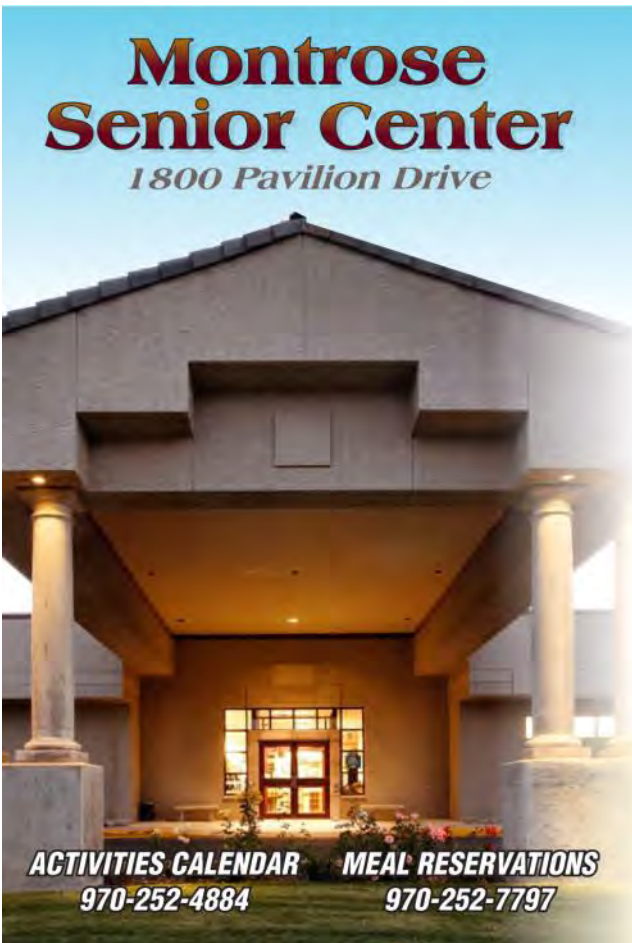
with teaching artist Claudia Hartley of Sedona, AZ. Students will learn how to mix acrylic paints to get pure beautiful colors, how to apply them to the canvas and how to create good composition. Claudia will demonstrate each day and then give attention to the individual student. Students will work from photos of scenes. The first two days students will paint one or two paintings. The third day will be "Experiment Day". All levels are welcome. Claudia's only request is that you "Just come and be willing to explore color, shape and abstraction."

"Modernizing the Landscape" is a three-day acrylic workshop led by Claudia Hartley, who joins us from Sedona AZ. Claudia

is an experienced and renowned painter.

Join Weehawken July 14-16 at Weehawken Creative Arts in the Old Schoolhouse Building (1075 Sherman St.) in Ridgway from 9 am to 4 pm each day. Tuition is \$425 per student, and does not include all materials. An additional supply list will be provided upon registration. There is a 8 student minimum pre-enrolled by May 19th to make the class "go", so pre-registration is highly encouraged (and needed)!

For more information, visit Weehawken Creative Arts at www.weehawkenarts.org or visit facebook at facebook.com/weehawkenarts - or call them at [970.318.0150](tel:970.318.0150).



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Cost: \$40 per session
 Scholarships available on request and evaluation of need

Email meghan.waschbusch@mcsd.org with questions

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

LOCAL STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT FORT LEWIS COLLEGE

Special to the Mirror

DURANGO-More than 400 students were named to Fort Lewis College's Dean's List for the Spring 2017 semester. These students took at least 15 credits of gradable hours and achieved a 3.60 or higher grade point average.

Sabrina Kling of Montrose ; Kling's major is Art-Graphic Design Option.

Matthew Cascia of Montrose ; Cascia's major is Business Administration.


Caitlin McKinney of Montrose ; McKinney's major is Biology.

Fort Lewis College is the Southwest's crossroads of education and adventure. Our blend of small classes, dynamic academic programs, and a liberal arts perspective leads to transformative learning experiences that foster entrepreneurship, leadership, creative problem solving, and life-long learning. And our unique & beautiful mountain campus, on a mesa above historic Durango, Colorado, inspires an active and friendly community with a spirit of engagement, exploration, and intellectual curiosity.

Online registration: <https://goo.gl/forms/r4fwHIGQFEWTgQc2>

Build, Build, Build:
 In this class campers will design and build a new project each day to take home! Campers will build projects of all sorts such as : bridges, straw roller coasters, cork shooters and ball launchers. Campers can then complete a hydraulic lift, hydraulic robot, or hydraulic hand. Campers will also engage in fun engineering mini challenges. Taught by Mrs. Waschbusch, Engineering and Science teacher at Centennial Middle School- Morning Session

Gizmos, Gizmos, and Gadgets:
 Campers will learn about the workings behind electronic circuitry while creating gadgets and gizmos that they can take home! In this class we will learn about the structure of circuits, the components that make them up, and how to solder them together to create working electronics. Campers will start by creating simple paper circuits, progressing to the assembly and soldering of advanced assemblies such as creeping bugs, electronic dice, memory machines and random decision makers. Prior electronic or soldering experience is not required, all levels are welcome. Taught by Mr. Thompson, Applied Engineering and Math teacher at Centennial Middle School- Afternoon Session



Class descriptions

Robotics:
 In this class students will use our VEX IQ robotics equipment to build working robots with driving and lifting mechanisms. We will learn how each robot works, including how sensors drive feedback and response, in order to be able to program each robot to work on autopilot or autonomously. Campers will become familiar with ROBOTC programming language, which is used in robotics applications throughout the world. We will also get a chance to apply our new knowledge towards real-world extension activities, as well as compete against each other in our battle arena! No prior robotics experience is needed, all levels are welcome. Taught by Mr. Thompson, Applied Engineering and Math teacher at Centennial Middle School- Morning Session

Art and Engineering:
 Campers will explore the creative and thought provoking world of art and engineering. Campers will build simple gadgets that can create art, lift, ping, etc. Campers will also design their own gadgets. Campers will also be introduced to the world of 3d print and design. Campers will create an original design to be printed and brought home! Taught by Mrs. Waschbusch, Engineering and Science teacher at Centennial Middle School- Afternoon Session

Make checks payable to MCSD. Register at District Office or CTMS

STEM CAMP REGISTRATION:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Current Grade: _____

Morning Session 8-12 : (\$40)

Robotics Build, Build, Build


Afternoon Session 1-4 : (\$40)

Circuits Art and Engineering

Parent pick up plan:

My camper will be:

Walking Picked up



When: July, 31st- August, 4th

Online registration: <https://goo.gl/forms/r4fwHIGQFEWTgQc2>

THANKS FOR READING THE MONTROSE MIRROR...FRESH NEWS FOR BUSY PEOPLE! WEEKLY ON MONDAYS! 970-275-0646.

APPLY FOR THE ALPINE BANK MONTROSE SCHOLARSHIP



\$1000 non-renewable scholarship



Must have a minimum 2.5 GPA



Scholarship deadline is Thursday, August 31, 2017



Pick up applications at the Branscome Center at CMU Montrose or at Montrose Alpine Bank locations: 2770 Alpine Drive or 1400 East Main Street



Return scholarship applications to: Branscome Center at CMU Montrose 245 South Cascade • Montrose, CO 81401



For questions, contact Allison at 254-2732 or allisonnadel@alpinebank.com



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NOTES FOR THE JOURNEY...

Exploring Classical Music With Rob Brethouwer

CLASSICAL MUSIC SHORT STORY RESUMES...

It has been a year since the first installments of our classical music short story concluded. In the next several weeks the story will pick up once again as it is far from reaching its conclusion. A brief review of the story to this point will be a reminder to continuing readers and will provide a background to readers who did not read the original five sections.

Our story revolves around 22-year-old-Harvard graduate student Olivia Trenpaz. She has just arrived in New York City where she will be spending two-days with the Chief Librarian at the Metropolitan Opera. Before she even gets out of the cab she notices a strange gesture exchanged between the driver and a man on the curb. Odd, but soon forgotten as the excitement of her reason for being in New York City overcame any other emotion or thought. Olivia was being provided the opportunity to spend time among the great works in western music. Her research was focusing on a mysterious and elusive secular work from the 18th century. Only two known originals were thought to exist but had yet to be found and studied. After settling in at her new workspace, Olivia sees a man lurking and moving slowly through the library shelves. By the time she gets up to investigate the man is gone. Left behind on an old music score is a note that reads "fountain, 10am, do not take this lightly."

The meeting at the fountain is quick and intense. The man warns Olivia to back off of her search for the manuscript and tells her in no uncertain terms that she has no idea in what she is getting involved. The man quickly leaves and with a smirk due to the almost comical and melodramatic comments of the man, Olivia goes back to

work. As she is getting ready to leave, on her desk she finds a scrap of paper with a list of four items: the habit of Berlioz, the Church-deeper, secularism as a force, and not what you expect. Was someone giving Olivia subtle guidance?

The information available to her made Olivia aware that the manuscript in question would deal heavily in religion, sex, drugs, and a scandal between a church official and a much younger person. Whether this younger person was male or female had yet to be determined. The crush of her work responsibilities distracted Olivia from the intrigue. Olivia's time at the Met had now been extended and at the end of a long day she saw that a journal was sitting on her desk and that her small briefcase was missing. Once again she sees someone lurking in the stacks and because of her stolen property, she goes after this person. Olivia ends up in the bowels of the opera house and she realizes that the man is gone and she is completely alone.

Quickly deciding to start moving upwards out of the sub-basements, Olivia notices a crude drawing near a stage level door. The drawing is of various individuals around a bonfire engaging in sexual intercourse. This is another vague reference to the composer Berlioz. Quickly going to the area of the library where concert scores are kept, Olivia is sure that she will find something in the Berlioz score for the *Symphonie Fantastique* and more specifically the fifth movement called *Witches Sabbath*. Nothing is there and Olivia realizes that this quest will not be so straightforward after all. Leaving the opera house on Amsterdam Avenue, someone reaches a hand and arm around

Olivia and presses a foul smelling cloth against her nose and mouth. A black void takes over and Olivia slips into unconsciousness.

Olivia awakes in a dim room that she instinctually knew was underground. The room is full of books and from the dark shadows a man speaks to her. Without knowing why, Olivia somehow knows that this is not the same man that she has seen in the library stacks. Olivia is warned that she is getting too close to the truth and that she is up against forces that will do anything to keep secrets buried. Angrily, Olivia demands that the man come out of the dark and show himself. To her shock, the man is the cab driver that dropped her off at the Met on the day she arrived in New York. He states that his sole job is to keep her from harm. Defiantly, Olivia states that she will continue her quest and demands to be let go. The man agrees but only if she is blindfolded. She is walked up steps and is placed inside a van that drives for ten minutes before she feels a cool rush of air on her face as she is gently pushed from the van. She finds herself at the exact spot where she got out of the cab on her first day. Olivia decides that additional answers must lie in the world of Berlioz and she immediately begins to study the score for the *Symphonie Fantastique*. Just before giving up on her score study, Olivia sees tiny words written in the margin of the score that were not part of the original. With close examination she sees that the words are Brussels, Berlin, Paris, Prague, and Tokyo.

Would Olivia continue her quest or have her chapter of this mystery end in New York City?

Stay tuned.

Some things never go out of style.

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & EDUCATION

WEEHAWKEN BRINGS CREATIVE ENGINEERING TO MONTROSE

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Starting June

19, Weehawken Creative Arts will be offering a week-long workshop with instructor Allison Wofford for children ages 6-12 where students will explore concepts of art, science, and engineering through a variety of projects all culminating in the build and launch of a model rocket.

Early in the week, students will learn about elements of design and engineering through smaller projects that will help them in their final rocket construction.

Then, each student will then build their own Estes model rocket that we will launch on the final day of class. The rocket can be kept and launched time and time again.

Instructor Allison Wofford is a Colorado native who fell in love with the Western Slope while attending Western State College in Gunnison.

She has degrees in Art History and Elementary Education and is passionate about using the creative process to empower her students. Allison makes learn-

ing fun and her personality makes her classes a blast to attend.

This week-long workshop will run every weekday morning from 9-11 am at Precedence Art Academy located at 509 E. Main St. in Montrose.

Registration of the class is \$85 and includes all materials. Interested students can find more information at Weehawken's website: www.weehawkenarts.org and can register online at weehawkenarts.org or by calling 970.318.0150.

WATER/LAND CAMP FOR YOUTH AGES 9-12 IN RIDGWAY

Special to Art & Sol

RIDGWAY-Weehawken Creative Arts invites children ages 9-12 to explore the wonders of the local waters and lands with science instructor and outdoors woman Beth Lakin. In this 4 day morning camp, which runs from June 26-29, Lakin invites students to "meet at different local sites to hike, collect water, study ecology

and macro invertebrates and even talk basic environmental chemistry, all while enjoying summer mornings in the great outdoors!"

Lakin is a Chemical Oceanographer by education and a teacher by trade with soft spots for geology, natural history, and geography. This series will run June 26-29 from 9 am to 12 pm, and will require

parents to drop off and pick up at multiple locations, therefore, pre-registration is a must.

Registration is \$75 for the 4 day series. Interested students can find more information at Weehawken's website: www.weehawkenarts.org and can register online at weehawkenarts.org or by calling 970.318.0150.



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Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

NUCHE LEGACY IN MONTROSE



Ribbon-cutting at the celebration of the new Ute Museum in Montrose this past Saturday (photo by Art Goodtimes).

UTE MUSEUM ... It was a beautiful dedication ceremony this past weekend at the rebuilt historical site on the Uncompahgre River, near where Ouray and Chipeta once homesteaded a plot of land, in the settler style. The old Ute Museum got an impressive makeover. Ute advisers participated in the new exhibits. Important cultural history of the Nuche is on display, and one corner hosts a frank presentation of the broken treaties and un-honored agreements that led to the Utes forced removal to small reservations in Utah and Colorado. There were tribal speakers from the three existing Ute Nation governments. The Lieutenant Governor Donna Lynne spoke, Rep. Don Coram, Montrose County Commissioner Chair Keith Caddy ... But it was hard not to be sad too. Remembering how Chipeta had asked if she could stay on the homestead she and her husband were given by the government, and which she'd lived on for many years, and how she was refused. How this good woman -- that so many Euro-Americans now celebrate -- was forced in 1881, at gunpoint, to relocate to Utah. Remembering how



Kyle Harvey album cover (courtesy photo).

the Uncompahgre band had agreed to move from their homelands in the Uncompahgre Grand Valley, where Grand Junction is today, only to

fall victims to a last-minute government bait-and-switch gambit that forced them out of the state ... It is kind of ironic that Western Slope boosters point to the tourism value of the museum. To me it seems more a monument to a great injustice for which apologies and restitution are still due

ANCIENT HISTORY ... It's not always new discoveries that extend our knowledge of the past. Researchers at the Univ. of Michigan recently examined mastodon bones found during a highway construction project near San Diego in 1992 and have concluded that the bones are 130,000 years old, and were scratched and broken by a hominin using rocks to extract the bone marrow ... According to study co-author, paleontologist Thomas A. Deméré, while the findings seem "impossible," he added, "People have to be open to the possibility that humans were here this long ago."

HOMININ ... The group consisting of modern humans, extinct human species and all our immediate ancestors -- including members of the genera *Homo*, *Australopithecus*, *Paranthropus* and *Ardipithecus*.

HOMINID ... The group consisting of all modern and extinct Great Apes -- that is, modern humans, chimpanzees, gorillas and orangutans plus all their immediate ancestors.

DENNIS MCKENNA ... This Paonia boy, who has gone on to a distinguished scien-

tific career as a psychedelic researcher, has a biography out of his life with brother Terence McKenna, a legendary psychonaut and counter-culture author. It's called *The Brotherhood of the Screaming Abyss* (North Star Press, 2012) ... McKenna will be one of the headliners of the Telluride Mushroom Festival this coming August (the weekend before the total eclipse) ... I hope to run some quotes from the book to whet folks' appetite for the Shroomfest, Aug. 17-20

PSYCHEDELICS ... "Psychedelics are not suppressed because they are dangerous to users; they're suppressed because they provoke unconventional thought, which threatens any number of elites and institutions that would rather do our thinking for us. Historically, those in power have always sought to suppress free thought, whether bluntly or subtly, because it poses an inherent challenge to their rule. That's no less true today, in an age when corporate, political, and religious interests form a global bloc [threatening] all earthly life, including human life.

Mushrooms have a way of inoculating the mind against the kind of thought control the prevailing order in any age needs to sustain itself. I'm not naively suggesting the work of building a better world stops with the psychedelic experience. But it could be where it begins, or is renewed -- in the moment of freedom when one glimpses the transient nature of reality and its ever-present potential for change." -- Dennis McKenna in *The Brotherhood of the Screaming Abyss*

KYLE HARVEY ... Kyle is an amazing poet, musician, town trustee and graphic designer who works at Lithic Press in Fruita. He's come out with a new collection of what CD Baby calls "downtempo, space dust folk songs" ... His eponymous release features rocking chair rhythms and bitter-sweet Electrolux lyrics. My favs were "Shit, Man, You Look Great," "Leave the Lights on Darling" and "After Kissing Her in Traffic on Larimer St" ... Recommended.

Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

THE TALKING GOURD

Cleaning the Garage

I blew my nose and Dad came out
 the dust and detritus of taxes
 older than my college daughter
 having lodged there, as I harvested
 the mortgages of childhood houses,
 scouting plaques of ancient uncles,
 bank statement wads whose hard-typed lines
 echo with muted clatter as I tossed them,
 bound in rubber bands
 long turned to papery leather,
 into the burn barrel, still cold in the fluttered morning light.

I wiped Mom out of my eyes
 to focus on the splotched and faded
 album covers, the music that would rouse my parents
 from work fatigue to one more dance;
 their grace and knowing glide
 slough years off stiffening shoulders;
 too young for scorn, we clap and glance to one another,
 share the knowledge that this,
 this is what we seek in life - the joined hands,
 the gentle guide,
 the skilled fulfillment of the following
 when every turn and sway was forever.

The lumpish welt above my eye
 our stillborn daughter's gift,
 her backyard service now a VHS
 stashed high and back atop *another* strongbox,
 waiting to whack me yet again with her unlooked-for loss.

My brothers are in the workshop,
 motley piled and stacked in rusty cobwebbed skew;
 a tool for every intention
 helter-skeltered on the walls and benches,
 time obscuring whether they were ever used
 or if they met their purpose;
 edges dulled with unfinished business...
 to say nothing of the rock-hard cans of paint
 long gone from color to dead weight.

I'm there too, of course -
 Chipped sports trophies kept "in case",
 the wedding tape another top-shelf missile barely dodged.
 I vainly seek a pattern to the keepings,
 but nothing clarifies -
 until the last box spills a flood
 of adolescent writings, and I see
 that what he kept of me were dreams,
 the hopes he spoke so lightly of,
 for fear of expectations.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MONTROSE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The following students were named to the Honor Roll for the 2nd Semester 2016-2017 School year at Montrose High School. To be eligible for the Honor Roll, students must be enrolled in at least five classes, excluding pass/fail classes and earn a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.74.

MHS Honor Roll Grade 12 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Caleb Anzer, Cecilia Barnhill, Tylan Booth, Lauren Brennan, Makura Casias, Samuel Distel, Macy Gurule, Jacob Hook, Breanna Kemming, Hadyn Kersen, Cinthya Luna Ramos, Jessica Medina Estrada, Ian Meek, Kevin Montoya, Rebekah Morris, Leann Northup, Logan Porter, Lillian Power, Makalyn Rider, Lake Sanburg, Ryan Sanderson, Timber Serr and Kendra TenNapel.

MHS Honor Roll Grade 11 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Cade Atwood, Brooke Bailey, Emani Baltazar, Breanna Bjorge, Melissa Bray, Jordan Budagher, Daxton Bushee, Kate Castillo, Destiny Chavez, Olivia Cooper, Oscar Coronado-Rosales, Lauren Franz, Jacob Fuller, Benjamin Gibson, Jonathan Goodwin, Everett Gregory, Consuelo Jimenez, Cole Lucero, Kaylin McBride, Aubree McCullough, Idania Moreno-Garcia, Hezekiah Morrison, Dorian Nicholas, Natalie Patrick, Ashley Poss, Aaron Rhoderick, Dominique Ridgel, Madeline Ross, Melissa Smolin, Esteban Viqueira-Vidal and Kelsey Woerner.

MHS Honor Roll Grade 10 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Angeline Alcaraz, Logan Ansell, Izabel Azevedo, Kaitlynn Booth, Miranda Ceniceros, Nathan Cochran, Jacqueline Cortez-Suarez, Lilian Davis, Danita Jones, Michaela Ladage, Clarence Laird, Tyler Lake, Riley Little, Monserrat Lopez, Keaton Loyd, Maggie MacHale, Samantha Major, Maria Martinez-Jaramillo, Alli McLaughlin,

Jared Millsap, Haley Nevarez, Tanner Oman, Stephanie Perfors, Landon Ruiz-Diaz, Giovanni Russo, James Ryan, Dorian Serra, Andrew Sherkanowski-Blunt, Yousef Torrero, Kennedy Voorhis and Alysa Wood.

MHS Honor Roll Grade 9 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Sean Alex, Jan Matthew Amurao, Gilbert Azevedo, Myrissa Barrus, Caraline Burwell, Eurayllie Cantu, Evelyn Castillo, Zoe Cleckler, Brice Cochran, Yoana Coronado, Shelbi Dearing, Hunter Deltonto, Josephine Echer, Jacob Estle, Stockton Evensen, Treyton Harrison, Danielle Hatcher, Paige Hauptmann, Tyler Hilton, Kira Lanphier, Roquela Lasher, Tatum McHugh, Calvin Merritt, Mark Metheny, Faith Meyer, McKayla Rothe, Natasha Sanchez, Cole Simmons, Daisy Soto-Muniz, Micah Stangebye, Isabel Stollsteimer, Emma Story, John Thompson, Mandi Trujillo, Trista Trujillo-Davis, Sophia Tucker, Alan Vanchaik, Erika Westbrook and Ammon Woodland.

The following students were named to the Principal's Honor Roll for the 2nd Semester 2016-2017 school year at Montrose High School. To be eligible for the Principal's Honor Roll, students must be enrolled in at least five classes, excluding pass/fail classes, and earn a grade point average of 3.75 and above. An asterisk denotes all A's.

MHS Principal's Honor Roll Grade 12 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Brenda Archibeque, Isabella Baas*, Ann Bailey, Madisynn Barker, Rhiannon Bergman, Clara Beshoar, Elizabeth Browning, Arielle Bustin, Taylor Bybee, Katie Casebier*, Mackenzie Chappell, Casey Crawford, Daniel Culver, Kaci Drye*, Jessica Ennis, Joseph Farnese, Allison Fields, Miriam Figueroa-Hernandez, Allie Freeburg, Riley Freeland, Karlee Freismuth*, Katherine Garner, Bryce Gatt, Darren Gleason, Danielle Go*, Isaiah Gonzalez, Jennifer

Granberg*, Sierra Gray, James Hagins*, Alexandria Hanley*, Justin Hawkins, Bethany Haynes, Joshua Hemenway, Bailly Howe, Sarah Jackett, Nicholas Jones, Austin Justman, Jonathan Kloke, Moriah Leuthauser*, Gavriel Lightsey*, Rose Lords, Shayla Lugard, Kaileigh Lyons*, Alexa Madden, Tayler McBee, Paige McCracken, Glen-Michael Mihavetz, Emily Nevarez, Micaiah Nichols, Megan Parker*, Sierra Perkins, Lauren Peterson*, Tayllor Pittman*, Stephen Rash, Sierra Reich*, Austin Richardson, Yvonne Rosales, Jalayne Russell, Isabel Russo, Jacob Rysler*, Grace Sanburg, Sierra Sanders-Vigil*, Quinn Schrick, Ang Sherpa*, Lydia Silva, McKenna Sjoden, Matthew Smolin, Noah Stangebye, Scott Tenney*, Kaela Trujillo, Mariah Trujillo, Ernest Trujillo*, Kael VanBuskirk*, Sydney Warner*, Grace White, Kylie Younger*, Natasha Zepeda and Keshla Zirkle.

MHS Principal's Honor Roll Grade 11 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Jane Alex*, Bryanna Alvarado, Abigail Antonowitsch, Derrick Archuleta, Cameron Baird, Angelica Barajas, Lauren Brady, Allison Burwell*, Karla Carreon, Briar Cary*, Joseph Catanese, Madeline Chandler, Prajwol Chaudhary, Nicole Cherry*, Melia Cleckler, Lee Congour, Erin Cooper*, Ashley Cox*, Allyssa Dixon, Caleb Egbert, Cory Gallegos*, Aylin Marsella Garcia, Aidan Gipe, Bryce Gladding, Evan Graff, Jared Gray*, Isabel Haga, Jacklynn Hanley, Triston Harrison*, Anna Hartman*, Kennitha Hawley, Mesa Herder, Keigen Huffer, Wyatt Hughes, Salvador Jaime, Colby Kennedy*, Taylor Kettell, Camerin Lanphier, Genevieve Lesniewski, Sierra Lucero, Kristi MacFarlane, Jared Miller, Ellie Miller*, Madisyn Minerich, Rocio Mireles-Rodales, Kaitlyn Neubaum, Shannon O'Meara*, Christopher Padilla-Roma*, Alexis Parsons, Tyler Quinn, Peyton Quon, Elena Ramirez, Kendrick Richardson*, Eric Sanderson, Bronson Satterly, Liam Singh*, Emerald Spindler*, Micah Thole, Charley Trujillo, Zoe Tuttle, Mason Weig, Hallie Yergenson and Joseph Young.

MONTROSE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

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MHS Principal's Honor Roll Grade 10 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

Arturo Arellano-Villegas, Litzy Banda, Olivia Beshoar, Ashley Bollinger*, Paul Burke*, Jayden Cassidy*, Thomas Cenicerros*, Angela Comstock*, Aneta Czepiel*, Joseph Donohoe, Elle Edeker, William Edgar, Kallie Farra, Janessa Franklin*, Johnna Free-land, Kinzey Gill, Abbey Heide, Jenna Holyfield, Jeremy Iverson, Jacqueline Jaime-Mayorga*, Dylan James, Janessa Jennings, Ryan King, Bailey Marken, Jenna McGehee, Margaret McHugh*, Amber Mosher, Brenna Moss*, Zoe Motley, Rosario Parra, Lisa Peterson, Abigail Rizzo*, Ricardo Ruiz-

Baltazar, Addison Saunders*, Katherine Sherwood, Kyle Stevenson*, Taylor Ullmann, Madison Vandehey, Jessa Wilson, Lucille Wittenberg and Alexa Yanosky*.

MHS Principal's Honor Roll Grade 9 - 2nd Semester 2016-2017

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Kelsee Dixon*, Beau Duncan, Ryann Fife*, Santiago Flores*, Dominick Gauthreaux, Sean Graff*, Caroline Graham*, Yuliana Granillo-Marquez, Dasha Green, Hadley Greiner*, Brian Grijalva*, Shelby Gross, Eric Gutierrez-Camacho, Olivia Haga*, Emily Hartman*, Mariah Hokit*, Nathan Hughes, Connor Imus*, Jared Kennedy, Matthew King, Ellie Krull, Jonah Lamprecht*, Jasmine Lownes*, Ashlyn Manuel, Garrett Marken, Ashley Medina-Guzman*, Kennadie Minerich*, Allison Nichols*, Alexis Petranovich, Bailee Phillips, Heather Prosser, Sage Ryan, Kelsey Rycenga*, Jacky Salazar, Violet Tubbs, Katelin Whitcomb*, Claire Wilson* and Eric Yergenson.

MIRROR IMAGES...VANDALS STRIKE AGAIN



Mirror Staff Photo

MONTROSE-Armed with blue spray paint and apparently nothing better to do, vandals tagged the pump house in Rotary Park sometime between the hours of 8 p.m. June 8th and 8 p.m. on June 9.

Hold the Date! Upcoming Business and Cultural Events

ONGOING-

CRAFTERNOON AT THE LIBRARY: June 13th-Aug. 1st, Tuesday afternoons from 1-3 p.m. Library Meeting Room. Free event. Knit or crochet items to donate to charity. We provide tools, yarn, and instructions. You choose your craft from many different projects. Open to all teens and also ages 10 through 12 with an adult.

NOW - JUNE 26, ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN

Artists' Alpine Holiday 57th Annual Juried Art Exhibit

Categories: Oil/Acrylic, Watercolor, Drawing & Printmaking, Pastel, Mixed Media, Sculpture, Photography and a Student Division. All entries will be eligible for Best in Show (\$500) and each category will have awards for first (\$400), second (\$200) and third (\$100) place. Show will be held at Ouray Community Center, July 27 - Aug. 5, 2017. Go to ourayarts.org for more information and to register!

OURAY MUSEUM-The Ouray County Historical Society Museum is now Open. Further inquiries please contact 970-325-4576, Email: ochs@ouraynet.com or visit our website: ouraycountyhistoricalsociety.org.

MONTROSE SENIOR CENTER LUNCH & LEARN: \$3 lunch & Learn, admission to program, is free. Lunch \$5. Lunch @ Noon, program @ 1 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP FORCE INTERNATIONAL, non-profit organization, was founded and introduced to the world at a ceremony held at the White House on March 1, 1977. FFI provides opportunities to explore new cultures by bringing people together at the personal level. Friendship Force of western Colorado's regular monthly meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of the month. Meeting location - Red Cross Training Center, 5th and Gunnison in Grand Junction, 6:15 p.m.

THE ALPINE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB meets every second Tuesday at St. Mary 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.

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

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.

MONTHLY-

June 5-8-Mountain Skywalkers Stiltwalking workshop in Ridgway from Noon to 3 p.m. If you already have stilts, bring them! If you do not, a pair will be provided for you to use. If you would like your own stilts at the end of this class, you can buy a pair from Miss Heather. Each stilt walker will be well prepared to sharpen their skills in Yogini circus camp for our annual performance and have the opportunity to stilt in the July 4th parade.

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June 13-Feeling lost in the maze of Medicare? Region 10 and the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) are offering an informative seminar on how to navigate the Medicare system on Tuesday, June 13th, 6:30 p.m., at 300 N. Cascade Ave., Montrose. These "Medicare And You" seminars are free and no registration is necessary. SHIP counselors are also available for one-on-one counseling sessions in the Region 10 services area. To schedule an appointment call [970-249-2436](tel:970-249-2436), Ext. 213.

June 13-Ignite Montrose is Tuesday June 13 at 7:30 pm at Canyon Creek Bed and Breakfast (820 East Main, Montrose). Stop in for an entertaining evening of fast-paced presentations (five minutes with 20 slides) from community members sharing their passions. You won't be bored – visit Ignite Montrose on facebook to find out more.

June 13-Alpine Photography Club Meeting, 7 pm @ Colorado Mesa University, 245 S. Cascade Ave., Room 106. Presentation: Social Media and Photography by Philip Sheetz. Tech Tip: Back Button Focusing by Lynn Campbell Sharing: Painted with Light. Photo Critiques: Open. All are welcome to attend.

June 13-Shavano Conservation District (SCD) and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) want feedback from local landowners on local conservation and natural resource concerns. Your Local Work Group (LWG) meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13 @ 6-8 pm, at the Montrose Lions Clubhouse 602 N Nevada Ave., there will be a light dinner at 6 pm (please RSVP to Mendy Stewart at 970-249-8407 x113 or at mendy.stewart@co.nacdn.net), meeting will feature guest speaker David Harold on Cover Crops and Soil Health.

June 14-17-The 2017 San Juan Rural Philanthropy Days Event will be in Montrose, CO June 14-16, 2017 - learn more at www.sanjuanrpd.org. For Scholarships Available: Apply by April 7th! For Early Registration at \$125 rate: April 3 - 28th. For Regular Registration at \$150 rate: April 29 - May 31st.

June 14-Volunteers of America and Alpine Bank will present a free, patriotic Flag Day program on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 in Centennial Plaza, located next to City Hall on South 1st Street. The program will begin at 11:30 a.m. opening with an invocation, followed by the Montrose High School Color Guard presentation of the colors, the national anthem by singer Beth Williams, a Flag Day proclamation by Montrose Mayor, Judy Ann Files and a special program from Marilyn Cox, Montrose local. Guest are invited to enjoy patriotic musical entertainment by Beth Williams during a free lunch of hot dogs or hamburgers from noon until 1 p.m.

June 15-Delta-Montrose Electric Association's (DMEA) Annual Meeting of Members will be held Thursday, June 15, 2017, at Hotchkiss High School, 438 Bulldog Street. The fun kicks off at 4:30 p.m., with bucket truck rides, kid's games, educational booths, and Elevate Fiber demonstrations. New this year, DMEA is also holding three pre-meeting community workshops aimed at helping entrepreneurs and small businesses prosper in rural America. The workshops will take place at the school prior to the meeting from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. They are free to attend, but seating is limited, so members must RSVP by Friday, June 9 to darleen.carron@dmea.com or (970) 240-1273. The meeting portion of the event will begin at 6:30 p.m., with reports from co-op CEO, Jasen Bronec, and Board President, Bill Patterson.

June 21-Lark & Sparrow presents With Love From Iceland. \$20 adults \$10 youth age 18 and under.

June 23-Palm Kidz Summer Series: Peter Davison - Poet of Motion @ Michael D. Palm Theater in Telluride, June 23rd, 4 PM. Tickets \$5 at the door.

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