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Technical College of the Rockies Announces New Name, New Leadership

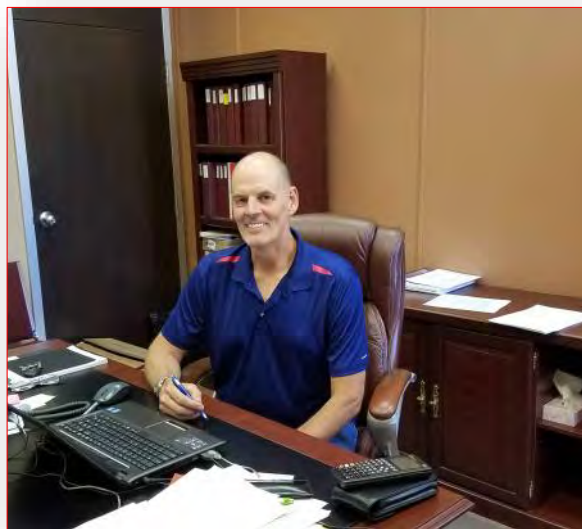
By Caitlin Switzer

REGIONAL-A new name, new director, and revitalized programs add up to a fresh start and more opportunities for students throughout the region.

Technical College of the Rockies has transformed its offerings along with its name. Formerly known as Delta-Montrose Area Vocational Technical College, the campus will update its curriculum, including the law enforcement training academy that has helped to prepare many local officers. The academy is temporarily closed, to be re-opened for enrollment in September.

Michael Klouser is the new director at Technical College of the Rockies, following the retirement earlier this year of longtime director John Jones. The 40-year-old school's transformation is well-timed, Klouser noted. "This gives us an opportunity to review everything we are doing, and really make this a strong program."

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Michael Klouser is the new director at Technical College of the Rockies, following the retirement earlier this year of longtime director John Jones. Photo by Gail Marvel.

DETACHMENT 2 OF 947TH COMING TO MONTROSE



The web site for the 947th Engineers states, "The 947th Engineers build anything and everything the Guard needs. Courtesy photo."

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-When Detachment Two of the 947th Engineering Company of the Colorado National Guard leaves the Durango Armory location for good next week, they won't be going far. In fact, the horizontal engineering company (presently around 50 troops) will join its parent unit, the 947th Engineering Company here in Montrose.

The Durango company had been leasing space from LaPlata County, and had seen a recent drop in enlistments; the consolidation is expected to ease the commute somewhat for guard members who must travel from long distances to train.

"One consideration was that the Unit in Durango had gone from being 102-percent manned three and half years ago, to 80-percent manned today," Colorado National Guard Public Affairs Officer Darin Overstreet said. "The commute was part of

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GAIL MARVEL'S HOUSES OF WORSHIP: LIFE CHURCH

'Are you blessed? Are you a blessing going somewhere to happen?'

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 sign in the window of Life Church said worship started at 10 a.m.; however, when I entered the foyer on June 11 Pastor Todd Truitt said, "We don't start until 10:30. People kept coming in late so we moved the time to 10:30. We really should change the sign." Services were then late in starting and Lisa joked, "We're not on a set schedule."

The pastor said, "I usually lead praise and worship but I'm going to have Lisa lead today for her second time." Lisa played her own accompaniment on a keyboard and songs were displayed on an overhead projector. Praise song selections included, "Come, Now is the Time to Worship," "The Splendor of the King," and "Praise the One."

Life Church is a charismatic congregation that places emphasis on health and healing and Truitt told the 15 people in attendance, "Leave your place [seat] and pray for your neighbor, lay on hands, move around." The pastor's wife, who was my pew partner, turned and said, "Do you need me to pray for you for anything?"

Truitt took to the platform and said, "Are you blessed? Are you a blessing going somewhere to happen? Do you have joy? Do you have peace? Are you righteous?" The audience responded in an enthusiastic, "Yes, Yes, Yes, Yes, Yes."

Worshippers were told to hold up their Bible and quoting the words of televangelist Joel Osteen Truitt said, "This is my Bible. I am what it says I am, I have what it says I have, I can do what it says I can do!"

The interactive service included Truitt doing impromptu Q & A, singing snippets



of praise songs interspersed with the message and the congregation offering words of encouragement throughout the service, "Preach it pastor!"

Using Romans chapter five as the sermon text Truitt said, "Do you know God loves you? Do you know God wants you healed? Is it OK if God wants you to wake up with a smile on your face? How many want Jesus to come?" The audience responded with "Amen" and hands raised. "How many know someone who is not saved? Just tell one person today when you leave here, say, I love Jesus! Jesus didn't die for the righteous. Christ died for who? ... the ungodly!"

Calling for a response Truitt said, "Someone say hallelujah preacher!"

In what seemed to be a rabbit trail Truitt said, "The Day of Judgment is coming, so why are Christians saving up food, storing up food and buying bunkers? You should save up for heaven." Following this train of thought the pastor broke out in song, "I've got a mansion just over the hilltop..."

With the joy of heaven in mind the pas-

tor said, "How many joys do I have today?" The audience stood up, clapped their hands and stomped their feet prompting the pastor to sing, "I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy...down in my heart." He then added to his repertoire, "Oh Happy Day" and "Come Lord Jesus Come."

Using Germany's Autobahn as an example Truitt said, "You can drive as fast as you want because there is no law. God brought the law to show you the danger of sin. Adam and Eve were not created to be terminal, but now people die. By one act Adam brought death, but we are freed by the one act of Jesus."

Following communion, taking the offering and announcements Truitt said, "Don't worry. At the end of the service I'm going to give you time to dance, shout and run around!"

Contact Information:

Life Church

16367 South Townsend Ave.

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Pastor Todd Truitt 970-712-4700

Sunday Worship 10 a.m.



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July 11, 2017

MONTROSE-Montrose Regional Crime Stoppers, the Montrose Police and Montrose County Sheriff's Office are seeking the help of citizens to identify and locate the suspect(s) involved in vandalism.

On July 10, 2017, deputies were alerted to multiple road signs being damaged in the Redvale area in the West End of Montrose County. The road signs were on both county roads and state highways. There were in excess of two dozen damaged signs. Monetary damages have not been assessed at this time.

Anyone with information about this crime or any other crime may call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 970-249-8500, use the P3 Tips app, or make a report at P3 Tips.com. Crime Stoppers wants your Information, not your identity. If the Tip results in an arrest, the caller may receive a cash award.

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that." Almost 60 percent of the National Guard troops who had been serving in Durango had to travel more than 100 miles to reach their unit, he said.

And though the 947th Engineers have been working to become a vertical engineering company, the consolidation will not change the horizontal status of Detachment Two, Overstreet said. Horizontal units can be deployed for projects on flat surfaces, such as infrastructure and roads. "They helped re-build US 36 near Estes Park after the flood in 2013," he said.

"We like to be part of communities across the state," Overstreet said. "We have been in Montrose a long time; we are excited to maintain our unit there and expand our community there.

"Montrose has been greatly supportive of our National Guard units."

The web site for the [947th Engineers](#) states, "The 947th Engineers build anything and everything the Guard needs. From surveying and bulldozing to framing and wiring, engineers are responsible for taking on construction or demolition projects of any size from beginning to end.

These projects can range from paving roads to setting up fortifications for hundreds of Soldiers. Combat engineers put these skills to use on the battlefield, destroying obstacles in the way of troops, or detecting and eliminating mines."

According to the statewide web site, "Colorado National Guard has an economic impact of more than \$240 million statewide. Service members commit one weekend per month—and at least two weeks per year—to train and polish skills for missions both during peacetime and war. Between those military commitments, they live and work in communities across Colorado."

Local recruits are always welcome, Overstreet said.

In other Colorado National Guard news, a former state-owned Colorado National Guard armory in Grand Junction will now become a Western Slope veteran one-stop. "With the Governor's leadership, the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is continuing to invest in the Western Slope to better serve our military members, veterans, and their families," Adjutant General of Colorado and Execu-

tive Director of the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs U.S. Air Force Maj. Gen. Michael A. Loh said at the formal announcement ceremony July 12. "The addition of a veteran one-stop will centralize resources under one roof, making it easier for those who serve or have served, and their families, to obtain community assistance."

According to a news release, during the past 10 years, the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs has executed construction projects on the Western Slope with an economic impact of nearly \$30 million in state and federal funds. About \$3 million in state funds from the General Fund will finance the renovation of 14,545 square feet of space, and the Western Slope veteran one-stop will open its doors in May of 2019 at 428 28 Road in Grand Junction.

The news release also states, "Construction contracts will be awarded during October 2017. Contractors interested in submitting bids for the project should follow the state selection process instructions on this website: <https://codpavss.hostams.com/webapp/>



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Technical College of the Rockies is working with Colorado POST (Peace Officer Training Standards), he said, and bringing in a new director for the law enforcement training academy. "The new director will be reviewing the academy, giving us the opportunity to address needs and look at what the needs are," Klouser said.

"I am excited to be able to review, go through our procedures, and make sure our graduates are top-notch and ready for the work force."

As part of the Delta County School District 50J, Technical College of the Rockies is the only technical school on the West-

ern Slope, School District Superintendent Caryn Gibson said.

"We want to become the school of choice," Gibson said. "We offer classes and technical certificates to our communities; with a new director, a name change, and a reboot for our programs, we are really giving a fresh start to all of our students."

Technical College of the Rockies trains students for high-skill, high-wage jobs, she said. And with the need for law enforcement professionals so great throughout the region, "We want to back up, and use our community partners to put a quality

program together," Gibson said. "We are going to retool, make sure that it meets the needs of law enforcement, and delay the start of the next academy until mid to late September."

All of the college's programs are being reviewed and updated, she said. When the open house is announced in September, representatives of the Colorado legislature will be on hand to help celebrate.

Technical School of the Rockies is located at 1765 US Highway 50, just south of Delta. The phone number is 970.874.7671, or call Toll Free 888.393.5252. Email for information to admissions@dmtec.edu.

REX SWANSON RESIGNS FROM CITY COUNCIL, CITING 'HEALTH REASONS'

Mirror Staff

Report

MONTROSE-In an announcement by letter on July 11, Montrose City Councilor Rex Swanson stepped down from his position for "health reasons," Mayor Judy Ann Files confirmed last week. The Montrose City Council will move forward with the appointment of a successor at the work session of Monday, July 17, Files said. Swanson, who served District II, had served since 2014.



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REGIONAL-Delta-Montrose Electric Association (DMEA) has received numerous reports from members of an active phone scam throughout their service territory over the past week. Callers are claiming to be DMEA representatives, stating members are past due on their account, and threatening to disconnect service if members do not pay. The co-op urges members to remain cautious and follow the tips below to protect themselves:

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Be skeptical: DMEA doesn't call you after hours, on weekends, or holidays. If you receive a suspicious call, take down the caller's information, hang up, and reach out directly to DMEA to confirm the status of your account. Some members may receive calls from DMEA regarding account balances, but remember, payment must always be initiated by you, the account holder. Pay **online**, through DMEA's automated phone system, in person at an es-

tablished **DMEA office**, or by mailing payment directly to DMEA.

Call the law: If you receive a scam call, report it to DMEA and local law enforcement immediately.

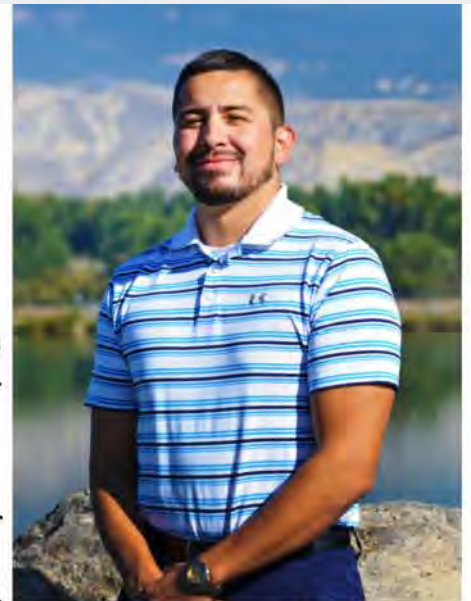
DMEA is currently conducting random phone surveys regarding customer service and member satisfaction with DMEA. As a result, some members are also receiving phone calls from individuals representing DMEA asking questions about member satisfaction, services, experience, and needs. No financial information is collected or requested during the survey. The survey calls are legitimate and members are encouraged to complete the satisfaction survey as it helps DMEA improve customer service, development new programs, and improve member experiences.

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FAIR FUN STARTS WITH THE FLOWER MOTOR COMPANY CPRA RAM RODEO

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MONTROSE--The Montrose County Fair Board is proud to announce the continuing sponsorship of Flower Motor Company to this year's "Barn in the USA" 2017 Montrose County Fair and Rodeo.

Once again, Flower Motor Company has signed on to be the presenting sponsor for the July 21st and 22nd Colorado Professional Rodeo Association (CPRA) Rodeo, held at the Montrose County Fairgrounds arena. This year, the event has also received the prestigious "Ram Rodeo" designation.

Flower Motor Company's unwavering support of the Montrose County Fair and Rodeo, in cooperation with Ram Rodeo will create an unprecedented opportunity for the community to enjoy a fun-filled, exciting weekend of rodeo entertainment.

The Ram Rodeo designation is given to a limited number of rodeos each year and it is an honor for the Montrose County Fair Board to have their event chosen. One of the great draws for those attending the rodeo is the chance to win a \$70,000 voucher to be given away at the end of the year by Ram Rodeo, towards a Ram truck of the winner's choosing. Individuals choosing to participate will be entered into the national drawing to be awarded at the end of the year from entries drawn at each Ram Rodeo.

Additionally, there will be a drawing for a custom-designed Montana Silversmith's belt buckle to be given away at the rodeo.

There will be many giveaways and opportunities for great prizes, provided by a number of other sponsors at the rodeo as well. Flower Motor will also have a multi-

tude of vehicles on display throughout the fairgrounds for spectators to view. Tickets can be purchased online at montrosecountyfairandrodeo.com. There is also a ticket bundle that includes both nights of rodeo action, a ticket for Moto Mayhem, and a ticket for the Emerson Drive concert for just \$35.

Once again, the Fair Board would like to recognize and thank the Flower Motor Company for their continued support of the Montrose County Fair and Rodeo. Make sure to come be a part of the tradition and enjoy the rodeo action brought to you by the great folks at Flower Motor Company in cooperation with Ram Rodeo. All information and fair schedule is available at montrosecountyfairandrodeo.com or on Facebook at fb.com/mcfairrodeo.

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LAKEWOOD RESIDENT DIES AT BLACK CANYON NATIONAL PARK

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MONTROSE—On the afternoon of Monday, July 10, 2017, a 49-year-old female, Tracey Lister of Lakewood, Colorado, collapsed while hiking on the Gunnison River trail of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. Park Rangers were summoned and determined the hiker was dead. Her body was recovered by the Park Rangers and the Montrose County Coroner took legal custody of her body. The death is under investigation by the Montrose County Sheriff's Office, Rangers of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, and the Montrose County Coroner's Office of Medical Investigation. The cause and manner of death are not yet determined and are pending investigation. An autopsy has been ordered by the Montrose County Coroner.

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CITY TO EXPAND REDO OVERLAY DISTRICT AND CURB CUT ANGLE PARKING ZONES TO ENCOURAGE REDEVELOPMENT OF 'OLD' PART OF TOWN

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE- COUNCIL MEETING-At the [regular city council meeting of July 18](#), Council will be asked to accept the findings of the 2016 annual financial audit conducted by Tim Mayberry of Holscher, Mayberry & Company, LLC.

Council will also consider Ordinance 2425 on second reading, annexing the Miami Road Farm Addition; and Ordinance 2426 on second reading, annexing the Panorama View Addition. Council will consider approving on first reading Ordinances 2427-- zoning of the Panorama View Addition as an "R-1A" Large Estate district—and Ordinance 2428, which amends and approves expansion of the boundaries of the City's newly-created REDO Overlay district.

The REDO District was created by the current City Council to increase density and encourage redevelopment Downtown. A July 18 staff memo included in the meeting packets explains: "The REDO District has been a popular and successful way to encourage redevelopment projects in the old part of town. Recently, staff have received a few requests that are just outside this boundary."

Council will also consider approving Ordinance 2429, which expands the City's boundary for curb-cut angle parking within the "REDO" Overlay Zone. The reason for the expansion as outlined in a July 18 City memo from staff is that such parking encourages "redevelopment of property,

which is especially important in areas near the hospital, downtown, and/or with deteriorated housing stock."

Resolution 2017-10 will be up for consideration as well, allowing the City of Montrose Police Department to file a Victim Assistance Law Enforcement (VALE) Grant through the 7th Judicial District Victim Assistance Board for a total of \$28,000 to cover a portion of the Victim Advocate's salary; authorizing the Chief of Police to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as required; and authorizing the City Manager, Chief of Police, and Finance Director to sign the grant application documents.

In other business, Council will consider approving Resolution 2017-11, a grant application for the 2017 Connect Initiative Grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund for the project, Connecting the People to their Parks and Rec.; and a contract change order in the amount of \$15,000 to Jacobs Engineering for technical support associated with construction of Phase II of the West Side Arterial Project.

Following staff reports Council will adjourn.

WORK SESSION: Interviews will be conducted for five potential applicants for the Downtown Development Authority board at the next [City Council work session of July 17](#). Interviews are scheduled with Julie Otto, Kirk Hartman, Alexander Parker, Chayenne Carter and Scott Riba.

Up for discussion at the work session will be a contract with Passage Charter School; a Columbine Middle

School access land transfer; a street improvement project and major street financing options for the Hillcrest Avenue extension project; an incentive for development of the River Valley Health Center site; a U.S. 550 Access Control Plan; a Cero Summit Reservoir Pedestrian Bridge Project; and a GOCO Connect Grant Resolution. Also to be discussed are a liquor permit for the FUNC Festival, and revisions to the Mobile Vendor Permit.

Reports included in the work session packet include the Project 7 Water Authority and a Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Report.

Items to be discussed at future council sessions include the 2016 Audit Presentation and Panorama View Addition Zoning Ordinance on July 18; update to the sales tax code on July 31; Downtown Development Authority (DDA) board appointments, a liquor license transfer for La Isla Mexican Restaurant and bar, and Peppertree South filings No. 9 and 10 will be Aug. 1.



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OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

CITIZENS CLIMATE LOBBY REPRESENTATIVES CONVERGE ON CAPITOL HILL

Dear Editor:

Once again Citizens' Climate Lobby volunteers were ubiquitous on Capitol Hill. More than 1,000 advocates from all over the United States took part in the 500 scheduled meetings with legislators or their key staffs on June 13. I, Wayne Quade, a co-founder of the Montrose Chapter of the Citizens' Climate Lobby, along with about 22 others from Colorado and three representing the Western Slope were among them. They came because they're worried we won't have a habitable planet if we don't reduce the heat-trapping gasses that are inexorably warming our air, oceans, and land; and causing many health, ecosystem, and security issues.

Citizens' Climate Lobby takes a friendly, nonpartisan approach to addressing this concern. They attempt to create dialogue across the aisle for a common solution by building constructive, working relationships. The free market model being suggested to encourage transition to clean energy, is to put a fee on carbon pollution to be distributed equally to all households balancing out any increased energy costs.

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(L to R) MRLD Board of Trustees Robert Munday, Dave Segal, Lee Ann Riddoch, Caroline Evans, Pam Baer and Executive Director Paul Paladino. Photo by Gail Marvel.

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-For the first time in the last few years Montrose Regional Library District (MRLD) has a full complement of seven trustees; however, not all members were present for the July 10th meeting. Those in attendance: Robert Munday, Dave Segal, Lee Ann Riddoch, Caroline Evans and Pam Baer. Absent: Ed Hagins and Chair Emily Schneider.

Friends of the Library (FOL) Report – Dave Segal and Executive Director Paul Paladino.

The library is inundated with donated books, which are first perused by the library staff and then passed on to the FOL. Paladino said, “We go through 15 to 30 boxes of books a day. It may be that FOL need four book sales a year rather than three.” Many books, such as *Reader’s Digest* condensed books, old text books and

moldy books are unusable and unsalable. Paladino said, “People can’t throw away old books...so they make us do it.”

The library is getting prices for the new micro-film reader that will be purchased by FOL.

Librarian’s Report – Executive Director Paul Paladino.

The cabling project at the library nears completion. Paladino hopes to replace consumer grade Wi-Fi with commercial grade equipment in the near

future.

The library goal for book funds is \$500,000 and they are closing in with almost \$400,000. Paladino said, “Book funds are [established] one at a time. Trustees have a book fund that they can make donations to.” The library gets four percent of the revenue generated from the book funds to purchase books.

The Libraries of Montrose County Foundation is looking for sponsors for the August 27, concert featuring The Beaton Sisters from Nova Scotia. The concert will be held at 3 p.m.

James Stetson has been hired for the Youth Services Librarian position. Stetson will work part-time through the summer and begin full-time in the fall.

Branches and Facilities – Pam Baer.

Paladino reported on library air conditioning issues that have been problematic

for years.

Personnel Policy – Ed Hagins. No Report.

Finance – Emily Schneider. No Report.

PR & Outreach – Dave Segal.

The MRLD Board of Trustees will also wear the hat of the Library Election Committee (LEC), a formalized committee to work on a ballot issue for a mill levy increase. Schneider and Evans are campaign co-chairs for LEC and it was noted that while Hagins is supportive of the effort, his schedule will not allow him to be as active on the committee. Trustees are allowed to be on a committee and campaign for a mill levy increase; however, library employees can participate in the campaign only on their own time.

The LEC has held eight public meetings to raise community awareness for the library’s needs, get feedback and gain support for a mill levy increase.

A Special Board Meeting and public hearing will be held at the library on Monday, July 24 at 2 p.m. The board will discuss, take public comment and vote on whether to move forward with a November ballot issue which will ask property owners to raise the mill levy.

Currently trustees are reviewing a draft of the ballot language; however, the amount of the proposed mill levy increase has yet to be announced.

Old Business:

The board retreat will be postponed until November.



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OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

FLAGGERS ARE THERE TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE; PLEASE BE AWARE

Dear Editor:

I am a flagger and I just want people to be aware. I wrote this on my Facebook, but would like to share it with more people. It's been hot lately, thankfully we are finally getting some rain, but this is what I wrote a week ago.

I'm glad I'm inside today and not flagging on the road getting sick all over again from heat exhaustion; yes it's been a rough week and it was a short one. That being said, next time you find yourself stuck in road construction be thankful you are in your car with the A/C or windows down and only for a short amount of time.

Those flaggers you see out there are out there all day with a few breaks. Depending on where you are, they can't easily find

shade to take their break in so they end up sitting somewhere for a few, sometimes in their supervisor's vehicle.

Don't get me wrong I love my job, the heat is something else this week just asking for some patience. We are out there doing a job to help make the roads better, our job is to keep the construction crew and all of you safe in the construction zone.

We are out there flagging in the rain, heat, wind, I've even been out there in a whiteout blizzard this year. We had to get trucks loaded and out of the way of traffic when the storm hit.

I've been cussed at, screamed at, and I swear some people tried to get as close as they possibly could without hitting me

after I let them go. Had one guy actually get my foot, well the toe of my steel toe boot, thank god for the steel toe.

We really are trying to get all of you through the construction zones as quickly and safely as possible, sometimes it takes time to get the way clear of equipment and safe. Trust me a little bit of patience is really appreciated especially in this heat.

When it's all said and done and the road construction is over, the roads will be nice and traveling back and forth will be back to normal speeds in those areas.

Thank you all for your understanding and patience, I really do appreciate your kindness in this heat, and rain as of this week.

Thank you

Betty Summrell



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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

U.S. FOREST SERVICE PLANS ROAD WORK FOR GRAND MESA

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests' Grand Valley Ranger District will be undertaking summer road work on the Grand Mesa National Forest. The work will primarily be on Flowing Park Road (NFSR 109) and Highway 65 in the County Line and Skyway areas. These projects will cause traffic delays and road closures starting on July 12th and lasting until the beginning of September.

The Flowing Park Road (NFSR 109) project will be a crushing operation for road bed improvement that will begin on July 12th. During this period the road will re-

main open to the public, and road construction signs will be posted at the junction of Lands' End Road (NFSR 100) and Flowing Park Road (NFSR 109). The public is advised to be cautious as backhoes and excavators will be working in the area. Starting on July 31st work crews will begin crushing operations. During these operations the road will be closed Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with the road being open to public access nightly and on the weekends. Crushing operations are expected to last through the month of August. The Forest Service advises all campers in the area to leave the area by Sunday July 30.

The Highway 65 project involves several major road improvements. A deceleration lane and a left turn lane will be established near the County Line trailhead, and the Skyway trailhead entrance will be re-routed.

The County Line parking lot will be closed from July 17 to early September, and the Skyway parking lot will be closed from July 24 to mid-September. Public using Highway 65 should expect delays during the construction process, especially in the County Line area.

The Forest Service would like to acknowledge the public's understanding and patience during this period.

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NATIONWIDE NEWS BRIEFS

WILDLAND FIRE AGENCIES AND FAA REMIND PUBLIC: “IF YOU FLY, WE CAN’T”

Special to the Mirror

BOISE— Federal, state, and local wildland fire management agencies and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) urge members of the public not to fly “Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)” or drones over or near wildfires. Unauthorized drone flights pose serious risks to firefighter and public safety and the effectiveness of wildfire suppression operations.

So far this year, there have been 17 documented instances of unauthorized drone flights over or near wildfires in nine states (Arkansas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Utah, and Washington) that have resulted in aerial firefighting operations being temporarily shut down 14 times.

In 2016, there were more than 40 documented instances of unauthorized drone flights over or near wildfires in 12 states (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) that resulted in aerial firefighting operations being temporarily shut down more than 20 times.

If an unauthorized drone is detected flying over or near a wildfire, fire managers may have to ground all airtankers, helicopters, and other aerial firefighting aircraft until they can confirm that the drone has left the area and they feel confident that it won’t be coming back. This can cause wildfires to become larger and more costly and to unduly threaten lives, property, and valuable natural and cultural resources.

“Most members of the public would never dream of standing in front of a fire engine to stop it from getting to a wildfire, but that’s essentially what they’re doing to aerial firefighting aircraft when they fly a drone over or near a wildfire,” said Dan Buckley, Chair of the National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group at the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho.

Aerial firefighting aircraft, such as airtankers and helicopters, fly at very low altitudes, typically just a couple of hundred feet above the ground and in the same airspace as drones flown by the public. This creates the potential for a mid-air collision, or a pilot distraction that results in a crash, that could seriously injure or kill aerial and/or ground firefighters.

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs) typically put in place during wildfires require manned or unmanned aircraft not involved in wildfire suppression operations to obtain permission to enter specified airspace. The FAA, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Department of the Interior and other wildland fire management agencies consider drones, including those flown by the public for fun, to be aircraft and therefore subject to TFRs. Members of the public should not fly drones over or near wildfires even if a TFR is not in place because of the potential for accidents and disruption of suppression operations. Individuals who are determined to have interfered with wildfire suppression efforts may be subject to civil penalties of up to \$20,000 and potentially criminal prosecution. At least one person has been arrested this

year in connection with flying an unauthorized drone over the Goodwin Fire in Arizona.

Members of the public who have witnessed, or who have information about an unauthorized drone flight over or near a wildfire, should contact local law enforcement.

The U.S. Department of the Interior, in partnership with other federal, state, and local agencies, has developed a wildfire location data-sharing program called “Current Wildland Fires” to inform drone pilots of areas to avoid flying over or near. Additional information is available at <https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-expands-information-sharing-initiative-prevent-drone-incursions>.

To keep drone pilots aware of flight restrictions, the FAA has developed an easy-to-use smartphone app called B4UFLY. The app helps drone pilots determine whether there are any restrictions or requirements in effect at the location where they want to fly. B4UFLY is available for free download in the App Store for iOS and Google Play store for Android. Additional information is available at https://www.faa.gov/uas/where_to_fly/b4ufly/

Wildland fire management agencies are also using a variety of communication tools to connect with drone pilots.

The “If You Fly, We Can’t” safety awareness campaign is designed to keep drone pilots away from airspace used by firefighters. Additional information is available at <https://www.nifc.gov/drones/index.html>.



CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE



The Center for Mental Health welcomed dignitaries and members of the community to the annual open house July 12, for food, good company and tours of the facility on Miami Road. Clockwise from top left, staffer Shawn welcomes Dave Fullerton to the open house; welcome to the newly remodeled facility; Montrose County Commissioner Roger Rash speaks with Lance Lehigh of the CMH; mental health information; community members came by to celebrate and share. Mirror staff photos.



CITY MANAGER FLOATS POSSIBILITY OF BOND QUESTION @ CHAMBER GAC MEETING JULY 11



Community leaders and business owners gather for the Montrose Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee Update July 11.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Despite a brief agenda of three items, a lengthy discussion at the July 11 Montrose Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee covered a broad range of topics of interest to local business leaders and others. Leading the discussion in the Montrose Regional Library community room was City Manager Bill Bell, though several City Council members and Mayor Judy Ann Files were in attendance. Agenda items included a **Colorado Municipal League (CML) Update; economic development review; and infrastructure update.**

With regard to CML, "We really reach out, and think they hear our voices," said Bell, a past chair of CML. "I think we are really successful...I think everybody on the West Slope makes sure to work as a group and work together."

Mayor Files pointed out that in two years, CML will hold its annual conference on the Western Slope. "They are coming to Grand Junction."

GAC member Bob Brown asked Bell about **economic development efforts** in Montrose. "How do you see the relationships with economic development efforts in our area? How do you see the connections?" Bell said that friction among enti-

ties no longer exists and that, "we have had a lot of success with small business development, focusing on retention and expansion." Bell said that he and City Councilor Roy Anderson are now on the Montrose Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) board. "We collaborate on things. We bought them a database."

"If you are looking at buying a business, you can analyze the data," Anderson said.

The City is working very well with the Chamber of Commerce these days, Bell said. "Sometimes we bring in partners," he said, noting entities such as Montrose County; Region 10 League for Economic Assistance & Planning (Region 10); the Downtown Development Authority (DDA); and Colorado Mesa University (CMU).

Also, Bell said, the City has provided improvement funding to "a long list of businesses up and down Main Street...Horsefly has used it...we helped with a furnace for Tiffany, Etc."

The City also assists private businesses with in-kind services, Bell said. When San Juan Construction needed blighted properties cleaned up several years ago, "the City went in and scraped all that and created a cleaner environment."

In response to this reporter's question about cleanup efforts at the San Juan

Trailer Park, which has numerous crumbling, abandoned units and which is no longer maintained by the current owners, Bell pointed out that the park is privately owned. "They can't afford to do it...we are trying to clean up blight but it's tricky. It costs money and you can't just go onto someone's property and haul it away."

Other projects the City has helped with include the new Town Centre (At Townsend Avenue and South Fifth St.), Bell said, and added that the City is very excited about the newly created Urban Renewal Authority (URA).

Public-private partnerships are also a favored strategy, he said, and cited the privately-owned Proximity Space. "We put \$160,000 into improvements, but it all went into the contractors' hands to remodel the space."

The only cash incentives provided by the City are for guaranteed, full-time jobs, Bell said. "We got our feet wet with Mayfly."

Business owner Scott Beyer spoke, "A lot of effort is going into this plan...but there is a deficit of qualified workers in Montrose."

"Unemployment here is at 2 percent," Bell said.

"Yet we are pushing to create jobs..." Byer said. "How are you going to fill them?"

Noting that it took the City a year to fill a mechanic's position, Bell said, "Large employers have the same issues...but we are starting to see more people from the Front Range coming over. That will really help."

Beyer, who commented that he has relocated several recent hires to Montrose, said, "I am willing to train, for goodness sake. I just need a warm body. Still, they come in 20 minutes late in yoga plants...I hear a lot of good things about jobs being created, but how are you going to fill them?" He suggested relocation incentives as a possibility.

Mayor Judy Ann Files noted a lack of affordable housing in Montrose, and said that "Money is there to help...develop

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spaces above Downtown businesses.”

“It would bring new life to Downtown,” City Councilor Roy Anderson agreed.

With discussion centered on the Downtown area, Bob Brown asked about the City’s relationship with the **Downtown Development Authority (DDA)**. Brown is a past DDA Chair.

“I recommended we dissolve the DDA,” Bell said. “We came up with a good compromise.”

The DDA remains a separate, intact entity; the City has one liaison to the DDA board and approves appointments; and will focus on capital and property improvements. The DDA presently has close to \$200,000 that has been generated between two sources of TIF funding Downtown, Bell said.

City Councilor Dave Bowman is the City’s liaison to the DDA. “There is more interest,” Bowman said.

“We have three new applicants. I would invite you all to the Pocket Park tonight—the City has purchased a portable stage; there will be beer from Horsefly; it starts at 5 o’clock tonight.” These events, a public-private partnership with Pocket Park owner San Juan Construction, will take place every second and fourth Tuesday, Bowman said.

Mayor Judy Ann Files spoke of the City’s support of the National Main Street Program. “For us, it means the entire City! We

can promote businesses and promote events for all of Montrose!”

Citizen advocate **Janet Chapman** asked the City to consider taking part in the [CPACE program](#), a financing mechanism that allows commercial and multifamily property owners to finance qualifying energy efficiency, water conservation, and other clean energy improvements on existing and newly constructed properties, and repay the funds through a voluntary assessment on their property tax bill.

Bob Brown asked about the City’s **goals for infrastructure**, “Where are you going to focus?” Bell said that he would be “meeting with Council soon to talk prioritization.” The top priorities will come from the recent citizen survey, Bell added: “street maintenance; traffic congestion; and more community events. Those are the top three things we need to focus on—there’s some road rage going on along Townsend.”

Projects that could help ease congestion include a Hillcrest Avenue extension, he said. “It increases pedestrian and bike-ability to get to the new rec center.”

Among the suggestions floated by Bell for

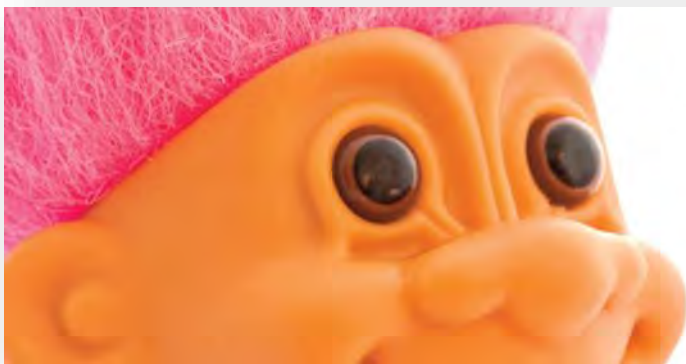


Montrose City Manager Bill Bell led the discussion at the Montrose Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee update July 11.

infrastructure improvements was a **possible bond question**. “We have \$40 million in deferred street maintenance,” Bell said. “...we are trying to be on the front end now; we are changing the way we do things.”

The City also needs to address capital needs in the form of a sewer project, Bell said, and is working on a \$1 million project to connect the planned Urban Renewal Authority (URA) area to the new rec center. “Landowners are becoming easier to negotiate with...our model is Durango.”

Beyer suggested that simply publishing a map of alternate traffic routes could ease congestion on main arterials.



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ART & SOL

KEEPING LOCAL MEMORIES ALIVE FOR THE FUTURE... MONTROSE HISTORICAL MUSEUM WELCOMES VOLUNTEERS, DONORS



The Lashley Cabin was built in 1893, by Alonzo Wright. The cabin was donated to the Montrose County Historical Museum in 1976, and is now in need of some repairs.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE- Step inside, and experience life as it was lived more than a century ago. The Lashley Cabin at the Montrose Historical Museum was originally built in 1893 by Alonzo Wright. The little home is tiny, barely the size of a playhouse for many of today's kids. And yet, a hard-working single mother once lived here, together with her five growing children.

"This was definitely a homestead cabin," Museum Director Sally Johnson said. "It was on 162 acres on Ash Mesa. You can

walk in today, and see the straw tick mattress and a table, and think about how a family would have lived in a small cabin."

Questions that often arise when young children visit the Lashley Cabin include, "where is the TV," "where is the water faucet?" and "Where is the bathroom?" Visitors, especially children, also ask, "What would we do all day?"

Because the cabin has drawn so many visitors since it was donated to the Historical Museum in 1976, the Montrose County Historical Society is embarking on a restoration effort. Delta-Montrose Electric Association's Operation Roundup has donated \$250 to begin the process of re-chinking the cement that binds the logs together. The cabin has not been fixed up since its initial arrival at the Museum, at which time the chinks and the roof were repaired.

Back in the days when it was a family home, there were considerations that might never occur to a Montrose resident today.

"The straw tick mattress would be filled

full during the summer, but they would have to re-pack it in winter," Johnson said. "And bugs would get in these beds—that's where the old term, 'Don't let the bed bugs bite,' came from."

The cabin became part of the Lashley family homestead when Ray and Lena married in 1913, Johnson said. "They settled on Ash Mesa when their fifth daughter was born," she said. "They used the little cabin as a laundry room, and as an extra place to eat at holiday meals."

The Lashley Cabin is one of many fascinating historical displays at the Montrose County Historical Museum, which is also featuring a display on the great American fighter Jack Dempsey, who spent his formative years here in Montrose.

And in addition to funds for restoration of the Lashley Cabin, funds for upkeep of the Museum itself are also needed. "Our roof is so bad, it is leaking on the Western Area Power Plant display," Johnson said. To help with costs for your local historical museum, send donations to Post Office Box 1882, Montrose, Colorado 81402. The Museum is located in the restored Denver & Rio Grande Depot at 21 North Rio Grande Avenue in Montrose. The phone number is 970-249-2085.

JOIN THE FUNC-Y PARADE, OR JUST GET YOUR FEET WET @ THIRD ANNUAL FUNC FEST!

Mirror Staff Report

BALDRIDGE PARK—Yes, there will be a parade in celebration of the Third Annual Fun on the Uncompahgre (FUNC) Festival on July 22, and plenty of excitement and opportunities to get your feet wet! This year's FUNC Festival has added some land events too.

"This is a celebration of our parks system," the Montrose Office of Business & Tourism's Stacey Ryan said, "so we are keeping everything in the park this year, and want to highlight as many elements as we can."

Baldrige Park, locally known as Riverbottom, is ADA compliant, Ryan said. Land events for 2017 will include a casting challenge on the pond, a disk golf tournament at neighboring Cerise Park beginning at 9 a.m., and roller derby in the roller rink at Riverbottom.

There will be yoga with Ellie Malloy at 8 a.m., the Montrose 500-Mile Walkers will be organizing a walk, and Denver's Chris Daniels and the Kings will headline the

musical portion of the FUNC Festival. Expect live music on the main stage from 2 to 8 p.m. [COPMOBA](#) will be on hand to highlight local trails; there will be a safety presentation at noon on the River. Partners Mentoring will have a floating duck event at the creek.

From 9:30 a.m. to Noon will be a freestyle kayak and surfing contest, and SUP Cross and Boatercross will be from 1 to 4 p.m. At 4:30 p.m. will be the FUNC-y River Parade. Sponsored by Montrose Kayak and Surf, the FUNC-y River Parade is one more way to make a splash and have fun. "It's a great team building thing," Ryan said.

With events on the river both morning and afternoon, and the Montrose Dog Park opening at neighboring Cerise Park from 8 to 10 a.m., "We want people to come out!" Ryan said. "The idea is to get out and have fun, and to see what people



Come out and celebrate at the Montrose Water Sports Park during the Third Annual FUNC Festival July 22. Mirror file photo.

are doing on the river—we keep hearing that we have the best series of drops in the state.

"Who knows, you might even want to dip a toe in."

For the full schedule of events, [visit the web site](#).

A large advertisement for Youth Appreciation Day. The background is a photograph of a miniature golf course with a yellow ball on a green mat. Overlaid on the image are several colorful banners with text.

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & RECREATION

WHAT'S IT LIKE TO WORK IN ANTARCTICA? JESSE MCGILL TO SPEAK JULY 27



Supporting scientists in the Antarctic is not an easy task. Olathe resident Jesse McGill spent ten years there and will share his experiences 27 July at the Centennial Room off the Centennial Plaza in Montrose. Jesse McGill photo.

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-What's it like to work in Antarctica? Olathe resident Jesse McGill knows from ten years of living there and will share his experiences with a presentation 27 July in the Centennial Room in Montrose. As an engineering technician who worked on projects all over the

world, McGill became a project manager for Antarctic Support Associates (ASA) which provided support the U.S. Antarctic Program of the National Science Foundation. "Our job was to provide the basic necessities to the science community while they were on the ice," McGill said. "These included shelter, food, transportation, communications and what other particular needs specific projects might have." This also involved building

new facilities as the programs expanded. "The US Navy 'cold weather' division

designed the new South Pole Research Facility and provided the plans to ASA for us to build. I was the Senior Construction Coordinator for that project. The job of the team and myself was to buy the components needed to build the research facility, stage these components from various locations from around the US in Port Huemene, CA, send these materials by ship on to McMurado Station in the Antarctica, and then fly them in ski equipped C-130's to the South Pole for construction. It was a four year process after receiving the plans, to start the first construction at the Pole." McGill's presentation, sponsored by the Black Canyon Chapter of the Audubon will begin at 7. The Centennial Room is located just off Centennial Plaza. There is no charge and the public is invited. For more information call Sandy, [970-240-4913](tel:970-240-4913).

STONE FOXES TO PLAY SHERBINO JULY 21

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Known as San Francisco's rock band, The Stone Foxes are playing the Sherbino on Friday, July 21st. They've played in front of thousands at festivals like Outside Lands and Voodoo Fest, they've headlined the legendary Fillmore Theater in their hometown and they have supported acts like The Black Keys, Cage the Elephant and ZZ Top. Now, with the release of their fourth album, Twelve Spells, they have solidified a place in their City's rich rock 'n roll history. Doors for the show are at 7:30pm. Music starts at 8:00pm. For more information and to buy tickets in advance, please visit: www.sherbino.org. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door the night of the show.



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JOHN OTTO: MONUMENTAL VISIONARY, OR THE HERMIT OF MONUMENT PARK

Special to Art & Sol

GRAND JUNCTION-KAFM, Museums of Western Colorado and Two Rivers Chautauqua proudly present John Otto: The Monumental Visionary or The Hermit of Monument Park, on Friday, Aug. 4, 2017 at 6:30 pm. In 1906, itinerant trail builder and dynamite expert John Otto saw the rimrock country south of Grand Junction

for the first time, an event that forever changed his life. The deep canyons and sandstone cliffs spoke to his ideas about patriotism, religion, and the nation's future. He dedicated his life to protect, celebrate and promote what he envisioned as a natural paradise. Otto's manic efforts culminated in the establishment of the Colorado National Monument. This is his



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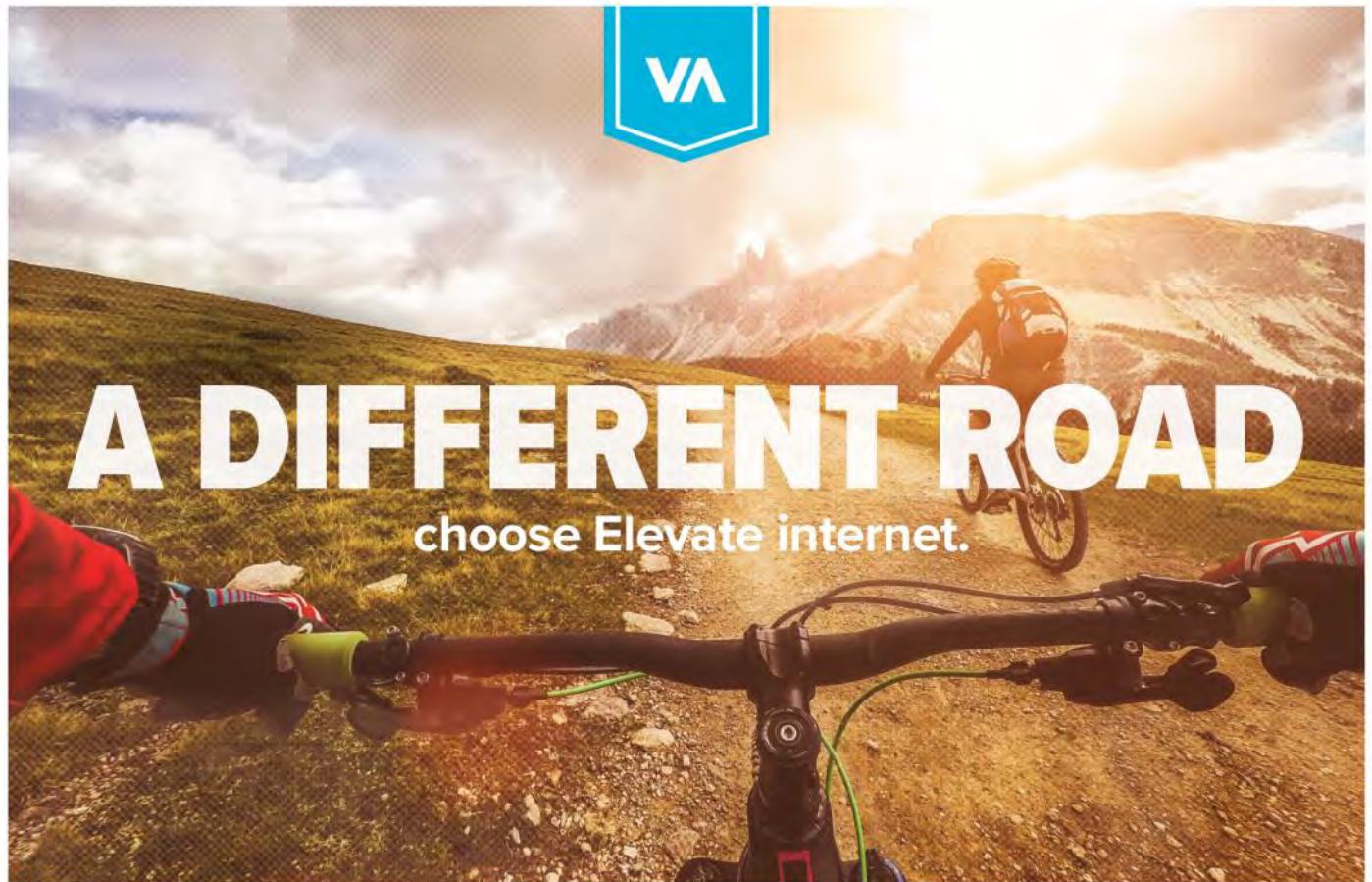
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NOTES FOR THE JOURNEY...

Exploring Classical Music With Rob Brethouwer

THE INSTRUMENTS THAT MAKE UP THE ORCHESTRA

Two questions will be answered this week. The first question asked was when would the short story conclude? The answer, within five-six articles or sooner if I can figure out how to write my way out of it with it still making some sense.

The second question will take a bit longer to answer adequately. The question is about what instruments make up an orchestra. The answer will include the approximate number of players in each instrument section. As has been the habit of this writer, when questions are asked more than twice then it is time to provide an answer with the column itself.

The rear of the orchestra is where you will find the percussion section. These players are multi-taskers who not only play the expected instruments such as bass drum, cymbals, snare drum, bells, and triangle, but also unexpected instruments such as the glockenspiel, air horn, wooden blocks, and castanets. Extra players can be brought in where the number of instruments needed is in excess to the number of regular members of the orchestra. Also found in the percussion section are the timpani player(s) who play tunable drums pitched to different keys. If more than one timpani player is on staff, a Principal or lead player will be designated. This is also true for the percussion section as a whole. A Principal player in any section is in charge of that section, and en-

sures that those under their charge are doing what is needed to keep up to the high standards of the orchestra.

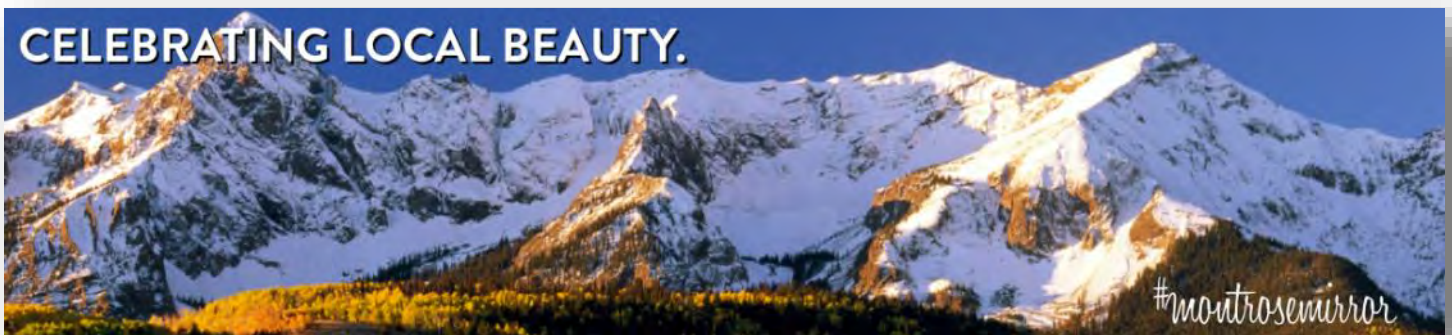
Moving forward we come to the low brass section, which is made up of the tuba, bass-trombone, and trombones. Think of these instruments as the basses and the tenors in a traditional choir. The instruments pitched above the trombones are the horns or French horns as they are often referred to in the United States. These instruments are the alto voices in the brass section of an orchestra. Typical numbers are one-two tubas (depending on the piece being performed), one bass trombone, three trombones, and three-four horns. Moving up in pitch once again we get to the trumpets. These are the soprano voices in the brass section of an orchestra and can include cornets, German trumpets, rotary valve trumpets, and piccolo trumpets. Players are expected to be able to "double" or be proficient in playing multiple types of each instrument class.

Woodwind instruments are oriented in the same way as the brass instruments as far as pitch. From lowest to highest we have contrabassoons, bassoons, English horns, Oboes, clarinets, flutes, and piccolos. Bassoon players will double as will English horn/oboe players, and flute/piccolo players. Depending on the piece being performed, the various types of

saxophones, baritone, tenor, alto, and soprano may be used as needed. Bassoon players, included the contrabassoon will number two-three players, two-three English horn/oboe players, two-three clarinet players, and two-four flute/piccolo players.

In the back row of the orchestra, often to the right of the conductor, you will find the bass voice of the string section. The basses usually number three-five players and the instrument is most often bowed instead of plucked like you would find being done by a jazz bassist. To the immediate right of the conductor is the cello section, consisting of first and second section players, numbering eight-12. The cello is the tenor voice of the string section. Immediately in front of the conductor is the viola section, also consisting of first and second section players and numbering eight-12. To the conductor's left and back a few rows you will find the second section violin players, numbering 12-16 and to the immediate left and to the front of the conductor are the first section violin players. The player closest to the conductor on the end of the row on the left is the Concertmaster, the instrumental head of the orchestra and as discussed in a previous article, the Concertmaster works next to the conductor and other Principal players to ensure the highest caliber of playing possible.

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TARA'S AIMS TO HELP WOMEN IN NEED WITH HANDBAG DONATIONS!

Special to the Mirror

DELTA-Women in Delta County are invited to join Tara's in Delta and Brighton in their charitable initiative by donating a gently used handbag through the Handbag Trade-In program.

Brighton, based in L.A., annually partners with its retailers to collect and deliver gently used handbags to women who have been struggling. Brighton's goal in this nation-wide charity drive is to donate 15,000 bags to 15,000 women in need. Many women have the good fortune to own a number of handbags, and have at least one that they no longer carry. That bag could bring joy to someone less fortunate. As Brighton's owner and founder Jerry Kohl explains, "The simple gift of a handbag can lift a woman's spirits and help give her confidence when she is interviewing for a much-needed job."

Look into your closet, gather up gently used handbags and bring them to Tara's between July 14-23, and receive \$25 to \$50 off a brand-new Brighton bag. Any manufacturer's handbags can be donated to qualify for the savings. You may donate a handbag without purchasing a new one. The donated bags will be distributed to women in the House of Promise program

in Olathe.

House of Promise is a one-year program, with an option for a second year, which gives women and women with children a chance for recovery from the bondage of addiction, and hope for a future. In the first year, women are immersed in the word of God and work through a curriculum to find answers and healing from the abandonment and abuse which oftentimes led them into the cycle of addiction. They also join in the work that it takes to run a kitchen, daycare and upkeep of the building and grounds.

Classes are taught on daily living, which include parenting, finance and life skills. In the second year, House of Promise offers transitional living. The women are provided with an apartment and assimilate into the surrounding communities by finding a job, learning to budget and take care of themselves and their children with the covering and structure of the program. During this time daycare is provided for their children. A mentor is assigned to each woman entering the program to "walk beside them," praying with them and supporting them on their journey.



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"House of Promise is such an amazing organization, and the women in the program are working so hard to better their lives and the lives of their children," said Laura Morris, owner of Tara's.

"If something as simple as a new handbag can make a difference, we definitely want to help. It's important to build up women when and where we can, and I invite the community to help me and Tara's customers ensure that the House of Promise participants have a beautiful handbag for work."

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

MUSIC ON THE GREEN TO KICK OFF WEEKENDS IN MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

Special to Art & Sol

MOUNTAIN VILLAGE – This summer, the Town of Mountain Village Owners Association (TMVOA) and Beyond the Groove are pleased to present "Music on the Green," a free concert series taking place Fridays through Aug. 18 from 5 – 7 p.m. at Reflection Plaza, adjacent to the Madeline Hotel and Residence.

"Music on the Green is a great way to start to your weekend," said Anton Benitez, president of TMVOA. "Meet with friends, grab a drink and a bite, and enjoy live music in Reflection Plaza."

The "Music on the Green" line-up features a wide variety of bands and musicians that will start the weekend with a celebration of music and art amid the backdrop of the San Juan Mountains surrounding Mountain Village. The line-up for this summer includes:

Edison (July 14) – this Colorado-based indie rock trio features singer/guitarist Sarah Slaton, multi-instrumentalist Dustin Morris and Grammy-nominated guitarist Maxwell Hughes (formerly of The Lumineers). Despite only forming in 2014, Edison has quickly gained a large national fan base thanks to their tireless touring, high-energy live shows and supporting many

national touring acts.

The Mostest (July 21) – featuring songwriter/guitarist Mark Ranson and virtuoso bassist Patrick Pearsall, as well as a larger collective of musicians that have rotated in and out over the last 11 years. Self-describing their sound as "Heavy Americana", the band incorporates elements of American folk music and extemporaneous jazz, inspired by artists such as Bob Dylan, the Allman Brothers and the Grateful Dead.

The Harmaleighs (July 28) – The Harmaleighs honestly craft poetic, passionate, and powerful songs cut from a pastiche of indie, folk, pop and Americana. Featuring Haley Grant and Kaylee Jaspersen, the duo is touring to support their latest EP, *Hiraeth*, sharing the inspiration received from being on the road and the trials and tribulations of longing for a home.

McCarthy Jazz Trio (August 4) – Playing a mix of jazz and blues, and infusing their performances with improvisation that plays to the crowd, the McCarthy Jazz Trio explores the structure of jazz classics with an ever-changing perspective. Consisting of Mike Enriquez, Chris Goplerud and Jeroen van Tyn, the Trio takes audiences down a nimble and creative musical jour-

ney.

Beat Root Revival (August 11) – The duo of Ben Jones and Andrea Magee that make up Beat Root Revival are the first to say their style consists of a lot of different sounds. Influenced by blues, rock and roll, 60's-style pop and traditional folk, the duo's vocals fit perfectly together and their passion for the music is evident on-stage.

Joe Pug (August 18) – Austin-based Pug is comfortable pushing the limits of what he is comfortable playing, evident on his newest LP "Windfall."

Aiming to go back to basics with minimalist production, Pug has put together a collection of songs that reflect his ambitions as an artist, and reflect his contemporary influences like Josh Ritter, Ryan Adams and M.Ward.

"Music on the Green" is the latest addition to family-friendly entertainment options in Mountain Village, complementing the Wednesday night Sunset Concert Series, as well as the new Thursday/Saturday "Movies Under the Stars", as well as regular shows at Club Red. For up to date information on all things happening in Mountain Village, visit <http://townofmountainvillage.com/events/>.



COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & EDUCATION

CONCEPT, CAPTURE, PROCESS WORKSHOP OFFERED IN RIDGWAY: REGISTER BY JULY 25 FOR FALL WEEHAWKEN WORKSHOP



Michael E. Gordon. Courtesy photo.

Special to Art & Sol

RIDGWAY-This September, Weehawken Creative Arts will offer the opportunity for students to learn the concept, capture, and process of creative nature and landscape photography with acclaimed teacher and award-winning photographer Michael E. Gordon of Long Beach, CA.

"Nature and landscape photography transcends "pretty postcards" when made by creatively engaged photographers who understand their motivations, subjects, and tools. My goal is to provide you with the inspiration, knowledge, and hands-on learning to help advance your creativity and photography skills with an emphasis on nature and landscape photography. This workshop is suitable for all experience levels and offers a unique blend of philosophy, field work, and classroom instruction in beautiful settings. We'll cover photographic fundamentals; precision exposure and capture; image aesthetics; special tips and techniques; and conclude with an overview of post-processing basics using both Adobe Lightroom and Adobe Photoshop," says Michael of the two-day workshop.

Michael E. Gordon is an award-winning fine art landscape photographer best known for his black and white Desert images which, says Broughton Quarterly, portray "stunning ethereal beauty from terrain where others see only a bleak landscape." A lifelong stu-



After the Burn. Michael E. Gordon courtesy photo.

dent of nature and wilderness, Michael's intimate relationship with the natural world results in quiet images of depth and discovery.

Michael's fine art prints are held internationally in the private collections of the United States Embassy, Kaiser Permanente; Milken Family Foundation; The Wilderness Society, and many others. His photographs have been published in and on the covers of magazines, calendars, brochures, annual reports, textbooks, music CD's, and newspapers, including Arte Fotográfico, Backpacker magazine; View Camera magazine; Rangefinder magazine; Broughton Quarterly; T-Mobile; USDA Forest Service; Brooks/Cole, and many more. Michael's work has been awarded by the International Photography Awards, Prix de la Photographie Paris, and Black & White Spider Awards.

His love for and commitment to the preservation of imperiled California landscapes is a cornerstone of his work. He earned the President's Gold Volunteer Service award in 2008 for twenty years of volunteer service and has served on the Board of Directors for the San Geronio Wilderness Association and Mojave National Preserve Conservancy. His photographs have been instrumental in the

campaigns of The Wilderness Society, Campaign for America's Wilderness, Pew Charitable Trusts, National Parks Conservation Association and others, and have helped to shape wildfire management, renewable energy policies, and to advance Wilderness and National Monument designation and expansion. In early 2015, Michael was a featured on-camera Death Valley expert in an NHK Japan full-length documentary film.

Michael owns and operates Death Valley Photo Tours, is co-founder of Visionary Photography Workshops, and leads workshops for The Los Angeles Center of Photography.

Join Weehawken Sept. 30 and October 1 at Weehawken Creative Arts in the Old Schoolhouse Building (1075 Sherman St.), as well as varied locations in the Ridgway and Ouray area from 8 am to 4 pm each day. Tuition is \$295. per student, and students must have their own camera and supplies. There is a six student minimum pre-enrolled by July 25 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: PEOPLE

NEW GUNNISON DISTRICT RANGER

Special to Art & Sol

GUNNISON— The Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests announced the arrival of Matthew McCombs to the Gunnison Ranger District. Ranger McCombs will start work on the district during the week of Aug.



Matt McCombs.
Courtesy photo.

20. He replaces Acting Ranger Beth Anderson who has been serving in the position since the retirement of Ranger John Murphy in April.

"As a Colorado boy, coming home to the Gunnison has great personal and professional meaning for me" said McCombs. "The challenges and opportunities across this expansive landscape are significant and I look forward to meeting them head on working alongside a solid district staff and the Gunnison's many committed communities, partners and friends of the forest".

Currently serving as the Acting Deputy Forest Supervisor for the National Forests of North Carolina, Matt has worked in a variety of roles for the Forest Service including serving as the District Ranger for the Appalachian Ranger District on the Pisgah National Forest since 2013. Between 2011 and 2013 he served as the Deputy District Ranger for the Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District on the White River National Forest, and the inaugural Trail Administrator for the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail after its designation in 2009.

McCombs is a Colorado native who holds a BA in American History from the University of Montana, and a Master's of Public Administration from the University of Colorado. He served as a Combat Medic for the Colorado National Guard deploying to Iraq in 2003, and as Medical Service Officer for the Montana Air National Guard where he achieved the rank of Captain before leaving the service in 2012.

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- 4:30 pm **Montrose Kayak & Surf FUNC-y River Parade**
- 5:30 pm Awards Ceremony - **Montrose Daily Press** stage

LAND EVENTS

- 8 - 9 am A Walk in the Park with the Montrose 500 Mile Walkers - meet at Riverbottom Rock
- AM Yoga with Elie Malloy - meet between Riverbottom Creek and Skate Park
- 8 - 10 am New Dog Park Grand Opening - Cerise Park
- 9 am start Peaks and Valleys Disc Golf Tournament - Cerise Park
- 9 - 10 am Mountain Bike Group Trail Ride with COPMOBA MUT Chapter meet at Riverbottom Rock
- 10 am start Regional Outdoor Retailers Expo
- Montrose Rec District** Kids Fun! zone
- Casting Challenge with Ross Reels - Riverbottom Pond
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Special to the Mirror

WASHINGTON – In order to meet requirements set by [legislation](#) passed by Congress in December 2016, the price of the America the Beautiful – National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands [Senior Pass](#) will increase from \$10 to \$80. The change will take effect August 28, 2017. Pass holders are given lifetime access to more than 2,000 sites and parks. The fee increase will support critical investments in maintenance projects at national parks and federal recreational lands nationwide.

The Senior Pass has cost \$10 since 1994. Until Aug. 28, U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are 62 years or older can purchase the lifetime Senior Pass for \$10. Previously purchased lifetime Golden Age or Senior Passes will be honored for the lifetime of the pass holder.

The Senior Pass can be used at sites managed by the National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Bureau of Reclamation, the U.S. Forest Service, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Funds from passes are used to enhance the visitor experience and support priority projects and programs.

The pass can be purchased for \$10 before August 28 at a [national park or other Federal recreation area](#) that charges an entrance or standard amenity (day use) fee. The pass can also be obtained by [mail or on line](#), for \$10 before August 28 but there will be an additional \$10 charge for processing, for a total of \$20. Due to expected high order volume, there could be delays with online and mail order processing of up to several months.

The legislation requires that the price of the lifetime Senior Pass be the same as the Interagency Annual Pass, which is currently \$80. The legislation also introduces a new annual Senior Pass that can be purchased for \$20. Seniors who purchase annual Senior Passes for four years can trade them in for a lifetime Senior Pass at no additional charge.

The Senior Pass covers all entrance fees and standard amenity (day use) fees and may provide senior discounts for things such as tours or campsites. The pass also waives the entrance fee for travelling companions. At per-vehicle fee sites, the pass admits the pass holder and all passengers in a noncommercial vehicle. At a per-person fee site, the pass admits the pass holder and three other adults. Children under 16 are always admitted free.



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Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

BRIT PAPER TRIES TO FUEL LOCAL ANIMOSITIES

ANOTHER NUCLA STORY ... Big city reporters, like *The Guardian's* Lois Beckett keep hearing "dueling banjos" in the sagebrush when they make a quick trip into our rural area. Her title says it all: "Under siege by liberals: the town where everyone owns a gun" (www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/jul/14/nucla-colorado-mandatory-gun-law-mining-telluride?CMP=share_btn_fb) ... Yes, there are differences between Telluride and the West End. And tensions. And yes, some animosity. But playing up those differences, glossing over facts that don't fit the banjo narrative – it's getting to be an all-too-familiar yellow journalism trope ... No mention is made of the Norwood baseball team, composed of players from San Miguel County and Naturita/Nucla who won the state championship in their division. Or of the San Miguel Basin Fair, just finishing up, where San Miguel County and the West End of Montrose County team up to put on a county fair and rodeo. Or of the million dollars in grants that the Telluride Foundation has given West End non-profits to help figure out the future with the imminent power station closure ... It wasn't local liberals or enviros who sued the power company. And the irony is that Nucla Station was one of Tri-State's cleanest coal plants. But the experimental plant was unprofitable, and so closing it down got Tri-State off the legal hook without really making a dent in air quality. Another dumb move by environmental knee-jerks ... And it wasn't Telluride that shut down the uranium industry, and the new mill being planned, although many of us in the radical middle (as I like to call it, where liberals and conservatives meet and get things done) oppose the nuclear industry for a host of valid reasons, political and environmental. Energy Fuels won all its permits. It was international economics that sank the mill. Mining is always boom/bust, and there's no boom for uranium right now ... Hemp may not be a panacea, but State Sen. Don Coram (R-Montrose) – a uranium mine owner – has invested in,

and the first crop was just recently harvested out there in the West End. Bicycle tourism and motorized recreation are increasing. Naturita built a visitor center for the Scenic Byway that runs through town ... Finally, if it wasn't for Telluride's economic engine with winter skiing and summer festivals, there wouldn't be jobs for most of the people in this region – not just maid jobs, but managers and mechanics, construction and professional services ... So, bah, humbug, Beckett. Easy to waltz into a community and draw up battle lines to divide people from one another (and there's some truth there, I know). But it's inexcusable to ignore all the counter-movements and the more nuanced and complicated state of affairs that really exists when you live here ... Shame on *The Guardian* for another good guy/bad guy, deeply biased hatchet job.

WORLD PEACE ... At the beginning of the month, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Conference of European Justice and Peace Commissions release a joint declaration called for all nations to develop a plan to eliminate nuclear weapons from their military arsenals. In particular, the two groups asked the U.S. and European nations to work with other nation-states to "map out a credible, verifiable and enforceable strategy for the total elimination of nuclear weapons." It went on to state, "The indiscriminate and disproportionate nature of nuclear weapons compel the world to move beyond nuclear deterrence" ... The declaration was signed by Bishop Oscar Cantu of Las Cruces, New Mexico, chairman of the USCCB Committee on International Justice and Peace,



The Uravan pool before reclamation (historical photo).

and Archbishop Jean-Claude Hollerich of Luxembourg, president of the Conference of European Justice and Peace Commissions. "The teaching of our church, from the catechism to St. Pope John Paul II and Pope Francis, about the urgent need for nuclear disarmament is clear," Bishop Cantu said in a statement accompanying the declaration's release. "It is time for us to heed this moral imperative and promote human security both within the United States and Europe and globally."

EPIGRAMS ... Even with six years of Latin I never studied *Marcus Valerius Martialis*. He came late in Latin history, after Vergil and Horace, Cicero and Caesar. Long enough that my limited Roman studies never got to him. For we seminarians jumped from Rome's classical renaissance to the Church's Late Latin in one fell swoop ... So, I was delighted a couple years back to meet up with a Fischer Prize contestant who translates from the Latin, Art Beck of my hometown, San Francisco. He did a lovely ditty from Martial's early work, *Apophoreta*, for *Fungi*, the national mycological journal where I serve as poetry editor. Martial's *apophoreta* -- two-line couplet inscriptions -- were published at Rome's Saturnalia feast of 84 (CE: Christian Era). Literally, the Greek comes from a root that means "a carrying away, a

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bringing what is due, a paying" [Liddell-Scott, 1958]. These poems were customary -- a kind of special thank-you note accompanying gifts, gift-giving being an especially common courtesy among rich Roman friends. Except that with Martial these pieces are almost always witty, sometimes ribald and often verging on the scatological ... But what Martial is famous for are the twelve books of epigrams that

he wrote late in life, and which appeared, for almost a decade, at a rate of one book a year. Short poems. Clever. Cranky. And quite often powerfully insulting ... Beck is a brilliant translator. He takes some liberties, but almost always in a nod to making good American sense of a long dead poet's dead language.

I can read the Latin, so it's fun to see how he chooses to phrase things to make them

understandable. Here's the least offensive example I could find from Beck's lovely chapbook, *Epigrams*, which was published by Magra Books (Milan, 2016) -- part of a series that Italian-American poet Paul Vangelisti edits ... Public baths were even more popular in Rome than hot springs are currently in America.

This week's Talking Gourd features the Latin of Martial and the English of Art

THE TALKING GOURD

*Invitas nullum nisi cum quo, Cotta, lavis
et dant convivam balnea sola tibi.*

*mirabar quare numquam me, Cotta, vocasses:
iam scio me nudum displicuisse tibi.*

You don't invite anyone you haven't bathed with, Cotta. You fill your guest list at the baths.

I used to wonder why you never asked me to dinner;
I must not be that appetizing with my clothes off.



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FEN TALK FEATURING COLORADO WETLANDS EXPERT DR. DAVID COOPER JULY 20 AT TELLURIDE'S WILKINSON PUBLIC LIBRARY STARTING AT 7 P.M.

Special to Art & Sol

TELLURIDE – The Telluride Institute's newly formed Fen Advisory Project, Sheep Mountain Alliance and the San Miguel Watershed Coalition have teamed up with the Telluride Ski & Golf Company and the Wilkinson Public Library to offer a free presentation from Colorado State University's Dr. David Cooper, who did the original work protecting the Prospect Basin fens during the Ski Area Expansion almost 20 years ago. Cooper has worked on wetland issues in the Telluride area for nearly 30 years, including providing technical guidance for the restoration projects on the golf course and ski area.

A fen is one of the main types of wetland, the others being grassy marshes, forested swamps, and peaty bogs. Fens are peatlands, usually fed by mineral-rich groundwater. There are many types of fens, each characterized by distinct hydrologic and chemical regimes and vegetation. In Colorado, most fens are dominated by sedges and brown mosses.

In the San Juan Mountains fens play an important part in the health and resilience of forested landscapes, but also occur in the alpine zone.

Cooper and his graduate students have been working on a longitudinal study of the fens in the ski area's Prospect Basin. He will talk on his worldwide wetlands work, the history of Prospect Basin project, what's been learned so far and what might be expected to be learned in the future. Telluride's Jeff Proteau and the Telluride Institute's Dan Collins will give brief introductions, and local wetlands expert Chris Hazen will engage one-on-one in a discussion after Cooper's talk, which will be followed by a public question and answer session.



In the San Juan Mountains fens play an important part in the health and resilience of forested landscapes, but also occur in the alpine zone. Pictured is the Prospect Basin Fen. Courtesy photo.

VIBRANT WATERCOLOR LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP OFFERED IN OURAY

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OURAY-Weehawken Creative Arts is pleased to join Ouray County Arts Association to present a watercolor workshop on July 28-30 in Ouray, with visiting artist Claudette Barker. "Painting the landscape opens up an endless variety of possibilities from mountain streams and aspen groves to quiet country roads," says Barker, "In this three-day workshop, you will explore a creative approach to well-designed, colorful watercolors. We'll discuss composition, value patterns and negative painting - in a positive way! You'll learn to adjust and interpret your photographs to bring life and energy to your landscapes with bold, clear colors that sing. There will be plenty of painting time, individual instruction and positive critique."

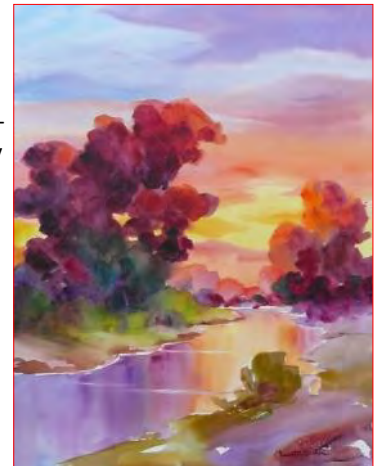
Claudette says of herself, "Capturing the beauty of nature is my goal. The continually changing landscape offers endless creative opportunities for light, color and design. My new series of paintings focus on exciting,

saturated color. The colors are sunlit and vibrant and the objects and buildings are spontaneously painted to express a celebration of nature. I like the excitement of facing a blank canvas or watercolor surface. I usually start with soft, clear colors for an underpainting. I then build on that, adding stronger color and value until I am satisfied with the final piece. Originally painting in watercolor, I have added acrylic and oil mediums in more recent years; each medium offers its special challenges and rewards! For the past 25 years, I have been teaching watercolor and acrylic classes and regional workshops. Teaching allows me the opportunity to share my knowledge and enthusiasm with my students. My work is represented in The Ranch in Taos, Taos, NM and Mountain Spirit Gallery on Whiskey Row, Prescott, AZ."

Join Weehawken and OCAA July 28-30 at the Ouray School at 400 7th Ave in Ouray from 9:30 am to 4 pm each day. Tuition is \$285 per student, and does not in-

clude all materials. An additional supply list will be provided upon registration. There is a 5 student minimum pre-enrolled 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/](https://www.facebook.com/)



Sunset Reflection. Courtesy photo.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & THEATER

PRESENT AT THE UPCOMING SHERBINO IGNITE EVENT

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RIDGWAY-Do you have a funny story? A passion you wish to share? Something that gets under your skin? Or really anything you want to talk about for five minutes? If you answered 'yes,' to any (or all) of the above questions, you are a perfect candidate to present at the Aug. 3rd Ignite Sherbino event. Sherbino Ignite is all about fast and fun presentations. Speakers must build their presentations with 20 slides, each of which is shown for 15 seconds, giving each speaker 5 minutes of fame. Ignite presentation topics can be on almost anything, making the possibilities endless. For more information on the Sherbino Ignite event, or to sign up as a presenter, please email: info@sherbinotheater.com.





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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-

July 7-30-Small Mouth Bass Tournament, Ridgway State Park. \$8,000 in prizes! Call 970-626-5822 or 252-6000 for information. No entry fee required.

JULY 19— Local organizations and public land managers will convene in Grand Junction on July 19, 2017, for a summit on the Colorado Outdoor Stewardship Coalition's new Statewide Stewardship Initiative. The initiative, which is funded by Great Outdoors Colorado, seeks to increase the number, impact, and diversity of volunteer-led land stewardship efforts. While content is geared towards local organizations and public land managers, this meeting, hosted by the Tamarisk Coalition and the Colorado Outdoor Stewardship Coalition, is free and open to the public. Contact Stacy Beough at sbeough@tamariskcoalition.org or 970-256-7400 for more information.

July 19-David Nunn @ SkyBar at Chipeta in Ridgway. 6-9pm.

July 21-23-The 22nd annual Black Canyon Quilt Show, Kaleidoscope of Stars, will take place at the Montrose Pavilion July 21-23, 2017. Entry forms, challenge information, class schedules, and questions can be answered at the web site: [www,BlackCanyonQuiltShow.com](http://www.BlackCanyonQuiltShow.com).

July 21-Mike Guinn @ SkyBar at Chipeta in Ridgway. 6-9pm.

July 22-Third Annual FUNC Fest at Riverbottom Park in Montrose! Land and water activities for the whole family. [See schedule page 36.](#)

July 22-Join the Salt Creek Hemp Company for the 2nd Annual Hemp On The Slope celebration July 22 at Salt Creek Ranch. Let's talk hemp and learn how to build a local hemp economy on the Western Slope of Colorado. Contact us for vendor and sponsorship opportunities. Hosted by Salt Creek Hemp Company and Produced by Colorado Hemp Company. [Visit us online](#) for tickets and information.

July 26-Bruce Hayes and Mel @ SkyBar at Chipeta in Ridgway. 6-9 pm.

July 27-Aug. 5-The 57th Artists' Alpine Holiday Annual Art Show. Thurs. 7/27 - Fri. 7/28 10-7 pm, Sat. 7/29 - Sun. 7/30 10-6pm, Mon. 7/31 - Sat. 8/5 10-5pm, Ouray Community Center, 320 6th Ave., Ouray, CO. The public is invited. Go to ourayarts.org for details.

July 27-The RADIO ROOM proudly presents Moors & McCumber July 27 at 7:30 PM. James Moors and Kort McCumber are an acoustic duo specializing in Americana, folk, melody, and stories. Tickets are \$18 in advance and \$20 at the door and may be purchased by calling (970) 241-8801. Ext 211 or online at www.kafradio.org. The Radio Room is located at 1310 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Doors open at 7 p.m.

July 28-31-The Wright Opera House and UpstART Theater present a No Holds Bard production of Shakespeare's The Tempest Magic, shipwreck, love, vengeance, justice, and mercy, performed with the energy, intensity, and delight that Shakespeare intended. Performances Friday through Monday July 28, 29, and 31 at 7:30 p.m., July 30 at 4 p.m. Tickets \$15 in advance (by July 27); \$20 at door theWrightOperaHouse.org.

July 28-Steve Felberg @ SkyBar at Chipeta in Ridgway. 6-9pm.

July 29-Cedaredge celebrates the 28th Annual Pie & Ice Cream Social on July 29 from 11-3 pm. at the Stolte Shed, with games, entertainment, pie eating contest and more.

Aug. 1-10-In Ridgway Yogini Circus camp runs Aug. 1 to 10 from 1 to 5 p.m. Sign up for one or both sessions. Click [here](#) to register for Yogini. There will be TWO performances this year. Email us for more info. This year's theme is Peace.

Aug. 5-Olathe Sweet Corn Festival, Olathe Sweet Corn Park.

Aug. 7—Montrose Giving Club at the Bridges of Montrose, 5:30 p.m. Quarterly Giving Club meetings are open and inclusive to all. For more information contact Hansen @ sue@suehansenspeaks.com or Benziger @ phebenator@hotmail.com.

Aug. 9-Celebrate Smokey's Birthday – August 9 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the Montrose Public Lands Center, 2505 S Townsend Road. The birthday party will include games, arts and crafts, cake and a visit from the guest of honor- Smokey! This is a free event. No reservations required.

Aug. 11-MMH Women's Leadership Circle Luncheon, Adventures in Philanthropy, Holiday Inn Express Montrose. For reservations call 970-252-2744.

Aug. 12-33rd Annual Ridgway Arts & Crafts Rendezvous, Hartwell Park in Ridgway 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Aug. 17- 7:30 p.m. — SAN JUAN CHAMBER MUSICFEST CLASSICAL CAFE at Ouray County 4-H Event Center in Ridgway. Opening event of the 2017 San Juan Chamber MusicFest. Gather up a group of friends and enjoy this informal concert with seating at cafe tables. Featuring Max Levinson, piano; Nurit Pacht, violin; Allison Eldredge, cello; Rami Vamos, classical guitar; and more! Program includes a variety of classical selections from around the world. Premium ticket holders are invited to attend a catered reception prior to the concert at 5:30 p.m. Presented by the Ouray County Performing Arts Guild. Tickets \$40 premium, \$25 standard at www.ocpag.org. Part of the 2017 Dave and Mary Wood Classical Concert Series.

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MONTROSE-Attendees began gathering Friday for the 2017 Night Vision event that took place this past weekend at the Olathe Sweet Corn Park.



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